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Acreage of Kasokoni Irrigation Scheme which has upscaled horticultural farming in the area

200

Number of artisanal miner cooperative societies that have been formed in Kenya so far

10,000

Number of housing units the the government, through the Affordable Housing Programme, is targeting to build in Murang'a County.

534m

Amount of money Turkana County has set aside for the County Education Fund this financial year.

47,000

Needy students who have benefited from the Narok County Government bursary kitty of Sh400 million

273,000

Visitors who have arrived in Kenya in the last 16 months

PS State Department of Agriculture, Dr. Kiprono Rono says the govt plans to increase domestic oil crops production from 5pc to 25 pc, rice from 18 percent to 40 percent, and revamp underperforming and collapsed export crops while also expanding emerging ones

BY WANGARI NDIRANGU (KNA)

The Government intends to reduce dependence on basic food imports by 30 percent through the revamping of moribund sectors and the expansion of emerging sectors to enhance food security in the country.

The Principal Secretary for the State Department for Agriculture, Dr. Kiprono Rono, spoke during a meeting on the Financing Agriculture Sustainably Conference (FINAS 2024), scheduled for March 2024.

He stated that the government plans to increase domestic oil crops production from 5 percent to 25 percent, rice from 18 percent to 40 percent, and revamp underperforming and collapsed export crops while also expanding emerging ones.



Rono emphasized that the conversation on agriculture investment and funding is overdue and needs to take place. This discussion is essential to better position the country to transform the agricultural sector and determine the most effective way to involve all relevant actors.

"Government is committed



to the provision of adequate, affordable working capital to farmers, through well-managed farmer organizations, deployment of modern agricultural risk management instruments, that ensure farming is profitable and income is predictable," he said.

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Principal Secretary, State Department for Agriculture, Dr. Paul Kiprono Rono.



Dr. Madaraka Ogoye and other surgeons from Kimbimbi Hospital during the surgery exercise.

Kirinyaga County achieves medical milestone with first minimally invasive surgery

BY DAVID WANDETO (KNA)

The County Government of Kirinyaga has achieved yet another milestone in the medical field as doctors performed the first minimally invasive surgery in the county at Kimbimbi Sub-County Hospital.

This achievement comes barely a month after the first spinal surgery in the county was successfully performed at Kerugoya County and Referral Hospital.

The laparoscopic cholecystectomy was conducted on a 39-year-old woman

from Gathigiriri Ward. The patient, suffering from cholecystitis, is stable and is now recuperating in the ward after a successful surgery. Laparoscopic cholecystectomy is a term for a type of surgery to remove the gallbladder when one has gallstones

This groundbreaking medical procedure is a step forward for the county's elaborate Comprehensive Healthcare Coverage strategy aimed at ensuring that

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The PS noted that the Conference could not come at a better time as Kenya, like many other countries in the region, is facing unprecedented times of disruption in agri- food systems, resulting in loss of livelihoods and increased food insecurity.

"As we embark on implementing the Food Security Agenda, we have also been grappling with climate change impacts such as the ongoing El-Nino rains and the resultant floods, the recent drought and the global ramifications of the Ukraine and Russian conflict. Many enterprises are still yet to recover fully from the Covid shock, while some wound up for good," the PS said.

He noted that the government has prioritized funding agriculture in the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), and that it is in the process of developing a 10-year agriculture master plan aimed at enhancing investment to boost food



(From Left; Academician Prof. Ratemo Michieka, Dr. Kawira Mutegi, Conference Director, Agriculture PS Dr. Paul Rono and COG CEO Mary Mwiti, during the launch of the FINAS 2024

production in the country.

The master plan 2024–2034 will help in implementing the Agricultural Sector Transformation and Growth Strategy (ASTGS 2019 -2029), which envisions a vibrant private sector that contributes up to 80 per cent of the National Agricultural Investment Plan.

"All programmes and initiatives developed to implement the ASTGS are ending in June this year, prompting the Ministry in conjunction with other stakeholders to

develop new ones and more that are aligned to BETA," the PS said.

Through engagements with relevant stakeholders, the government expects to chart tangible investment and funding action plans that are alive to the current realities of the country and the 47 counties," he said.

Council of Governors

Council of Governors (COG) Chief Executive Officer, Mary Mwiti, said counties should be at the forefront in addressing challenges that impede farmers from accessing development funds.

"Counties are pivotal in coming-up with solutions, facilitating access to credit and establishing farmercentric policies," she said. Mwiti hoped that the

Mwiti hoped that the upcoming conference on financing agriculture, sustainably will centre discussions to financing county-led agricultural development programmes, in the mind that agriculture is devolved.

She noted that success stories emerging across various counties where innovative financing have flourished, is because of collaboration between the national and local governments, as well as financial institutions and farming communities.

Mwiti opined that focus on financing agriculture should be in reducing risks through crop insurance, price stabilization, increasing credit accessibility by streamlining loan processes and promoting sustainable practices via investment in research and development.

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county residents have access to quality and affordable healthcare services within the county.

After successfully completing the laparoscopy, Dr. Madaraka Ogoye, the lead surgeon, stated that the surgery was a breakthrough in the county's medical care provision. He emphasized that the minimally invasive procedure is effective and more cost-effective compared to conventional open surgery.

'Minimal invasive surgery does not make big cuts on patients since we use specialized equipment to make small incisions, through which we carry out the surgery. Smaller incisions mean less pain, faster recovery, quicker return home, back to work quickly, and all this means that overall, minimally invasive surgery is cost-effective, as the shorter the stay at a hospital, the cheaper it is," he said.

Dr. Ogoye emphasized the global trend towards minimally invasive surgeries due to their benefits, including reduced morbidity associated with open surgeries, faster recovery times, and costeffectiveness. He termed the surgery as the first of its kind that has been introduced in the county as the world transitions from open surgery.

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He thanked the Kirinyaga County Government for allowing him to undertake postgraduate studies where he acquired skills in general surgery as well as minimally invasive surgery and for providing a conducive environment and equipment to carry out such an operation.

The doctor said that there were plans to collaborate with other counties on building the capacity of doctors and other medical cadres to build teams that can safely and effectively provide minimally invasive surgeries in various counties.



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Kenya National Trading Corporation (KNTC) is a State Corporation in the Ministry of Investments, Trade & Industry with a mandate to provide Procurement agency services to the Government, promote wholesale and retail trade through distribution of essential commodities within the country with flagship products including Fertilizers, Rice, Assorted Farm input, Assorted Hardware among other supplies. KNTC also provides Warehousing space and services to the general public besides supporting local SME's through finding local and export markets for their products.

 $The \ Corporation \ seeks \ to \ recruit \ qualified \ candidates \ to \ take \ up \ the \ following \ exciting \ career \ opportunities; -$

S/ NO.	Ref No.	POSITION	GRADE	VACANCIES
1	HR/6/2024/MD	Managing Director	KNTC 1/Job Group U	1
2	HR/6/2024/GMP&S	General Manager, Purchasing & Sales	KNTC 2/Job Group T	1
3	HR/6/2024/MW	Manager, Warehousing	KNTC 3/Job Group S	1
4	HR/6/2024/FT	Manager, Finance & Treasury	KNTC 3/Job Group S	1
5	HR/6/2024/MBD	Manager, Business Development	KNTC 3/Job Group S	1

Full job descriptions with requirements can be obtained from the career section of our website: www.kntc.go.ke

Interested candidates are hereby called upon to apply to the address below via **Post Office** or **Hand Delivery** latest **12**th **February 2024 at 5.00pm**. enclosing cover letter, CV with full details of education background, professional qualifications and relevant experience together with copies of testimonials, academic certificates and National Identity Card.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews. Successful candidates will be required to avail the following documents at the point of receiving job offers;

- Clearance from Higher Education Loans Board;
- Clearance from Ethics and Anti-corruption Commission;
- Clearance from Kenya Revenue Authority (Tax Compliance certificate);
- Certificate of Good Conduct/Police Clearance from Directorate of Criminal Investigations.

BOARD CHAIRMAN
KENYA NATIONAL TRADING CORPORATION
KNTC HEAD OFFICE BUILDING
OFF NANYUKI ROAD, INDUSTRIAL AREA
P. O. BOX 30587 - 00100
NAIROBI

KNTC is an equal opportunity employer and encourages all qualified persons including the Youth, Women, Persons with Disability and persons from Minority groups to apply. Only successful candidates shall be contacted for interviews and canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

KNTC does NOT charge any fee at any stage of recruitment.



KENYA ORDNANCE FACTORIES CORPORATION



TENDER NOTICE

Kenya Ordnance Factories Corporation (KOFC) invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the tenders listed

Tender No:	Item Description	Tender Closing Date
KOFC/OT/GEN/002/23-24	Provision of Insurance Services	10:00 am on 06 February 2024
KOFC/OT/GEN/003/23-24	Provision of Transportation Services	10:00 am on 06 February 2024
KOFC/FRW/GEN/001/23-24	Framework Agreement for supply and delivery of White Shelled Maize	10:00 am on 06 February 2024
KOFC/FRW/BAKERY/002/23-24	Framework Agreement for supply and delivery of White Cooking Fat	10:00 am on 06 February 2024

Qualified bidders may download the tender documents free of charge from our website **www.kofc.co.ke**. The downloaded documents should be duly completed as per the instructions given and dropped into the tender box at Kenya Ordnance Factories Corporation (Main Gate) located at Eldoret - Kitale Road on or before dates against each tender at **10:00 am**.

Completed serialized/paginated Bidding Documents; One Original and a Copy in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked on top with the Tender Number and Description accompanied by a Bid Security of an amount as indicated in the respective Tender Documents from a financial institution approved and licensed by the Central Bank of Kenya and should be addressed to:

Kenya Ordnance Factories Corporation P.O Box 6634-30100 Eldoret Kenya Tel: +254 722 209 639/ 0794517532

Tenders will be opened immediately in the presence of bidders or their representatives who choose to attend.

Bidders are advised to regularly visit KOFC Website to obtain any additional information /addendum on the tender.

Late tenders shall not be accepted.

D N N KAMURI Major General Managing Director



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Kenya's new push for a secure work environment overseas

BY CHARI SUCHE (KNA)

The government is urging Kenyans to apply for various job opportunities sourced abroad, as part of its efforts to tackle unemployment, and assures them of their safety as they go to work abroad.

Principal Secretary of the State Department for Labour and Skills Development, Shadrack Mwadime (pictured), mentioned that the Labour migration desk at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) will assist in enhancing the safety of Kenyans working in the diaspora.

wDuring an interview with the press in Mombasa, PS Mwadime emphasized that this initiative aims to curb irregular migration, creating a safe, fair, regular, and productive working environment in the diaspora.

Mwadime explained that the operationalization of the Labour Migration Desk is part of a government initiative to curb illegal migration in the country.

He highlighted that labor



migration significantly contributes to the growth and development of the country's economy, serving as a source of employment and livelihood for many Kenyans.

"When these Kenyans work in foreign countries, they invest back home where their families are, and that is how the government earns revenue that is channeled into development programs," he said.

He noted that the number

of Kenyans working abroad has significantly increased, which is estimated to be four million for skilled and non-skilled workers.

We had a job order of 200 nurses last year secured in March 2023 to work in the Ministry of Health in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Mwadime said the Government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with key labour destination countries which include Germany, Austria, Bahrain, Oman, Poland, Jordan, Kuwait, Canada, and Ireland among others.

"In ensuring the promotion of employment opportunities for migrant workers, we had a job order of 200 nurses last year which was secured in March 2023 to go and work in the Ministry of Health in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and this was a government to government initiative," he added.

The PS noted that the Cabinet Secretary for Labour and Social Protection has also secured 2,500 posts for healthcare professionals to be recruited to work in Saudi Arabia.

He urged qualified health workers to apply for the jobs through the National Employment Agency (NEA) where qualified nurses will be picked for the jobs.

"We want to assure you

that the government is concerned about your safety and welfare from your employer thus nothing should stop you from applying for these jobs," he said.

The PS insisted that the government will keep an eye on its citizens working abroad and provide immediate interventions when an issue arises.

Mwadime said the Ministry has already established help desks and helpline numbers for any inquiries in case of anything.

He added that they will also recruit staff to monitor the activities, welfare and working relations of Kenyans working abroad.

"We have our desks and numbers in these countries thus we will be following up on their welfare with their employers so that we make sure they are all working in a safe environment," he said.

He added a Bill on labour migration will be introduced in Parliament to support the migrant workers' program and ensure their safety in foreign countries.

The PS said through the Migrant Labour Bill, they will also introduce a savings program where migrant workers can make their retirement benefits.

"We want to introduce

a program where migrant workers can save for retirement which will help them in future when they have retired and have come back home," he said.

On her part, Deputy Government Spokesperson Ms Mwanaisha Chidzuga said that the President has made good relations with foreign countries to secure employment opportunities for Kenyans. Chidzuga said the government will not only secure opportunities for its people to work abroad but will also ensure that their safety is guaranteed.

"We know there has been fear by Kenyans when it comes to working abroad but we assure them. Opportunities are there and we advise them to apply for these posts since Kenyans are well known for hard work and commitment when given tasks," she said.

She noted that the President is working hard with the relevant Ministry to ensure that the youth who are skilled and cannot secure employment in the country can go and work abroad and improve their quality of life.

Chidzuga advised Kenyans not to be selective and instead apply for opportunities in a bid to eradicate poverty.





TENDER NOTICE

1.0 Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency invites eligible bidders to submit sealed tenders for the provision of the following.

NO	TENDER REF	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TARGET	CLOSING AND OPENING DATE.
1.	KEPROBA/ SCM/08/ONT/03/2023-2024	Tender for provision of General Insurance cover for Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency Assets & Staff Group Life	Open	Wednesday 31st January 2024 at 12.00 P.M.
2.	KEPROBA/ SCM/08/ONT/04/2023-2024	Provision of Internet and cloud data backup services for Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency	Open	Wednesday 31st January 2024 at 12.00 P.M.

- 2.0 A complete tender document can be downloaded for free of charge from our website (www.makeitkenya.go.ke) or Public Procurement Information Portal www.tenders.go.ke
- 3.0 Bidders are advised to forward their particulars using the Email: <u>prc@brand.ke</u> for any further clarification or addendum.
- 4.0 Tenders must be delivered/posted indicating the tender Number and title to address below: and be deposited in the Tender Box at the main entrance, 1st floor Anniversary towers at The Kenya Export Promotion And Branding Agency along University Way

The Chief Executive Officer
Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency
1st floor, Anniversary Towers
P.O Box: 40247-00100
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So as to be received on or before 31st January 2024 at 12.00 p.m.

ABOUT KENYA EXPORT PROMOTION AND BRANDING AGENCY

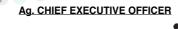
The Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency is a State Corporation established under the State Corporations Act Cap 446 through Legal Notice No.110. Our mandate is to implement export promotion and nation branding initiatives and policies to promote Kenya's export of goods and services.

VISION: Transform Kenya into a Top Global Brand

MISSION: Brand Kenya, Export Kenyan, Build

STRATEGIC FOCUS:

To Develop, Diversify and Brand Kenya's export Products; To develop, Diversify Kenya's Export Markets; To manage the image and reputation of Kenya; To strengthen institutional capacity.







TENDER NOTICE

The Kenya Power Pension Fund invites firms for the following;

a. Pre-qualification

NO.	TENDER NAME	TENDER NUMBER	ELIGIBILITY	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1.	DESIGN AND PRINTING OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS	KPPF/PROC/2-G/01/2024	OPEN	Tuesday 6th February 2024 at 11.30AM

b. Others

NO.	TENDER NAME	TENDER NUMBER	ELIGIBIL- ITY	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1.	THREE YEAR FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF CONFERENCE AND HOTEL SERVICES	KPPF/PROC/2-A/01/2024	OPEN	Tuesday 27 th February 2024 at 11.30AM
2.	THREE YEAR FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF AIR TICKETING SERVICES	KPPF/PROC/2-A/02/2024	OPEN	Friday 16 th February 2024 at 11.30AM

Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tender may be downloaded from Kenya Power Pension Fund website www.kppf.co.ke from Tuesday 23rd January 2024 at no fee. Bidders are required to register by sending an email to tenders@kppf.co.ke in order to receive clarifications and/or communication, where necessary.

Completed Tender Documents in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with tender name and tender number should be addressed as follows: -

CEO & TRUST SECRETARY Kenya Power Pension Fund, Stima Plaza Annex, Kolobot Road, Parklands P.O Box 1548 – 00600 Nairobi, Kenya.

and deposited in the Tender box at Ground floor, Stima Plaza Annex next to the Lift Lobby

So as to be received on or before the closing dates shown above. Tenders will be opened promptly thereafter in the presence of the Tenderer's or their representatives who choose to attend in Kenya Power Pension Fund at Stima Plaza Annex ground floor, Kolobot Road, Parklands, Nairobi.

Save for responding to KPPF's request for clarification, bidders shall not contact or discuss any aspect of their tenders with KPPF after tender closing date and before receipt of notification of award of tenders or letters of regret, as applicable. Any such contact shall lead to disqualification of the tenderer.

CEO & TRUST SECRETARY.



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Kenya rakes in extra Sh650 million as tourist numbers continue to soar

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A (KNA)

nternational arrivals into Kenya have grown by ▲18.42 percent in the last 16 months, with the country receiving 273,412 more visitors compared to the previous year.

The Government Spokesperson, Isaac Mwaura, stated that the country was able to generate an additional Sh650 million from the tourism sector alone. with visitors accommodated in hotels increasing by three percent in bed occupancy.

Mwaura noted that this means more money has been injected into the economy, as hotels realize increased profits due to the number of days tourists spend in Kenya, which has risen from 10 to 11 days.

Addressing the press at



Government Spokesperson, Isaac Mwaura (Left) and the Deputy Government Spokesperson, Mwanaisha Chidzuga, during a press briefing on the insights of the ongoing Service Delivery Review Roadshow. PHOTO: JOSEPH NG'ANG'A

the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC) on the insights of the ongoing Service Delivery Review

Roadshow, Mwaura mentioned that tourism is the fourth-largest foreign exchange earner in the coun-

"We pride ourselves as a very hospitable country, with our slogan 'Hakuna Matata' being a global catchphrase for international travel. Our country is now visa-free, meaning that we shall have more visitors coming going forward," Mwaura said.

He explained that tourists come to Kenya primarily to see animals and the government is putting in place measures to ensure that the endangered species such as the Northern Rhino- whose current population is only two in the country do not become extinct.

"Kenya has also increased training opportunities for 1,044 youth in the tourism sector. These graduates will help support this growing sector of the economy, whose full potential is vet to be realized," Mwaura said.

He highlighted that the Ronald Ngala Utalii Training College, which will be opened in June this year will have a capacity to train 5,000 youth at a go.

"The focus is to make the college a centre of excellence on export labour to countries such as Saudi Arabia that is building a new city, requiring 350,000 workers," said Mwaura. He said the country has

become a popular destination for international

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meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibition (MICE) travel.

According to Mwaura, last year alone, local and international conferences hit the 10,000 mark, with an increase of 2,151 conferences, and over 14,000 delegates from around the world.

He added that a total of 869 youth were recruited last year alone to work in foreign ships thus earning an income for their families in foreign currency.

"An additional 621 common interest groups comprising fishermen and other forms of trade within the blue economy were given grants amounting to Sh1.5 billion in the last one year to boost their businesses," Mwaura said.

He said in addition, 26 boats have been donated by the government to eight Beach Management Units (BMUs) while 875 fishermen have been trained on how to fish in the deep sea.





CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The Kenya Accreditation Service (KENAS) is a State Corporation established under the Kenya Accreditation Service Act 2019 mandated to accredit and exercise oversight over conformity assessment providers and maintain an internationally recognized accreditation system

The Service seeks to recruit qualified, competent, result-oriented individuals to fill the following vacant

Vacancy	Job Grade	Job Ref.	Posts
Internal Auditor	KENAS 6	2024/EA/02	1
Accreditation Officer, Testing Officer	KENAS 6	2024/EA/03	1
Assistant Office Administrator	KENAS 8	2024/EA/04	3
Senior Office Assistant	KENAS 9	2024/EA/05	1

How to Apply

Interested and qualified persons are required to submit their applications to be received **ONLINE** through the KENAS website at www.kenas.go.ke/careers. Applicants should include a signed application cover letter addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, a curriculum vitae with three (3) referees, and copies of academic, professional and relevant testimonials. All submissions and attachments of all mandatory required documents should be in PDF format.

Application Deadline:

All applications should reach KENAS no later than Monday 12th February 2024 at 2:00pm pm (East African

- Note 1: Interested candidates should provide all the details requested, and it is an offence to include incorrect information in the application.
- Note 2: Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews. Canvassing will lead to automatic dis
- Note 3: Successful candidates after interviews will be required to obtain the following documents (Chapter six requirements of the constitution):
 - Certificate of good conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI)
 - Tax Compliance Certificate from Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) Clearance Certificate from Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
 - Clearance from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC)
 - Clearance Certificate from a Credit Reference Bureau (CRB)
 - Commission for University Education (CUE)-Recognition and Equation of Qualification for degrees obtained from outside Kenya
- Note 4: Final shortlisted candidates after interviews will be required to give consent allowing the Service to carry out a background verification of the documents presented

KENAS is an equal opportunity employer and respects inclusivity and diversity. Persons living with disabilities marginalized, and minority groups who meet the job specifications are strongly encouraged

THE SERVICE DOES NOT CHARGE A FEE AT ANY STAGE OF THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS



RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY CORPORATION

INVITATION TO TENDER

- PROCURING ENTITY: Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation P O Box 34585 00100 Nairobi.
- **CONTRACT NAME AND DESCRIPTION** as follows:

Contract Name	Contract name and Description	Bid bond Amount	Date and Time
RFX NO.10000001024	Provision of Physical Guarding Services	Kshs 7,300,000	09/03/2024 at 10.00am

- Tendering will be conducted under National open competitive method using a standardized tender document. Tendering is open to all qualified and interested Tenderers.
- Qualified interested tenderers may obtain further information during office 8.00am 12.45pm to 1.45pm-4.00pm Monday to Friday at the address given below.
- A complete set of tender documents may be viewed and downloaded by interested tenderers free of charge electronically from the Website www.rerec.co.ke under tender documents or through the e-procurement portal using https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal and on the Public Procurement Information Portal https:// tenders.go.ke.
- Tenderers who are not yet registered with REREC must register their companies in order to participate in the tender using link below that can be found from the website www.rerec.co.ke Procurement-Supplier registration: https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44200/supportal(bD1lbiZjPTUwMCZkPW1pbg==)/bspwdapplication.do#VIEW_AN-
- All Tenders must be accompanied by a Tender Security as indicated above.
- The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the tender document submitted.
- Completed tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before date and time indicated above.
- 10. Only Electronic Tenders will be permitted.
- Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any dead line date and time specified later. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below and the results relayed electronically.
- 12. Late tenders will be rejected.
- 13. Any addendum to this tender shall be uploaded to the Corporations website www.rerec.co.ke under tender docu-
- 14. The addresses referred to above are:

Address for obtaining further information on tender documents: for hand Courier bid security Delivery to an office or Tender Box (Nairobi, Off Popo Road, Kawi Complex, Ground floor). Contact Manager, Supply chain management, telephone number: 0709193000 and e-mail address: tenders@rerec.co.ke

Address for Submission of Tenders: Online Through https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal

Address for Opening of Tenders. Online

Chief Executive Officer RURAL ELECTRIFICATION & RENEWABLE ENERGY CORPORATION





OFFICE OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR

INVITATION TO TENDER

Rongo University invites eligible and interested bidders to participate in the following tenders:

S.No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Tender security (Kshs.)	Eligibil- ity	Closing Date
1.	RU/ERP/007/2023-2024	Supply, Delivery, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of ERP System	350,000	Open	05/02/2024
2.	RU/ECII/008/2023-2024	Proposed Extension of Clinic Phase II	-	Women	05/02/2024
3.	RU/PF/009/2023-2024	Proposed Construction of Perimeter Chain-link Fence and Associated works Phase I	-	PWDs	05/02/2024
4.	RU/CCTV/010/2023-2024	Supply, Delivery, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of CCTV Camera	150,000	Open	05/02/2024

Tender document with detailed information and instruction may be viewed and downloaded from the Univer sity's website www.rongovarsity.ac.ke or Public Procurement Information Portal https://tenders.go.ke free of charge. The Vice Chancellor

Rongo University P. o. Box 103-40404 RONGO

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OFFICE OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

TENDER NOTICE

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

No.	TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	BID SECURITY	CLOSING & OPENING DATES	TIME
1	UoE/LEC/01/2023-2024	Supply and Delivery of Lecture Chairs	Kshs 100,000.00	Tuesday, 6 th February, 2024	11.00 AM
2	UoE/LIB/SEC/ SYSTEM/ 02/2023 - 2024	Supply, Delivery, Installation, Configuration, Testing, Training and Commissioning of Library Security System	Kshs 100,000.00	Tuesday, 6 th February, 2024	11.00 AM

Tender requirements, instructions and complete tender documents may be obtained from Procurement Office during normal working hours (Monday-Friday) from 8.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. and from 2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. upon payment of non-refundable fee of KES. 1000/- using the paybill option, PayBill Number, 222222, Account Number, UOETEN - Your Name or be downloaded from the University of Eldoret website www.uoeld.ac.ke or www.tenders.go.ke free of charge.

Tender requirements and instructions can be downloaded from the University website: www.uoeld.ac.ke/ten-

Submission of complete tender documents in hard copies in a plain sealed envelope clearly marked with the Tender Name and Tender Reference Number should be addressed and delivered to:

Vice-Chancellor, University of Eldoret, P.O Box 1125-30100, Eldoret.

Or deposited in the Tender Box 'A' at University of Eldoret Administration Block so as to be received on or before Tuesday, 6th February, 2024 at 11.00 a.m local time.

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of bidders/their representatives who choose to

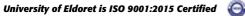
Late tenders shall not be accepted.

Youth, women and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Vice-Chancellor University of Eldoret

University of Eldoret, Eldoret Town Campus January, May and August 2024 intakes ongoing. Join Us!

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Career Opportunities

Kenya Power Pension Fund (KPPF) is a Retirement Benefits Scheme registered with Retirement Benefits Authority, responsible for managing and providing pension benefits to permanent and pensionable employees of Kenya Power, and Nuclear Power & Energy Agency upon their retirement or withdrawal and to their dependents in the event of death in service.

In pursuing its mandate, KPPF is seeking to recruit top talents to join the innovative and transformative team to deliver on key milestones of the Fund. The individuals who will fill this position should be result oriented, self-driven, creative, visionary and of high integrity.

Applications are therefore invited from qualified persons to fill the vacancy indicated in the matrix below:

No.	Job Title	Ref No.	No. of Vacancies
1	Senior Legal and Compliance Officer	KPPF/HRA-HR/1/24/1	1

How to Apply

Interested and qualified candidates are advised to visit the Fund's website for detailed job descriptions for the roles at www.kppf.co.ke/careers/. Applications should be sub-mitted through the link: https://e-recruitment.kppf.co.ke to be received not later than Monday 5th February,2024.

Canvassing will lead to disqualification. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

The CEO & Trust Secretary Kenya Power Pension Fund P.O Box 1548 00600 Nairobi









TENDER ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE

The Kenya Airports Authority invites sealed tenders from eligible firms for the following tenders: -

Reference Number	Tender Description	Pre-Bid Meeting / Site Visit	Closing/ Opening Date
KAA/OT/HQS/0148/ 2023-2024	Re-Tender for Provision of Cleaning Services at KAA Head Office, ICAO Building, Data Centre, Gym and Training Academy (Eligibility Duly Registered Youth Group, Women and People living with Disability Owned Enterprises)	There shall be a site visit on 31st January 2024 at KAA Headquartes. Bidders to assemble at the training school.	08/02/2024
KAA/OT/MIA/0145/ 2023-2024	Supply, Delivery and Installation of Passenger Lounge Seats at Moi International Airport	There shall be a site visit on 30th January 2024 at Moi International Airport, Administration Block, Terminal 2 at 2.00 pm	08/02/2024
KAA/OT/MIA/0152/ 2023-2024	Supply and Installation of Crash Alarm Telemetry System At Moi International Airport— Mombasa.	There shall be a site visit on 30th January 2024 at Moi International Airport, Administration Block, Terminal 2 at 10:00am	08/02/2024
KAA/OT/HQ/0151/ 2023-2024	Provision of Auctioneering Services for Kenya Airports Authority	N/A	08/02/2024
KAA/OT/HQ/0153/ 2023-2024	Supply, Delivery, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Eco-Friendly Diesel Generators at Eldoret International Airport	There shall be a site visit on 31st January 2024 Eldoret at the Airport Manager's office.	08/02/2024

Information on these tender notices and documents detailing the requirements, tendering procedures and guidelines should be downloaded from our website at https://www.kaa.go.ke/corporate/procurement/ or

://suppliers.kaa.go.ke/irj/portal or Public Procurement Information Portal at www.tenders.g of charge.

Bidders are advised to note that bidding process for the tenders is through our online tender portal at https://suppliers.kaa.go.ke/irj/portal. For any information or clarifications, please contact us through our email, tenders@kaa.go.ke

Canvassing for the tender by the tenderer or by proxy shall lead to automatic disqualification of their

MANAGING DIRECTOR/CEO



TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING AUTHORITY

SELECTION PANEL FOR APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE **TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING AUTHORITY (TVETA) BOARD**

PUBLICATION OF NAMES OF ALL APPLICANTS AND SHORTLISTED APPLICANTS FOR THE POSITION OF MEMBER OF THE TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING **AUTHORITY BOARD**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 8 (5) of the TVET Act, 2013 the Selection Panel invited applications from suitably qualified persons who satisfy the provisions of the Constitution and the Act by advertisement for the position of member of the TVETA Board of Directors in two newspapers of national circulation.

The advertisement attracted a total of Eighty-Eight (88) applications.

Following the conclusion of the shortlisting exercise, the Selection Panel publishes the names of the applicants and the shortlisted candidates including the interview schedule.

Further details can be accessed in the Authority's website using the following link www.tveta.go.ke

The Chairperson Selection Panel for the Appointment of Member TVETA Board Utalii House, 8th Floor P.O Box 35625-00100 NAIROBI







TENDER NOTICE

The Kenya Broadcasting Corporation invites interested and eligible tenderers to participate in the following tender:

TENDER NUMBER	TENDER DESCRIPTION
7/KBC/2023-24	PROVISION OF CANTEEN SERVICES AT KBC,BROADCASTING HOUSE.
8/KBC/2023-24	PROVISION OF CLEANING SERVICES AT KBC,BROADCASTING HOUSE. (YOUTH,WOMEN AND PWD)

A complete set of tender documents may be downloaded by interested candidates from the Corporation website; www.kbc.co.ke, tenders.go.ke or obtain hard copy from Procurement Manager's Office at Broadcasting House Harry Thuku Road. Interested candidates will be required to register by paying non refundable fees of Ksh 1,000 in cash or bankers Cheque payable to Kenya Broadcasting Corporation cashier situated on harry Thuku Road before the deadline of returning the completed document. (Kshs.1000/= not applicable to youth, women and PWD), Bidders downloading the tender document from the website are not required to pay but immediately forward their particulars for records and for the purposes of receiving any further tender clarifications and/or addendums to KBC Procurement Office or procurement@kbc.co.ke.

Completed tender documents must be submited in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with respective tender numbers and addressed to:-

> **Managing Director, Kenya Broadcasting Corporation, NAIROBI**

> > OR

Be deposited in the tender box at the Main Gate Broadcasting House on or before 6th February 2024 at 10.00am. Submitted bids will be opened immediately thereafter at the KBC Matanganzo office in the presence of bidders or representatives who wish to attend.







PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Our Vision "A citizen-centric public service"

Our Mission "To reform and transform the public service for efficient and effective service delivery"

ADVERTISEMENT OF VACANT POSITIONS IN **PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 35(1)(a) (v) of the Universities Act, 2012 amended through Statute Law (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act No. 18 of 2018, the Public Service Commission invites applications from suitably qualified persons for the following vacant positions in public universities.

S/ No.	Position	University	No. of Vacancies
1.	Vice-Chancellor	Open University of Kenya	1
2.	Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration, Finance and Strategy (Re-advertisement)	Maasai Mara University	1
3.	Deputy Principal (Academic and Student Affairs)	Turkana University College	1

The details of the posts and mode of application can be accessed on the Commission's website:

Applications should reach the Commission on or before 13th February, 2024 latest 5.00 pm (East African Time).

SECRETARY/CEO **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**







The Kenya Civil Aviation Authority

TENDER NOTICE

The Kenya Civil Aviation Authority invites sealed bids from interested and eligible individuals and firms for the following National Open Tenders.

NO	TENDER NUMBER	TITLE OF TENDER	ELIGIBILITY	PRE-BID MEETING / SITE VISIST
1.	KCAA/043/2023-2024	Provision of cleaning and environ- mental management services for Kenya Civil Aviation Authority headquarters at aviation house for two years.	Women registered under AGPO	26/01/2024 at 11:00AM at KCAA Headquarters, Aviation House, JKIA
2.	KCAA/044/2023-2024	Supply, delivery and installation of assorted air conditioners and AVS for various stations	Citizen Contractors	Not Applicable
3.	KCAA/045/2023-2024	Supply, delivery and installation of assorted new UPS for various ANS stations		
4.	KCAA/046/2023-2024	Provision of various insurance covers by underwriters and brokers for two (2) years		
5.	KCAA/047/2023-2024	Provision of consultancy services to undertake Cybersecurity Maturity Assessment		

For more information on the tender, bidders may view and download the bidding document from KCAA website: www.kcaa.or.ke or Public Procurement Information Portal, www.tenders.go.ke and immediately forward their particulars for records and for the purposes of receiving any further tender clarifications and/or addendums to procurement@kcaa.or.ke

Completed tender documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes marked with tender reference number and be deposited in the Tender Box at the Ground Floor, Kenya Civil Aviation Authority, Aviation House, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, or be addressed to:

> The Director General Kenya Civil Aviation Authority, Nairobi

So as to be received on or before 11:00 am on 2nd February 2024.

The tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the Candidates or their representatives who choose to attend at KCAA Auditorium.

Manager Procurement

FOR: DIRECTOR GENERAL







CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

KenGen Plc, a market leader in the provision of electric energy and the largest geothermal power producer in Africa is seeking to recruit qualified and result-oriented individuals to fill the following positions:

NO	VACANCIES	GRADE	POST	REFERENCE
1	Manager, Project Monitoring & Evaluation	3	1	CS / BD&S /01/01/2024
2	Manager, Geothermal Resource Assessment	3	1	CS / GD /02/01/2024
3	Manager, Civil Infrastructure	3	1	CS / GD /03/01/2024
4	Manager, Lands	3	1	CS / CS&LA /09/01/2024
5	Manager, Business Process Reengineering & Innovation	3	1	CS/BD&S/09/01/2024
6	Assistant Manager, Taxation	4	1	CS / FIN /04/01/2024
7	Senior Engineer, Technical Assurance	6	1	OPS/Q&S/13/01/2024
8	Senior Gender Officer	6	1	CS / HRM /11/01/2024
9	Quantity Surveyor	7	2	CS /BD&S/06/01/2024
10	Economist	7	1	CS / BD&S /07/01/2024
11	Financial Analyst	7	1	CS / BD&S /08/01/2024
12	Projects M&E Officer, Financial Analysis	7	1	CS / BD&S /10/01/2024
13	Projects M&E Officer, Contracts & Claims	7	1	CS / BD&S /11/01/2024

Detailed Job descriptions are posted on our website.

Interested candidates should submit their online applications through our career portal on the KenGen website at https://careers.kengen.co.ke/ by close of business on 6th February, 2024 at 5.00pm.

Canvassing and falsifying or misinterpretation of qualifications will lead to automatic disqualification.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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OPEN TENDER NOTICE

Kenya Tourism Board (KTB) is a State Corporation under the Tourism Act No. 28 of 2011 and is charged with the statutory mandate of promoting and marketing Kenya as a tourist destination locally and internationally. The Board is seeking eligible firms for provision of the following services: -

TENDER NO.	TENDER NAME	BID SECURITY	CLOSING DATE
KTB/T/0002/2023-2024	Provision of Integrated Advertising And Media Buying Agency	Kshs 250,000.00	06/02/2024 at 12.00 noon Kenyan time

Interested eligible candidates can obtain the document from our website: www.magicalkenya. com/tender or the Public procurement information Portal (PPIP) website: www.tenders.go.ke free of charge. Bidders who download the tender document from the website must forward their particulars immediately to procurement@ktb.go.ke for record purposes and any further tender clarifications and addenda. The completed tenders in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with Tender Number and Tender reference name shall be addressed to:

> **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER KENYA TOURISM BOARD** P.O. BOX 30630-00100 **NAIROBI, KENYA**

and deposited in the tender box on 7th floor, Kenya Re Towers, Ragati Road Upper Hill by or before the closing date and time indicated in the table above. Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers' or their representatives who choose to attend.

Tenders that will be delivered after 12.00 Noon on 06/02/2024 will not be accepted.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER





MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION

ATHI WATER WORKS DEVELOPMENT **AGENCY**



INVITATION FOR TENDER

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE TENDER

PROCUREMENT OF WORKS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER PROJECTS WITHIN AWWDA AREA OF JURISDICTION

- Athi Water Works Development Agency (AWWDA) invites sealed tenders for the following tenders;
 - Gatanga Last Mile water supply project; Tender No: AWWDA/GOK/P/GLM/W-09/2024
 Mathioya Last Mile Water Supply Project; Tender No: AWWDA/GOK/P/MLM/W-10/2024

 - Kiambaa Water Supply Project; Tender No: AWWDA/GOK/B/KWS/W-11/2024
 Thika Water and Sanitation Project; Tender No: AWWDA/GOK/B/TWS/W-12/2024
 - Drilling and equipping of 3No. Boreholes, Construction of 3No. Elevated Steel Water Tanks and Associated Water Distribution Pipelines in Kikuyu; Tender No: AWWDA/GOK/B/KD/W-13/2024

Each tender will constitute an independent Contract.

Tendering will be conducted under open competitive tendering method using a standardized tender document and is open to eligible bidders registered in at least the following categories for National Construction Authority and the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation:

s /	Works Component	Registration Mi	nimum Requirements
No		National Construction Authority	Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation
1	Gatanga Last Mile water supply project	Water Works Contractor, Category 5 and above	Water Works Contractor, Class D and above
2	Mathioya Last Mile Water Supply Project	Mile Water Supply Water Works Contractor, Category 5 and above Water W	
3	Kiambaa Water Supply Project	Water Works Contractor, Category 5 and above	Water Works Contractor, Class D and above
4	Thika Water and Sanitation Project	Water Works Contractor, Category 5 and above	Water Works Contractor, Class D and above
5	Drilling and equipping of 3No. Boreholes, Construction of 3No. Elevated Steel Water Tanks and Associated Water Distribution Pipelines in Kikuyu	Water Works Contractor, Category 5 and above	Drilling Contractor Class C and above

The construction period for each component shall be Twelve (12) Months.

- 3. Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours from 0800hrs to 1700hrs local time from Monday to Friday, except during lunch hour (1300hrs to 1400hrs), & weekends and public holidays at the address given below. Tender documents may be viewed and/or downloaded from the website www.awwda.go.ke or www.tenders.go.ke.
- A complete set of tender documents may be purchased or obtained by paying KES 1,000 for each component, in
- Tender documents obtained from the AWWDA website: www.awwda.go.ke or the PPIP portal, www.tenders.go.ke shall be free of charge. Tenderers who download the tender documents from the website must forward 5. their particulars immediately to procurement@awwda.go.ke to facilitate any further clarification or addendum/
- Each works component must be accompanied with a bid security in the form of an unconditional Bank Guarantee or from an insurance company registered by IRA and approved by PPRA, of **Kshs. 500,000.00** (Kenya Shillings Five Hundred Thousand Only) for each component valid for thirty (30) days beyond the tender validity period (120 days) submitted by prospective bidders. This shall be in the format provided in the tender document.
- 7. The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the tender documents submitted
- Completed tenders must be delivered to the address below, on or before the following respective dates:

	Works Component	Tender No.	Latest Date/Time of Submission and Tender Opening
1	Gatanga Last Mile water supply project	AWWDA/GOK/P/GLM/W-09/2024	7th February 2024, 12.00 Noon East African Time
2	Mathioya Last Mile Water Supply Project	AWWDA/GOK/P/MLM/W-10/2024	7th February 2024, 12.00 Noon East African Time
3	Kiambaa Water Supply Project	AWWDA/GOK/B/KWS/W-11/2024	8th February 2024, 12.00 Noon East African Time
4	Thika Water and Sanitation Project	AWWDA/GOK/B/TWS/W-12/2024	8th February 2024, 12.00 Noon East African Time
5	Drilling and equipping of 3No. Boreholes, Construc- tion of 3No. Elevated Steel Water Tanks and Associated Water Distribution Pipelines in Kikuyu	AWWDA/GOK/B/KD/W-13/2024	9th February 2024, 12.00 Noon East African Time

Electronic Tenders WILL NOT be permitted.

- Tenders must be deposited at the Tender Box at the address given below in a sealed envelope clearly marked for each Component
- 10. Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any deadline date and time specified later. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of all bidders' designated representatives who
- Late tenders will be rejected
- The addresses referred to above is:

Chief Executive Officer, Athi Water Works Development Agency, Athi Water Plaza, Muthaiga North Road, Off Kiambu Road P.O. Box 45283-00100.Nairobi, Kenva Fax: 254-20-2724295; Tel: +254 715 688272 Email: info@awwda.go.ke, procurement@awwda.go.ke,

Revitalized 4K Clubs cultivate a new generation of agricultural innovators

BY ANNE KANGERO(KNA)

The resurgence of 4K clubs in the country has ushered in a new generation of young students in schools, dedicated to boosting the nation's food production and devising strategies to combat climate change in their counties.

The 4K Club, representing "kuungana, kufanya, kusaidia" (unite, act, assist) for Kenya, lapsed into dormancy in the 90s, adversely affecting food security.

However, in 2021, it was revitalized as part of the government's initiative to enhance agricultural production.

In Machakos County, Ms. Eveline Mutei, a teacher at General Mulinge Primary School in Kaani and Chairperson of the 4K club, oversees 52 pupils who voluntarily participate in the club

Carbon beds

These students have grasped the fundamentals of agriculture, including the creation of carbon beds that effectively retain water in plants for extended periods, making them well-suited for arid areas.

Carbon beds play a crucial role in augmenting organic matter in the soil, thereby enhancing its capacity to retain water. Ms. Mutei highlighted that the adoption of carbon beds has enabled the school to produce an ample supply of food and vegetables for the pupils, particularly during periods of drought.

She added that most students were interested in the 4k Club and its benefits such as learning different ways of growing healthy and nutritious food, so they introduced their parents to the use of carbon beds in increasing healthy food production at home.



Club Pupils of General Mulinge Primary in Kaani of Machakos County preparing carbon beds at their school farm, which uses the least amount of water to grow crops.

The 4k Club Chairperson said to prepare the carbon beds, one has to dig four meters flat surface, fill it with dry matter such as dried grass, then put some soil on top, after that, green grass is added to the soil, and then finally at the very top place some soil that is mixed with manure to cover it, then some water is poured into it, making it ready for planting any crop.

Ms Mutei pointed out that during the drought period, the school had enough food because of the carbon beds, and some students who come from vulnerable families, went to school to get some food to eat.

"Despite the harsh climate experienced last year, we did not lack food. We had plenty of vegetables that we cooked for the learners, which they had planted themselves," she said.

She said that the 4k Club has also encouraged the older students who have cleared primary school, to continue with farming and have started earning from it and are also teaching others about the benefits of carbon

beds in managing the effects of climate change in Macha-

Mutei said they were introduced to the carbon beds by the Haki Nawiri organization which focuses on food, climate, and youth.

Ms Leonida Odongo, the founder of Haki Nawiri Africa, who spoke to KNA at General Mulinge Primary School, where they had gone to help prepare the carbon beds, said that they chose the school because climate change and food justice, are one of their pillars.

Ms Odongo said the idea of carbon beds is part of agro-ecology, which is a food production process, where you produce food and take care of the environment, as they also focus on sustainable production and consumption.

She said climate change affects children most and the focus should be to remove children from the hunger map in the future.

The Haki Nawiri founder added that before they chose to work with the school, they did an analysis and research and found out that the main response from the pupils was hunger and Ukambani being a dry zone, they came up with the carbon bed which has been a success so far.

Hunger

"Our work in this school is informed by research because we did an analysis, where we asked the children what is ailing them and they said hunger and that's when we decided to work with the school in promoting human rights," Leonida said.

She noted that there is a major connection between education and food and in some areas, children are unable to go to school due to lack of food at home and in school and they end up becoming criminals or committing immoral vices for food.

Ms Odongo noted that when children learn different ways of producing food on the farms, then it encourages intergenerational learning since there are kids as young as four years learning the trade and so in a few years the children will solve the climate change effects in Machakos.

Artificial Intelligent 'man' finally meets artisanal and small scale gold miners

BY JANE NAITORE AND JAFFERSON VOLKA (KNA)

Artificial Intelligence which is becoming a game changer in the world of technology across the globe has finally met the small scale gold diggers in Lolgorian ward, Transmara South Sub County, Narok County and is poised to revolutionarise mining in the area.

The Artificial Intelligent 'man', dubbed Dr. Mining Manhattan AI has trippled excitement among the artisans and small scale gold miners as it is expected to help solve a myriad of challenges which have bedeviled the sector for a long time.

Dr. Mining Manhattan Pilot Program which marks a pioneering initiative is a brainchild of an experienced miner and visionary Matt Hales who has been working with the community for six years since 2017.

According to Hales, who is a Co-chair of the Global Community Miners Forum, the new concept is a conversation robot which is bound to bring expert guidance to the fingertips of miners through question and answer model in social media networks including WhatsApp, Instagram, and Face book messages among others.

Hales describes Dr. Manhattan as very intelligent, able to speak over 105 languages and responds to voice conversation when giving solutions adding that Dr Mannhattan which took five months to create is not just a tool but a catalyst for change where every miner will join in and gather information on better and safer

mining processes.

He notes that frequent communication with the tool will help shape its future by enabling the AI to grow smarter and more attuned with Miners needs with each query answered and each piece of advice given from the area that is not fully exploited which will be rendering the tool, a mentorship type of technology.

Hales says that running the program is quite expensive and to sustain it they were looking for sponsorship from well wishers organisations.

"We're creating a living, learning hub of mining wisdom that will echo in the tunnels and pits of mines worldwide, fostering a safer, more prosperous future for the ASM community," says Hales.

If successful, Dr. Mining Manhattan's Project has the potential to transform livelihoods of 45 million artisanal and small scales miners in over 80 countries across the globe once it is rolled out.

Hales notes that the local Farmers of Gold Association affiliates are partnering with the Global Community Miners Forum which was started last year, and Artisanal Small scale Miners Association of Kenya (ASMAK) among others to ensure success of this pilot program before it is extended to Indonesia in the next phase.

Urging all to test Dr. Manhattan by messaging on WhatsApp to +254-703179958 and allowing it up to 1 minute to reply, Hales notes that Dr. Manhattan was still undergoing creation and therefore may have occasional hitches.

CS Wahome vows to streamline ministry, cleanse land offices across Kenya

BY MABEL KEYA SHIKUKU (KNA)

The Cabinet Secretary for Lands, Public Works, Housing, and Urban Development, Ms. Alice Muthoni Wahome, has declared a war against cartels and fraudsters that have infiltrated land offices nationwide, defrauding Kenyans of their hard-earned money and property.

During a meeting in Naivasha with her departmental heads and other senior ministry officials, Wahome emphatically pledged to address the issue of fraudsters, some of whom collude with ministry officials to illegitimately alter documents and deceive Kenyans.

"We will confront the fraudsters, revoke and nullify all fraudulent titles they have obtained, and expose them, irrespective of their status," declared the CS, sternly warning them to stay away from land offices.

Wahome disclosed that the Ministry faces a pending bill of approximately Sh.8 billion due to ongoing court litigations. She assured a thorough examination of documents before any payment is authorized for concluded lawsuits.

Furthermore, she acknowledged about 2,000 pending cases in the Land and Environment Courts (ELC) and urged the courts to expedite these land-related matters.

"The more these cases are delayed in court, the more they attract extra cost and delay justice and the fraudsters take advantage of the delay to continue with their illegal activities," Wahome said. To this end, the CS said the ongoing digitization of the land registries will be a

game changer as it will put an end to the disappearance of land documents and other fraudulent activities, protect all the data, and bring efficiency to the entire process of land transactions.

Wahome observed that digitization of the Central Land Registry in Nairobi is complete, and the process will soon be rolled out in the entire country.

She also stated that her Ministry, through the Department of Planning, is working with county governments to secure land set aside for the Special Economic Zones to ensure a seamless process for all who want to invest in those zones. Wahome announced that adjudication of land is going on and her Ministry will hold clinics around the Country to educate Kenyans and help resolve various land issues.

She noted with regret that some Kenyans have some land issues that have been pending for decades.

The CS defended the ongoing Affordable Housing Project which has stirred controversy saying it is going to create jobs for over two million youths and maintained that it was legal and was only being done on government land whose custodian is the Treasury.

There has been a war of words between the Judiciary and the Executive after the courts in November last year ruled the Housing Levy Fund, to be used in constructing affordable housing in the Country, unconstitutional.

The meeting was called to discuss how to improve service delivery and coordination of functions in various offices of the Ministry.

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Kenya Forest Service launches ambitious tree

project by the French Gov-

ernment to build capacity of

the personnel of monitor-

ing, response, and mitigation of fires to ensure that

the forests are healthy and

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hance production in terms

of efficiency and cutting

costs on production. We

cannot achieve much without engaging the commu-

nity forest services and also

the KFS component in our strategy of 30 per cent re-

covery which requires us to

plant 300 million seedlings

which need planning, labor,

and production materials,"

He explained that they

are currently enhancing

the skills and competence

of officers through training that is ongoing among the

personnel, from rangers to

inspectors, but notably also

training of forest officers in

the KFS Londiani College to

ensure there is an adequate

number of personnel to ad-

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Dr. Solomon Kipkoech of

EarthLungs Reforestation

Foundation said they have

been working with KFS and

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Lemarkoko said.

"We are bringing in mat-

free of common thefts.

cover expansion campaign

Chief Conservator of Forests Mr. Alex Lemarkoko, staff of KFS, and other stakeholders during a tree planting exercise at uplands forest in Lari.

BY WANGARI NDIRANGU (KNA)

www.mygov.go.ke

¬he Kenya Forest Service (KFS) will em-■ bark on a campaign this year to increase tree cover by raising seedlings and growing trees throughout the country.

Led by the Chief Conservator of Forests, Mr. Alex Lemarkoko, the organization has initiated the campaign by planting over 5,000 blue-gum species trees at the Upland Forest Escarpment Block.

"We have decided to step out of the offices to engage in tree planting exercises and collaborate with other stakeholders, particularly the Community Forest Association (CFA), who are crucial shareholders in KFS," he stated during the exercise.

Lemarkoko expressed gratitude to the government for employing 321 personnel, noting that they will significantly contribute to raising seedlings, protecting forests, and ensuring the efficient management of plantations.

"The most critical challenge that KFS has had in the last three decades was lack of personnel and support in terms of finances and also the issue of training and competency of development but since last year the government has given us personnel, resources and also training," he said.

He noted that in the short period, KFS has managed to reduce deforestation in most of their forests because of the efforts of high-level discipline by forest rangers in curbing theft.

The CCF noted that technology is key in the monitoring of activities and in the surveillance of forest areas against threats such as fires and that KFS is currently being supported through a

to benefit from health covers and supporting schoolgoing children," he said.

Kipkoech added that as an organization they have a slogan: Plant and grow a tree for five years for Sh50 "Kafinje tu" to support the government's tree-planting initiative. He called upon Kenyans to support the noble cause. "EarthLungs is asking Kenyans to join us in planting trees. We will plant 10 per cent of the 15 billion target that is 1.5 million trees, by 2032. Through the collaboration we are getting from KFS and communities

we are determined we will make it", he noted.

Frasia Wanjiku Mbugua, the treasurer of Uplands Forest CFA said they voluntarily support KFS in tree planting and benefit by utilizing the land through livelihood support programs where they grow food.

"We support the exercises and as CFA we assist in the restoration of forests. We have a target to plant over

300,000 tree seedlings at our three blocks at the Uplands Forest supported by many partners," she said.

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Two months ago, statistics showed Kiambu County had managed to plant at least seven million trees since President Ruto in 2022 December commissioned the Programme dubbed "jaza miti" to increase the country's forest cover by 15 billion trees by 2032.





The Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) is the regulatory agency for the ICT sector in Kenya with responsibilities in telecommunications, e-commerce, broadcasting and postal/courier services. CA is also responsible for managing the country's numbering and frequency spectrum resources, administering the Universal Service Fund as well as safeguarding the interest of users of ICT services.

No.	Tender Reference	Description for Request for Proposals	Online Pre-tender conference/ Site visit date and time	Closing date and time	Eligibilty
1.	CA/SCM/OT/39/ 2023-2024	Open national tender for upgrade of the authority's data centre	Online Pre-tender conference Tuesday 6 th February 2024 at 10.00 a.m 12.00 noon.	14 th February 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to All
2.	CA/SCM/OT/40/ 2023-2024	Open national tender for supply, installation and maintenance of Microsoft online services	N/A	14 th February 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to All
3.	CA/SCM/OT/41/ 2023-2024	Open national tender for supply, delivery, installation & maintenance of a staff scheduler solution	N/A	14 th February 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to All
4.	CA/SCM/OT/42/ 2023-2024	Open national tender for supply, delivery & installation of a data leakage prevention (DIP) solution	N/A	14 th February 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to All
5.	CA/SCM/OT/43/ 2023-2024	Open national tender for maintenance of tower masts at CA SMMS stations	Site visit dates and times CA, Waiyaki (29th Jan 2024 at 10:00 a.m 3:00 pm.) Kahawa SMMS station (30th Jan 2024 at 10:00 a.m 12:30 pm.) Mombasa NSSF Building (1st Feb 2024 at 9:00 a.m 12:30 pm.) Mazeras SMMS station (2nd Feb 2024 at 10:00 a.m 3:00 pm.) RIAT SMMS Station Kisumu (6th Feb 2024 at 2:00 p.m 4:00 pm.)	21st February 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to All
6.	CA/SCM/OT/44/ 2023-2024	Open national tender for general repairs of CA regional offices and SMMS stations.	Site visit dates and times Nyeri Regional Office (Advocates Plaza Building)- 8th Feb 2024 at 9:00am to 10:30am Coast Regional Office (NSSF Building Mombasa) - 1st Feb 2024, at 11:00 am to 12:30 pm Nyanza Regional Office (Lake Basin Mall)- 6th February 2024 at 10:00am to 12.30 pm	21st February 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Reserved to Youth owned firms
7.	CA/SCM/OT/45/ 2023-2024	Open national tender for construction of masonry perimeter wall and associated civil works for Nyeri SMMS station	Site visit date and time 8th Feb 2024 at 11:00am to 12:30pm	21st February 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	(Reserved to PWD owned firms)
8.	CA/SCM/OT/46/ 2023-2024	Open Tender Maintenance of Automatic voltage regulator	N/A	21st February 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to All

of personnel and adequate funds The tender document can be accessed and downloaded from the Public Procurement Information Portal http://www.tenders.go.ke and the Authority's website (https://ca.go.ke/open-tenders), free of charge

> Further, firms who download the tender documents must arrange to forward their particulars/ contacts to the Director/ Supply Chain Management Department, Communications Authority of Kenya (CA). through tenders@ca.go.ke for purposes of recording and receiving clarbe uploaded onto the CA website and PPIP.

> Eligible bidders may also inspect and obtain detailed hard copy of the Tender documents from the Supply Chain Management Department, 2nd floor Wing A at CA Centre, Waiyaki Way, Nairobi, between 9am to 4pm, Monday to Friday excluding Public Holidays at a non-refundable fee of Kshs 1000 00

Prices quoted should be inclusive of all taxes and MUST be expressed in

Duly completed tender documents should be enclosed in a plain, sealed envelope clearly marked with the tender name and reference number and should be deposited in the tender box on the ground floor of the ${\rm CA}$ Centre, so as to reach on or before the indicated tender closing dates

Director General/CEO Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) P.O. Box 14448. Nairobi 00800 Tel: +254 (020) 4242000/ Website: www.ca.go.ke

Bids shall be opened immediately thereafter at CA Centre ground floor, Atrium in the presence of the bidders' representative(s) who choose to

Head Office CA Centre P.O. Box 14448 Nairobi 00800 Mobile: 0703042000 Email: info@ca.go.ke

Western Regional Office 1st Floor KVDA Plaza P.O. Box 2346 Eldoret 30100 Mobile: 0703042105 Email: wro@ca.go.ke

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Central Regional Office Ground Floor, Advocates P.O Box 134 Nyeri 10100 Mobile : 0703042181 Email: cero@ca.go.ke

Nyanza Regional Office 2nd Floor Lake Basin Mall, P.O Box 2016 Kisumu 40100 Mobile: 0703042130 Email nro@ca.go.ke

"We have adopted a forest where we work together with communities surrounding the forest and in turn, we support these families in raising seedlings and

Murang'a communities prepare for 10,000 new affordable housing units

BY BERNARD MUNYAO AND ANITA OMWENGA (KNA)

The Government, through the Affordable Housing Programme, is targeting to build 10,000 units in Murang'a County within a period of five years.

Currently, the construction of 220 house units at the Makenji site in Kandara constituency is underway, with the project expected to be completed by December of this year.

Albert Muchiri, the Central Regional Director of Affordable Housing and Markets, mentioned that by next month, construction of affordable houses will commence in Kiharu, Kangema, and Maragua constituencies.

He noted that in every constituency, they are aiming to build more than 200 affordable house units, stating that the areas have already designated land for the projects.

"The construction of affordable houses in the Makenji area is progressing smoothly, and we hope that by December, the project will be completed, and people will start occupying the houses. The project sits on 2.5 acres of land, which was donated by the county government."

"In Kiharu, the project targeting to have 106 units in the first phase will be done on 1.6 acres of land which belongs to the ministry of housing. In the Mitumbiri area of Maragua constituency, 450 units will be constructed on a 4-acre piece of land." explained Muchiri.

The Director was speaking during inauguration of Murang'a county affordable housing committee, added that in Kangema con-

In other constituencies we are planning to buy two acres of land and phase one of the affordable houses

stituency in the first phase, 120 units will be constructed in already identified two acres of land.

"In each of the other constituencies we are planning to buy two acres of land and start the first phase of the affordable houses," he noted

Muchiri said through the Boma Yangu portal, residents can register so as to get the houses once they are completed.

"Residents can register with the boma yangu portal so as to be considered once the houses are completed. In Makenji there will be 100 two-bedroom units, 60 three-bedroom units and another 60 one-bedrooms. The price of the houses will range between Sh. 1 million and 3 million," he stated.

The Director hailed the programme saying it has been a big source of employment to young people.

"For instance, at the Makenji site, more than 500 workers are engaged on a daily basis. There are also



Construction of affordable houses at Makenji area in Kandara constituency, Murang'a going on

those benefiting indirectly like suppliers of building materials, those selling food at the site among others," he averred.

Murang'a County Commissioner Patrick Mukuria on his part asked the locals to support the programme which also involves construction of modern markets within the county.

"The Government is also developing modern markets at Kangari, Muthithi, Kanyenyaini among other trading centres. These facilities

are meant to improve the livelihoods of the local residents," the Commissioner added.

Mukuria encouraged local residents to apply to own the houses on the e-citizen online platform under Boma Yangu or short code message *832 # so that they can benefit from affordable housing.

On her part, Murang'a director of housing Ms Laureen Wasungu called upon local jua kali artisans to take advantage of the housing programme and supply materials like doors, grills and windows.

The artisans, Wasungu said they have to register with the department of small and micro enterprises so that they can tender to supply the materials.

"Doors, windows and other fabricated house fitting items will be sourced locally and we appeal to local jua kali artisans to apply so as to be considered in supplying the materials," she added.





INVITATION TO TENDER

Tourism Fund is a body corporate established under the Tourism Act, 2011, charged with the mandate of mobilizing resources to finance sustainable development of the tourism and hospitality industry in Kenya. The Fund invites sealed bids from interested and eligible bidders for the following tenders.

No	Tender Description	Tender Number	Site Visit Dates & Venue	Closing Date & Venue
1	Proposed Interior Office	TF/01/2023-2024	29 th & 30 th January 2024	6 th February, 2024
''	Fit-Out for Tourism Fund,	11/01/2023-2024	′	,,
	West Kenya Regional Office -Kenya Reinsurance		(Kenya Reinsurance Plaza – Tourism Fund Office - 7 th	(Tourism Fund Building - Nairobi)
	Plaza – Seventh Floor –		Floor – Kisumu)	Dalialing (Valiobl)
	Kisumu			

The tender documents can be viewed and downloaded free of charge from the following websites: **www.tourismfund.co.ke** or **www.tenders.go.ke NOTE:** Bidders who download the document from the mentioned website MUST immediately forward their particulars for records and for purposes of receiving any further clarifications and/or addendums to **procurement@tourismfund.co.ke**.

Completed Tender documents in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked on top with the title and reference of the Tender should be addressed to: -

The Chief Executive Officer
Tourism Fund
Tourism Fund Building, Access from Bishops Road, 6th floor
P.O. Box 46987-00100, Nairobi
Tel. No. 020-2714900/1/2 Fax No.020-2714911
Email: procurement@tourismfund.co.ke

And must be deposited in the **Tender Box** at **6**th **floor**, **Tourism Fund Building**, **Access from Bishops Road**, Nairobi so as to be received on or before **6**th **February**, **2024 at 12 Noon East African time**.

Tenders will be opened immediately after the closing time in the presence of the candidate's representatives who choose to attend in the **Training Room no.1 on 6th Floor, Tourism Fund Building.**

AG. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TOURISM FUND





INVITATION TO TENDER

The Kenya Development Corporation Limited (KDC) is a State Corporation established to facilitate Industrial and Economic Development in Kenya by Initiation, Assistance or Expansion of Industrial, Commercial and other Enterprises

KDC's mandate is to promote sustainable economic development by providing development finance, infrastructure finance, business support and advisory services to medium and large-scale industries, infrastructure projects and commercial undertakings in target sectors in Kenya and elsewhere.

The Corporation invites sealed bids from firms interested to submit tenders as follows:

Ref. Number	Description	Tender Security (Ksh.)	Closing Date	Eligibility
EOI/KDC/044/23-24	Expression of Interest (EOI) - for Provision of Tax Consultancy Services	Not Applicable	Friday 2 nd February 2024 at 10.00 a.m.	OPEN
RFP/KDC/045/23-24	Request for Proposal - for Provision of Public Relations and Communication Agency Services	100,000.00	Friday 2 nd February 2024 at 10.00 a.m.	OPEN

Interested eligible candidates may obtain the Tender Documents from our Website www.kdc.go.ke or the Public Procurement Information Portal at https://tenders.go.ke/. All the candidates who download the Tender Documents are required to register with the Supply Chain Office by sending an email to supplychain@kdc.go.ke to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.

Completed Tender documents shall be sealed in a plain envelope, clearly marked as stated above showing the reference and title of the tender and addressed to:

The Director General Kenya Development Corporation Limited (KDC) 16th Floor, Uchumi House, Aga Khan Walk P.O. Box 12665-00100, Nairobi

Completed documents shall be deposited in the Tender box located at the Reception area on 16th Floor, Uchumi House, Aga Khan Walk, Nairobi; so as to be received on or before **Friday 2nd February 2024 at 10.00 a.m.** The documents will be opened immediately thereafter at the Reception on 16th Floor in the presence of the bidders or their representatives who wish to witness.

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Turkana County launches Sh534m scholarship scheme for vulnerable students

BY PETER GITONGA (KNA)

¬urkana Governor Jeremiah Lomorukai has launched the Turkana County Education Fund amounting to Sh534 million for the 2023/2024 financial year.

The Governor stated that 80 per cent of the Fund, amounting to Sh427 million, has been earmarked for bursaries. Furthermore, 12 pc of the Fund, equivalent to Sh64 million, has been allocated to the Turkana County Scholarship Scheme.

Established under the Turkana County Education Fund Act (2023), the Fund aims to provide financial support to needy students across the county.

He also announced that five per cent, totaling Sh26 million, has been allocated to the Turkana County Loan Scheme.

This scheme will provide financial support to students in colleges and universities through loans.

The Governor distributed cheques amounting to Sh191



Governor Jeremiah Lomorukai (right) launches the Turkana County Education Fund amounting to Sh534 million for the 2023/2024 Financial Year. PHOTO: PETER GITONGA

million in the first phase of the bursary allocation, benefiting 23,246 students across the county.

The beneficiaries include students in secondary schools, universities, colleges, vocational training centers, polytechnics, and other educational institu-

Speaking at the launch, Governor Lomorukai asked ward bursary committees to observe transparency and avoid politics in the allocation process.

"I want to appeal to the committees to ensure that the bursary allocation is free of politics and fair to all applicants. If we politicize such key issues like bursary allocation, then we risk causing divisions among our people," he said.

He revealed that the scholarship program will benefit 100 secondary school students, along with several students pursuing rare skills in Technical and

Vocational Education and Training (TVET) and universities. The Governor also announced that the second phase of fund disbursement is set for April.

The County boss assured residents that the county would digitize bursary allocation to streamline the process and thanked the Onesimus Kipchumba Murkomen Foundation, Cooperative Bank and KCB Bank for providing a total of 17 scholarship opportunities to students from Turkana County.

Deputy Governor Dr John Erus urged the vouth to take up opportunities in TVETs to acquire skills which will help change their lives. He rallied residents to join the county's efforts to combat drug and alcohol abuse.

County Commissioner Jacob Ouma cautioned school heads about misappropriating food in the school feeding programme. He also directed the County Police Commander to investigate claims of financial malpractice by the management of Eldoret Technical Training

Institute (ETTI).

County Executive for Education Leah Audan announced that application for the scholarship scheme was open and directed interested applicants to apply.

Deputy Speaker Philip Ekuwam led a team of MCAs in the launch including Chairperson of the County Assembly Committee on Education Michael Aemun (Kaputir).

Senior County Government officials present included Deputy County Secretary Dr Albert Gamoe.



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WEBINAR INVITATION/NOTIFICATION

DISSEMINATION OF THE 2022/2023 VALUES AND PRINCIPLES COMPLIANCE EVALUATION REPORT FINDINGS

Article 234 (2)(h) of the Constitution, Section 16 of the Public Service (Values and Principles) Act, 2015 and Section 63 of the PSC Act, 2017 require the Public Service Commission as a responsible Commission to evaluate and report to the President and Parliament on the extent to which the values and principles mentioned in Articles 10 and 232 are complied with in the public service.

The Commission prepared and forwarded the Status of the Public Service Compliance with the Values and Principles in Articles 10 and 232 of the Constitution Report for the year 2022/2023 to the President and Parliament in December, 2023. Specific report findings for the evaluated organizations have also been shared.

To share the report findings with the evaluated organizations, and to publicize the report as required by Section 64 (2) of the Public Service Commission Act 2017, the Commission has organized webinar sessions from 2nd to 9th February, 2024 as follows:

No.	SECTOR/TARGET GROUP	DATE	TIME
1.	All authorized officers (Principal Secretaries, CEOs and Director Generals, Principal Administrative Secretaries, Vice Chancellors, Solicitor General, Commissioners of Constitutional Commissions and Independent Offices, Controller of Budget, Auditor General, Director of Public Prosecution, Registrar of Political Parties, Council of Governors and Board members of State Corporations and SAGAs)	02.02.2024	0900hrs – 1100hrs (2 hours)
2.	Commissions and Independent Offices	06.02.2024	0900hrs – 1200hrs
3.	Ministries and State Departments		(3 hours)
4.	Statutory Commissions and Authorities		
5.	Public Universities	07.02.2024	0900hrs – 1200hrs (3 hours)
6.	State Corporations	08.02.2024	0900hrs – 1200hrs (3 hours)
7.	Technical and Vocational Education Training institutions	09.02.2024	0900hrs – 1200hrs (3 hours)

Towards this end, your organization is requested to nominate officers to participate during the webinar session assigned to your respective sector. The nomination targets the cadre of officers listed below

- All Accounting officers;
- All human resource officers in the HR unit, including the Head of HR;
- Registrars and relevant staff dealing with HR matters;
- Secretaries and Directors of Administration in Ministries and State Departments; Principals, Deputy Principals, and Registrars in TVET institutions;
- Officers in-charge of governance and ethics in the organization; and All Heads of Departments/divisions/units in the organization.

The nominated officer from nos. ii - vii will also be required to download and cascade the Report findings to the rest of the staff in the organization after the webinar.

Kindly, share the email addresses of the nominated officers via **governance@publicservice.go.ke** in Ms-Excel (not PDF) on or before **Wednesday 31st January, 2024.** The nominated persons are further requested to familiarize themselves with the findings contained in the 2022/2023 Values and Principles Report (downloadable: Commission's website www.publicservice.go.ke).

As an efficiency and cost-cutting measure, the institutions are required to download and circulate soft copies of the Report to their officers since the Commission will not be providing any hard copies.

Commission Secretary/CEO Public Service Commission Commission House, Harambee Avenue P.O. Box 30095-00100 NAIROBI





Public Notice

Fringe Benefit Tax, Deemed Interest Rate and **Low Interest Benefit**

FRINGE BENEFIT TAX

For the purposes of Section 12B of the Income Tax Act, the Market Interest Rate is 15%. This rate shall be applicable for the months of January, February and March 2024.

DEEMED INTEREST RATE

For purposes of section 16(2)(ja) of the Income Tax Act , the prescribed rate of interest is 15%. This rate shall be applicable for the months of January, February and March 2024.

Withholding tax rate of 15% on the deemed interest shall be deducted and paid to the Commissioner within five working days following the computation.

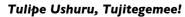
LOW INTEREST BENEFIT

For purposes of section 5(2A), the prescribed rate of interest is 14%. This rate is applicable for the months of January, February, March, April, May and June 2024.

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Shimo la Tewa Women's Prison opens up workshop to cultivate inmate businesses

BY FATMASAID (KNA)

Hemale inmates at Shimo la Tewa Prison are poised to benefit from opportunities to establish and manage businesses, supporting their families and laying the foundation for startup ventures upon their release.

Correctional Services Principal Secretary, Ms. Salome Beacco, who launched the pioneering Shimo la Tewa Women Prison Chandaria Workshop, said the workshop will encompass a bakery, tailoring, and an ICT hub. Additionally, the 'Karakana Project,' an initiative by First Lady Rachel Ruto, will involve training female inmates in crosscrocheting. Ms. Beacco stated that the initiative aims to empower women

by fostering entrepreneurship, enabling them to build essential capital for future business endeavors, facilitate their reintegration into society, and contribute to their long-term economic self-sufficiency. Beacco added that inmates have the opportunity to receive vocational and educational training in various sectors at the prison workshop. They will be equipped with commercial equipment, raw materials, and seed capital to kick-start production.

The workshop will be used as a training center for inmates on different skills they require, and in return get markets of their products outside; with the proceeds they generate being used to uplift their family's lives



Correctional Services Principal Secretary, Salome Beacco addressing the inmates at Shimo la Tewa Prison, Shanzu. PHOTO: FATMA SAID/KNA





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SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES FOR VARIOUS POSTS ADVERTISED ON 5TH DECEMBER, 2023

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions invited interested and qualified persons to apply for consideration into appointment to various vacant positions as advertised in the print media on 5th December, 2023.

At close of the advertisement on 19th December, 2023, applications were received as indicated below:

S / NO	POST	GRADE	V/NO	NO. OF POSTS	NO. OF APPLICANTS	NO. SHORT- LISTED
1.	Senior Assistant Director, Human Resource Management	DPP 3	1/2023	1	108	9
2.	Assistant Director Information Communication Technology	DPP 4	2/2023	1	61	4
3.	Assistant Director Human Resource Management	DPP 4	3/2023	1	139	5
4.	Senior Principal Prosecution Counsel	DPP 5	4/2023	5	363	28
5.	Principal Prosecution Counsel	DPP 6	5/2023	5	236	29
6.	Principal Supply Chain Management Officer	DPP 6	6/2023	1	334	6
7.	Principal Office Administrator	DPP 6	7/2023	2	657	5
8.	Principal Public Communication Officer	DPP 6	8/2023	1	401	10
9.	Senior Human Resource Management Officer I	DPP 7	9/2023	1	70	5
10.	Senior Human Resource Development Officer I	DPP 7	10/2023	1	66	5
11.	Executive Secretary	DPP 7	11/2023	7	1114	25
12.	Administration Officer I	DPP 8	12/2023	2	2199	25
13.	Prosecution Counsel II	DPP 9	13/2023	86	1503	391
14.	Personal Secretary II	DPP 10	14/2023	20	3264	51
15.	Supply Chain Management Officer II	DPP 10	15/2023	2	1455	14
16.	Clerical Officer II	DPP 12	16/2023	30	11947	150
17.	Office Assistant III	DPP 13	17/2023	20	9355	155
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Interviews for the shortlisted candidates will be conducted from 7th to 21st February, 2024 at the Prosecution Training Institute-Loresho and NSSF 19th Floor-Nairobi.

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

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

Members of the public with any adverse information on any shortlisted candidate are requested to submit the information under **CONFIDENTIAL COVER** before **2**nd **February**, **2024** to the: **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS**

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PRÓSECUTIONS ODPP HOUSE, RAGATI ROAD P.O. BOX 30701 - 00100 NAIROBI KENYA

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INVITATION TO TENDER (RE-ADVERTISEMENT)

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) invites sealed tenders from eligible tenderers for the following tenders: -

S/ No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Tender Group	Closing
1.	ODPP/OT/007/2023-2024.	Provision for Maintenance of Photocopiers & Printers for the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions Headquarters and County Offices.	OPEN	Tuesday 6 th February, 2024 11:00am.
2.	ODPP/OT/008/2023-2024	Supply and Delivery of Scanners for County and Sub-County Offices for the Office of the Director Public Prosecu- tions.	OPEN	Tuesday 6 th February, 2024 11:00am
3.	ODPP/OT/009/2023-2024.	Provision of Cleaning, Sanitary and Fumigation Services for The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions NSSF Building, 19th Floor and Prosecution Training Institute (PTI).	AGPO- (YOUTH)	Tuesday 6 th February, 2024 11:00am.
4.	ODPP/OT/010/ 2023-2024	Provision of Catering Services for ODPP Headquarters, NSSF & Prosecutions Training Institute (PTI) for a period of one-year (renewable).	OPEN	Tuesday 6 th February, 2024 11:00am
5.	ODPP/OT/011/ 2023-2024	Provision of Group Life Insurance (GLI) Cover for ODPP Staff.	OPEN	Tuesday 6 th February, 2024 11:00am
6.	ODPP/OT/12/2023-2024	Supply, Installation, Configuration, Customization, Testing, Commission- ing and Maintenance of an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Solution.	OPEN	Tuesday 6 th February, 2024 11:00am

Interested and eligible bidders may obtain the tender documents and further details on the tender by downloading **free of charge** from the ODPP Website: www.odpp.go.ke or public procurement information portal www.tenders.go.ke.

Tenderers who have downloaded the tender document must forward their particulars immediately to **procurement@odpp.go.ke/odppprocurement@gmail.com** for the purposes of further communication and issuing addendum if any. Completed tender documents in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with the tender number should be addressed to:

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS P.O. BOX 30701-00100 NAIROBI.

And be deposited in the Tender Box at the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions House, along Ragati Road, at the reception during normal working hours from 8.00 am – 12.30 pm and 2.30 pm – 4.50 p.m. so as to be received on or before **Tuesday 6th February, 2024 11:00am**. Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend at the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions Boardroom situated at the ODPP House ground floor on **6th February, 2024 11:00am**.

SENIOR SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT OFFICER I FOR: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS









Nyeri drafts regulations for disaster management and the Disabled

BY SAMUEL MAINA (KNA)

The County Government of Nyeri is working on regulations that will help operationalize the Disaster Management Act and the Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) Management Act.

The Disaster Management Bill became an act in 2021, while the PWDs Management Bill was passed by Governor Mutahi Kahiga a year later.

The Department of Gen-

der, Youth, Sports, and Social Services, under whose docket the two acts fall, is currently undertaking a four-day workshop to formulate the regulations before they are subjected to public participation.

Ms. Esther Ndung'u, the Gender, Youth, Sports, and Social Services CECM, says she hopes the new regulations will, among other things, provide a legal framework to ensure that the public, especially PWDs,

services and are free from any form of discrimination.

She observed that despite the two acts having been assented to since 2022, they had remained in limbo due to the lack of a necessary guiding legal framework.

"We already have an Act for Persons Living with Disabilities which was accented to by our governor during his first term in office. But for us to be able to actualize or implement there must

always enjoy government be a regulation to guide the process. So, the regulations we are coming up with for the Disaster Management Act and for the Persons with Disabilities Act are provided for in the Act but now we must come up with the regulations. So that is what we are coming up with," the CECM stated.

Apart from providing the necessary guiding principles for the implementation of the acts, Ndun'gu said the drafters of the regulations will also entrench a working board that will ensure the law is adhered to.

The board, which will incorporate stakeholders from all relevant agencies will further make sure PWDs are not discriminated against in terms of employment and mandate all public buildings to have facilities that are friendly to such persons.

"There was a proposal to establish a board and a proposal to ensure the rights of PWDs are looked into, such as not being discriminated against in the workplace and buildings coming up in Nyeri are accessible to PWDs.

"We also want to make sure that all employers come up with regulations, where PWDs are not discriminated against and that if you become a PWD while you are employed that you don't lose your job. Those are some of the regulations that we are coming up with," Ndung'u added.



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

NO.	TENDER REFERENCE & DESCRIPTION	TENDER SECURITY	SITE VISIT DATES	PRE BID CONFERENCE	CLOSING DATE
		N NATIONAL TEI	NDFR		
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1.	KPC/PU/OT - 052/ELEC/NBI/23 - 24	KES.200,000.00	N/A	06-02-2024 at	21-02-2024
	Supply, Installation, and Soaking of Spare Power Transformers for Line 2, Line 4, And Line 5.	KE3.200,000.00	IN/A	10.00 a.m.	21-02-2024
2.	KPC/PU/OT - 055/ELEC/NBI/23 - 24	KES.200,000.00	N/A	06-02-2024 at	21-02-2024
	Supply of Boom Lift			10.00 a.m.	
3.	KPC/PU/OT - 095/KPRL/NBI/23 - 24	KES.200,000.00	N/A	06-02-2024 at	21-02-2024
	Supply of Industrial Vacuum Tanker (Gulley Sucker)			10.00 a.m.	
4.	KPC/PU/OT - 096/KPRL/NBI/23 - 24	KES.200,000.00	N/A	06-02-2024 at	21-02-2024
	Supply of Utilities Air Compressor Complete with Diesel Power Generator at (KPRL PS15), Mombasa			10.00 a.m.	
5.	KPC/PU/OT - 098/KPRL/NBI/23 - 24	KES.100,000.00	N/A	06-02-2024 at	21-02-202
	Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Automatic Distillation Units at KPRL (PS15)Laboratory in Mombasa.			10.00 a.m.	
6.	KPC/PU/OT - 065/CORR/NBI/23 - 24	KES.500,000.00	07-02-2024	07-02-2024 at	22-02-202
	Repair and Installation of Aluminium Dome Roof on Jet Tank 14-Tk-501 at PS 14 Kipevu Depot		at 12.00 p.m.	10.00 a.m.	
7.	KPC/PU/OT - 100/I&C/NBI/23 - 24	KES.500,000.00	From 06-02-	From 06-02-	22-02-202
	Fuel Facs upgrade PS9 – Embakasi, PS25- Nakuru, PS27- Eldoret and PS28 – Kisumu		2024 to 09- 02-2024 at 12.00 p.m.	2024 to 09-02- 2024 at 10.00 a.m.	
8.	KPC/PU/OT - 058/MECH/NBI/23 - 24	KES.200,000.00	N/A	07-02-2024 at	22-02-2024
	Supply of Reinjection Pumps at PS10 – Nairobi Terminal			10.00 a.m.	
9.	KPC/PU/OT - 063/MECH/NBI/23 - 24	KES.100,000.00	N/A	07-02-2024 at 10.00 a.m.	22-02-202
	Supply of Condition Monitoring Kits and Training.				
10.	KPC/PU/OT - 064/MECH/NBI/23 - 24	KES.100,000.00	From 06-02- 2024 to 09- 02-2024 at	From 06-02- 2024 to 09-02- 2024 at	22-02-202
	Supply of Materials and Fabrication of Line V Service Platforms for the Overhead Cranes.		12.00 p.m.	10.00 a.m.	
11.	KPC/PU/OT - 120/WELFARE/NBI/23 - 24	KES.100,000.00	07-02-2024	07-02-2024 at 10.00 a.m.	23-02-2024
	Supply of Staff Uniform.				

NO.	TENDER REFERENCE & DESCRIPTION	TENDER SECURITY	SITE VISIT DATES	PRE BID CONFERENCE	CLOSING DATE
12.	KPC/PU/OT-082/AIRWING/NBI/23 - 24	KES.200,000.00	N/A	01-02-2024 at 10.00 a.m.	08-02-2024
	Provision of Helicopter Maintenance and Hangarage Services for a Period of Three (3) years.				

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		FRAMEWORK			
		RE-TENDER			
13.	KPC/PU/FW-039/HSE/NBI/23 - 24 Framework Contract for Medical Examination for a period of two years.	N/A	N/A	08-02-2024 at 10.00 a.m.	23-02-2024
14.	KPC/PU/FW-036/ADMIN/NBI/23- 24 Provision of Framework Contract for Motor Fuel and Lubricants for a period of Two (2) years.	N/A	N/A	08-02-2024 at 10.00 a.m.	23-02-2024
	RESE	RVED FOR WO	MEN		
15.	KPC/PU/FW -021/SC/NBI/23 - 24 Framework Agreement for Provision of Air Travel and Ticketing Services for a Period of 3 years	N/A	N/A	01-02-2024 at 10.00 a.m.	08-02-2024

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No other email addresses shall be used and KPC shall not be liable if bidders choose to send their queries to other email addresses.

NOTE: Bidders who are not registered in KPC SRM System should first register using this link https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal

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

(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.

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Council advances efforts to fortify Kenya's investment climate

BY PCS

The National Investment Council (NIC) is implementing strategic measures aimed at fortifying Kenya's investment climate and catalyzing the influx of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) alongside fostering Domestic Direct Investment (DDI) growth.

Recognizing the paramount importance of realtime feedback on policy impact and identifying barriers to investment, the council adopted a resolution to conduct quarterly private sector roundtables during a meeting chaired by President William Ruto.

President Ruto said that this initiative seeks to provide a platform for private sector stakeholders to candidly address challenges within Kenya's investment climate and agree upon solutions, both policy and non-policy, within defined timelines.

Understanding the significance of transparent communication to investors and the nation's global positioning, the Council resolved that the Cabinet Secretary responsible for The National Treasury and Economic Planning, as well as the Cabinet Secretary for Investment Trade and Industry shall schedule periodic media briefings targeted at investors and the interna-

tional media, with the aim of conveying the accurate stance of the country on fiscal, monetary, and investment matters.

President Ruto, also the Chair of the NIC, acknowledged the economic resurgence resulting from interventions in various sectors. Council members were reminded of their crucial role as the focal point for private sector concerns related to the investment environment.

He said that this commitment is poised to elevate Kenya's regional and international standing as the preferred investment destination.

Similarly, the government is implementing robust measures to foster industrial growth and ensure it is commensurate with the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by equipping Special Economic Zones with the necessary facilities to attract investors.

He noted that this will attract foreign direct investment, drive industrial growth and increase exports.

"Exports are a very important agenda because we are importing too many things that can be manufactured locally," he added.

He pointed out that this will position the country to benefit from the African Continental Free Trade Area, African Growth and Opportunity Act and other markets.





TENDER NOTICE

The Geothermal Development Company Limited (GDC) invites sealed tenders from eligible candidates for the following:

TENDER NO.	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TARGET GROUP	TENDER SECURITY AMOUNT	CLOSING DATE
GDC/DEM/OT/036/ 2023-2024	Tender for supply and delivery of service and breackdown parts for Beiben Trucks (Re-tender)	Open to All	Kshs. 200,000.00	13.02.2024 at 11.00am
GDC/ICT/OT/038/ 2023-2024	Tender for supply and installation of Internet Services for a period of three (3) years	Open to All	Kshs. 500,000.00	15.02.2024 at 11.00am
GDC/ICT/OT/037/ 2023-2024	Tender for provision of service legal agreement for Data Centre Maintenance for a period of two (2) years.	Open to All	Kshs. 100,000.00	12.02.2024 at 11.00am
GDCSRBS/OT/043/ 2023-2024	Tender for provision of Pension Audit Services to GDC Staff Retirement Scheme for a period of three (3) years.	Open to All	Kshs. 100,000.00	01.02.2024 at 11.00am

There will be a Mandatory site visit to GDC Project Sites & Offices for the following tenders;

- Tender for provision of service levegal agreement for Data Centre Maintenance for a period of two (2) years - GDC/ICT/OT/037/2023:2024.
 - Nairobi Kawi Office, South C on Monday 29th January, 2024 at 10.00am (Assemble at Nairobi Office, South C at 9.00am).
 - Nakuru Polo Centre Office, Kenyatta avenue on Tuesday 30th January, 2024 at 10:00am. (Assemble at Polo Centre office at 9.00am).
- 2. Tender for Tender for supply and installation of Internet Services for a period of three (3) years
 GDC/ICT/OT/038/2023:2024
 - Nairobi Kawi House, South C on Monday 29th January 2024 at 10:00am. Bidders to assemble at GDC Polo Center Office by 9:00am).
 - ii. **Polo Centre, Nakuru on Tuesday 30th January 2024 at 10:00am.** Bidders to assemble at GDC Polo Center Office by 9:00am. Bidders will thereafter proceed to Kabarak Land at 11.00 am and Menengai Geothermal at 12.00 Pm).
 - iii. GDC Kapkerwa Office, North Rift on Wednesday 31st January 2024 at 9:00am. Bidders will thereafter proceed to Paka Geothermal Field.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information and inspect the tender document from the office of Manager, Supply Chain at Kawi House, South C off Mombasa Road, Red Cross Road between 9.00am and 4.00pm during week days.

A complete set of the tender documents may be obtained by interested firms upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **Kshs.1000** payable to our accounts office in cash or by banker's cheque. The documents can also be viewed and downloaded from the website **www.gdc.co.ke** or PPIP Portal **www.tenders.go.ke free of charge.** Bidders who download the tender document from the website **MUST** forward their particulars immediately to **procurement@gdc.co.ke** for records and any further tender clarifications and addenda.

The completed tenders in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with **Tender No.** and **Tender reference name**: shall be addressed to:

Managing Director & CEO,
Geothermal Development Company
P.O Box 100746-00101
NAIPORI KENYA

and deposited in the tender box at Ground Floor GDC office Kawi House, South C Off Mombasa Road, Red Cross Road on or before the dates specified above.

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend at Kawi House, South C GDC Board Room Ground Floor.

Late tenders will not be accepted.

MANAGER, SUPPLY CHAIN





INVITATION TO TENDER

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

NO.	TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	TENDER COMMENCEMENT DATE	MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING & SITE VISIT	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1.	KP1/9A.2/OT/ 049/ICT/23-24	Procurement of IP Telephony Servers and IP Phones	Thursday 25.01.2024	N/A	Thursday 08.02.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
2.	KP1/9A.3/OT/ 24/23-24	Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Vacuum Transformer Drying Oven	Tuesday 23.01.2024	Pre-tender Conference Thursday 01.02 2024 from 9.00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.	Tuesday 20.02.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
				Mandatory Site Visit Meeting Thursday 01.02 2024 from 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.	
				(Isiolo Rd Workshop off Enterprise Rd, Nairobi)	
3.	KP1/9A.2/OT/ 052/ICT/23-24	Procurement of Information Security Solutions-PAM & SIEM	Thursday 25.01.2024	N/A	Tuesday 20.02.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
4.	KP1/9A.3/OT/ 32/23-24	Supply of Maximum Demand Indicators complete with GSM for Distribution Transformers & Tools	Friday 26.01.2024	N/A	Friday 16.02.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
5.	KP1/9A.3/OT/ 26/23-24	Supply of Transmission Tools	Thursday 25.01.2024	N/A	Tuesday 20.02.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
6.	KP1/9A.2/OT/ 051/ICT/23-24	Procurement of Computers	Thursday 25.01.2024	N/A	Tuesday 06.02.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
7.	KP7/9A/OT/ NM/45/23-24	Procurement of Civil, Building and Construction Materials for Maralal 33/11kV Substation	Wednesday 24.01.2024	N/A	Friday 02.02.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
8.	KP1/9A.3/OT/ 31/23-24	Supply of Office Furniture & Equipment	Thursday 25.01.2024	N/A	Wednesday 21.02.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
9.	KP1/9A.2/OT/ 039/AD- MIN/23-24	Proposed Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Fire Alarm System at Nanyu- ki, Ruiru and Roysambu Commercial Offices	Thursday 25.01.2024	Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting Monday 05.02 2024 from 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. (Nanyuki)	Thursday 15.02.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
		Commercial Offices		Mandatory Site Visit Tuesday 06.02.2024 from 9.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. (Roysambu)	
				from 11.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.(Ruiru)	

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

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Labour Ministry roots for Alternative **Dispute Resolution**



Central Organization of Trade Unions (COTU) Secretary General Francis Lipwoni Atwoli (left) having a word with the Labour and Social Protection Cabinet Secretary (CS) Ms Florence Chepng'etich Bore during the training of Judges of the Employment and Labour Relations Court (ELRC) in Naivasha.

BY MABEL KEYA SHIKUKU

The Ministry of Labour and Social Protection is taking the lead in operationalizing the Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanism (ADR) in labor relations, a move aimed at significantly reducing the number of cases filed in court.

To facilitate this process, Ms. Florence Bore, the Cabinet Secretary for Labour and Social Protection, has called for collaboration between the ministry and the Employment and Labour Relations Court (ELRC). The ELRC is actively involved in the development of rules and regulations for ADR.

Ms. Bore made these remarks during the official session for Judges of the Employment and Labour Relations Court (ELRC) in Naivasha.

Additionally, the Cabinet Secretary emphasized that her ministry is actively promoting safe, orderly, and regular labor migrations, ensuring the protection of migrant workers and their families.

Speaking during the same function, the Kenya Central Organization of Trade Unions (COTU) Secretary General Francis Lipwoni Atwoli defended the Judiciary over corruption allegations raised by the executive.

Atwoli instead called for a truce between the two arms of government saying the current war of words between the two arms is detopening of the training rimental to service delivery.

Agency invests in grassroots development

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI (KNA)

¬he Coast Development Authority (CDA) is strategically realigning its socio-economic activities to align with the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) plan advocated by the national government.

In pursuit of this transformative agenda, the regional authority is directing investments towards local grassroots economic development and enhancing transformative agricultural activities in the coastal counties of Kwale, Kilifi, Lamu, Taita Taveta, and Tana River.

Dr. Mohamed Keinan, the Managing Director of CDA, emphasizes that development projects in these coastal counties are being harmonized with the government's five-point BETA plan—a focal point for President William Ruto to ensure his administration effectively caters to the needs of Kenyans.

The BETA Plan concentrates on Agricultural Transformation and Inclusive Growth; Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs); Housing and Settlement; Healthcare; and the Digital Superhighway and the Creative Industry.

Dr. Keinan says CDA is escalating its efforts to boost irrigated agriculture as a way of ensuring yearround uninterrupted farm-



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V/NO.	POST	MINISTRY/STATE DEPARTMENT	GRADE	NO. OF VACANCIES
1/2024	County Commissioner/ Secretary of Adminis- tration II	Internal Security and National Administration	CSG 4	22
2/2024	Deputy Director, Kenya School of Adventure and Leadership		CSG 6	1
3/2024	Secretary Refugee Affairs	Immigration and	CSG 4	1
4/2024	Director, Civil Registration Services	Citizen Services	CSG 5	5
5/2024	Deputy Director, Civil Registration Services		CSG 6	17
6/2024	Assistant Director, Civil Registration Services		CSG 7	80
7/2024	Deputy Commissioner General of Prisons	Correctional Services- Kenya Prisons Services	PG 13	1
8/2024	Director General Public Debt Management	The National Treasury	CSG 3	1
9/2024	Director, Veterinary Services	Livestock Development	CSG 4	1
10/2024	Director/Senior Research Fellow/Senior Lecturer (Re-advertisement)	Defence	CSG 5	1
11/2024	Secretary, Industrial- ization	Industry	CSG 4	1
12/2024	Director, Industries	1	CSG 5	1
13/2024	Deputy Director, Industries		CSG 6	8
14/2024	Assistant Director, Industries		CSG 7	39
15/2024	Principal Industrial Development Officer		CSG 8	73
16/2024	Director KITI	İ	CSG 5	1
17/2024	Deputy Director KITI]	CSG 6	3
18/2024	Assistant Director, KITI		CSG 7	9
19/2024	Director, Performance Management	Performance and Delivery	CSG 5	2
20/2024	Deputy Director, Perfor- mance Management	Management	CSG 6	7
21/2024	Assistant Director, Performance Management		CSG 7	15
22/2024	Director, Coordination and Supervision Services		CSG 5	1
23/2024	Deputy Director, Coordination & Supervision		CSG 6	1
24/2024	Assistant Director, Coor- dination and Supervision		CSG 7	8
25/2024	Deputy Director, Research & Knowledge Management		CSG 6	1
26/2024	Assistant Director, Research & Knowledge Management		CSG 7	8
27/2024	Senior Deputy Commis- sioner for Labour	Labour and Skills Development	CSG 5	2
28/2024	Deputy Commissioner for Labour		CSG 6	15
29/2024	Assistant Commissioner for Labour		CSG 7	30
30/2024	Chief Medical Specialist	1	CSG 5	1
31/2024	Medical Specialist II]	CSG 6	10
32/2024	Director Occupational Safety and Health Services		CSG 5	5
33/2024	Deputy Director Occupa- tional Safety and Health Services		CSG 6	35
34/2024	Assistant Director Occupational Safety and Health Services		CSG 7	50
35/2024	Assistant Director Nursing Services]	CSG 7	1
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		36/2024	Director, Labour Market Research and Analysis	Labour and Skills Development	CSG 5	3
		37/2024	Deputy Director, Labour Market Research and Analysis		CSG 6	4
		38/2024	Assistant Director, Labour Market Research and Analysis		CSG 7	2
		39/2024	Director, Post Training and Skills Development		CSG 5	1
		40/2024	Deputy Director, Post Training and Skills Devel- opment		CSG 6	1
		41/2024	Assistant Director, Post Training and Skills Devel- opment		CSG 7	8
		42/2024	Director, Productivity		CSG 5	2
		43/2024	Deputy, Director Pro- ductivity		CSG 6	2
		44/2024	Assistant, Director Productivity		CSG 7	3
		45/2024	Secretary Labour Migration		CSG 4	1
		46/2024	Director, Labour Migration		CSG 5	2
		47/2024	Deputy, Director, Labour Migration		CSG 6	2
		48/2024	Assistant, Director Labour Migration		CSG 7	2
		49/2024	Deputy Director, Legisla- tive Affairs	Parliamentary Affairs	CSG 6	2
		50/2024	Assistant, Director, Legis- lative Affairs		CSG 7	4
		51/2024	Deputy Director, Parlia- mentary Affairs		CSG 6	2
		52/2024	Assistant Director, Parlia- mentary Affairs		CSG 7	4
		53/2024	Director Policy Coordina- tion & Strategy		CSG 5	1
		54/2024	Deputy Director Policy Coordination & Strategy		CSG 6	2
		55/2024	Assistant Director, Policy Coordination & Strategy		CSG 7	2
		56/2024	Director Policy Analysis & Coordination		CSG 5	1
		57/2024	Deputy Director Policy analysis and Coordi- nation		CSG 6	2
		58/2024	Deputy Director Policy analysis and Coordi- nation		CSG 7	2
		59/2024	Commissioner for Petroleum	Petroleum	CSG 4	1
		60/2024	Geologist II	Mining	CSG 10	36
		61/2024	Inspector of Mines II		CSG 10	76
		62/2024	Inspector of Explosives II		CSG 10	22
7		63/2024	Chemist		CSG 10	5
	:	64/2024	Inspector Drilling		CSG 11	4
		65/2024	Laboratory Technolo- gist III		CSG 12	5
	:	66/2024	Laboratory Technician		CSG 13	4
	:	67/2024	Drilling Assistant II		CSG 14	15
		68/2024	Secretary, Land Reclamation, Climate Resilience and Irrigation Water Management	Irrigation	CSG 4	1
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The details of the posts and mode of application can be accessed on the

Interested and qualified persons are required to make their applications **ONLINE** through the Commission website: www.publicservice.go.ke or jobs portal: osckjobs.go.ke so as to reach the Commission on or before 13th February, 2024 (Latest 5 pm East African Time).

SECRETARY/CEO **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



Agency implements multi-million Horn of Africa water project

(MYGOV) AND ERICK KYALO (KNA)

¬he Water Resources Authority (WRA) is actively implementing transboundary water management initiatives to enhance the sustainable use and management of groundwater in the region.

This effort is part of the Horn of Africa Groundwater for Resilience Programme (HoAGW4RP), a regional initiative involving Kenya, Somalia, Ethiopia, South Sudan, Djibouti, Eritrea, and IGAD. The World Bank is financing this program at a cost of 45 million dollars.

The collaborative implementation of the programme is designed to promote regional integration among communities residing in the borderlands within the Horn of Africa. The project is expected to benefit approximately 1.5 million people in rural communities, particularly in the five counties of Turkana, Wajir, Garissa, Marsabit, and Mandera.

Scheduled to run for six years, the project aims to ensure the proper recharge and protection of underground water reservoirs. This will be achieved by enhancing the capacities of communities in target areas regarding conservation measures.

Speaking in Garissa after a county stakeholders' consultation workshop, Ms. Agatha Njuguna, the Project Implementation Unit Coordinator for the Water Resources Authority (WRA), emphasized that the introduction of managed aquifers will enable the tapping of rain and floodwater into a sand dam.

Subsequently, this water will gradually infiltrate the ground over time.She said that managed aquifers are artificial aquifers that will be created to feed the natural underground water aquifers in the form of dams which will be well conserved and protected.

"We are trying to stop the water from flowing and intercept it and create a reservoir allowing it to percolate into the ground. The aquifer is a very big resource in terms of storage and when you create the infrastructure, you sort of



Water Resources Authority Project Implementation Unit Coordinator, Agatha Njuguna, speaking to the press at Garissa, after a consultative forum with stakeholders on The Horn of Africa Ground Water for Resilience Programme. PHOTO: ERICK KYALO/KNA

put in conducive conditions for the water to sink instead of creating floods and causing havoc," Agatha said.

"If you do some ditches, furrows, spreading basins or sand dams, the water will be intercepted and stored even for later use after the rains stop, while recharging the underground reservoir, which could be exploited to serve the communities," she added.

Ms Njuguna further said that all stakeholders will be brought on board, from the national and county governments, non-governmental organizations and community leaders, whose input will be key in completing the project implementation.

The stakeholders will also be able to receive adequate data on the water reservoirs, the salinity of water, possible water output, and the most accurate place to drill a borehole.

Speaking to MyGov, John Kinyanjui, Water Resources Assessment and Monitoring Manager at WRA disclosed that surface water is scarce in ASALs due to high temperatures and evapotranspiration rates.

Stable water supply

"Therefore, groundwater is often the most reliable source of a stable water supply for domestic, agriculture and livestock use.

Thus, sustainable groundwater development constitutes a key adaptation measure to climate change," Kinyanjui said.

He pointed out that borderlands often face low agricultural productivity, environmental and land degradation, unemployment and under-employment, conflict and violence and forced displacement.

Kinyanjui said that climate shocks in the borderlands contribute to food insecurity, increased tensions over scarce natural resources, particularly over water and land and heightened risks to public health.

Drought resilience

"In the ASALs, groundwater plays a critical role in building drought resilience. In times of drought, when surface water dries or silts up, communities, particularly women and children, walk long distances searching for the few available productive boreholes," he said.

The Manager noted that drought does not only threaten the livelihoods and food security of these communities but also creates tensions over scarce water resources and exacerbates conflict and fragility within and across Kenya, particularly in the borderlands.

The project will rehabilitate approximately 400 rural water schemes and drill new drought-strategic boreholes where feasible, conserve groundwater resources and build resilience against drought.

Recognizing the centrality of public participation, Kinyanjui said that local readiness and community inclusion are key to ensuring that vulnerable communities are effectively engaged and prepared to play an active role in the sustainable management and use of groundwater resources.



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5TH INTERNATIONAL CONSTRUCTION RESEARCH CONFERENCE AND **EXHIBITION (ICORCE), SEPTEMBER 2024**

CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The National Construction Authority wishes to notify stakeholders and the general public that the 5th International Construction Research Conference and Exhibition (ICoRCE-2024) will take place in September, 2024 in Mombasa County. The conference will feature a convention agenda with seminars and exhibitions on a variety of construction technologies and materials. Researchers and construction professionals are invited to submit abstracts for consideration.

CONFERENCE THEME

Embracing the potency of Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) and technology for a resilient and sustainable construction industry.

SUB THEMES

- 1. Transforming challenges to opportunities: SMEs as pillar of development
- 2. Smart contracting for sustainable construction
- 3. Resilient infrastructure: adopting constructions to climate change
- 4. Machine learning and artificial intelligence in construction
- 5. Embracing diversity and inclusion in construction

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

- 1. The abstract should be a summary of a paper's substance including research background, rationale, methodology, results, and conclusion;
- 2. Each abstract should be between 175 to 250 words and should be in the English Language, typed in Bookman Old style font, font size 12 in MS Word format. The word limit relates only to the text of the abstract and does not include title, authors, and institutions;
- 3. Each abstract should have a three-line description title which can be used in the conference brochure;
- 4. All submissions shall be made via the email: research@nca.go.ke. If you are unable to submit in this manner, kindly contact the Conference Secretariat via +254709126/102/172/173 for further information;
- 5. There is no limit to the number of abstracts that may be submitted by an individual. However, splitting a body of work into abstracts is discouraged and consolidation into one
- 6. All submission are highly encouraged to be from concluded research work with highlights on potential areas and opportunities for commercialisation/partnership.

IMPORTANT DATES

Dates	Activity
Tuesday, 23rd January, 2024	Call for abstracts opens
Thursday, 29th February 2024	Call for abstracts closes
Monday, 25th March, 2024	Notification of abstract acceptance
Monday, 20th May, 2024	First draft paper submission
Monday, 24th June, 2024	First draft paper feedback
Tuesday, 9th July, 2024	Final paper submission

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. Abstract and paper submission is free of charge.
- 2. Authors of successful papers will be granted free entry to the conference.
- 3. Papers presented at ICoRCE 2024 will be published on the ICoRCE website. The presenter's details will also appear on the printed program.
- 4. Kindly note that no products may be promoted in your papers or presentations.

Papers qualifying for scientific publishing will be included in the National Construction Journal [NCJ]. Appreciation tokens will also be given to the corresponding authors of exemplary paper(s) as recommended by the Journal Editorial Board.

EXHIBITION

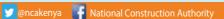
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Kenya's fish production soars, surpasses 30,000 metric tonnes annually

BY MABEL KEYA SHIKUKU (KNA)

enya produced over 30,000 metric tonnes of fish last year, an improvement from previous years when the country produced as low as 4,000 metric tonnes annually.

The Principal Secretary for Blue Economy and Fisheries, Ms. Betsy Njagi, stated that the government is looking forward to increasing this production by encouraging aquaculture, providing seeds (fingerlings) to farmers, and establishing centers of excellence where farmers can access quality seeds.

"The capture of fisheries is decreasing due to dwindling fish stocks in water bodies. Revamping aquaculture will ensure food and nutritional security through a steady supply of fish stock to the local market and beyond," the PS said.

She added that the government is also collaborating with the private sector to ensure the provision of quality feeds, which has been a major challenge for fish farmers.

Njagi further mentioned that the Government, through the Ministry of Fisheries, Aquaculture, and Blue Economy, is partnering with the African Union-InterAfrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR) to revamp the aquaculture value chain in the country and Africa at large.

The remarks were contained in a speech read on her behalf by Director of Fisheries Ms. Lucy Obungu, during the official opening of the Second General Congress of Aquaculture Network for Africa (ANAF) in Naivasha

Aquaculture currently accounts for only 2.7 per cent of fish catch in the country and the annual supply gap of 50,000 metric tonnes of fish is projected to increase to 75,000 by 2030 if annual per capita fish consumption remains constant at 4.3 kilograms.

As the ANAF member states convene in Kenya for this three day conference, the PS explained that some of the challenges facing the fisheries sector include poor quality seed (fingerlings) and high cost of fish feed, which have hindered the progression of aquaculture in the country, and called for urgent measures by stakeholders to resolve the



Director of Fisheries, Lucy Obungu (left), presents a gift to the African Union-Inter- African Bureau For Animal Resources (AU-IBAR) Director, Dr. Huyam Salim (right), during the official opening of the 2nd General Assembly Congress of Aquaculture for Africa (ANAF) in Naivasha.

challenges.

The PS noted that the centres of excellence that have been established will help address the issue of the high cost of fish feed and lead to production of high-quality fish fingerlings in the country.

As part of the government's commitment in enhancing the aquaculture value chain in the country, the PS pointed out that the establishment of Sh1-billion Kabonyo Fisheries Aquaculture Service and Training Centre of Excellence in Kisumu County will come in handy in ensuring the availability of quality fish seed.

Vital food component

This comes at the backdrop of concerns raised by stakeholders in the sector over declining fish catches from capture fishing because of over-exploitation of marine ecosystems. Aquaculture is now being seen as the solution that will help bridge the gap in supply of this vital food component.

The PS called upon member states to enhance activities around the promotion and growth of the aquaculture sector in their respective countries to ensure food security and alleviate poverty.

"In this vein, given the importance of fish in our food baskets and in social safety nets for the ma-

The centres of excellence that have been established will help address the issue of the high cost of fish feed

jority of our citizens, I wish to implore all member states to similarly embark on promoting industry or market led-aquaculture development for food security, income and wealth creation," she added.

Ms. Obungu observed that they were working with various security apparatus to stem the rampant illegal fishing in the country's water bodies, which she says denies the country revenue and contributes to dwindling fish stocks through capture of immature fish.

The African Union-Inter-African Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR) Director, Dr. Huyam Salim, emphasized that aquaculture has the potential to provide food security and economic empowerment to the masses on the African continent.

He called for collaborative efforts between individual governments of member states and the private sector in enhancing aquaculture production.

"Governments' participation in their own continental organization and developing a work program based on their common problems bestows assurance that appropriate strategies are engaged, to resolve priority issues, create wider impact and efficiently perform more effectively in its institutional roles," she said.

Dr. David Balikowa, from the East African Community (EAC) Secretariat, called for urgent need to address the emerging challenges in the aquaculture sub-sector, adding that it is an important player, not only in the food and nutritional security, but also economic empowerment as well.



MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND WILDLIFE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR WILDLIFE

INVITATION TO TENDER

 Date:
 18th January 2024

 Tender No.:
 SDW/ONT/012/2023-2024

TENDER FOR	TENDER FOR DRILLING, EQUIPPING CIVIL WORKS FOR BOREHOLES AND WATER PANS				
PROCURING ENTITY:	State Department for Wildlife, P. O. BOX 41394 -00100, Nairobi TEL: 0254-20-2724725/2724646 - Tender No. SDW/ONT/012/2023-2024				
CONTRACT NAME:	Drilling, Equipping and Civil Works of Boreholes in Kericho, Nakuru and Baringo Counties Athi Kapiti, Wajir South Constituency, Pwani Ecosystem Conservancies Foundation Area, Taita Taveta, Samburu, Amboseli				
CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:	Drilling, Equipping Civil Works of Boreholes in Kericho, Nakuru and Baringo Counties & Construction of water pan - Tender No. SDW/ONT/012/2023-2024				

 The Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife, State Department for Wildlife invites sealed Tenders for Drilling, Equipping and Civil Works of Boreholes in Kericho, Nakuru and Baringo Counties

The scope of works is as follows: -

- Drilling and Construction of Borehole
- 2. Pump Installation and Control Panel
- 3. Raising Main Pipeline
- 4. Construction of 100 m3 Masonry/Steel Elevated and or 24m3 Steel Elevated Tank
- 5. Last Mile Connectivity
- Other civil works

The Construction Period is: 6 Months

The Location is: various

- 2. Tendering will be conducted under open competitive method using a standardized Tender document.
- 3. The tenderers may obtain further information and inspect
- the Tender Documents during office hours [. 0900 to 1500 hours] at the address given below
- 4. A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested tenderers electronically from the **www.tenders.go.ke** or **www.tourism.go.ke**
- 5. Tenders shall be quoted in Kenya Shillings and shall include all taxes.
- Tenders shall remain valid for (180) days from the date of opening of tenders.
- All Tenders must be accompanied by a Tender Security Amount for kshs.150,000.00 (One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Kenya shillings (In Accordance with Section 61(2) (c) of the PPAD Act 2015)
- 7. The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the Tender documents submitted. (Mandatory in Accordance with Section 74(1)(i) Of the PPAD Act 2015)
- Completed Tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before 10.00am

on 7th February 2024 State Department for Wildlife, NSSF Buildina. Bishop Road

NSSF Building, Bishop Road P.O BOX 41394 -00100, Nairobi.

Electronic Tenders will not be permitted.

9. Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any dead line date and time specified later.

Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose

- to attend at the address below.Bidders are allowed to quote for maximum **Two (2) lots (sites)** and in the event a bidder quote for more
- than two lots/sites, the evaluation team shall consider the first two bids only at the financial stage
- 11. Late Tenders will be rejected.
- 12. The addresses referred to above are:

1)	Name of Procuring Entity	State Department for Wildlife
2)	Physical address for hand Courier Delivery to an office or Tender Box (City, Street Name, Building, Floor Number and Room)	Tender Box: 15 th Floor City: Nairobi Street Name: Bishop Road Building Name: NSSF Building Block A, Floor Number: 15 th Floor
3)	Postal Address	P.O Box 41394 -00100, Nairobi.
4)	Insert name, telephone number and e- mail address of the officer to be contacted.	Principal Secretary TEL: +0254-20-2724725/2724646

В.	Addressor submission of Tenders		
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C.	Address for Opening of Tenders		
1)	Name of Procuring Entity	State Department for Wildlife	
2.	Physical address for the location (City, Street Name, Building, Floor Number and Room)	City: Nairobi Street Name: Bishop Road Building Name: NSSF Building Floor Number: 15th Floor	

Principal Secretary	DATE
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Governor Achani's initiative to

empower local farmers ahead of anticipated long rainy season

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI (KNA)

wale County Gover-nor Fatuma Achani says efforts are underway to distribute agricultural assets and farm inputs to local farmers ahead of the anticipated long rainy season in the

Governor Achani states that preparations are in top gear to provide farming inputs to farmers in the 20 administrative wards across the coastal county before the March-April rains.

The County has already distributed certified seeds, fertilizers, knapsacks, power sprayers, pipes, insecticides, fungicides, and agricultural adjuvants for spraying to local farmers. Governor Achani urges farmers to seize the opportunity presented by the upcoming long rains and prepare for planting.

The coastal county boss explains that this initiative is part of the devolved government's plan to enhance food security by supporting agriculture and enabling local small-scale farmers to

She emphasizes that the devolved unit is committed to revitalizing the agricultural sector by providing adequate support to local small-scale farmers.

"The programme is meant to assist local smallholder farmers enhance their productive capacity and reduce the high poverty levels in the rural areas," she said.

Achani said the move to empower small-scale farmers with inputs would open investment opportunities in the agricultural sector, create jobs and facilitate increased production as well as food and nutritional security.

Governor was speaking at the County Headquarters during the flagging-off of the agricultural inputs to local farmers, ahead of the anticipated long rains.

The distribution of highquality seeds, fertilizers and other agricultural equipment to farmers, is meant to improve yields," she said, and warned farmers against selling the inputs provided.

Achani urged the beneficiaries to make the best use of the input received towards the overall development of agriculture in the county.

She, therefore, urged the farmers to ensure full utilization of the inputs in their various farms, to increase their farm output.

The Governor says that the agricultural sector would continue to be a priority for her administration in a bid to stimulate local production of food aimed at achieving self-sufficiency, enhancing the livelihood of local farmers and general livelihoods of the residents.

She commended the smallholder farmers who produce the bulk of food consumed at the local level, for their perseverance and commitment to agriculture, despite climate change disrupting food availability.

In the recent past, the County Government of Kwale distributed tonnes



Kwale County Governor, Fatuma Achani, flags-off various agricultural equipment and agro chemicals for the local farmers ahead of the anticipated long rains

of improved and certified seeds, fertilizers, bulls, dairy cattle and Galla goats to farmers to improve local stock.

Tractors have also been ploughing fields for free in a bid to improve the acreage under crops as well as agricultural education to farmers, to improve stock and crops. At the same time Governor Achani said the devolved government is determined to establish irrigation schemes and revive stalled ones to boost agricultural productivity and enhance food security.

She said irrigated farming will ensure more food production and crop diversification and urged local communities to make lands available for agricultural purposes, in support of the irrigation projects.

Achani said the devolved unit's ambitious rural irrigation schemes seek to link villages through nearest possible sources of water.

"The small-scale irrigation schemes are designed as a ladder out of poverty, for the rural communities and small holder farmers," she said.

The Governor said to make agricultural production more sustainable in the region, the county government is empowering farmers who venture into irrigated crop production.

Government launches groundbreaking programme to preserve indigenous knowledge across 47 counties

BY ANNE KANGERO (KNA)

Government, through the Natural Products Industry (NPI) Initiative anchored at the National Museums of Kenya, has initiated a program aimed at documenting and digitizing indigenous knowledge (IK) intellectual assets within the 47 coun-

The programme, popularly known as the DoDi Programme, is a collaborative effort involving state agencies, county governments, and local communities. Under the DoDi Programme, an Indigenous Knowledge Innovation Bank (InKiBank) has been established, housing IK assets collected from various

The initiative seeks to facilitate the development and commercialization of products by adding value to the IK assets for the marketplace. The ultimate goal is to generate income for local communities and counties.

Prof Mary Gikungu, the Director General of the National Museums of Kenya who was speaking at a Machakos hotel during the workshop said after digitization of all the intellectual assets, NMK plans to find out what products can be developed from the said as-

The IK intellectual assets which include traditional medicinal remedies, traditional foods, heritage sites, music and dance and indigenous technologies will have value addition and packaged in such a manner that will benefit the common mwananchi and drive the government's Bottom-Up **Economic Transformation** Agenda (BETA), she said.

The Director General affirmed that the intellectual assets do not belong to the National Museums of Kenya but are owned by the local communities as stipulated

in the Protection of

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Prof Mary Gikungu Director General of National Museums of Kenya (M), on her right is Dr. Evans Taracha a researcher at the National Museum during a workshop at a Machakos Hotel. They are flanked by their collaborators from NACOSTI, KEMRI and WRTI. PHOTO: ANNE

Cultural Expressions Act Programme in nine coun-2016 (TK and CE Act 2016).

'At the end of the day, we want our communities to benefit from the indigenous knowledge assets and drive cottage industries within the counties where all institutions are represented," Prof Gikungu said.

She noted that they have chosen 13 counties to start with for Phase I and have

ties including Murang'a, Narok, Kisii, Kilifi, Mak ueni, Tharaka Nithi, Kericho, Kakamega and Vihiga.

She pointed out that in the due course, NMK will go to Phase II where they will take another set of 20 counties before proceeding to Phase III involving 14 counties to clear all the 47 counties.

Dr Evans Taracha, the NPI

Traditional Knowledge and so far rolled out the DoDi National Coordinator and a researcher at the National Museums of Kenya, said that the DoDi Programme is incorporated into the Kenya Vision 2030 as a flagship project.

> Dr. Taracha said the documentation and digitization of intellectual assets was influenced by the 2010 Constitution Art.69 (1) (c) which mandates the State to protect and enhance intel-

lectual property, indigenous knowledge of biodiversity and the genetic resources of the communities for their benefit.

He further added that according to the TK and CE Act 2016, in addition to protecting the IK assets, the DoDi Programme will ensure that there is value addition and commercialization of the assets to boost the country's

The project coordinator said the project was wellreceived in some counties, despite being received with doubt and suspicion by the communities in the initial

"Some complained and suspected that we were there to pick their knowledge to make a profit out of it without compensating tnem," Dr. Taracha added.

He said they decided to involve the National Government Administration officers (NGAO) who held public barazas to create awareness in the communities concerning the main purpose of the DoDi Programme and how they stood to benefit from it.

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East African Insurance Supervisors Association (EAISA) develop crossborder insurance products and services

BY KIPTABUI CHERONO AND JUDY TOO (KNA)

The East African insurance supervisors have resolved to jointly promote the development of cross-border insurance products and services to address the challenges of low insurance uptake and penetration in the region.

The members also agreed to coordinate joint innovation initiatives relating to insurance development in member states under the auspices of the East African Insurance Supervisors Association (EAISA).

The supervisors who were speaking during their 7th Special Meeting of the Executive Committee (ExCo) meeting held in Eldoret, Kenya also agreed to employ a joint approach in supervising systemically important insurance groups, monitor cross-border industry stability, and coordinate the establishment of insurance supervisory colleges.

Speaking on behalf of all the EAISA members, the Exco Chairman Alhaj Kaddunabbi Ibrahim Lubega, Uganda's Insurance Regulatory Authority IRA) Chief Executive Officer underscored the importance of coordinated regional initiatives relating to research and development (R&D) for effective policy development and implementation.

"EAISA is committed towards building capacity across the member countries as they seek to implement industry integration initiatives," he added.

The 1st EAISA 2024/2025 – 2028/2029 Strategic Plan was approved and adopted by the supervisors during the meeting, with its approval, the regional insurance landscape is headed for major changes as the member countries have now to harmonize their legal and regulatory frameworks to provide a unified foundation that supports cross border insurance operations by September 2025.

The members also have up to June 2025 to develop and adopt risk management and solvency standards to ensure that insurers



A section of the Executive Committee (ExCo) of the East African Insurers Supervisors Association (EAISA), led by its chairman Alhaj Kaddunabbi Ibrahim Lubega; Chief Executive Officer of Insurance Regulatory Authority – Uganda (2nd left) and Godfrey Kiptum Commissioner of Insurance and CEO, Insurance Regulatory Authority (IRA) of Kenya. (2nd right) issue a Communique to the media during their 7th Special Meeting held at an Eldoret hotel. Pics. Judy Too.

across the region maintain adequate financial reserves to cover potential risks and solvency requirements.

The Plan is drawn along five thematic areas, that include insurance industry stability, insurance market development and innovation, consumer protection, institutional sustainability and cooperation, collaboration, and industry integration.

The strategic plans have identified 11 key result areas, including claims handling and settlement, fair pricing practices, innovation hub establishment, product diversification, insurance inclusion, market expansion, crisis management, stress testing, and market surveillance.

It envisages the development and adoption of regional frameworks for information exchange sharing and data standardization, group-wide risk assessment, and crossborder supervision framework, as well as putting in motion plans to develop and adopt regional frameworks for financial literacy/ insurance education, risk-based supervision, certification for insurance professionals and actuaries and market conduct and insurance claims guidelines among other things.

The Meeting was hosted by the Insurance Regulatory Authority, Kenya, and attended by representatives from member states including, the Commissioner of Insurance and CEO, Insurance Regulatory Authority (IRA) of Kenya Godfrey Kiptum, Madam Doreen Shelagh Kahonda, Executive Director, National Bank of Rwanda (BNR), and Madam Issa Said Khadija, Deputy Commissioner of Insurance, Tanzania Insurance Regulatory Authority.

Others were Emmanuel Mutatsh, Representative to the Director General - Autorité de Régulation et de Contrôle des Assurances (ARCA) - Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Désiré Nimubona, Representative to the Secretary-General - Agence de Régulation et de Contrôle des Assurances (ARCA) - Burundi.

The meeting comes at a time when the EAC insurance markets are addressing issues related to market volatility, climate change risks, cyber risks, and geopolitical developments. Further, frontier risks continue to disrupt supply chains and pose new challenges to existing policy, regulatory, and supervisory frameworks.

The East African insurance Supervisors Association (EAISA) is an umbrella body comprised of insurance supervirsors from the East African Community Region.

Membership is drawn from EAC partner states of Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Burundi, South-Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).



MINISTRY OF MINING, BLUE ECONOMY AND MARITIME AFFAIRS

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR SHIPPING AND MARITIME AFFAIRS

RFP NOTICE

The state department for shipping and maritime affairs invites Request for Proposal (RFP) for the following: -

s/no	Description	RFP No.	Closing date & time	Bid Bond Amount in Ksh.
1.	Provision of Consultancy Services for Feasibility Study on Development and Operations of Modern Shipyard in Kenya through Public Private Partnership Model	RFP NO: MOMB&MA/ SDSMA/003/2023-2024	13 th February, 2024 (1000Hrs)(GMT+3)	800,000.00

- More details on the Services are provided in the RFP document which may be viewed and downloaded for free from the Public Procurement Information Portal https://ppra.go.ke/category/tenders and/or from SDSMA website https://www.shippingmaritime.go.ke/tenders-0
- Consultants who download the tender document must forward their particulars immediately to procurement@shippingmaritime.go.ke to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.
- 3. The Consultant must submit:
 - (a) Technical Proposal: one (1) original and 2 copies.
 - (b) Financial Proposal: one (1) original and 2 copies
- 4. The Proposals must be submitted no later than: Date: 13th February, 2024 -Time: 1000 hours East African Time and be deposited at the State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs tender box located at NSSF Annex Building 8th floor and MUST be accompanied by a bid guarantee as indicated in the table above from a reputable bank or insurance company.
- 5. Bulky bid documents that cannot fit in the tender box should be dropped/mailed at/to the address provided below at the NSSF Annex Building 8th floor. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders' representative who choose to attend on 13th February, 2024 at the State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs boardroom on 8th floor.

The Proposal submission address is:

The Principal Secretary
State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs
P O Box 30799 - 00100 NAIROBI

HEAD OF SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT UNIT
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR SHIPPING AND MARITIME AFFAIRS.





SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS ON DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 - 2027

Kenya Dairy Board is a state corporation established in 1958 through the Dairy Industry Act, Cap 336 of the Laws of Kenya. The Board is mandated to provide for the improvement and control of the dairy industry and its products. It does this through regulating, developing, and promoting the Kenyan dairy industry.

The Board has developed a draft Strategic Plan for the period 2023-2027 in line with guidelines issued by the State Department for Economic Planning. The plan sets out the strategic focus for the Board for this period in pursuit of its vision to be a globally competitive dairy industry.

This is therefore, to invite members of the public and stakeholders to share their input and comments on the strategic plan.

The draft document can be assessed in the Board's website **www.kdb.go.ke.** Please send your feedback to **strategy@kdb.co.ke** to be received on or before **January 30th**, **2024**.

The Managing Director,
Kenya Dairy Board - Headquarters,
New Loresho Estate, Upper Kabete Off Waiyaki Way,
P.O Box 30406-00100,
NAIROBI



MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT



STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE ...

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

Country:	Kenya
Name of Project :	National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project - NAVCDP
Credit No.:	70640-KE
Assignment Title:	DATS Business Accelerator for NAVCDP
Reference No.:	KE-MOALF- 389355-CS-QCBS

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

The Consulting Services (the service) include Consulting Services for DATS Business Accelerator for NAVC-DP for a period of 18 calendar months.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: -

The State department for Agriculture now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The shortlisting Criteria are: -

- Core business and years in business. The consulting firm shall be registered /incorporated as a consulting firm with a core business as a Rural Entrepreneur Development Incubation Services with Digital or related field for a period 8 years
- Relevant experience. The firm shall demonstrate that it has undertaken and successfully completed at least 3 similar assignments of the same magnitude both in scope and complexity in similar operating environment in the past 8 years. Details of the assignment, name and address of the client, scope, value and period shall be provided.
- Technical and Manegerial capability of the consulting firm. The consulting firm shall demonstrate as having requisite technical capacity including relevant equipment tools, software etc and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment in the submitted company profile (s)

Key Experts will not be evaluated at this stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" first published July 2016 and revised Fifth Edition September 2023n ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of joint venture and / or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the World Banks Framework Agreement arrangements described in the procurement Regulations

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 0900 to 1600 hours at the address below.

National Project Coordinator National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP) P.O. Box 8073-00200 NAIROBI

Capitol Hill Towers, 5th Floor, Cathedral Road.

Phone: 0773206315 Email: info@navcdp.go.ke

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) addressed to The Principal Secretary, State Department for Agriculture. P.O Box 30028-00100 Nairobi, Kenya. Email: info@navcdp.go.ke be deposited in the tender box clearly marked State Department for Agriculture located at Kilimo house main reception-Ground floor, Cathedral Road Nairobi on or before 5th February, 2024 at 10.00 hours.

Consultants intending to send their Expression of Interest Via e-mail should send to info@navcdp.go.ke by 5th February, 2024 at 10.00 hours.

Submitted documents should be clearly marked "Consulting Services for DATS Business Accelerator for NAVCDP."

Head Supply Chain Management For Principal Secretary **State Department for Agriculture**





MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT



STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE

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

Country:	Кепуа
Name of Project :	National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project - NAVCDP
Credit No.:	59000-KE
Assignment Title:	Consulting Services for End of Project Environmental & Social Audit for NARIGP
Reference No.:	KE-MOALF-368349-CS- CQS

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the National Agricultural and Rural Inclusive Growth project (NARIGP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services
- The Consulting Services ("the Services) include Consulting Services to undertake End of Project Environmental & Social Audit for NARIGP. The estimated period of assignment is for two months.
- The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.kilimo.go.ke
- The State Department for Agriculture ("the Client") now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:
 - Core business and years in business: The firm shall be registered/incorporated as a consulting firm with core business in undertaking Environmental & Social Audit for a period of at least eight (8) years.
 - Relevant experience: The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed at least two assignments on Environmental & Social Audit of similar nature, complexity and in a similar operating environment in the last eight (8) years. Details of similar assignments-Name and address of the client, scope, value, and period should be provided and submitted. Expression of Interest should include enumeration of these similar past assignments.
 - Technical and managerial capability of the firm: The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity including relevant equipment, tools, software etc and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment in the submitted company profile(s).

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage

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- A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Consultants Qualification Selection (CQS) method set out in the World Banks Framework Agreement arrangements described in the procurement Regulations.
- Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 0900 to 1600 hours East African Time (EAT).

National Project Coordinator National Agricultural Value Chain Project (NAVCDP) P.O. Box 8073-00200 NAIROBI Capitol Hill Towers, 5th Floor, Cathedral Road.

Phone: 0773206315 Email: info@narigp.go.ke

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The Principal Secretary **State Department for Agriculture** P.O Box 30028-00100 Nairobi, Kenya E-mail:info@navcdp.go.ke Tel.0773206315

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Tel (053) 2035000/200, Email:info@eldowas.or.ke

TENDER NOTICE

S/No	Category reference no.	Item description	Category	
Α	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF GOODS			
1	ELDOWAS/T/15/2023-2024	Provision of Security Services	Open	

Participating firms are advised to Download Tender Documents Free of Charge from the Company's website: https://www.eldowas.or.ke. All other Terms and Conditions remain as per the Tender Document.

Completed Bid Documents enclosed in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with Reference Number and Name send to Company's Head Office without identifying the sender or be deposited in the Tender Box at Procurement Department not later than 09th February, 2024 at 12.00pm. Bids will be opened immediately thereafter at the Company Boardroom in the presence of bidders or their representatives who wish to attend.

N/B Mandatory Site Visit will be undertaken on 2nd February, 2024 starting at 10:00 am at Head office

Tenders should be addressed to:

THE MANAGING DIRECTOR. **ELDORET WATER AND SANITATION COMPANY LTD.** P.O BOX 8418-30100 ELDORET.







TENDER NOTICE

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

The Authority, hereby, invites eligible Firms to submit bids for the tenders indicated in the table below.

S/ No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Tender Closing/Opening Date/ Venue/Time
1.	KeNHA/2743/2024	Framework Contract for Provision of Executive Display Stands, Panel Printing Services, and Branding Services during State and Emergency/Short notice functions	
2.	KeNHA/2744/2024	Framework Contract for Provision of Tents and Related Public Functions Accessories for State and Emergency/ Short notice functions	8th February, 2024 at 1100hrs Kenya National Highways
3	KeNHA/2745/2024	Framework Contract For Provision of Photography & Videography Services during State and Emergency/Short notice functions	Authority Headquarters, Barabara Plaza, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA), Nairobi, Off Mazao Road,
4.	KeNHA/2746/2024	Registration of Service Providers for Media Services including Advertisements, Campaigns/Supplements, and Live Coverage by various media platforms namely Radio, Television, and Newspapers for the period ending 31st January, 2026.	Block C - 2 nd Floor Board Room

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

NB: The registration document for Tender No. KeNHA/2746/2024 (Item No. 4 above) is not subject to any payment as indicated above.

Bidders are encouraged to download tender documents from the above websites to minimize physical visits to the KeNHA Offices.

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

Deputy Director, Supply Chain Management For: DIRECTOR GENERAL

For all your queries email us on: communication@kenha.co.ke

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION FOR MOTOR VEHICLES, **OBSOLETE, SURPLUS AND UNSERVICEABLE ITEMS**

The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) hereby invites interested bidders for the Sale of Motor Vehicles, Obsolete, Surplus and Unserviceable Items in the following Regional Offices and centers through Public

No	Region	Viewing Centers	Auction Centre, Date and Time		
1.	KeNHA Head Quarters	Corridor A Office, Off Athi River /Namanga Interchange, Next to Mavuno Church, Opposite Laptrust Fund Garden.	Corridor A Office, Off Athi River /Namanga Interchange, Next to Mavuno Church, Opposite Laptrust Fund Garden. 7th February, 2024 at 11.00am		
2.	Nairobi Region	KeNHA- Nairobi Region Machakos Road, Industrial Area			
3.	Lower Eastern Region	MOTI Machakos, KeNHA Building, Makutano - Kitui Road, Machakos			
4.	Athi River Weighbridge	Athi River Weighbridge Station at Mlolongo Trading center along Athi River Machakos-Emali (A8) Road, Mavoko Sub County			
5.	Isinya Weighbridge	Isinya Weighbridge station along Athi River- Bisil-Namanga (A2) Road, Kajiado County	Corridor A Office, Off Athi River /Namanga Interchange, Next		
6.	Juja Weighbridge	Juja Weighbridge Station along Thika Superhighway, Juja Sub County	to Mavuno Church, Opposite Laptrust Fund Garden.		
7.	Corridor C	Opposite Juja Weighbridge Station along Thika Superhighway, Juja Sub County.	8th February, 2024 at 11.00am		
8.	Upper Eastern	KeNHA Building, Off Isiolo-Moyale Road, Isiolo	Ministry of Roads Building Maka		
9.	Central Region	Ministry of Roads Building Makaburini Road, Nyeri Town	burini Ŕoad, Nyeri 9 th February, 2024 at 11.00am		
10.	North Eastern Region	Ministry of Public Works, Garissa Town.			
11.	Coast Region	MOR&PW Main Building, Mahindi Road off Shimanzi Road, Mombasa.	MOR&PW Main Building, Ma- hindi Road off Shimanzi Road, Mombasa. 12 th February, 2024 at 11.00a		
12.	Mariakani Weighbridge	Mariakani Weighbridge Station off Mombasa -Voi (A8) Road, near Mariakani Town			
13.	Mtwapa Weighbridge	Mtwapa Weighbridge Station along Mombasa - Kilifi (A7) Road, near Mtwapa Creek, Kilifi County.			
14.	Dongo Kundu Weigh- bridge	Dongo Kundu Weighbridge Station along Mombasa Mariakani A8 Road			
15.	South Rift Region	Provincial Public Works Building, Prison Road, Nakuru.	Provincial Public Works Building Prison Road, Nakuru.		
16.	North Rift Region	Sugunanga, Off Nairobi - Eldoret Highway (A8) Road	13 th February, 2024 at 11.00a		
17.	Corridor B	Former Public Works office Resealing unit 5 along Gigil-Olkalau (B4) Road, 3Km off Nairobi – Nakuru Highways.			
18.	Gilgil Weighbridge	Gilgil Weighbridge Station along Rironi-Naivasha (A8) Road			
19.	Suswa Weighbridge	Suswa Weighbridge Station along Maai Mahiu - Narok Road			
20.	Nyanza Region	MoPW Building, Busia Road, Kisumu	Ministry of Roads Building, Kisu		
21.	Western Region	Ministry of Roads Building, Kisumu-Kakamega Road, Kakamega.	mu-Kakamega Road, Kakameg 14th February, 2024 at 11.00a		
22.	Rongo Weighbridge	Rongo Weighbridge Station along Kisii Migori- Isebania (A1) Road, Rongo Municipality.			
23.	Webuye Weighbridge	Webuye Weighbridge Station along Nairobi- Nakuru - Eldoret – Malaba (A8) Road, Bungoma County.			

- 1. Appointed Auctioneer: M/s Ideal Auctioneers
- 2. Viewing Dates: From 24th January, 2024 from 9:00 am to 4:00 PM during the week days prior to the auction.
- 3. To obtain bidding number, interested bidders for Motor Vehicles must deposit a refundable fee of Ksh 60.000.00 per Vehicle, Ksh 50,000 for the weighbridge scrap and containers per lot and Kshs. 5,000 for other lots in cash to KeNHA at the Cash office at the Auction Centre by 9:00am before being allowed to bid. The successful bidder must pay 25% of the purchase price in cash or deposited in KeNHA Bank Account provided in the catalogue at the fall of the hammer and the balance to be paid within 14 days.
- 4. Reservation have been made for Youth, Women & Persons with Disability.
- 5. Payments will be made in cash to KeNHA at the Cash office at the Auction Centers by 9:00am on the auction date before being allowed to bid. The successful bidder must pay the balance of the purchase price in cash or deposited in KeNHA Bank Account provided in the catalogue within 14 days after the Auction.
- 6. The sale is subject to reserved prices and the goods are sold on as-is-where-is basis.
- 7. Other Conditions of Sale are attached in the Catalogue.
- Catalogues containing details of the items to be auctioned may be downloaded from KeNHA website (www. kenha.co.ke) or PPIP Procurement portal: www.tenders.go.ke free of charge.
- nterested bidders are required to continually check the Kenya National Highways Authority website: www. kenha.co.ke for any addendum (s) or clarifications that may arise before the Auction date.
- 10. For any clarification, please get in touch with the Deputy Director- Supply Chain Management-KeNHA or (Mr. Paul Waithaka Githirwa (Telephone No. 0721-375293/0722-519118) of M/s Ideal Auctioneers.

Deputy Director - Supply Chain Management For: DIRECTOR GENERAL













Tomato grower Fredrick Gitau's childhood farming dreams shattered by invasive pest

BY WILLIAM INGANGA (KNA)

Predrick Gitau has fond memories of small-scale farming from his childhood, as he and his seven siblings were educated through the proceeds from the sale of tomatoes.

Gitau's family used to earn money every three months, and he recalls how his father was a well-known tomato farmer in Subukia, Nakuru County.

Having witnessed firsthand how lucrative tomato cultivation was in the 1980s, it was easy for Gitau to be enticed to delve into that wing of horticulture, with his dream being to be as successful as his father was.

"Tomatoes were among my first crops when I began farming," he says.

But his high hopes were dashed, and he abandoned the crop.

"Tuta Absoluta (tomato leafminer) emerged, and I didn't possess knowledge regarding the pest," he says.

His wife, Gladys Wangui, says, "If Tuta attacks your

know how to grow them in a greenhouse.
But I lack the resources to do so-Gitau

tomatoes, you will be finished. There's nothing you harvest," she says.

The couple incurred significant losses in 2019 due to the pest. It was a complete crop failure for them. They never imagined at the time that there could be potential solutions to the menace other than chemical spraying.

Gitau laments that the farm inputs he had invested went down the drain, "The following year I didn't grow tomatoes, I switched to cabbages," he said.

But what he anticipated didn't come to be, "The prices were low, earnings were poor," he said.

The following season, having been enlightened on how to combat Tuta Absoluta he sowed tomatoes again, he says.

However, another adversity hit him-drought, "Tomatoes require a lot of water, if they lack water for a week, they wither and reviving them is a daunting task," he says.

More expensive

He dropped tomatoes and returned to cultivation of cabbages. The difference in farm inputs for the two crops caught his eye when he noted that tomatoes were more expensive in terms of seeds, pesticides, and labour but well-paying.



The only cabbage variety that the Gitaus grow is the Gloria. From these seedbeds the vegetables would be transplanted in another portion of the farm.

"I know how to grow them in a greenhouse. But I lack the resources to do so. If you have a greenhouse, whether there's El Nino or not you'll go on," he said.

As such, Gitau's family has partly sought solace in mixed farming. Their one-and-a-half-acre farm hardly rests. A variety of sweet potatoes—yellow, white, and pink-fleshed for human consumption, and another kind for animal feed—dot their farm. Other crops are Irish potatoes, French beans, maize, beans, pyrethrum and cabbages.

While the Gitaus were reeling from the effects of Tuta absoluta, a solution was being sought. Agricultural authorities, research and non-governmental institutions have urgently been directing attention towards efforts to mitigate the impact of the pest.

The Ukulima True is a

campaign implemented by the County Government of Nakuru in Partnership with the Centre for Agriculture and Bioscience International (CABI) and the Centre for Behaviour Change and Communication Centre (CBCC). The campaign, seeking to reduce the risk of pesticides to stakeholders in the food value chain was being implemented in Subukia Sub-County from May to December 2023.

This is in addition to the fact that Integrated Pest Management (IPM), which entail combination of cultural, biological, and chemical control methods to curb infestation, have been deployed on the farms of many farmers in Subukia.

One of the most effective strategies farmers in Subukia have employed is the use of pheromone traps. These traps emit synthetic chemicals that mimic the



Fredrick Gitau grows a variety of sweet potatoes that are yellow, white and pink-fleshed. These are for home consumption. The kind in his left hand is for livestock feed. The farmer also grows pyrethrum. PHOTOS: WILLIAM INGANGA /KNA

sex pheromones of the tomato leaf miner, attracting and trapping the male insects. The number of male insects is reduced disrupting the breeding cycle of the pest. While the battle against pests in the tomato fields of Subukia had beaten some farmers into a retreat, with more than 1,000 farmers having been trained on the IPM strategy, it is hoped that the tide will swing in the farmers' favour which will ensure sustainable tomato farming in the region.

Pests

When the Gitaus' tomato cultivation resulted in total crop failure, they didn't know how to biologically control the proliferation of the pest. "Now we do," says

Gitau.

His wife adds, "If we were to resume tomato farming, we'd manage to combat the challenge."

The CBCC Technical Director, Dr Catherine Lengewa, says, "We came up with a social and behaviour change strategy on addressing the unsafe use of pesticides."

She says that the Ukulima True campaign aims at, "Inciting others to be a true farmer—one who's conscious about the safety to themselves, the consumers, the soils and the environment of the products and the chemicals they use."

If the biological traps were 80-90 per cent effective, then the chemical spray required would be minimal.

MoH inaugurates Nairobi's NCLEX-RN Test Centre to empower Kenyan nurses

BY JUDY SHERI (PCO)

The Ministry of Health has inaugurated Kenya's first National Council Licensure Examinastion - Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN) Test Centre in Nairobi to help Kenyan nurses to access job opportunities in the United States of America, Canada, New Zealand and Australia.

The fully-equipped NCLEX-RN Test Center which was launched by the Prime Cabinet Secretary who is is also in charge of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs Musalia Mudavadi is touted as a game-changer for Kenyan nurses which is poised to significantly reduce examination costs by 50 per cent besides eliminating the need for nurses to travel abroad to seek job opprtunities.

"This development opens doors for Kenyan nurses to access opportunities in the U.S, Canada, and Australia and contributes to both individual career growth and national economic development", said the Health Cabinet Secretary Susan Nakhumicha during the event.

"The Ministry of Health, collaborating actively with various partners, aims to create additional job opportunities for nurses in alignment with the Bottom-Up Transformation Agenda," Ms Nakhumicha said.

According to Ms Mary Muthoni Muriuki, the Principal Secretary for Public Health and Professional Standards in the Ministry of Health, the launch of Pearson VUE Test Centre in Nairobi addresses the longstanding need for a local National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) which will reduce the dependency



Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi, alongside CS Health Nakhumicha S. Wafula and PS Mary Muthoni, inaugurates Nairobi's NCLEX-RN Test Centre.

on foreign countries for the examination process.

Ms Muriuki noted that the centre which is administered globally by Pearson VUE, the NCLEX-RN is crucial for nurses aspiring to work in the U.S, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand and its inauguration not only brings the examination closer to home

but also aligns with KMTC's efforts to enhance accessibility for Kenyan candidates," Ms Muriuki said.

The new center, according to the Ministry of Health is expected to slash examination costs by over 50 per cent with KMTC pro-actively addressing this initiative by developing a comprehensive

NCLEX Preparatory course curriculum, aiming to equip nurses with the skills needed to excel in the examination on their first attempt.

Citing the centre launching as a positive stride in the healthcare sector, Mudavadi said the launch underscores the commitment to nurturing quality health professionals in the country.

"For nearly a century, the Kenya Medical Training College (KMTC) has been a connerstone in producing highly competent health professionals, contributing significantly to the middle-level health workforce in Kenya Mudavadi said.

Pearson Virtual Universal Enterprises (VUE) has expressed its intent to establish the second International Professional Test Centre in Africa—a decision supported by the Kenyan Diaspora in collaboration with the Kenya Medical Training Colleges, the House of Representatives

in the United States, the State Department for Diaspora Affairs, and the Kenya Embassy in Washington D.C.

Mudavadi said the Test Centre is set to administer the National Council Licensure Examination - Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN), a mandatory requirement for nurses seeking licensure in the U.S., Canada, and Australia since historically, Kenyan nurses undertook these examinations in South Africa or India and the establishment of the NCLEX Centre in Nairobi is a game-changer, offering numerous benefits.

"This launch aligns with the government's commitment to creating job opportunities for Kenyansand KMTC will play a crucial role in preparing nurses for the exam, and we express our gratitude to Pearson Virtual Universal Enterprises for setting up the examination center in Nairobi," said the Prime Cabinet Secretary.



MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT



STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE

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

Country:	Kenya
Name of Project :	National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project- NAVCDP
Credit No.:	70640-KE
Assignment Title:	Consulting Services for review & Management of the NAVCDP monitoring and Evaluation Management Information System for NAVCDP
Reference No.:	KE-MOALF-388815-CS- CQS

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services
- The Consulting Services ("the Services) include Consulting Services to undertake Services for review & Management of the NAVCDP monitoring and Evaluation Management Information System for NAVCDP six (6) calendar months.
- The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.kilimo.go.ke
- The State Department for Agriculture ("the Client") now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:
 - Core business and years in business: The firm shall be in the registered/incorporated as a consulting firm with core business in Management Information System (MIS) or a related field for a period of at least eight (8) years.
 - Relevant experience: The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed at least five assignments of similar nature, complexity and in a similar operating environment in the last eight (8) years. Details of similar assignments-Name and address of the client, scope, value, and period should be provided and submitted. Expression of Interest should include enumeration of these similar past assignments.
 - Technical and managerial capability of the firm: The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity including relevant equipment, tools, software etc and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment in the submitted company profile(s).

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage

- The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" First Published July 2016 and revised Fifth Edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest
- Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
- A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Consultants Qualifications Selection (CQS) method set out in the World Banks Framework Agreement arrangements described in the procurement Regulations.
- Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 0900 to 1600 hours East African Time (EAT).

National Project Coordinator National Agricultural Value Chain Project (NAVCDP) P.O. Box 8073-00200 NAIROBI Capitol Hill Towers, 5th Floor, Cathedral Road. Phone: 0773206315 Email: info@narigp.go.ke

Expressions of interest **must** be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by 6th February, 2024 at 1100 hours EAT and be deposited in the tender box clearly marked State Department for Crop located at Kilimo house main reception –Ground floor, Cathedral Road Nairobi or be sent to info@navcdp.go.ke and clearly marked "Consulting Services for review & Management of the monitoring and Evaluation Management Information System for **NAVCDP**

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Head Supply Chain Management For Principal Secretary





MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT



STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE

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

Country:	Кепуа
Name of Project :	National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project - NAVCDP
Credit No.:	70640-KE
Assignment Title:	Consulting Services to undertake Baseline Evaluation Survey for NAVCDP
Reference No.:	KE-MOALF-388893-CS- OCBS

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
- The Consulting Services ("the Services) include Consulting Services to undertake Baseline Evaluation Survey for NAVCDP. The estimated period of assignment is six (6) calendar months.
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KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE LIMITED

ADDENDUM TO INVITATION TO TENDER PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY NATION OF 17TH JANUARY 2024

The Kenya BioVax Institute is a state-owned commercial/manufacturing corporation tasked with the manufacturing and commercialization of specialized health products and technologies (HPTs). The Institute is inviting sealed bids for

NO.	Tender No.	Tender Name and Description	Closing Date and Time
1	KBI/IFT/OIT/001/ 2023-2024	Design, Build, Assemble, Install, Commission, Training and Maintenance of Enabling Works of a GMP- Certified Fill and Finish Turnkey Sterile Bio manufacturing facility	16 th February, 2024 at 11.00AM –East African time

NB: PRE-BID CONFERENCE SHALL BE HELD ON 23 TO JANUARY 2024 (FROM 10.00AM UPTO 12.30PM EAST AFRICAN TIME) AND ON 30TH JANUARY 2024 FROM 10.00AM UPTO 12.30PM EAST AFRICAN TIME AT BIOVAX PREMISES – EMBAKASI AND A SITE VISIT CERTIFICATE ISSUED.

A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested candidates free of charge from the Institute's website https://biovax.go.ke/tenders or the Government tender portal www.tenders.go.ke

Upon downloading the tender documents, the candidate should send a notification immediately by email to procurement@biovax.go.ke for record purposes.

Completed bids, in plan sealed envelopes, bearing the Tender Number and Name of the bidder, must be delivered and deposited in the Tender Box at Kenya bioVax Institute Limited Premise in Embakasi, Nairobi and to bear the address;

> The CEO/Director General Kenya BioVax Institute Limited P.O. Box 40779-00100, Nairobi- Kenya

Tenders will be opened immediately at the boardroom, Kenya BioVax Institute Limited, Embakasi on 16th February, 2024 at 11.00am East African time in the presence of the bidder's designated repersentatives who choose to attend.

Electronic and Late Tenders will not be permitted





MINISTRY OF LANDS, PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

State Department for Housing and Urban Development

TENDER ADVERTISEMENT

The Ministry of Lands, Public Works Housing and Urban Development through the State Department for Housing and Urban Development wishes to invite bids from interested eligible bidders for the following tenders:

No.	Name of Project	Tender No.	Category
1.	Proposed Construction of Kapsabet Market in Nandi County	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/UDD/313/2023-2024	Open
2.	Proposed Construction of Engineer Market in Nyandarua County	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/UDD/314/2023-2024	Open
3.	Proposed Construction of Marimanti Market in Tharaka Nithi County	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/UDD/315/2023-2024	Open
4.	Proposed Construction of additional works for Nyansiongo Market in Nyamira County	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/UDD/316/2023-2024	Open
5.	Proposed Construction of Ishiara ESP Market in Embu County	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/UDD/317/2023-2024	Open
6.	Proposed Construction of Buna in Wajir ESP Market in Wajir County	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/UDD/318/2023-2024	Open
7.	Proposed Construction of Tuition Block and Associated Works at Githura Primary School, Nyeri County	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/SUD/319/2023-2024	Open

- Interested bidders can access the tender document from the State Department's website www.housingandurban.go.ke free of charge. Bidders may download the tender documents from the website and are required to provide their details by registering with the Supply Chain Management Office, located at Ardhi House 6th Floor Wing B, 1st Ngong Avenue, during normal working hours. All enquiries and clarifications should be sent via email to: p
- Qualified and interested Tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours between 8:00am-5:00pm at the address given below.
- Tenders shall be quoted in Kenya Shillings and shall include all taxes. Tenders shall remain valid for 180 days from the date of opening of tenders.
- Completed tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before Tuesday, 6th February, 2024 at 4. n. Electronic Tenders will not be permitted
- Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any deadline date and time specified later. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below.
- Late tenders shall be rejected.
- The addresses referred to above are:

Head Supply Chain Management Services For: The Principal Secretary State Department for Housing and Urban Development. P.O. Box 30119-00100 NAIROBI, KENYA





PUBLIC NOTICE

NATIONAL OPEN TENDER NOTICE

The National Construction Authority (NCA) is a State Corporation established under the National Construction Authority Act 2011, with the responsibility to oversee the construction industry and coordinate its development. The Authority invites sealed bids from eligible candidates for the following tenders;

No	Tender No.	Description of Tender	Eligibility	Closing/ Opening Date
1	NCA/T/022/ 2023-2024	Provision of Taxi and Car Hire Services	OPEN	1st Feb, 2024
2	NCA/T/023/ 2023-2024	Supply of Fuel and Lubricants For NCA Vehicles using Fuel Card System	OPEN	1st Feb, 2024
3.	NCA/T/024/ 2023-2024	Provision of Medical Insurance Cover for NCA Staff and Board Members	OPEN	1st Feb, 2024
4.	NCA/T/025/ 2023-2024	Provision of Group Personal Accident and Work Injury Benefit Cover for NCA staff	AGP0	1st Feb, 2024
5.	NCA/T/026/ 2023-2024	Provision of Group Life Cover for NCA staff	AGP0	1st Feb, 2024
7.	NCA/T/027/ 2023-2024	Annual Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System support	AGP0	1st Feb, 2024

Tender document with detailed information and instruction may be viewed and downloaded from the Authority's website; www.nca.go.ke, and the Public Procurement Information portal, www.tenders.go.ke, free of charge.

Manager, Supply Chain FOR: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR







info@nca.go.ke / +254-709 126 102/172/173





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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Kenya Veterinary Board is a State Corporation established under the Veterinary Surgeon and Veterinary Paraprofessionals (VSVP) Act No.29 of 2011.

The Board is mandated to exercise general supervision and control over the training, business, practice and employment of Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Paraprofessionals in Kenya and advice the Government in all aspects

The Board seeks to recruit and fill the following positions for its head office in Nairobi and other positions in the regional offices:

SNo	Job Reference Number	Designation	Job Grade	No. of Vacancies
1.	KVB/MQA/01/2024	Manager Quality Assurance	KVB 2	1
2.	KVB/MCE/02/2024	Manager Compliance and Enforcement	KVB 2	1
3.	KVB/MFHRA/03/2024	Manager, Finance, Human Resource and Administration	KVB 2	1
4.	KVB/VI/04/2024	Veterinary Inspector	KVB 6	11
5.	KVB/DR/05/2024	Driver	KVB 9	7
6.	KVB/OA/06/2024	Office Assistant	KVB 10	5

HOW TO APPLY

Interested and qualified candidates are required to submit their application letter clearly indicating their relevant Job reference number for the position, detailed CV, Copies of academic and professional certificates, national identity card and online KVB Employment form via post or hand delivery or email so as to reach the Board on or before 12th February 2024 by 5pm to;

The Chief Executive Officer Kenya Veterinary Board P.O Box 513-00605, NAIROBI

Email: recruitment@kenyavetboard.or.ke

Detailed job description and specification for the above positions are available in our website www.kenyavetboard.

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Government decries low uptake of empowerment loans by residents of Busia



Ms. Susan Mang'eni (3rd left), PS State Department for MSMEs Development, and Ms. Flora Kiprop, Director, Uwezo Fund, at the Uwezo Fund cheque issuance in Busia County.

BY BERNADETTE OWADE (PCO)

The Principal Secre-**⊥** tary for Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Development, Ms. Susan Mang'eni is challenging the Busia County leadership especially the County Government, the national government administration, elected officials, religious leaders, and other stakeholders to take the lead in rallying the masses around the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) following reports of low uptake of existing economic empowerment opportunities offered by the National Government by the people of Busia county.

Ms Mang'eni noted that Busia County has only benefited from a paltry Sh166 million out of the Sh 9 billion disbursed through several government empowerment programmes adding that since the inception of the Uwezo Fund, only a mere Sh 98million has been disbursed to Busia and out of the Sh15billion by held by the Youth Enterprise Development Fund only a handful of borrowers have benefitted.

She further lamented that Busia county is yet to significantly benefit from financing in the manufacturing sector through the Kenya Industrial Estates.

Ms Mang'eni attributed the low uptake to a lack of proper sensitization and information dissemination, calling on the national government administration to leverage its structures to mobilize and organize the masses into groups to maximize existing economic opportunities.

The PS further noted that Busia County ranks among

the least beneficiaries of financial empowerment programs, utilizing slightly over Sh 100 million from the in Uwezo Fund and a similar estimate in youth empowerment funds disbursed against national allocations of Sh15 billion and 9 billion respectively.

The PS was speaking during the kick-off of the Mashinani Pesa Mfukononi sensitization program in Busia County which is aimed at rallying the grassroots population around the government's Priority Value Chains in the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

The multi-agency initiative, led by the State Department for MSMEs Development in collaboration with Uwezo Fd, MSEA, KIE, WEF, YEDF, and NGAAF, aims to raise awareness at the grassroots level on the government's priority value chains to enable people to align their business ideas and lives with BETA and benefit from the opportunities created by these unique value chains

PS Mang'eni disbursed Uwezo Fund cheques worth Sh 4 .4 million from and Sh 4 million from the Youth Enterprise Fund which targets to benefit 100 women and youth groups in the county and also urged the county to provide 10,000 acres of land to kick-start sunflower production in the

She was accompanied by Busia County Commissioner Mr. Kipchumba Ruto and representatives from the Busia County government, a Board Director Mrs Florah Jerop and CEOs from Agencies under the State Department namely; CEO Uwezo Fund Mr. Peter Lengapiani, Youth Fund representative Mr. Benson Muthendi and the Acting CEO of the Kenya Industrial Estates Charles Mativo.





EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service (KEPHIS) is a State Corporation in the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development established under the Kenya Plant health Inspectorate Service Act, Number 54 of 2012 to undertake regulatory function in the agricultural sector on matters regarding plant protection, seeds and plant varieties to assure quality of agricultural inputs and produce towards a food secure nation and safe trade.

In line with its mandate, the Service is seeking to recruit suitably qualified candidates for the following positions:

S/ NO.	POST	GRADE	VACANCY NO.	TERMS OF SERVICE	NO. OF POSITIONS
1.	Director, Seed Certification & Plant Variety Protection	KEPHIS 2	KPH/DSC&PVP/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
2.	Director, Corporate Services	KEPHIS 2	KPH/DCS/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
3.	Corporation Secretary and Director Legal Services	KEPHIS 2	KPH/CS&DLS/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
4.	Director, Internal Audit and Risk	KEPHIS 2	KPH/DIA&R/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
5.	Manager, Supply Chain Management	KEPHIS 3	KPH/MSCM/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
6.	Deputy Director, Human Capital	KEPHIS 3	KPH/DDHC/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
7.	Deputy Director, ICT and Innovation	KEPHIS 3	KPH/DDICT&I/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
8.	Deputy Director, Security	KEPHIS 3	KPH/DDS/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
9.	Deputy Director, Corporate Communication	KEPHIS 3	KPH/DDCC/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
10.	Deputy Director, Analytical Chemistry Laboratory and Food Safety	KEPHIS 3	KPH/DDACL&FS/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
11.	Deputy Director, Import, Export and Border Control	KEPHIS 3	KPH/DDIE&BC/1/24	5 Years Contract & Renewable	1
12.	Principal Seed / Plant Health Inspector	KEPHIS 4	KPH/PSPHI/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	11
13.	Principal Laboratory Analyst	KEPHIS 4	KPH/PLA/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	2
14.	Seed/Plant Health Inspector	KEPHIS 6	KPH/SPHI/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
15.	Accountant	KEPHIS 6	KPH/ACCT/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
16.	Biometrician	KEPHIS 6	KPH/BIO/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
17.	Human Capital Officer	KEPHIS 6	KPH/HCO/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	4
18.	Planning Officer	KEPHIS 6	KPH/PO/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	2
19.	Supply Chain Management Officer	KEPHIS 6	KPH/SCMO/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
20.	Laboratory Analyst	KEPHIS 6	KPH/LA/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	2
21.	Estate Management Officer	KEPHIS 6	KPH/EMO/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
22.	Office Administrator	KEPHIS 6	KPH/OA/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
23.	Legal Officer	KEPHIS 6	KPH/LO/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
24.	Senior Assistant Corporate Communications Officer	KEPHIS 7	KPH/SACCO/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
25.	Senior Assistant Internal Auditor	KEPHIS 7	KPH/SAIA/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
26.	Senior Customer Care Assistant	KEPHIS 7	KPH/SCCA/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	2
27.	Senior Laboratory Technologist	KEPHIS 7	KPH/SLT/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
28.	Senior Administrative Assistant	KEPHIS 7	KPH/SAA/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
29.	Senior Catering and Accommodation Assistant	KEPHIS 7	KPH/SC&AA/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
30.	Senior Supply Chain Management Assistant	KEPHIS 7	KPH/SSCMA/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
31.	Assistant Seed / Plant Health Inspector	KEPHIS 8	KPH/ASPHI/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
32.	Senior Driver / Rider	KEPHIS 8	KPH/SDR/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	4
33.	Assistant Records Management Officer	KEPHIS 8	KPH/ARMO/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
34.	Laboratory Technologist	KEPHIS 8	KPH/LTGS/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	5
35.	Laboratory Technician	KEPHIS 9	KPH/LTCN/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	3
36.	Driver / Rider	KEPHIS 9	KPH/DR/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	11
37.	Senior Caretaker	KEPHIS 9	KPH/SC/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	1
38.	Office Assistant	KEPHIS 10	KPH/OA/1/24	Permanent and Pensionable	6
	TOTAL				79

Applicants should visit the online portal located in the Careers section of KEPHIS website (www.kephis.go.ke) to submit applications electronically. Clearly indicate the position and the vacancy number on the subject line, with a detailed curriculum vitae, certified copies of academic and professional certificates, transcripts, national identification card and any other supporting documents (as pdf attachments) not later than 13th February, 2024 at 5.00 p.m.

KEPHIS is an equal opportunity employer. Potential candidates from marginalized communities and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Shortlisted candidates will be required to avail their original and certified

Applicants should visit the online portal located in the Careers section of copies of the relevant certificates & transcripts and original national identity KEPHIS website (www.kephis.go.ke) to submit applications electronically. card during the interview.

Successful candidates must obtain and submit valid clearance certificates from Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA); Higher Education Loans Board (HELB); Directorate of Criminal Investigation and an approved Credit Reference Bureau as per Chapter six of the Constitution.

The Managing Director Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service (KEPHIS) P.O. Box 49592-00100 NAIROBI, KENYA







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President William Ruto and senior government officials with representatives from IMF led by their Managing Director, Kristalina Georgieva.

IMF loan to aid stabilise economy — Treasury

Treasury says funds would be used to boost forex reserves and build resilience against climate shocks he government is optimistic that the new round of International Monetary Fund (IMF) loans would help stabilise the economy, enabling it to expand 5.5 percent this year and sustain the growth in the medium term.

IMF last week disbursed a \$684.7 million (Sh109.8 billion) loan after a successful completion of the sixth review of Kenya's multi-year arrangement.

The loans cover the "Extended Fund Facility (EFF), Extended Credit Facility (ECF), and the Resilience and Sustainability Facility (RSF)",

said the bank. National Treasury Cabinet Secretary Njuguna Ndung'u said the money would help to cushion the country against external shocks and strengthen the fight against climate change.

He added that the money would help bolster the dwindling foreign exchange reserves which stand at 6.8 billion U.S. dollars.

'These resources would help the country maintain macro-economic stability and fortify resilience against external shocks by improving forex reserves and providing essential budget

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Co-ordination Secretariat (NGCS) from the office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs inspected the Construction of the Ksh.473 million Units at Milimani estate during their fact-finding mission in Kakamega to strengthen government coordination for effective service delivery. MORE ON PAGE 2



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"The approval underscores economy's resilience"

- Prof. CS Njuguna Ndung'u.

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RESILIENT ECONOMY

Relief for Kenya as IMF disburses loans

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support and strengthen climate-resilience efforts," Ndung'u said.

He added that the approval of the loan underscores the recovery and resilience of Kenya's economy.

The economy expanded by about 5 per cent in 2023 and is expected to grow 5.5 per cent in 2024, according to Ndung'u.

As part of the Sh.110 billion funding, the government received a Sh.9.6 billion Resilience and Sustainability Facility, which the CS noted would help the country to adjust to climate shocks and build green economy.

Kenya is among countries in the region that have suffered severe effects of climate change in 2023, which include the worst drought in four decades and El Nino rains.

While drought affected over 4 million people, the rains caused the death of about 200 people and displaced thousands others especially in arid and semi,-arid areas.

Kenya has, however, embarked on various mitigation measures that include planting 15

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Sh10.5 trillion

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billion trees across the country, programmes that the IMF money would support.

The nation is also fast-adopting e-mobility and stepping up production of electricity from renewable sources as it seeks to cut emission of greenhouse gases.

The IMF Board projects that Kenya's economy will maintain its resilience, with GDP growth accelerating through the first three quarters of 2024, propelled by a strong rebound in the agriculture sector.

It projects economic outlook for 2024 at over 5 per cent acknowledging ongoing adjustments in fiscal policy and external accounts.

Notably, the IMF foresees a potential rise in inflation in the first half of 2024 due to global oil price volatility and local currency depreciation-induced inflation. Despite these challenges, the IMF's support is expected to play a pivotal role in reinforcing macroeconomic stability.

Kenya's growth remained resilient in the face of increasing external and domestic

INFOBOX

IMF: Kenya's outlook positive

- For Kenya to continue on the upward trajectory, the Board called for strengthened implementation
- Front-loaded fiscal consolidation to mitigate debt vulnerabilities and achieve Kenya's new debt anchor by 2029 critical.
- Need for continued fiscal prudence, supported by domestic revenue mobilisation and expenditure rationalisation.
- Near-term outlook remains positive, with growth projected at around 5 percent in 2024 with inflation expected to rise in the first half of 2024 due to global oil price volatility and the complexities of the exchange rate.
- Recent monetary policy tightening and fiscal consolidation efforts aim to keep inflation in check.
- Structural reforms, including enhancing export competitiveness, strengthening governance, and addressing weaknesses in anti-corruption frameworks, are deemed crucial.
- RSF-supported reforms and all continued efforts to attract climate finance will play a pivotal role in preparing the country for future climate shocks and supporting sustainable development.

challenges. The EFF/ECF and RSF arrangements continue to support authority efforts to sustain macroeconomic stability, strengthen policy frameworks, withstand external shocks, push forward key reforms, and promote more inclusive and green growth," noted Antoinette Sayeh, Deputy Managing Director of the IMF.

Kenya's economy, noted Ndung'u, has been affected by global shocks that include the war between Russia and Ukraine and the tightening of the monetary policies in advanced economies.

While the former has caused supply chain disruptions leading to higher inflation, the latter has partly caused the depreciation of the shilling and elevated Kenya's debt levels.

According to Treasury, the rapid depreciation of the shilling has increased the country's debt service to 0.9 percent of the GDP.

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Inspection on Phase 1 of the Kakamega Affordable Housing project

for effective service delivery.

"At the end of the project, we anticipate to have at least 20,000 units in the county, which include hostels for university students at different places," noted Western Region Affordable Housing Lead Polycarp Onyango.

The first phase of the ambitious project is 20% complete and more construction will emerge as soon as appropriate land is identified for the same. Mr. Onyango called upon private partners who want to offer their lands as equity sharehold-

ers to come forward and collaborate. The government is also targeted to construct 20,000 affordable housing units in Bungoma, 10,000 in Vihiga, and 10,000 other units in Busia. According to the clerk of works on site, Hebron Kibet, the contracted company, Top Choice Surveillance Limited started construction in September 2023 and is expected to complete the construction works on 18th September this year.

The Milimani Affordable Housing complex comprises nine blocks, each featuring a four-story building.

The development includes 40 three-bedroom units, 60 studios or bedsitter units, 100 two-bedroom units, along with a dedicated parking lot.

Further, over 108 individuals have been employed on site. 75 of these are unskilled labourers, 29 are skilled and 4 are staff members.

Calls for more investment in the aquaculture sector intensify

THE RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT that the Government through the Ministry of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Blue Economy is partnering with African Union-Inter African Bureau for Animal aquaculture value-chain in the country and Africa at large, comes at a time when Kenyan fish farmers are in dire need of support. Aquaculture currently accounts for only 2.7 per cent of fish catch in the country and the annual supply gap of 50,000 metric tonnes of fish is projected to increase to 75,000 by 2030 if annual per capita fish consumption remains constant at 4.3 kg. Due to these statistics, the government is working to improve production in the fisheries sector through encouraging aquaculture among the youth and providing fingerlings to farmers. Notably, the sector has grown steadily over the last couple of years with the country producing over 30,000 metric tonnes of fish in 2023, an improvement from previous years where the country produced as low as 4,000 metric tonnes annually. Blue Economy and Fisheries, Printhat the deteriorating fish colonies in natural water bodies has made it extremely challenging for fish farmers to provide the required stock and meet the demand in the market. The overexploitation of the resource has also contributed heavily to the decline of fish population. In an attempt to further boost the industry, the government is also setting up centres of excellence where farmers can get quality fingerlings. ■

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INNOVATIVE AGRICULTURE

4K Clubs teach students to embrace sustainable agriculture



Young Farmers tackling climate change through innovative agriculture

he revival of 4K clubs has ushered in a new era of young agricultural enthusiasts in schools. These clubs, which stand for "kuungana", "kufanya", "kusaidia" (unite, work, help) Kenya, were non-operational since the '90s, and it has been argued that this had a negative impact on food security in the country.

However, the government's efforts in 2021 led to the resurrection of these clubs, offering students a platform to innovate and increase agricultural production.

"The club have been very helpful to us as a community. These young minds are not only learning the essentials of agriculture but are also actively implementing sustainable practices, such as creating carbon beds to combat climate change in their counties," notes Madam Eveline Mutei, a teacher and the Chairperson of the 4K Club in General Mulinge Primary School in Kaani, Machakos

Carbon beds play a crucial role in increasing organic matter in the soil, thereby enhancing its water retention capacity. Madam Mutei emphasises that this innovative approach has not only ensured an ample supply of food and vegetables for the students in the school, even during drought periods, but has also sparked widespread interest among students and their parents.

"Preparing carbon beds involves digging a 4-meter flat surface, filling it with dry matter like dried grass, adding soil, incorporating green grass, topping it with a mixture of soil and manure, and finally watering it before planting any crop," explains Miriam Mwende, a fourth-grade member of the 4K Club at General Mulinge.

Miriam agrees that there is an excitement among students over the 4K club. "We get to work on our gardens during break times. And students generally look forward to cultivating





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crops like maize, beans, and kales," she adds.

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Further, the clubs show the transformative power of educating youth early on agriculture. By empowering schoolchildren with knowledge about carbon beds, the impact ripples through the entire community as parents and other members are also welcome to join the initiative.

This holistic approach not only supports food production in schools but also encourages the broader community to adopt sustainable farming practices.

Such educative initiatives position Kenya's younger generation as catalysts for change, offering a beacon of hope in the fight against climate change.

As these students in Machakos County look forward to being full-time farmers, their commitment to sustainable agriculture sets a precedent for future generations.

HUDUMA CORNER

Huduma Kenya and National Police Service collaborate to elevate public service standards

he Huduma Kenya Secretariat and the National Police Service have forged a strategic alliance in a bid to elevate public service standards.

A delegation from the Huduma Kenya Secretariat, led by Luka Mwangi (Service Delivery) held a crucial meeting with Mr Nyale Munga, the Commandant, and other senior officers of the National Police College in Kiganjo

The central agenda of the meeting was the upcoming training programme on Customer Service Excellence for officers within the National Police Service. The discussions also explored the potential establishment



Huduma Kenya to collaborate with National Police Service for better service delivery.

of a long-term Customer Service Excellence Training Framework. This framework aims to extend the training initiative, reaching a broader spectrum of officers and ultimately raising the standards of public service. In alignment with the mission to shape the future of Huduma services, a Digitalisation Initiative took centre stage on the same day at Huduma Centre Mombasa. Representatives from various organisations, including Nawwar

Hammad from KUCCPS, Ezra Kei from HELB, and Swalha Yasin from KASNEB service desks, visited educational institutions such as Star Institute of Professional Studies, Kenyatta University Mombasa Campus, and Coast Girls' High School.

During these visits, students were enlightened about the transition from manual to digital processes for applications and payments through the e-citizen platform. KUCCPS emphasised the shift to online school applications post-KCSE results while KASNEB highlighted computerised exams. On the other hand, KASNEB foundation, and HELB provided insights into available loan products for the students. The engagement not only informed students about digital services but also encouraged them to seek career guidance during the extended 7 am-7 pm Huduma service hours.

This dual initiative by Huduma Kenya signifies a commitment to not only enhance internal services but also empower the younger generation through digital education and career support.

infobytes

The A-Z of dog business

owls, barks, groans... that greet you as you nter Cyrus Maina's home in Kirigiti, Kiambu County. The home is a dogs' paradise, where Rottweilers, Boerboels, German Shepherds, White Swiss Shepherds, Pugs, St Bernards, Belgian Malinois Maltese and Russian mountain dogs and Blackhounds, among other breeds, thrive, Maina, a dog breeder, has been in the business since 1985. His love for dogs, however, started sometime in 1976 when he was a small boy living in Nyahururu with his parents. Over the years, while he has also played football for Ulinzi Stars, coached division one teams and sold timber in Gikomba, Nairobi, his first love has remained dogs. He is one of the top dog breeders in the country as his animals are highly sought after by corporate clients like G4S and Brinks Security. According to him, one can never live a dog's life if he engages in the business, which has seen his children through school – to the university level. Maina breaks

Your love story with dogs goes how far...

Yes, as far as 1976 actually when I was a small boy living in Nyahururu. A priest at Nyahururu Catholic Church known as Fr Lewis noticed the interest I had in dogs and gave me a German shepherd puppy. That ignited my passion.

How many dogs do you have?

There are 42 mature dogs currently at my home. They were more but I have sold some and leased out

Describe your typical day....

My day starts at 5am with an inspection to confirm that all the dogs are well. Then I prepare a schedule for the day, including their meals and walks in the neighbourhood

DOURDOOL.
The schedule guides my two
workers on what to do. The workers
are trained on first aid so that they
attend to emergencies in case they
arise. Most of the time I leave my
home at gam to train dogs at people's homes or institutions

How much does one need to start such a business?

With Sh2o,000, one is good to go but it's good to have some knowledge about the business and have passion for it.

Tell us about dog breeding...

In breeding dogs, you work with what is known as "working line". These are dogs with stronger qualities such as powerful muscles and are purposely selected for breeding. This means the breeder should know their animals well.

Some people say it's hard knowing when a female dog (bitch) is on heat...

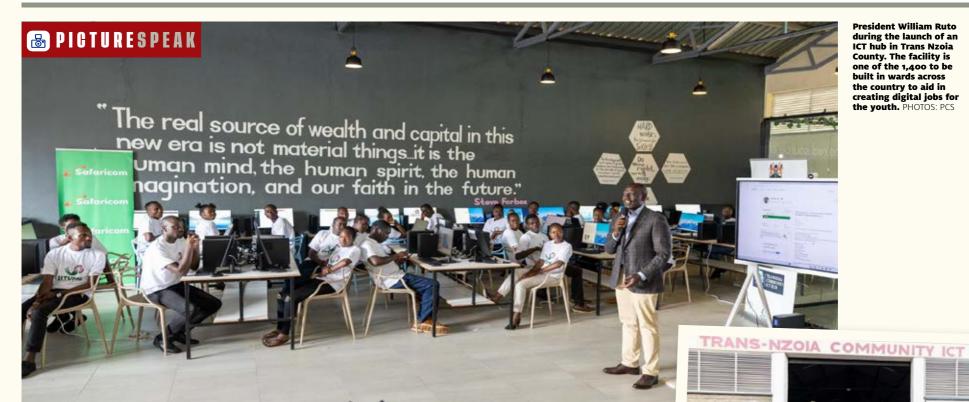
It can be if one does not know how to detect the heat signs. The obvious sign is bleeding from the vulva and others licking the back end more than usual or being over friendly to other dogs. I mate the dogs once I detect blood. Three to six mating sessions are enough to make the female pregnant.

How does a quality working line look like?

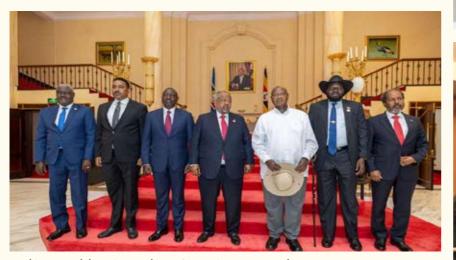
In the case of German shepherds, a good quality working line will have medium-sized animals, with good quality fur, temperament and body structure. These are the ones I use for breeding purposes. To avoid inbreeding, I change males every two years.

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President William Ruto during the launch of an ICT hub in Trans Nzoia County. The facility is one of the 1,400 to be built in wards across the country to aid in creating digital jobs for the youth. PHOTOS: PCS



President Ruto joins other presidents for 42nd IGAD Extraordinary Summit at State House Entebbe, Uganda. PHOTOS: PCS



Prof Njuguna Ndung'u, the CS National Treasury when he met French Ambassador Arnaud Suguet to discuss bilateral support for modernising of the Nairobi commuter system.



Prime CS and Minister for Foreign Affairs Musalia Mudavadi during a meetings with Algerian delegation led by their Minister Ahmed Attaf on the sidelines of the 19th Non-Aligned Movement Summit in Uganda.



Trade CS Rebecca Miano when she hosted representatives from Trade Mark Africa to discuss TMA-backed trade and investment programmes.







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Milestone as Kisumu ground breaks KISIP2 infrasture projects

BY MATHEW CHEPKEWEL (MYGOV)

¬he Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP 2) has achieved a significant milestone in the lakeside city of Kisumu by initiating key infrastructural projects in the city's informal settlements.

The new KISIP 2 projects in Kisumu aim to transform the county's informal settlements into modern residential areas, benefiting thousands of slum dwellers.

According to Mr. George Arwa, the National Coordinator for KISP 2, the Sh1.4 billion projects are anticipated to modernize slums into residential areas following the county's qualification for the second phase of the Kenya Informal Settlements Improvements Project (KISIP 2) slum upgrading initiatives.

Kisumu County had previously successfully implemented KISIP 1, which concluded in 2020.

Mr. Arwa made these remarks during a ceremony presided over by Kisumu County Governor Prof. An-



Mr. George Arwa, the National Coordinator for KISP

yang' Nyongo'. KISIP 2 has officially commenced major works in selected informal settlements in the lakeside

"Under the KISIP 2 project in Kisumu, infrastructure projects including construction of bitumen roads, pedestrian walkways, street and security lighting will be undertaken in Bandani, Manyatta A, Manyatta B, Nyawita, Kibuye and Muhoroni" Arwa said.

Other works envisaged in the KISIP 2 projects in Kisumu, the Co-ordinator said will include construction of storm water drainage as well as water and sanitation systems in Migosi, Nyawita, Bandani, Kibuye, Manyatta A, Manyatta B, and Muhoroni informal settlements.

"Apart from improved quality of housing and dignity for residents, KISIP's interventions in Kisumu county are poised to increase security provision through high mast lighting which will see increased business activities during late hours, increased accessibility for fire engines in case of fire outbreaks, reduction of threats caused by flooding because of improved drainage", Arwa said.

While thanking KISIP 2, the project financiers including the World Bank and Agence Française de Développement (AFD), Prof Nyon'go termed the initiative as a game-changer and a great milestone for the

'Our intention is to make these informalities formal. We cannot let the continued mushrooming of informal settlements in our city. I want to thank KISIP and the financiers," said the county

During the ground breaking ceremony, the Governor was accompanied by his Executive Committee Member for Lands and Physical Planning, Dr. Kennedy Hongo, Salmon Orimba, the Chief Officer Mr. Victor Kanyaura, KISIP County Project Coordination Team led by the Coordinator Tom Ogolla, Kisumu Central MP, Joshua Oron, MCAs of the respective project implementation areas, project consultants, contractors among others.

BRIEFS

Nakuru County to train 3,000 **Community Health Promoters**

At least 3,000 Community Health Promoters (CHPS) will be trained by the County Government of Nakuru to enhance their capacity in service

The County Executive Committee Member (CECM) In-Charge of Health Services, Ms. Roseline Mungai, stated that the County will ensure that community health promoters are well-equipped with adequate skills to perform their duties effectively.

This initiative aims to reduce the burden on the healthcare system by preventing diseases, promoting healthier lifestyles, and providing vital health support to families.

Ms. Mungai announced that the first training cohort of over 500 CHPS from Njoro, Subukia, Kuresoi South, Bahati, and Gilgil Sub-counties is in progress, focusing on Integrated Community Case Management (ICCM) and Non-Communicable Diseases. The CECM affirmed that the county government is committed to ensuring the success of the Community Health Promoters (CHPS) program by al-

locating adequate resources. Ms Mungai emphasized that strengthening of Primary Health Care (PHC) was at the heart of Universal Health Coverage (UHC) and, there-fore, as the CHP programme kicks off there is a need for adequate support from all stakeholders.

She said the county government valued the health workforce because it is central to the delivery of quality health services and that they were exploring local and international development partnerships, to prioritize support for the community health program, as a key contributor to UHC. The Community Health Promoters, she said, will handle patients at the households, and refer them to Level II hospitals, where they are likely to be referred to Level III, IV and V, as per the need of care.

The CECM said that the county would also educate community members on safe drinking water, availability of toilets and handwashing facilities, made of locally available materials.

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New NSSF Act brings tenfold surge in employee pension contributions

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The increased employees' contribution to the National Social Security Fund (NSSF) will benefit workers when they retire.

Charles Machira, the CEO of the Retirement Benefits Authority (RBA), stated that the contributions will be increased from Sh2,160 to Sh4,320 this February, in accordance with the new NSSF

Speaking in Nyahururu town during the 8th annual Minet-Kenya pension conference, the RBA CEO emphasized that contributing to NSSF is advantageous for the worker, as it ensures a substantial pension payout.

He defended the increment in NSSF contributions, asserting that the tenfold increase will provide employees with a more substantial retirement package.

Despite lamenting the sub-



The Retirement Benefits Authority (RBA) CEO, Charles Machira addressing attendees of the 8th annual MINET Kenya pension conference in Nyahururu. PHOTO: ANTONY MWANGI

the country, Machira noted that the retirement benefits sector remains stable.

Macharia added that the industry has an asset management of gross value of over Sh1.7 trillion and these

optimal number of people resources have been saved saving for their retirement in by 1,050 pension funds in Kenya. The pensions sector continues to face challenges, some of which the regulator is working on such as unremitted contributions by employers currently estimated to be at Sh40 billion"

said the the CEO, adding that pension funds ought to embrace environmental, social, and governance principles as a measure of sustainable business practices and continuity. Moreover, Machira said the RBA policy will address some challenges which include delayed payment of benefits among others.

Mr. Daniel Mainga, the General Manager of Minet, Financial Services and Pensions, said that this year's pension's theme is sustainability and resilience, and the sustainability of the pensions industry is a must-have conversation. He said they are aligning with the changes in the industry to ensure employees in Kenya go nome with a decent pension.

He regretted that many people retire with minimal pensions that cannot sustain them after working for many

Narok County expands bursary fund to Sh400m

■ The Narok County Government has distributed a bursary of Sh400 million to benefit over 47,000 needy students in the county.

Governor Patrick Ntutu said that among the beneficiaries are 1,600 students who are receiving full scholarships for their secondary and tertiary level education.

The number represents an increase from last year when the bursary issued was Sh370 million, benefiting about 44,000 students, with 500 students receiving full scholarships.

The beneficiaries, he said, will receive a direct message sent to their phones, indicating the school, the amount received, reference number, and admission number.

"This is unlike before when a manual system was used to identify the beneficiaries. This year, the beneficiaries will only have to walk to the school and simply present the message to confirm the bursary allocation with the school management," he said. Since the onset of devolution in 2013, that was the highest amount of bursary distributed by the county government. Ntutu said he is committed to continuing

championing initiatives that will improve educational infrastructure, accessibility, and

On Early Childhood Develop-

ment and Education (ECDE), Governor Ntutu said he constructed over 298 classrooms last year.

'The foundational structure of a child's education is critical, if that foundation is not well laid out, the future of that child is at stake," he added.

The function was attended by the Anglican Church of Kenya (ACK) Archbishop Jackson Ole Sapit who called on parents to take care of their children, as they are the future professionals of the county.

He lauded Governor Ntutu for the good work he is doing, saying many children from vulnerable backgrounds have benefited from the bursary.

"Among these children are prominent business people, professors, and medics, who will be known in the entire world. I request parents to take care of these children, so that they can attain their dreams," he reiterated.

Ole Sapit called on learners to take their studies seriously and to avoid engaging in unproductive business such as Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) and early marriages. East Africa Legislative Assem-

bly Member, David Sankok, told off those spreading hate messages against Governor Ntutu on social media.

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