

Forest Plantation Management

Kenya Forest Service (KFS) is a state corporate body mandated to conserve, protect and manage all public forests. The area under public forests is approximately 2.6 million Ha out of which about 150,000 Ha (comprising 6% of total public forest estate) are zoned for **Forest Plantation Management and Development.**

Section 43 of the Forest Conservation and Management Act (FCMA), 2016, mandates KFS to manage all plantation forests in public forests on a sustainable basis for the production of wood and other forest products and services for **commercial purposes**.

In this regard, KFS in the current financial year 2023/2024 intends to dispose 5000Ha of mature and over -mature forest plantations that had been identified by the Multi-Agency Team through tender in the following Counties: Kiambu, Nyandarua, Nyeri, Muranga, Kerugoya, Embu, Meru, Nakuru, Kericho, Baringo Uasin Gishu and Elgeyo Marakwet.

These are distributed in 36 Forest Stations as listed: Kamae, Kereita, Ragia, South Kinangop, North Kinangop, Geta, Gatare, Kimakia, Gathiuru, Zaina, Naromoru, Kabaru, Nanyuki, Ontulili, Marania, Mucheene, Irangi, Njukiini East, Castle, Bahati, Logoman, Kiptunga, Kerisoi, Tendeno, Londiani, Narasha, Chemususu, Maji Mazuri, Koibatek, Timboroa, Nabkoi, Cengalo, Lorenge, Kipkurere, Elgeyo and Kessup.