

Ministry	State Department	Agency	FAQ	FAQ Answers
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	Is The Fund A Loan Or Grant?	The fund is a loan aimed at empowering women, youth, and persons with disabilities at grassroots levels.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	How does one apply for the Loan?	Meet the eligibility criteria, get an application form from NGCDF or the Sub-County Youth Development Officer's office, fill out the form, and return it with all requirements. The loan application form can also be accessed from the website <a href="http://www.uwezo.go.ke">www.uwezo.go.ke</a> .
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	Of what importance is the Capacity building programme and who will run it?	The Capacity Building Programme aims to train fund beneficiaries on various aspects including General information about the Uwezo Fund, Business Development Services, mentoring, Table Banking, and Access to Government Procurement Opportunities. It will be run by the Constituencies Uwezo Fund Management Committee Secretariat.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	Who is in charge of the fund at the Constituency level?	The fund at the constituency level is implemented by the Constituency Uwezo Fund Management Committee comprising officers from the national Government office and representatives from various wards nominated by the area Member of Parliament and County Women Representative.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	What criteria will be used to determine whether a group qualifies for the fund?	Criteria include group registration with relevant departments, age composition of members, operational base, financial structure, and banking arrangements.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	Is there a deadline for the Uwezo Fund application?	There is no deadline, as it is a revolving fund.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small	State Department for Micro	Uwezo Fund	What is the interest incurred on the loan?	The loan does not attract interest.

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Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	What is its repayment period?	The repayment period includes a six-month grace period and twenty-four months from the expiry of the grace period.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	The group should be made up of how many members?	There is no maximum number of members in a group.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	For how long should the group have been in existence for it to qualify for the fund?	There is no minimum required period of group existence as long as the group is practicing table banking and has evidence of monthly contributions.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	How long does it take for the groups to get their funding after the submission of the application?	One month after vetting of the group training on four focus areas.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	What measures are you taking to ensure transparency of the fund so that it doesn't fail like any other fund?	Measures include serialization of forms for accountability purposes, public display of beneficiary groups, and holding disbursement of funds/loans in public forums.
Ministry of Cooperatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	State Department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprise	Uwezo Fund	What key areas are you focusing on to improve the Fund's performance?	Key areas of focus include constituency-based loan recovery campaigns, continuous awareness creation and public education, training, follow-up of beneficiary groups, capacity strengthening of management committees, and partnership development.