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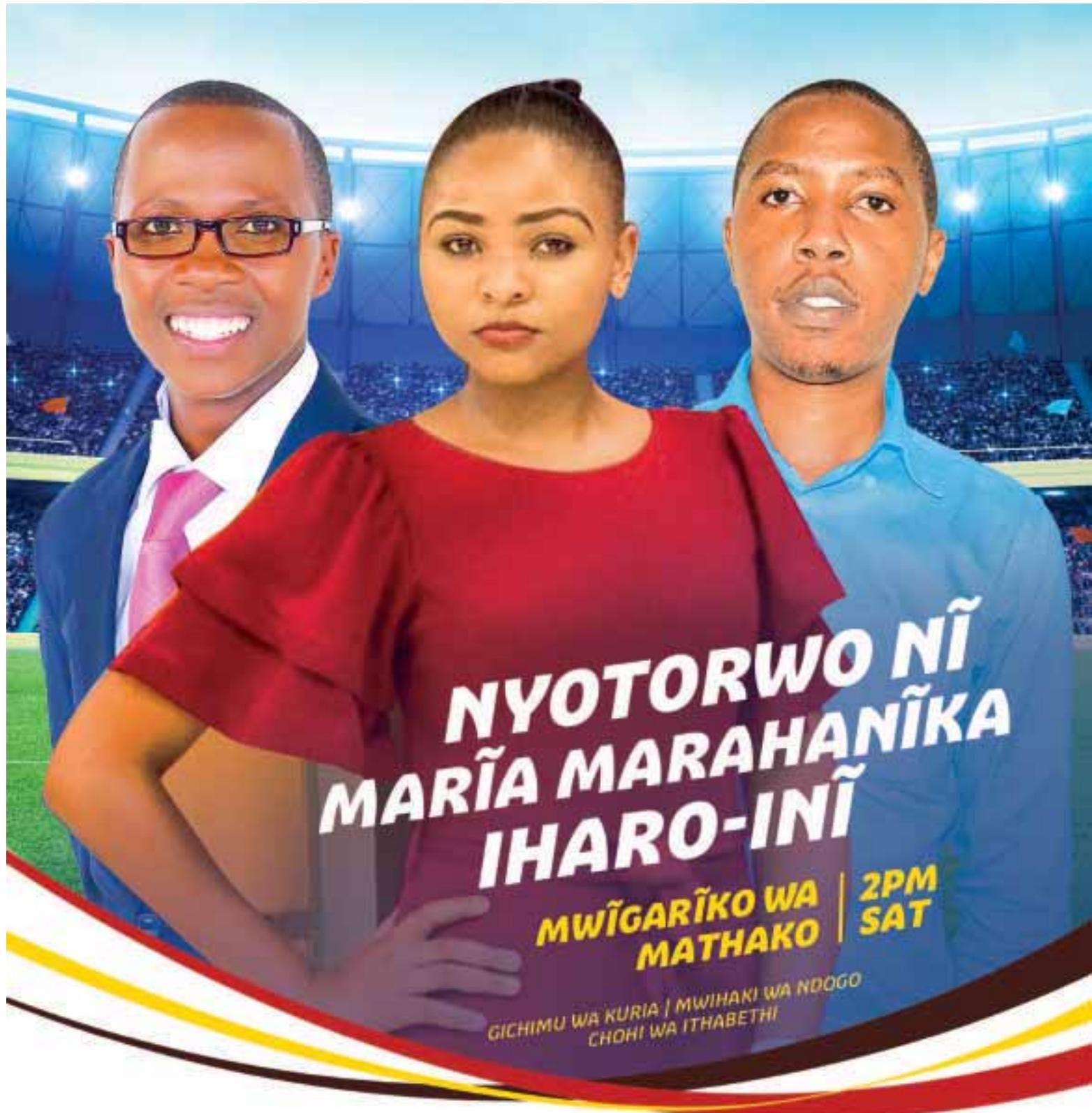
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Wiper Party leaders back Kalonzo for 2022 contest

by George Kebaso
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Former Vice-President Kalonzo Musyoka is firmly in the race for president in the 2022 elections, his Wiper Democratic Party's National Executive Committee (NEC) said yesterday.

Contrary to reports that he would support the extension of President Uhuru Kenyatta's term, party officials led by vice chair Chirau Ali Mwakwere said Kalonzo's name will be on the ballot in the next election.

"The party, having met today at Wiper House in Karen, resolved that we appreciate the large turnout at KOMA II Convention and fully associate ourselves with its resolutions," the leaders said in a statement read by Mwakwere.

He was referring to February 8 meeting at Kiamba Primary School in Matungulu, Machakos, which unanimously endorsed Kalonzo as the party's flag bearer in the 2022 General Election.

Expanded Executive

Party members also resolved to support Kalonzo's call for an expanded Executive.

Kalonzo has been criticised for allegedly calling for extension of Uhuru's tenure when it ends in 2022.

In recent weeks, the Wiper leader has been under siege from governors Alfred Mutua (Machakos), Kivutha Kibwana (Makueni) and Charity Ngilu (Kitui) who have been asking him to retire from active politics.

But Nairobi Governor Mike Sonko has endorsed Kalonzo's presidential ambitions.

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Kenyans split on prime minister post, says BBI

Representation is another contentious issue according to Building Bridges Initiative co-chair Oloo

by Anthony Mwangi
@PeopleDailyKe

By creating the National Government Constituency development Fund, MPs contravened the law – ICPAK

Kenyans are sharply divided over calls to expand the Executive to accommodate more interests, Building Bridges Initiative (BBI) taskforce co-chair Adams Oloo said yesterday.

He said the issue of elective positions and whether they are too many has also drawn mixed opinions. "Kenyans are taking divergent views on these two matters. They differ from county to county," Oloo told *People Daily* on the sidelines of a public hearing session in Nairobi.

Debate has been raging on whether to increase the number of positions in the Executive. There are proposals to create the position of prime minister and two deputies as a way of accommodating more communities in the country's leadership.

National ethos

He said in the 15 counties the team has visited, some citizens support the creation of the position of PM while others say the country is already overrepresented.

There have also been calls to



LEADERSHIP DEBATE

Politicians allied to Opposition leader Raila Odinga are proposing the expansion of the Executive arm of government to include a powerful prime minister and two deputies.

But Deputy President William Ruto's supporters oppose the proposal saying Kenyans are already overburdened with too many leadership positions and creating more would be punitive to the public.

Building Bridges Initiative taskforce vice chair Adams Oloo. PHOTO: FILE

scrap some positions of representation, particularly senator and Woman Rep seats.

Oloo said Kenyans were, however, in agreement that unless the country addresses the issue of national ethos, not much will be achieved.

The feeling of Kenyans is that most of the problems bedeviling the country start from the family.

Matters corruption are issues of integrity," Oloo said.

He said when the team visited North Eastern region, the issue of marginalisation and unfair sharing of resources dominated the hearings.

Appearing before the team yesterday, the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK) accused the Legislature of usurping the role of the Executive, citing the constituency development fund.

"By giving themselves the position of patrons is in itself unconstitutional. By creating the National Government Constituency Development Fund (NG-CDF), the MPs acted in contravention of the law," said Fredrick Riaga from ICPAK.

Legislative role

Parliamentarians, Riaga said should restrict themselves to the legislative roles since their involvement in matters Executive was affecting the smooth running of the government.

The institute also wants the Constitution to be amended to give the offices of the Auditor General and that of the Director of Budget total independence.

"The independence of the two offices which are crucial in the management of resources only exists on paper," said Riaga.

On corruption, the Institute proposes that the law be amended to allow individuals facing graft related cases step aside until after their cases are heard and determined.

City tycoon linked to tax evasion grilled by DCI



by Kinyuru Munuhe
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Nairobi businessman Humphrey Kariuki (pictured) was yesterday among five people grilled by detectives at the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) headquarters, Nairobi, over alleged Sh3 billion tax evasion scam.

The Economic and Commercial Crimes Unit (ECCU) and the

Serious Crimes Unit at DCI headquarters are scrutinising Kariuki's business interests and those of his associates suspected to be involved in tax evasion and fraud through firms listed as shareholders of companies under probe.

Besides Kariuki, others grilled were Peter Kuria, Mary Wambui, Robert Thinji and Dennis Murithi. Kariuki's daughter, Nyawira Wangari, who is also implicated, did not appear yesterday.

"We will record statements from each of them and move to the next phase," an officer privy to the probe said.

Last week, Flying Squad officers recovered 312,000 litres of illicit liquor, smuggled ethanol from Tanzania and the fake KRA stamps at the company's factory in Thika.

Some of the popular brands produced by the plant include Bluemoon vodka, Legend brandy and Glen Rock whisky.



Carrying pregnant wife over hot coal

In parts of China, it is believed that if the husband carries his pregnant wife over burning coal on bare feet, the wife has an easy delivery. Physical pain for the husband is expected to ease the wife's labour.

Bizarre diversities in cultural practices

In a world with vastly differing beliefs and customs, what appears normal to members of one community may turn out to be outrageous, even scandalous, to another



Feet-binding

In China, girls aged between three and 14 were forced to bandage their feet so that they did not grow bigger. Big feet were considered unpretty. This custom went on for years before finally being banned in 1949.



Three-day bathroom ban

The Tidong tribe of northern Borneo bars a newly-wed couple from using the bathroom till three days after the wedding. That means no urinating, defecating or bathing. The tribe believes it leads to a happy married life. To make it easier, the family feeds the couple minimally.



Here, women cut off fingers on losing relatives!

When a family member of the Dani tribe in Indonesia passes away, women have to suffer physical pain besides the emotional grief. And to do so, they cut off a part of their fingers done to 'appease ancestral ghosts.' Men are, however, not required to do the same. The custom is rarely practised now.



Dancing with corpse

A funeral tradition followed by the Malagasy tribe in Madagascar, people literally dance with bodies as part of the Fandahihana custom. After bringing bodies of ancestors from their burial place, they re-wrap them in fresh cloth and dance around the tomb to live music. The ritual is followed once in seven years, but has been in the decline of late.



Eating ash of the dead

Since tradition forbids the Yonamamo tribe from Brazil and Venezuela from keeping any body part, it is burned and crushed. The ashes are shared out among the family members and consumed. They believe that by doing so, their loved one will remain a part of them forever.

Rings to have a beautiful neck

Thailand's Karen tribe is fascinated with long necks and their women wear rings around their necks to stretch it into what they consider a symbol of beauty and elegance. Girls start wearing rings around their necks when they are five and more rings are added as they grow up.



Semen ingestion

The Sambia tribe of Papua New Guinea believe boys have to ingest semen to become men. Sambia boys, aged between seven and 10, are required to perform oral sex on older warriors and, swallow the semen. They believe semen is the source of life and the essence of masculinity. The only way for the genitalia of their young male population to become fully developed and to produce their own semen is by ingesting others'. Married men are prohibited from further participating in this ceremony since female genitals are believed to pollute the reproductive organs of the men, which in turn makes their semen "impure."



QUEST FOR JUSTICE

Senior officers 'liable of Baby Pendo's death'

Magistrate finds five senior cops with case to answer after inquest into infant's death two years ago

by Baraka Karama
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It began with an election, then a contested outcome and finally chaos, destruction of property and death.

But none of the 37 fatalities symbolised the absurdness of the August 2017 post-election violence better than that of Baby Samantha Pendo. Ironically, the distant future leader lost her life in a dispute to pick a current leader, a process she was seventeen and a half years away from legally participating in.

Yesterday, five senior police officers were found liable of her death. Delivering the landmark ruling, Kisumu Resident Magistrate Beryl Omollo said the evidence before her was sufficient to indict former Kisumu County Police Commander Titus Yoma, Chief Inspector John Thiringi, Inspector Linah Kosgey and senior superintendents Benjamin Koima and Christopher Maweu answerable to their juniors' actions.

RESPONSIBILITY OF HIGH RANK

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She found former Kisumu County Police Commander Titus Yoma, Chief Inspector John Thiringi, Inspector Linah Kosgey and senior superintendents Benjamin Koima and Christopher Maweu answerable to their juniors' actions.

The court also asked the directorate of public prosecutions to investigate some 30 junior officers involved in the operation at Nyalenda.

Police Post.

The magistrate also ordered action be taken against 30 General Service Unit officers who had been deployed to Nyalenda, led by their commander Chief Inspector Kyengo Masha.

Equally, 16 other officers deployed within Nyalenda area on the fateful day will also be treated as persons of interests.

"I am satisfied that Pendo did not die as a result of natural consequences but due to severe head injury caused by a blunt force trauma inflicted on her by members of the National Police Service," Omollo read in the 38-page judgment.

Baby Pendo succumbed to severe head injuries at the Kisumu's



The late baby Samantha Pendo's parents Lencer Achieng' and Joseph Abanja with Pendo's sister Jackline at the Kisumu Law Courts, yesterday. PHOTO: DAN OGENDO

Aga Khan Hospital intensive care unit.

According to a report by the Kenya National Human Rights Commission in October 2017, three out of the 37 people who died in the violence were from Kisumu county.

Raided homes

Armed police officers, who were quelling the riots in Nyalenda estate, raided their Kilo home and hurled teargas canisters.

A total of 31 witnesses, who included the six senior police officers, testified in the public inquest that took 10 months.

The officers traded blame at the inquest. Yoma denied being at the scene of the incident on the fateful day and instead pointed an accusing finger at Mutune, who too de-

nied being in Nyalenda when the chaos broke out.

AP commander Koima also refuted conducting operations within Nyalenda area on the day and accused Yoma of lying to the court. He maintained that he was not involved in any way in the particular operation.

During the inquest, the court heard that police officers turned a deaf ear pleads from Pendo's mother Lennacer Achieng.

Yesterday, Omollo laid blame on the respective commanders for failing to take necessary action to quell the riots.

"The superiors should incur liability for the subordinates' unlawful conduct for failing to take any action to redress the situation," she said.

Is ruling sign of dying impunity?

by Baraka Karama
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Activists have seen yesterday's landmark ruling by Kisumu Resident Magistrate Beryl Omollo (below) as an indication of the government's renewed effort in fighting impunity.

The development follows a history of a misfiring Judiciary, especially when law enforcement officials are concerned.

The most notable case was nine years ago, when the High Court acquitted constable Edward Kirui, who was caught on camera shooting two unarmed protesters at the peak of 2007 post-election violence in Kisumu's Kondele area. Constable Kirui escaped the death penalty over a technical error involving prosecution evidence.

Serial number

During his trial, a mismatch by one digit in the serial number of the firearm used as exhibit saw the case thrown out. Kirui was accused of killing William Onyango and Ismael Chacha.

Yesterday, magistrate Omollo, however, blamed the police for using excessive force in quelling the riots.

Omollo blamed the chain of command for issuing orders that led to the death of three people in Kisumu county including six-months-old baby Samantha Pendo after the 2017 General Election.



Mother lauds court after favourable verdict

by Baraka Karama
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"My daughter Pendo will now rest in peace because justice has been served."

Those were the poignant words of Lencer Achieng', mother of Baby Samantha Pendo who was killed in Kisumu during clashes between police and protesters following the 2017 election dispute.

Baby Pendo would have been celebrating her second birthday yesterday but as fate would have it, her parents spent the day in court awaiting the outcome of an inquest into her death.

Inside the courtroom in Kisumu, Achieng' sat pensively, cuddling Pendo's three-month-old sister Jackline Abanja as she keenly followed proceedings. Achieng' and her husband Joseph Abanja have

spent a good deal of the past year in courts pursuing justice for their child.

During her testimony last year, the distraught mother wept as she narrated to the magistrate how the armed police officers stormed their one bedrooned house in Nyalenda estate and attacked her despite pleas that she was carrying an infant.

Head injuries

Baby Pendo was later admitted at the Aga Khan Hospital's intensive care unit and succumbed to severe head injuries inflicted by a blunt object.

Yesterday, the court room was packed with family members and human rights activists who had been calling for justice in the case.

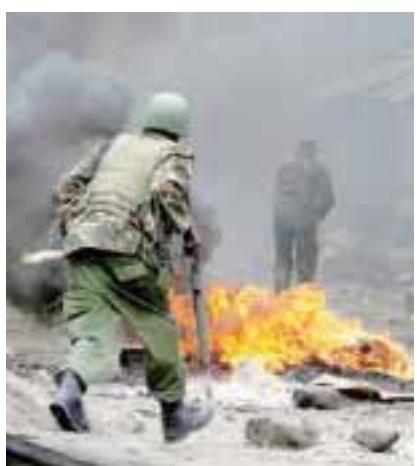
Tears flowed down Achieng's face Kisumu resident magistrate Berryl Omoll reviewed the events

of the fateful day.

After two hours, the magistrate declared that the evidence adduced was sufficient to prove that the police officers were responsible for her death and her face lit up in joy.

"We have been crying for justice and today I am happy with what the magistrate has ruled," she said.

It has been a long journey and we do hope that now that the files are being forwarded to the DPP, justice will still prevail - Abanja



At least 37 people, including Baby Samantha Pendo, died in chaos that erupted following the disputed August 8 2017 General Election results.

PHOTO: FILE

She said the ruling would put an end to rumours that her daughter was not killed by police.

"The evidence is clear and to those who thought that I cooked what transpired, the magistrate has proven them wrong," she added.

"It has been a long journey and we do hope that now that the files are being forwarded to the DPP, justice will still prevail," her husband said.

Lawyers representing the family led by Ingutia Onyango also applauded the ruling.

"It has not been easy for the family and the ruling means a lot to them. The innocent soul will now rest in peace," Onyango said.

Human rights activist Collins Owuor said impunity is beginning to fall in the country.

"Let this be a warning to others," he added.

Mwatha died in botched abortion, autopsy reveals

Exam shows she bled excessively following the procedure

by Kinyuru Munuhe
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Human rights crusader Caroline Mwatha Ochieng died from excessive bleeding both internally and externally following a botched abortion procedure, a six-hour autopsy revealed yesterday.

Postmortem examination conducted at a private morgue, Umash Funeral Home, revealed Mwatha had a five to six months old male foetus that was badly mutilated through a "medical intervention".

The exercise was conducted by chief government Pathologist Dr Johansen Oduor and Dr Peter Ndegwa from Independent Medico Legal Unit representing the family and detectives from the homicide department.

"Caroline died due to excessive bleeding both internally and externally. The male foetus was five to six months old and it was mutilated. There was a medical intervention. The mark that she had on the thigh was due to embalming," said Ndegwa.

National Coalition of Human Rights Defenders executive director Kamau Ngugi speaking on behalf of the family and lobbyists, said they are satisfied with the results but police should confirm if the botched abortion was voluntary or done when she was unconscious.

Postmortem result

"We are satisfied with what the police have done to clear on what caused Carol's death. However, we want them to investigate whether she did it willingly or it was done while she was unconscious," said Kamau.

However, Oduor did not comment.

The autopsy results were released as police were allowed to detain two more suspects



Caroline Mwatha's mother Anna Kathathi at City Mortuary on Tuesday. Activist's family wants police to probe whether the botched abortion was done willingly. PHOTO: TABITHA MBATIA

linked to the death of Mwatha.

In another development, Martin Mwangi and Godfrey Otieno, who were believed to have been the driver of the vehicle used to deliver the deceased's body to the City Mortuary, were arrested on Wednesday at Dandora and detained at Buru Buru Police Station overnight.

At the same time, police have put a clinic in Dandora linked to the death of Mwatha under 24-hour surveillance.

Residents said the clinic, which operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, was closed for the first on Sunday and was painted afresh, perhaps to conceal its name 'New Njiru Community Centre'.

MPs raise concern over threat to life

by Hillary Mageka
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Two Jubilee MPs have raised fears that their lives are in danger for closely associating with Deputy President William Ruto.

Speaking during a news conference at Parliament Buildings, Kimili MP Didmus Barasa (pictured) and Laikipia Woman Rep Catherine Waruguru called on the government to investigate threats to their lives and bring the culprits to book.



The vocal MPs attributed the threats to their political stand and 2022 succession politics.

Barasa and Waruguru said they have given the details of the threats to the Parliament Director of Criminal Investigations and OCS to investigate.

House team probes KQ plan to take over JKIA

by Mercy Mwai
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Addressing a news conference, the committee said it wants to establish what led KPA into making that decision yet the implications of it are far-reaching.

The Public Investments Committee (PIC), chaired by Abdulswaanad Nassir, said it is seeking to establish why Kenya Airports Authority (KAA) is keen on having KQ take over JKIA yet it is aware of the financial challenges the airline is facing.

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How the elaborate murder cover-up was staged



Martin Koome sister Ann Manyara, during one of the court sessions. PHOTO: COURTESY

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On the night of December 19, 2013, while in custody at the Ruaraka police station, Martin Koome Manyara was attacked with a blunt object, resulting in eight broken ribs. His head was also immersed in a drum of water, hours before his death.

Koome had earlier been arrested for attempting to strangle his baby in Baba Dogo, Nairobi.

After his death, the OCS embarked on a scheme to cover up the murder. He faked a report that the deceased had been assaulted by cellmates and

included the reconstruction of an OB report terming Koome as "violent" and implicating one suspect, identified as Kelvin Odhiambo alias Nyundo, with the murder.

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) later withdrew the charges. On February 3, 2014, the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA) received a complaint on the extrajudicial killing of Koome.

Following investigations, it concluded that the deceased was assaulted by the then OCS, Chief Inspector Nahashon Mutua and forwarded the file to the ODPP with recommendations that the

chief inspector be charged with murder. The DPP concurred and on August 24, 2015, directed that the OCS be arrested and charged.

IPOA lead investigator testified that he visited the police station and recorded statements from 21 witnesses, among them police officers based at the station. The officers, however, were part of the elaborate cover-up.

The oversight authority found out that the deceased was hit several times with a rod and his head immersed in water before being locked up in the cells overnight despite his injuries. He was taken to Kenyatta National Hospital, where he died.

Two witnesses said they had peeped through a vent and saw OCS Mutua attacking the late Koome using a metal rod. He then released several suspects and even offered to pay medical fees for one arrested for robbery.

The suspect, identified as Victor Kioko, was removed from the cells and driven to Uhuru Neema Hospital, where he was treated and his bills paid before being released unconditionally.

Investigations revealed that, although the OCS claimed there was a fight, no incident was recorded in the Occurrence Book (OB).

Why top cop was condemned to die

In a landmark ruling, a senior cop was sentenced to death over the murder of a miraa man tortured while in custody

■ by Bernice Mbugua
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A senior cop was yesterday condemned to die by the High Court for killing a suspect who was in police custody.

In a landmark ruling, High Court judge Stella Mutuku said the former Ruaraka Officer Commanding Station (OCS), Chief Inspector Nahashon Mutua, deserved to be hanged for torturing to death Martin Koome, a helpless suspect, a miraa trader, who had been arrested over a domestic dispute.

"After considering the painful death the deceased was subjected to and the inhumane treatment he received, even after he was fatally wounded, it is my considered view that the befitting sentence in this case is death," she ruled.

Mutua had been found guilty of murder on December 13, 2018.

According to the prosecution, Mutua hit Koome several times with a rod and forcibly immersed his head in a drum full of water for about 30 minutes after he was arrested following a domestic brawl at his home in Baba Dogo, Nairobi.

He was later taken to the Kenyatta National Hospital but died hours later. The court heard that Koome had a swollen face, deep cuts and even his wife could barely recognise him.

And yesterday, Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA) welcomed the ruling.

"This milestone decision reiterates IPOA's commitment to professionalise the National Police Service through holding to account culpable officers and also exonerating those who are falsely



High Court Judge Stella Mutuku at a Milimani court when she sentenced former Ruaraka OCS Nahashon Mutua (right) to death yesterday. PHOTO: CHARLES MAATHAI

accused," IPOA chairperson Ann Makori said in a statement.

The authority was instrumental in bringing Mutua to book after it intervened, leading to the release of Kevin Odhiambo, the deceased's cellmate, who had been framed for the murder.

In December last year, when the court gave the verdict that Mutua was guilty of murder, the victim's family vowed never to forgive him and demanded the OCS faces the full force of the law.

Cannot forgive

"The father to the deceased went into depression and amnesia following the death of his son. The family cannot ever forgive the offender who brutally battered their kin to death even when he pleaded for mercy," said lawyer, Edward Mbanya from the International Justice Mission, who represented Koome's family.

He said the deceased's wife had to quit her job over claims of harassment from Mutua's cronies.

"She lost her husband and does not know what to tell her daughter who was deprived of the love and care of a father at a tender age," he said.

Initially, Odhiambo was charged with the murder of Koome but was later exonerated following investigations by the IPOA. Police had, in their

report, claimed the inmate died after an alleged fight in the cells on the night of December 19, 2013.

In his defense, Mutua denied killing Koome and explained that he was on duty when he received information that the inmate had been injured.

He told the court he is the one who directed that the man be taken to hospital and called nine witnesses to testify on his behalf.

The witnesses alleged that Koome had been very drunk and on evaluating his case, the OCS suggested that he be charged in court with two counts.

Justice Mutuku while convicting him of murder, however, ruled that the prosecution had proved beyond reasonable doubt that he had caused the deceased suffering while in cells which caused his death.

In mitigation, Mutua maintained his innocence saying the deceased death was caused by cellmates at the Station. He said he, too, was a victim of the said death given the negative effect the case has had on his personal life as a career police officer and on his family.

Mutua argued the evidence presented to court in support of the case raised serious doubts as



to whether he committed the offence he was tried for and sought non-custodial sentence.

The former OCS also wanted the case investigated afresh to determine whether the court had indeed tried the right offender.

However, in her ruling Justice Mutuku said the prosecution had fully investigated the case before he was charged and the court made a determination that the case had been proved to the required standards.

"It is my view as the trial court that this case has been subjected

to the due process of this court and the only recourse now is to take the matter on appeal to the next court of hierarchy," she ruled.

She said Koome's death has deprived his family a bread winner, a husband and a father and that their lives were changed forever.

"There is little anyone can say or do to cushion the bereaved family against the pain caused by the death of their family member. It is only acceptance and time that will heal their pain," she ruled.

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Governors vow to sack defiant nurses

Oparanya says medics who fail to resume duty today will be dismissed

■ by Alvin Mwangi
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Striking nurses who fail to report to work today face the sack after governors and the National government yesterday pledged to implement President Uhuru Kenyatta's order.

Through their chair Wycliffe Oparanya, the Council of Governors ordered a roll call taken today at 8am.

"The National and County governments stand with the President's pronouncement. A roll call will be undertaken by both levels of government at 8am, any nurse who will fail to return to work will be dismissed," he said.

Strike unlawful

Oparanya termed the strike unlawful following a court ruling on February 6 which suspended the strike for 60 days ordering all parties to attend conciliatory talks which were initiated by Labour Cabinet secretary Ukur Yattani.

He dismissed Kenya National Union of Nurses (Knun) secretary general Seth Panyako claims the union has not been served with the court order, saying the union was served with the order on February 6.

Elsewhere, Health Cabinet secretary Sicily Kariuki warned



DEFYING ORDER

On Wednesday evening, the nurses union vowed to defy the Presidential order, arguing that the strike could only be called off by respective County Public Service Boards who are their legitimate employer.

Health services have been paralysed in most parts of the country since nurses downed tools on February 4 over return to work formula entered in November 2017 which nurses say has not been fully implemented.

that nurses face contempt of court charges if they do not resume work by 8am today.

Kariuki said the National government and Council of Governors have agreed to file the charges because the strike by the nurses union members

Council of Governors chair Wycliffe Oparanya at a past function. PHOTO: FILE

is illegal.

Speaking in Meru county where she launched the National Breaking Transmission Strategy 2019-2023 to address neglected tropical and surgical diseases, Kariuki said the nurses have ignored a court order that gave parties 60 days for conciliation.

"The courts have spoken and the nurses have gone against the order. Union officials have already been served with the court orders. This is not a threat but all nurses are expected at work tomorrow as the President and the governors directed," Kariuki said.

Man kills self after quarrel with spouse

■ by Kirera Mwiti
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A domestic quarrel by a couple ended tragically after a man committed suicide in Gilgil.

Residents of Eburru village woke up to find the body of the 30-year-old man hanging from a tree.

Suicide cases

The incident happened as leaders in the area decried the rising cases of suicide among youths with drugs and alcohol abuse being pointed as the major contributor.

In the latest incident, the deceased had gone to his in laws to pick his wife prompting an argument. He subsequently left hurriedly only to be found dead later.

NYS council given six months to restore order

■ by Barry Silah
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The newly inaugurated National Youth Service Council has six months to restore order to the organisation.

This was revealed during a press briefing yesterday at NYS headquarters where Lt-Gen (Rtd) Njuki Mwaniki was unveiled as the council's chairman alongside his team in a ceremony presided over by Cabinet secretary for Youth and Gender Affairs Margaret Kobia.

In his address, Mwaniki called for teamwork, warning that the task ahead was enormous. He called on the council to find a unifying factor to deliver on their goals as established under the NYS Act.

This is coming against the backdrop of a restructuring



Lt-Gen (Rtd) Njuki Mwaniki.
PHOTO: TIMOTHY NJENGA



Energy Regulatory Commission

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the provisions of THE ENERGY (PETROLEUM PRICING) REGULATIONS 2010, and the amendment thereof, the maximum petroleum pump prices (in Kenya shillings per litre) for major towns during the period 15th February to 14th March 2019 are:

TOWNS	February 15 th - March 14 th , 2019		
	MAXIMUM PUMP PRICES	Super Petrol (PMS) (KSh./ Ltr)	Automotive Diesel (AGO) (KSh./ Ltr)
1 Mombasa	97.46	93.36	93.88
2 Kilifi	97.65	93.55	94.08
3 Likoni Mainland	97.82	93.71	94.24
4 Kwale	97.82	93.71	94.24
5 Malindi	98.30	94.20	94.72
6 Lungulunga	98.66	94.56	95.08
7 Voi	98.95	94.84	95.36
8 Taveta	100.40	96.29	96.82
9 Lamu	101.15	97.04	97.57
10 Hola	101.04	96.93	97.46
11 Nairobi	100.09	95.96	96.50
12 Thika	100.22	96.10	96.63
13 Machakos	100.22	96.10	96.63
14 Kajiado	100.49	96.37	96.90
15 Makuyu	100.63	96.51	97.04
16 Muranga	100.63	96.51	97.04
17 Sagana	100.71	96.60	97.13
18 Embu	101.22	97.11	97.63
19 Kerugoya	101.23	97.12	97.65
20 Narok	101.44	97.33	97.85
21 Nyeri	101.53	97.42	97.95
22 Namanga	101.62	97.51	98.03
23 Kiganjo	101.66	97.55	98.08
24 Chuka	101.70	97.58	98.11
25 Kitui	101.70	97.58	98.11
26 Mwingi	101.73	97.62	98.14
27 Nanyuki	102.09	97.97	98.50
28 Nkubu	102.32	98.21	98.74
29 Mtito Andei	102.55	98.44	98.96
30 Meru	102.58	98.47	99.00
31 Iсиоlо	103.10	98.99	99.51
32 Maua	103.10	98.99	99.51
33 Garissa	104.34	100.23	100.76
34 Marsabit	106.51	102.40	102.93
35 Liboi	107.02	102.90	103.43
36 Wairir	107.77	103.65	104.18
37 Mandera	112.94	108.83	109.35
38 Nakuru	100.63	96.69	97.21
39 Gilgil	100.63	96.70	97.21
40 Mogotio	100.68	96.74	97.26
41 Molo	100.77	96.84	97.36
42 Olenguruone	101.35	97.42	97.94
43 Londiani	100.77	96.84	97.36
44 Nyahururu	100.84	96.91	97.44
45 Naivasha	100.95	97.02	97.53
46 Marigat	101.28	97.34	97.86
47 Kabarnet	101.81	97.87	98.39
48 Bomet	102.41	98.48	99.00
49 Maralal	104.49	100.56	101.09
50 Eldoret	101.62	97.69	98.21
51 Kapsabet	101.64	97.70	98.23
52 Webuye	101.81	97.87	98.40
53 Kitale	101.93	98.00	98.53
54 Kapenguria	102.31	98.38	98.90
55 Bungoma	102.33	98.40	98.93
56 Malaba	102.77	98.82	99.35
57 Lokichogio	108.96	105.02	105.55
58 Kisumu	101.62	97.68	98.20
59 Sondu	101.62	97.69	98.20
60 Oyugis	101.62	97.69	98.20
61 Kakamega	101.69	97.75	98.27
62 Bondo	101.89	97.96	98.48
63 Siaya	101.95	98.01	98.53
64 Kericho	102.07	98.13	98.66
65 Nyamira	102.19	98.25	98.78
66 Kisii	102.50	98.56	99.09
67 Sotik	102.72	98.78	99.31
68 Keroka	102.82	98.89	99.41
69 Busia	102.82	98.89	99.41
70 Homabay	103.18	99.23	99.76
71 Migori	103.39	99.46	99.98
72 Isiobnia	103.57	99.62	100.15

In accordance with Section 102(w) of the Energy Act 2006, a person convicted of retailing petroleum products above the maximum levels will be liable to a fine not exceeding Kenya shillings one million, or the withdrawal of their operating licence or both. In this respect, consumers are requested to be vigilant in reporting non-compliant retailers to the authorities for necessary legal action. The Commission has installed a hotline number (0708 444 000), operational during normal working hours, with a view of increasing its engagement with stakeholders to enhance enforcement and compliance activities.

The Commission maintains a Short Message Service (SMS) based inquiry system for petroleum pump prices where members of the public can obtain the latest petroleum prices in major towns by sending the message: "price <space> name of major town" to 0707667623.

The Commission would also wish to alert petroleum retail station dealers of increased instances of fraudsters purporting to monitor petroleum prices on behalf of the Commission. On this account, the Commission has put in place an SMS inquiry system where dealers can verify the authenticity of persons inspecting their stations by sending the message: "staff <space> ID no. of the person inspecting" to 0707667623.

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NEWS BEAT
ROUND-UP**Nakuru families want justice for 'sodomised' sons**

Two families in Kirengero area in Subukia, Nakuru county, are seeking justice for their sons, who were allegedly sodomised at a local lodging. The Class Six pupils have been to hospital several times for treatment but their condition is reportedly worsening. The suspect is yet to be arrested. Hospital documents revealed that the two were sodomised. According to the minors, they went for a walk and at around 6pm when returning home, they met the suspect who told them that it was getting dark and they could go to his place. They ended up in the lodging where the incident allegedly occurred. Subukia OCPD Jacinta Mwanaria said the matter has been taken up by area DCIO. - ROY LUMBE

**Public primary schools to start midterm breaks**

Learners in public primary schools will for the first time join their secondary school counterparts for a five-day midterm break, starting Monday, next week. This follows last year's directive by Education Cabinet secretary Amina Mohamed (pictured) for school heads to allow the five-day break in all public primary schools. Pupils have expressed excitement over the directive, saying the break would help them refresh their minds before resuming studies. Teachers in public schools welcomed the break, saying they deserve it. Parents said they would get time to bond with their children. -ENOCH AMUKHALE

**Five in Machakos court over illegal medicines trade**

Five people have been charged with operating drugs dispensing stores without valid registration certificates from the Pharmacies and Poisons Board. Elizabeth Kioko, Eric Ndung'u, Ruth Kanini, Annah Maingi and Irene Munyoki, who were arrested on February 12, had appeared before Machakos Resident Magistrate Cathrene Kisangani in take plea. Kioko and Ndung'u denied the charges while the others admitted the charges. The case will be mentioned on February 21. County authorities are in an operation to rein in chemists suspected of selling State drugs. -KNA

Obado seeks bail review in Sharon murder case

Governor says after adhering to restrictive bail terms, court should release his travel documents

by Bernice Mbugua
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Migori Governor Okoth Obado has asked the High Court to review his bail term in a case he is charged with the murder of 26-year-old Rongo University student Sharon Otieno and her unborn child.

He wants the court to allow him to travel within Homa Bay county and also release his travel documents. He said he has strictly complied with the highly restrictive bail terms at all times.

He said, as a governor, his work involves travelling especially from Nairobi to Migori town, where his official residence and office are situated.

The High Court, while releasing him on bail last year, issued stringent terms, including depositing all his travel documents—Kenyan, East African and diplomatic passports—in court.

The governor was also warned against causing an adjournment in the case and to report monthly to the deputy registrar of the said court.

Justice Jessie Lessit had further warned Obado against going anywhere within 20km of Homa Bay's boundary on all its sides.

The governor was also directed not to contact or intimidate, whether directly or by proxy, any witness in the case as per the witness statements and other documents that supplied by the State to the defence.

In his bail review application, however, Obado argued that Migori is comprises eight constituencies and a big portion of five areas border Homa Bay county and the 20km restrictions were barring him from effectively serving all residents.

Execute mandate

"The only mode of traveling to Nairobi from Migori town without coming within the prohibited 20km distance or incurring heavy costs of chattering a flight is by road through Trans Mara, which takes 6 hours longer than the preferred Kisii-Suneka-Rongo road that falls within the restricted distance," he said in court documents.

Obado said the restrictions have barred him from discharging the constitutional mandate as governor, adding that the Trans Mara Road has a very rough terrain, making it uncomfortable and tortuous to travel on.

The governor said he is the chairperson of the Agriculture sub-committee of the Council of Governors, where part of his mandate is to represent the council in international, regional and national forums and conferences touching on his docket.

He argued that having deposited all his travel documents in court, he cannot effectively execute his mandate in the committee.

**RESTRICTIONS**

Migori Governor Okoth Obado has filed a bail review application in a case in which he is charged with killing 26-year-old Sharon Otieno and her unborn child.

He says bail restrictions have barred him from discharging the constitutional mandate as governor.

Justice Jessie Lessit had warned Obado against going anywhere within 20km of Homa Bay's boundary on all its sides.

"The review of the bail term will not in any way affect prosecutions of the trial," he said in court documents.

The prosecution has, however, opposed the application, saying the condition of depositing the travel

Migori Governor Okoth Obado (right) follows proceedings at Milimani Law Courts last year.
PHOTO: GERALD ITHANA

documents to the court was intended to ensure that he does not leave the jurisdiction of the court without prior permission.

According to the prosecution, Obado needs to make specific requests, whenever he intends to leave the said jurisdiction as a blanket permission would beat the purpose of the order.

The application will be heard on March 20, when the pre-trial hearing is also set to begin.

Learned, Ruto Junior!

Deputy President William Ruto's son Nick with mother Rachel Ruto and Chief Justice David Maraga (right) when he was admitted to the bar as advocate of the High Court in Nairobi, on Wednesday. PHOTO: TABITHA MBAITA

CS: Officials in irregular approvals under probe

by Hillary Mageka
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Government officials, who approved construction of buildings on riparian or irregularly acquired land, are being investigated by the office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) and Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), Senate Lands and Environment committee heard yesterday.

Appearing before the committee, Environment Cabinet secretary Keriako Tobiko (pictured) said the arrests and prosecution will be extend to State officials, who approved licences, permits and title deeds for properties erected on road reserves and other public utility land.

"The DCI and DPP are handling the matter. Officials who have been implicated in this have recorded statements. Receiving approvals to set up a structure does not render the process of acquiring it legal," said Tobiko.

The revelations follow a petition by Nairobi Senator Johnson Sakaja, who inquired what legal action

is being taken against officials in various government agencies, who gave fraudulent approvals to the illegal structures that have since been demolished.

Support reclamation

Tobiko was hard pressed to explain why evictions and destruction of property by the Nairobi Regeneration team to reclaim public land, road reserves and riparian land was done in a "nearly inhumane manner".

"We support reclamation but some human rights issues have been abused. What is our role as government?" asked nominated Senator Abshiro Halake.



Traders make fortune on Valentine's Day



by Sophie Njoka
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Traders in Mombasa made a killing yesterday as Kenyans and tourists flocked shops to buy rose flowers, red outfits and gifts for their loved ones as is the tradition on Valentine's Day.

Some flower vendors turned to social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp to reach more potential clients. Others offered personalised services in-

cluding home delivery of red roses on request.

James Mwai, a flower vendor, said a rose flower, which normally sells at Sh20, was going for Sh100 while a bunch that goes for Sh300 was selling at Sh500.

High demand

"The demand was too high," he said, adding that major hotels had requested for more fresh flowers than they usually do.

A boutique owner in Nyali, Beryl Achieng, said for one week, red outfits have been on high demand, forcing her to restock her shop.

"I had a few red dresses because I thought they would not be sold out by the end of Valentine's day, however, I have been forced to increase my stock," she said, adding that most of her customers are couples, who came in for the last minute shopping in preparation for Valentine's evening dates.

Hasten probe on NLC staff, say legislators

MPs express need to conclude investigations on commissioners accused of graft as their terms near end

Relevant investigative agencies should fast track investigations in to the allegations -Nyamai

National Assembly's Lands committee now wants investigative agencies to fast-track investigations on corruption allegations levelled against National Land Commission (NLC) members.

The committee, chaired by MP Rachel Nyamai, expressed concerns that some NLC commissioners and staff have been accused of engaging in corrupt deals with regard to the compulsory acquisition of land to facilitate various national development projects such as the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR).

Addressing the press yesterday, the committee said there is a need for investigative agencies such as Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) and the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) to conclude the matter before a new team takes office.

"We acknowledge that there

PROPOSE AMENDMENT

Parliamentary Lands Committee hopes incoming NLC commissioners will deal with issues of historical injustices.

Committee chair says MPs will propose amendments to the NLC Act 2012, to allow recruitment process to start three months before the expiry of the terms of office of NLC chair and commissioners.

have been recurrent and worrying corruption allegations involving some of the commissioners and NLC staff regarding the compulsory acquisition of land to facilitate various development projects such as the SGR. The relevant investigative agencies should fast track investigations in to the allegations," said Nyamai.

Issue solutions

The committee also urged President Uhuru Kenyatta to hasten the constitution of a selection panel that will recruit new NLC commissioners.

The sentiments by the committee come just a day after Na-



National Assembly Lands Committee chairperson Rachel Nyamai with vice chair Khatib Mwashetani at a press conference, yesterday. PHOTO: SAMUEL KARIUKI

tional Assembly Speaker Justin Muturi referred a petition calling for NLC chair Muhammad Swazuri's removal from office over graft related allegations, to the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI).

Muturi told DCI boss George Kinoti to commence investigations on Swazuri, his vice chair Abigael Mbagaya and commissioner Clement Lenachuru after the House was unable to consider the petition owing to time constraints.

The petitioners have alleged that three persons separately or jointly brought the Office of NLC into dishonor and disrepute, caused subjugation of the principles of public finance and compromised public or official interest in favour of personal interest.

The MPs also accused NLC of failing to do a thorough job on issues of historical land injustices.

Nyamai raised concerns that despite NLC receiving 388 claims of historical injustices, it is yet to issue solutions on any complaint yet their term is coming to an end next week. She regretted that even in cases where NLC has resolved some matters, they have not done so conclusively as the same matters are always taken to court for further arbitration.

"We note with utmost concern that despite the commission receiving 388 claims on historical injustice, according to documents tabled to the committee by the commission, it is yet to issue solutions and conclude any of the complaints," she said.

Police arrest KDF impostor 'linked to terror cell'

by Sophie Njoka
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A multi-agency security team in Mombasa has arrested a Kenya Defence Force (KDF) impostor, who police claim could have links with a terror cell.

Kisauni sub-county Police Commander Christopher Limo said 35-year-old Moses Kioko was arrested in Mshomoroni area on Wednesday night.

During the raid, police recovered high-tech police radio communication gadgets.

"Police also recovered five mobile phones, KDF uniforms and a vehicle, whose owner is not known," said Limo.

The suspect has been handed over to the anti-terror police unit for further questioning.

MCAs oust Homa Bay House Clerk

Homa Bay County Assembly Clerk Bob Kephas has been impeached over alleged misuse of office that led to misappropriation of Sh34.4 million.

In an investigative report compiled by the Assembly's Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs, MCAs said Kephas perpetrated anomalies, which were detrimental to operations of the House.

The Clerk was accused of irregularly opening a strange County Assembly mortgage account with Equity Bank, Homa Bay branch, leading to withdrawal of Sh34.45 million between July 4, 2017 and December 16, 2017 and irregular employment of 16 ghost workers, among others.

The committee, chaired by Okuku Miregi, recommended that Kephas was not fit to hold the office over the cited irregularities while MCAs asked EACC and the DCI to probe Kephas.

-KNA

SMS to Matiang'i sends panic among Coast cops

by Sophie Njoka
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A short text message (SMS) sent to Interior Cabinet secretary Fred Matiang'i by a resident, protesting the return of betting and gaming machines in Likoni area, Mombasa, has caused panic among police officers in the area.

The move comes even as it emerged that most of the machines, which were banned by the government last year, are owned by police officers.

An SMS, which was seen by

People Daily, was forwarded to Coast regional coordinator John Elungata by Matiang'i with a repudiating comment.

The concerned resident's message read in part: "Hi sir there is a bar in Likoni, Mombasa, which has installed Chinese gambling machines that you destroyed and banned from operating in Kenya."

The resident, whose identity has remained anonymous owing to the sensitivity of the matter, went on to state: "Police are seen everyday collecting money from the bar

owner, some of these things are the cause of insecurity around Likoni, please sir take action."

Ordered probe

While forwarding the message to Elungata, Matiang'i reportedly threatened to personally undertake a crackdown on the gaming machines in area if the security officers have failed in their duties.

The text allegedly sent Mombasa security committee into panic leading to an impromptu raid in the area, where several of the gam-

ing and gambling machines were seized.

Elungata ordered that investigations to be carried out on several police officers who allegedly own the machines.

"It has been brought to our attention that there are police officers who own gambling machines, therefore, making the fight against the illegal gaming machines futile since there is a conflict of interest," he said after witnessing the burning of more than 20 machines valued at Sh1 million.





Swazuri

“Even if some will hear none of it, I am proud to have been the first chairman of the NLC and I have done my best on land matters,” NLC chair Muhammad Swazuri defending his performance.



Boinet

“We will not allow people not willing to work to disrupt those ready to go back to work as per the President’s order,” Inspector General of Police Joseph Boinet to striking nurses.



Pochettino

“Sometimes people underestimate us, but you cannot fight with the perception of people. I am very happy with the performance,” Spurs manager Mauricio Pochettino after his side beat Dortmund.



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Editorial

Accountable police key to human rights, dignity

Two unrelated legal matters were yesterday concluded, both putting the conduct of police officers in the spotlight. In both cases, police officers were found culpable for deaths of civilians: One in circumstances of a mob situation, while the other was during response to election-related riots in Kisumu in 2017, leading to the death of Baby Samantha Pendo.

In the first case, a former officer Ruaraka OCS was found guilty of murder and sentenced to hang. And although death row convicts are no longer executed, the sentence remains in the Penal Code and Criminal Procedure Code. The former OCS was fingered for excessive use of force.

In the second case, police brutality was named as the main cause of Baby Pendo's death, which elicited uproar across the nation. Six-month-old Pendo was clobbered to death inside her father's house by antiriot police who were out to quell protests over the outcome of 2017 presidential election.

The rulings must serve to remind police officers that human life is sacred and that their cardinal responsibility is to safeguard lives even when confronted by challenging situations.

Even though police officers get into fairly dicey situations, especially while quelling riots and other acts of insurrection, the fact that they bear arms calls for sobriety and good judgement in the use of the weapons.

This calls to question the critical issue of when police officers should shoot to injure or immobilise, and when they should shoot to kill.

It calls for sober consideration and weighing of situations so that the task and mandate of maintaining law and order is executed in such a manner as to cause minimal risk to both life and limb.

The twin developments come at a time when questions are being raised over police conduct in the death of Nairobi's Dandora human rights crusader against extra judicial killings.

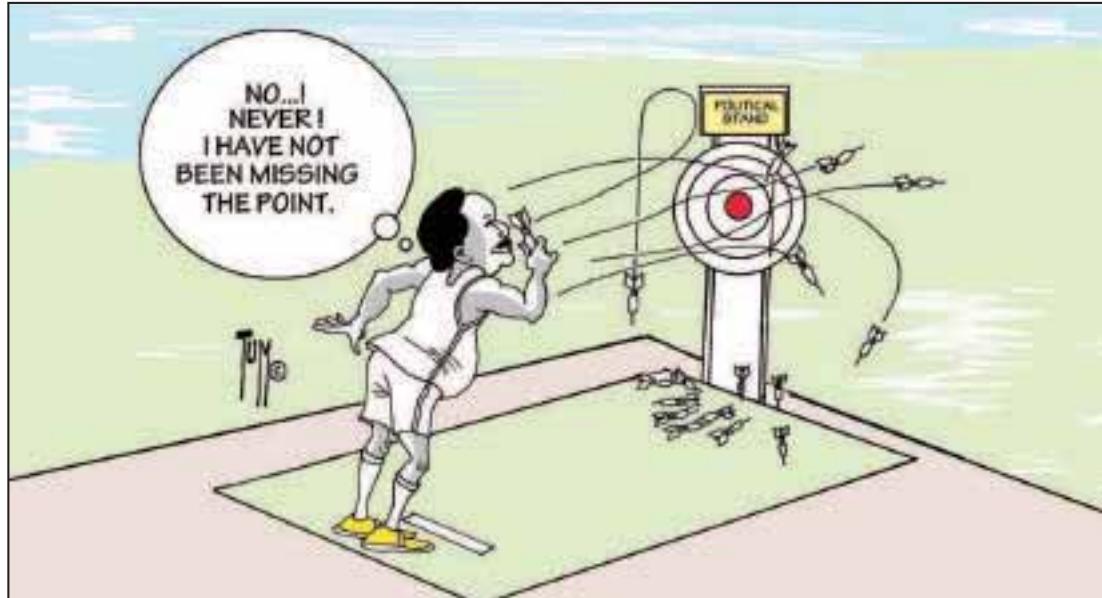
The questions do not augur well for the service.

Further, information gaps about the death of the activist, especially about the place and circumstances of death, imply deficit in confidence, the abortion narrative, which was confirmed in an autopsy last evening, notwithstanding.

The transformation of the police from force to service must be in tandem with how they go about day-to-day duties and how the public perceives them. Because, perception matters!

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

After climbing a great hill, one only finds that there are many more hills to climb
—Nelson Mandela



Levi Obonyo

Publicity-hungry officials bait for journalists

The media is easily a sharp-edged sword: It can easily cut you into pieces but again its flat side used well can give you a nice, soothing pat.

Many public figures clamouring for greater publicity have the media as their first stop. The understanding is usually that journalists are mellow: You will show up and they will pepper you with some nice questions and at the end of some few minutes, one will have banished the ghosts of the past.

When the torrents of bad news seem to overwhelm, the first war cry is usually to get the media and that is never too difficult to do.

Across the country, there is no shortage of reporters and editors waiting on the wings for a politician, wanna-be politicians or business people with skeletons to hide. The scribes offer their services for rent. Most journalists operating on the basis of an alternative code of ethics are always on the take.

There is also no shortage of public relations practitioners who believe that media publicity is as good as having their job done. For them, the amount of time spent before the

cameras and the acres of space on newspapers pages are evidence of a good day at work. Many dignitaries have come to buy that and demand media appearance as evidence that they have spent their money well on publicity.

For some in public offices the belief in self-importance evidenced in media coverage is so strong that the first thing they do in the office in the morning is perusing newspapers looking for their pictures and names. If not covered, the next moments are spent berating their PR officers.

Many public officials believe their every little act is worth coverage, including a mundane handing over of some overdue check for a cattle dip in some village.

But if publicity was all that was important, then probably politicians would save themselves money. Stealing would easily guarantee one greater publicity than money would buy.

The quality of publicity is always important. And with an increasingly savvy population, the audience can easily tell when a media appearance

was a clean-up job. They also know excellent journalism.

If only public figures would think it through, sometimes the best image make-up is actually no publicity at all. There are some decent journalists out there who would do their homework well. They know their job entails covering the subject in a balanced manner and not just soaking in every claim a source makes.

With the turning on of the lights these journalists go on the offensive and truly hold the source to account. Such journalists do the audience great justice by holding public officials to account.

People in public spaces do well to recognise that media appearance could easily make a bad situation worse. Getting used to the bad side of Kenyan journalism should not lull anyone to believe that is all that journalism is about. There are times when it is better to shut up rather than tell your partisan story.

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Many public officials believe their every little act is worth coverage



Corine Mbiaketcha Nana

State, businesses can use data to drive growth

Data is arguably one of the greatest fruits of the digital transformation wave rocking the world. It has huge potential in transforming businesses and economies. From data, enterprises can gain a deeper understanding of the customer and the ecosystem in which they operate and use the information to improve customer experience and cause disruption.

Governments and regulators, on the other hand, can leverage data to improve service delivery and maintain a good environment for doing business. The volume of data that is generated continues to grow exponentially, as technology evolves and keeps being refined, and herein lies an opportunity to make use of data to enhance competitiveness and deliver the right product that has value to the customer.

Sectors such as financial services, telco and government stand to benefit greatly from adopting a data-driven approach. In the age of digital banking, a financial services provider can gather data on what customers procure, from where, and their spending habits, among other information to enhance customer-experience and cross-sell services to them.

No wonder, data is often compared to what oil was in years gone.

However, having data is one thing and gaining insight from it is another. To understand how data can benefit the organisation, one has to understand how best to store, analyse and report the information. The value of data is in the insight it

delivers. This is the only way to ensure that business leaders can make informed decisions in real time. From data, trends can be noted, the future can be predicted and abnormal patterns noted proactively, flagged and corrective action initiated. Globally, companies that have mastered the art of analysing and utilising data are among the best performing in the world and are leading their industries.

In the case of government for instance, data is scattered all over. This is the reason applicants for passports are required to submit personal details, which they have supplied on previous occasions when they applied for birth certificates and national identity cards. If all this data was accessible in one place, it would not only make processes more efficient, but also guide many strategic decisions.

Data is a key ingredient for the success of government programmes such as the Big Four agenda being championed by the government. How would we know that these ambitious targets have been met if there is no framework for monitoring key performance indicators? Data provides a great opportunity for doing this.

Unfortunately, the case of bits and pieces of data in silos is the bane of many public and private organisations on the continent. Africa needs to own its data and generate insight from it in order to stay competitive on the global stage. This would be a huge step towards ensuring that the continent benefits from its resources, in-

cluding data, which is not the case at the moment. Unless Africa moves with speed to look into ways of benefiting from the massive data it generates, people from the rest of the world will continue harvesting it, gleaning insight and taking advantage.

Big data is the engine that can enable analysis of massive volumes of data and generate insight. Unfortunately, there exists a gap between the demand for data analysis skills and the available professionals. Organisations have also not fully embraced this thinking to gain insights from their data and invested in the right technology, such as cloud computing that facilitates effective use of data. This calls for a strategic investment in technology and the appropriate human resources.

Effective use of data, in the public and private sector alike, can enhance transparency and strengthen the fight against graft and fraud. Many organisations today are reactive, waiting for reports long after things started going wrong. With big data, red flags are identified and addressed in real-time, without the need to wait for an audit several years later. This proactively prevents graft by analysing patterns and kicking off investigations.

In these different ways, data makes all the difference. It is the engine that will drive the next phase of growth for businesses and economies.

The writer is managing director, Oracle Kenya

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Ndung'u Mburu

Of court orders and double standards, Kenyan style

There's no other country I'd rather live in than Kenya! Seriously! It's the only country where the President orders people to obey court orders because, the government he heads is very keen on upholding the rule of law and is never on the fence on which orders to follow and which ones to ignore. What am I talking about?

President Uhuru Kenyatta has instructed nurses to obey a court order that declared their ongoing strike illegal and return to work by today. Let's stop here and examine why this statement makes a lot of sense. Uhuru's government has been lauded in several quotas for being at the forefront in obeying court orders. For instance, wasn't it just the other day that the court directed the government to bring back Miguna Miguna and pay him Sh7 million? Hasn't that order been heeded?

Didn't the court also order that no Cuban doctors should be employed in Kenya? That order was followed to the letter. In fact, the only Cuban doctors in Kenya were brought to specifically get married to MCAs, albeit, on a government budget. It, therefore, makes no sense when nurses ignore a de-

cree from the head of the government with the best record yet in obeying court orders.

Meanwhile, some of Marsabit residents should be jailed for disrespecting their leaders! These residents of Karare Ward recently served leaders with dirty water packaged in water bottles because, apparently, they were unhappy about the county government's priorities! What an absolute travesty!

The county officials were treated to this inhumane, non-VIP, ego-injuring treatment because the residents were agitating for such mundane things as clean water instead of thinking of the bigger picture like the formation of a municipality board! This is unacceptable behaviour! What if they had drunk that water? What if they got sick?

Do these people know just how much it costs to take a broken nose to South Africa to get an elastoplast? So, just imagine getting treatment for such avoidable things as diseases caused by drinking filthy water! Those officials must have been terrified and I think the government should even pay for counseling services for the sheer trauma of seeing bottled dirty water!

What the Marsabit residents ought to un-

derstand is that county officials and indeed all government officials are in a special class of human beings called VIPs and should always be treated as such. If they visit an area that does not have a supply of clean water, the residents should conduct a hammerbe, sink a borehole, boil the water and then serve it to this special group.

In the rarest of events that it is not possible (why shouldn't it be?) to do so, the residents should mobilise and import water from neighbouring counties, and give it to these special humans gifted to them by the almighty. Residents of this small village should have an exchange programme with their Nyeri counterparts who recently received their MCAs Sh7 million to travel to Mombasa to "deliberate" on how well the county is being run! This is the way to go!

Our leaders require such small, non-money-consuming services to serve us better with such ideas as organising for a launch ceremony for a cattle dip or alighting from a chopper to build a mud-walled classroom.

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Wasn't it just the other day that the court directed the government to bring back Miguna?

#Tweets to the editor // @PeopleDailyKe // People Daily



Yesterday was Valentine's Day and KOT painted the virtual streets red.

@claraquiambao: No matter what age, race or gender you belong, you deserve to be loved. Happy #Valentines Day!

@CarolRadull: Have a blessed #Valentines full of love and appreciation; but also keep spreading the love throughout the year ama?

@KijanaMsafi9: There are 365 days a year why do I need a

single day to show my love let's stop cheating our #BetterHalves I do every day so today is just like any other day of my love life.

@jesbcrazy: This day is not Women's Day. We should stop this kind of Financial Depth Scam

against MEN.

@shirleyilako: Behold, one of the most polarised celebrations of our times -The haves versus the have-nots.

@OginjoK: Love is in the air.

STREET talk

MP on journalists' 'most wanted list'

Some media houses have vowed to teach a nominated MP a lesson for insulting journalists during an event to admit new advocates to the bar at the Supreme Court on Wednesday. The abrasive politician had wanted to address the press on "matters of national interest" but backed off on learning that journalists from his "favourite" media house were not there. He is said to have dismissed scribes present as "petty thieves". The slighted media houses now plot to give him a "blackout".

High-profile murder case faces death

A high-profile murder case is on the brink of collapse because detectives are yet to produce credible evidence to link the main suspect to the crime. Months after the incident, police are yet to establish motive or trace the weapon used in the killing, putting the case into disarray. Worse still, a sleuth involved in the case intimated, the suspect is exhibiting signs of mental instability.

'Greedy' governor blocks mega project

A governor from Mt Kenya region is at war with a major real estate firm which accuses him of frustrating its mega project in his county. Those in the know say the county boss expects the firm to give him kickbacks in form of land in return for a greenlight for the multi-billion-shilling project. He has sent emissaries to the firm's top officials to convey his wishes, but they won't play ball.

Crime toll: County levying suspects?

And in the same county, the governor has devised unscrupulous way of collecting additional "taxes". A vigilante group he reportedly formed to fight crime is going around demanding money from those suspected of involvement in criminal activities. The money apparently does not end up in the county kitty and it's only the governor who knows what happens to it.



TRUTH IS: The harder you work at what you should be, the less you'll try to hide what you are.

Del Monte firm plea opposed

by Wangari Njuguna
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An application by Del Monte fruit processing company to be enjoined in a petition barring automatic renewal of its land lease has been opposed by the petitioners in Murang'a High Court.

In a hearing session on Wednesday before the Environment and Lands court judge Grace Kemei, petitioners James Mwangi and Ephantus Githae, through lawyer Ormondi Ong'otu, said enlisting the company might have influence the outcome of the case.

The two went to court to seek conservatory orders to bar the National Land Commission and the Murang'a county government from automatically renewing the land lease.

Public bidding

They said the process should be open to public bidding which would allow other interested parties to apply for the lease.

"I urge the court to dismiss the petition because there are other cases in court and they are not yet concluded" said Del Monte lawyer Grishon Thuo.

The ruling is set for April, 4.

I urge the court to dismiss the petition -Thuo

Prosecute Lonyangapuo for fanning violence, Turkana legislators say

by Hilary Mageka
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Some Turkana MPs have called for the arrest and prosecution of West Pokot Governor John Lonyangapuo for allegedly fanning violence in the protracted border town of Kainuk in Turkana county.

Led by James Lomenen (Turkana South), Daniel Lodepe (Turkana Central), Daniel Epuyo (Turkana West) and Turkana Woman Rep Joyce Emanikor, the lawmakers condemned the ethnic clashes and urged



Turkana MPs James Lomenen and Joyce Emanikor address the press yesterday.
PHOTO: SAMUEL KARIUKI

"It is evident that Kainuk is under fire because of political incitement by Lonyangapuo and his team," Lomenen said in a press conference at Parliament Buildings on Wednesday.

Emanikor called on State agencies to vet and audit politicians from the pastoral community to ascertain their social standing claiming some leaders are in a plot to expand their political territory through population displacement.

Lodepe warned that political incitement could jeopardise development.

Sweet Love!



Cafe Deli proprietor Obado Obadah cuts a cake with orphaned and vulnerable children from Vessels of Hope Kayale at his restaurant in Nairobi yesterday. Cafe Deli hosted the children for breakfast to celebrate Valentine's Day.
PHOTO: JOHN OCHIENG

State issues drought alert in 14 counties

Government, however, assures that no child will miss classes due to the dry spell, adding that mitigation measures are in place

by Irene Githinji
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The government has issued an alert over a looming drought in 14 counties.

National Drought Management Authority (NDMA) report has revealed that 14 counties are in the normal drought phase while nine in the alert level.

Authority said the trend is worsening in 13 counties namely Garissa, Isiolo, Kitui, Marsabit, Samburu, Tana River, Turkana, Wajir, Kilifi, Laikipia, Mandera, Nyeri (Kieni area) and West Pokot.

However, the government assured that no child will miss classes due to drought, adding that it has put in place mitigation measures.

It also said it has averted a possible disruption of the academic calendar and other potential effects of the dry spell in the country.

During an intergovernmental

AVERT CLASHES

Besides prompt responses to insecurity and crime, the government assured plans are underway to collaborate with various stakeholders to facilitate community peace dialogue and resource sharing agreements in conflict hot-spots to avert communal clashes and violence.

Other measures being considered include provision of surveillance and animal health services to cushion herders against potential losses, construction of water pans in parks to minimise human-wildlife conflicts.

committee meeting that brought together six Cabinet secretaries at Harambee House, NDMA revealed that the current drought situation is less dire than last year's.

Drought management

NDMA further said work is in progress to strengthen the institutional and financing framework for drought management through the Ending Drought Emergencies (EDE) initiative.

The meeting was attended by Interior Cabinet secretary Fred Matiang'i (pictured), counterparts



Sicily Kariuki (Health), Najib Balala (Tourism), Amina Mohamed (Education), Mwangi Kiunjuri (Agriculture), Simon Chelugui (Water) and Eugene Wamalwa (Devolution).

The CSs also said the government is mobilising resources for dietary intervention programmes, health and outreach screening, and enhancement of medical supplies to the affected areas.

They said emergency food supplies, water, and other non-food items will be provided to households, communities, and various institutions, including schools.

KWS puts measures to stem wildlife poisoning

Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) has put in place legal structures and forensic infrastructure to stem the growing incidences of wildlife poisoning.

KWS acting director general Charles Musyoki said laws had changed in favour of animals following last month's signing of amendments to the Kenya Wildlife Act of 2013 which makes it a criminal offence for anyone to poison wildlife.

"With modern technology, increased legal structures and forensic ability, we will soon catch up with those who indiscriminately poison wildlife," he said.

We will soon catch up with those who indiscriminately poison wildlife

Musyoki was reacting to a recent incident in which 20 vultures died and five others were found critically ill on the periphery of the world famous Masai Mara National Reserve, after feeding on a poisoned hyena.

- KNA

Land cartels 'torturing' me, claims Swazuri

by Winstone Chiseremi
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Outgoing National Land Commission Muhammed Swazuri has blamed cartels whom he claimed thrive in illegal acquisition of prime land for his woes.

The NLC boss said the latest move where an anti-corruption court has barred him from accessing his office was part of the plot to undermine and frustrate his work ahead of his exit from office.

Swazuri was addressing the

media in Iten town yesterday after holding a four-hour meeting with leaders from Elgeyo Marakwet county over compensation for families set to be displaced by the construction of a Sh62 billion Arorr and Kimwarer dams along Kerio Valley.

Macadamia firm staff to get affordable housing

by Brian Musyoka
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Clusters, will have a plot and construct a five-storey building for its members.

"Our company is geared towards supporting the government to achieve the Big Four agenda by ensuring affordable houses for its members," said Wainaina.

Wainaina who is also Thika Town MP said the initiative will be facilitated by the company's saving scheme for its members which now stands at Sh100 million.

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Child malnutrition rate down, reports CS



by George Kebaso
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Kenya has made significant progress in reducing cases of stunting, low weight and wasting in children. Health Cabinet secretary Sicily Kariuki says Kenya has been recognised as one of the countries on track to achieve World Health Assembly targets for nutrition, thanks to the improvement.

"Kenya has made significant progress in reducing the prevalence of stunting, underweight and wast-

ing from 35 per cent, 16 per cent and seven per cent in 2009 to 26 per cent, 11 per cent and four per cent in 2014," Kariuki (pictured) said in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia early this week at the launch of the African Continent Nutrition scorecard at the 32nd Ordinary Session of the Assembly of the African Union.

She cited maternal nutrition and education, vitamin and mineral supplementation to mothers and children, private sector involvement and mandatory fortification of wheat and maize flour with multiple micronutrients, as some of the interventions that

have contributed to improved health for children.

Another initiative, she said, is the launch of the national food composition tables, Kenya food recipes and the national guidelines for healthy diets and physical activity in 2018, which are key in the promotion of diversified and healthy diets.

She said the Cost of Hunger in Africa (COHA) study initiative launched yesterday would help the country step up efforts of improving child nutrition. The COHA study has been completed in 10 countries.

Coast schools strive to achieve total transition

Poverty in the region main hindrance to attainment of 100 per cent enrolment in secondary school

by Susan Anyango, Teresa Ombiti and David Shariff
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Education stakeholders in Mombasa county have stepped up campaigns to enroll all unaccounted for Kenya Certificate of Primary Education examination candidates in secondary school in line with government's 100 per cent transition agenda.

A spot check by *People Daily* established that several candidates who sat last year's examination are yet to join Form One.

At Khadija Primary School in Nyali sub-county, only 152 students out of 183 who sat the examination, have transitioned to the next level.

The headteacher, Johnson Kibuga, lauded the government's 100 per cent transition initiative saying many students in the Coast region fail to join secondary school because their parents cannot af-

2018 KCPE EXAM TRANSITION DATA

According to the National Education Management Information System data, 920,765 (90 per cent) of the 1,052,334 students who sat the Kenya Certificate of Primary Education examination last year have so far joined secondary school.

Some 109,296 students are yet to report to Form One, 813 candidates have repeated Standard Eight while another 5,760 candidates had joined vocational training institutions.

ford school fees.

"We are working with the chiefs, village elders and the Nyumba Kumi initiative members to address the problem. So far, I have received five candidates who came with their parents with the intention of enrolling. I am happy with the turnout," said Kibuga.

The 31 candidates who missed out in the admissions, he said, had scored 250 marks and below.

He cited poverty as the main reason for low transition rate from



A student enrolls for Form One at Jamhuri High School, Nairobi, last month. The Ministry of Education says 90 per cent transition from primary to secondary school had been recorded by the end of last week. PHOTO: FILE

primary to secondary school in the Coast region, adding that some of parents whose children are yet to join Form One have contacted him seeking help.

"Parents have been coming here for assistance and I have been coordinating with the Chiefs and the Nyumba Kumi Initiative members to ensure no pupil stays at home. Our efforts have borne fruits since some of them are now in class," said Kibuga.

Tree classrooms

Elsewhere, pupils in more than 60 primary schools in Ganze constituency, Kilifi county are learning under trees because of a shortage of classrooms.

Moses Ndune, the headteach-

er of Bodoi Primary School, says his school has 190 pupils from ECDE to Standard Five who learn under trees.

Addressing a school fundraiser presided over by Ganze MP Teddy Mwambire, Ndune said the school's mud-walled classrooms were destroyed by wind.

He said they are forced to temporarily close the school during the rainy seasons.

Mwambire decried the poor learning conditions in most primary schools in the constituency, which he blamed on government negligence.

He said he is planning to help build temporary classrooms in the 60 schools once the Constituency Development Fund money is disbursed.

Parents have been coming here for assistance—Head-teacher

Kenya, Korea to establish science graduate university at Konza city

by KNA
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Kenya in partnership with South Korea will establish a science graduates-only university at Konza Technopolis dedicated to research.

Kenya Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (Kenya-KAIST) will be modelled on the Korean Advanced Insti-



tute of Science and Technology (Korea-KAIST), a research-focused university that fosters elite human resources in science and technology.

Graduate students

"The adoption of the Korea-KAIST model is deliberate. We want to build a nurturing environment for graduate students not only in Kenya but also in

East Africa, that will see an innovative growth, rallied by science, in the region," Konza Technopolis Development Authority chair Reuben Mutiso (pictured) said at the University of Nairobi on Wednesday.

In June 2017, Reuters named Korea-KAIST as "Asia Pacific's Most Innovative University" for the second year running.

EACC probes hyacinth project

by Dickens Wasonga
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Senior officers of Lake Victoria Environment Management Project have been summoned by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) over the procurement of a Sh78 million hyacinth harvester.

The 12 officers, mainly seconded to the project jointly funded by the World Bank and the Ministry of Environment, are expected to appear

at EACC offices as from today, according to a letter from the anti-graft agency dated February 8.

In the letter addressed to the national project coordinator Francisca Awuor, EACC has summoned procurement and finance officers who handled the controversial acquisition of the machine.

The harvester stalled immediately after the purchase due to what engineers said was missing components.

NEWS BEAT ROUND-UP



Mombasa taxi drivers protest police arrests

More than 300 digital taxi operators in Mombasa have gone on strike to protest what they say are "arbitrary arrests, harassment and extortion" by the police. The operators said officers, specifically from Central Police Station, have made their lives difficult with frequent arrests on account of failing to comply with the regulations that require PSV vehicles to be painted a continuous yellow line, a rule which the operators say should not bind them. "More than 50 of our members have been arrested on trumped up charges. The police will ask you to defend yourself which translates to bribe your way out," said Dan Chita an Uber driver.

—REUBEN MWAMBINGU

Eldoret hawker in court over Shabaab material

A 23-year-old man has been charged in an Eldoret court with six counts of being in possession of videos and other literature linked to al Shabaab propaganda. Patrick Wangechi, alias Jibiri, denied all the charges when he appeared before Chief Magistrate Charles Obulutsa. The accused, who claims to be a hawker in Eldoret town, was arrested by a team of investigators from the Anti-Terrorist Police Unit (ATPU) in Eldoret town on January 28.

—WINSTONE CHISEREMI

Police in Juja recover Sh2.5m 'stolen' goods

Police in Juja have recovered Sh2.5 million worth of goods believed to have been stolen. The goods include 301 mobile phones, 207 gas cylinders, iron boxes, laptops and television sets. Police said they were acting on a tip-off from members of the public who suspected the goods sold in the shop were stolen. According to Kiambu county police commander Adiel Nyange, the shop at Gachororo estate was owned by a middle-aged man.



—MATHEW NDUNG'u

Harvester stalled due to missing parts—Engineers



Pence wants EU to pull out of Iran nuclear deal

■ Warsaw, Thursday

United States Vice President Mike Pence accused Washington's European allies on Thursday of trying to break US sanctions against Tehran and called on them to withdraw from the Iran nuclear deal.

"Sadly, some of our leading European partners have not been nearly as cooperative. In fact, they have led the effort to create mechanisms to break up our sanctions," Pence (pictured) said during a conference on the Middle East organ-

ised by the US in Warsaw.

Pence said a scheme set up by the EU to facilitate trade with Iran was "an effort to break American sanctions against Iran's murderous revolutionary regime".

"It is an ill-advised step that will only strengthen Iran, weaken the EU and create still more distance between Europe and the United States," he said.

The Warsaw meeting was attended by more than 60 nations but major European powers such

as Germany and France, part to the 2015 nuclear accord, refused to send their top diplomats.

Sanctions relief

The European Union, including summit host Poland, has shown no sign of rejecting the accord negotiated under former US president Barack Obama in which Iran constrained its nuclear programme in return for promises of sanctions relief.

EU officials say they acknowledge concerns about Iran but

believe the deal, with which Tehran has complied, is working and that the clerical state is not the only problematic actor in the region.

"The time has come for our European partners to withdraw from the Iran nuclear deal and join with us as we bring the economic and diplomatic pressure necessary to give the Iranian people, the region and the world the peace, security and freedom they deserve," he said.

-Agencies

South Africa power cuts darken ANC poll outlook

■ Johannesburg, Thursday

Power outages across South Africa this week have blown up into the biggest political threat facing President Cyril Ramaphosa and the ruling ANC party three months away from elections, analysts say.

Utility giant Eskom unexpectedly imposed highly-unpopular power rationing on Sunday, with rotational cuts now scheduled every day—plunging shops, offices, factories and homes into darkness for hours. So-called "load-shedding" returned with a vengeance, reaching levels of severity not seen for four years.

National election

This week the government confirmed that troubled state-owned Eskom, which generates more than 90 per cent of the country's energy, was "technically insolvent". Eskom is buried under a mountain of \$30 billion in debt.

Unless it receives another cash bailout, it is officially forecast to collapse by April.

With national elections in May, the blackouts have shaken the African National Congress party, which has held power since the end of apartheid in 1994.

"This is probably the biggest political nightmare for the ANC at the moment," said analyst Daniel Silke told AFP.

For ANC critics, the blackouts have come to symbolise the price that the public pays for corruption and mismanagement.

-AFP

Airbus pulls plug on costly aircraft

■ Paris, Thursday

European aircraft manufacturer Airbus has pulled the plug on its struggling A380 superjumbo, which entered service just 12 years ago.

Airbus said last deliveries of the world's largest passenger aircraft, which cost about \$25bn to develop, would be made in 2021.

The decision comes after Emirates, the largest A380 customer, cut its order. The A380 faced fierce competition from smaller, more efficient aircraft and has never made a profit.

-BBC

Buhari, rival in final push ahead of Nigeria election

Presidential candidates make last pitch in respective home turfs, with Saturday poll expected to be close

Nigeria cannot survive another four years of this misdirection—Abubakar

■ Abuja, Thursday

Nigeria's presidential candidates wrapped up their election campaigns on Thursday, making a final pitch to voters before Africa's most populous country heads into the polls.

Two days before election day, President Muhammadu Buhari headed to his home state of Katsina in the northwest, while his main challenger, Atiku Abubakar, returned to his base in Adamawa, in the northeast.

Both were due to address supporters at their final rallies before voting in their villages on Saturday.

Buhari, 76, is seeking a second, four-year term of office but is facing a strong challenge from Abubakar, 72, who has campaigned largely against the president's record in office.

There has been little or no reliable opinion polling but observers expect a close race. In 2015, results



Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari and his challenger Atiku Abubakar battle for the presidency on Saturday. PHOTO: COURTESY

were announced some 48 hours after polls closed.

In what he called a "state-of-the-nation address", Abubakar said Buhari had failed to address insecurity, led a one-sided anti-corruption campaign and weakened the economy.

Anti-corruption campaign

"Nigeria cannot survive another four years of this misdirection and maladministration," he said, declaring that Buhari's re-election

would spell "disaster" for Nigeria.

Despite his age, Abubakar, a former vice-president representing the Peoples Democratic Party, has portrayed himself as a pro-business, modern and tech-savvy candidate.

In particular he has appealed to the 18-35 age group that make up just over half of the 84 million registered voters, including by publishing a manifesto entirely in emojis.

Buhari is "better left to take a long rest to attend properly to his

health", he added, referring to the president's illness that saw him spend months abroad.

The former military ruler, from the All Progressives Congress (APC), conceded his time in office "has not been an easy journey".

But he maintained the government had made "great progress".

Peaceful vote

"Some of these achievements are visible for everyone to see. Some are still in the works," he said in a video message, asking for support "to consolidate" the progress so far.

Buhari, Abubakar and some 70 other presidential candidates on Wednesday signed a "peace accord", promising a peaceful vote and to accept the result.

Security was expected to be tight across the country, given Nigeria's long history of election-linked violence.

On Thursday, APC supporters in the southern oil city of Port Harcourt clashed with police.

Protesters carrying placards tried to storm the local offices of the election commission, calling for APC candidates to be put on the ballot for parliamentary and governorship votes.

-AFP

No charges for Britain's Prince over car accident

■ London, Thursday

Britain's Prince Philip, 97, will not face any charges over a car crash which left a woman with a broken wrist, state prosecutors announced Thursday.

Queen Elizabeth II's husband pulled out onto a main road last month, hitting another car and flipping his Land Rover.

The incident happened near the monarch's private Sandringham estate in eastern England, where the couple traditionally spend the winter months.

One woman in the other vehicle, a KIA, broke her wrist and the oth-

er cut her knee. A nine-month-old baby in the back seat was uninjured. The Crown Prosecution Service said no further action would be taken against the prince.

Public interest

The Duke of Edinburgh gave up his driving licence on Saturday, which the CPS said was a factor in its decision.

"We have decided it would not be in the public interest to prosecute," said prosecutor Chris Long.

A Buckingham Palace spokeswoman said: "The Duke of Edinburgh respects the decision." -AFP

Dozens feared dead in Zimbabwe gold mine

■ Harare, Thursday

At least 23 illegal gold miners were feared dead in Zimbabwe on Thursday after water flooded two disused shafts in a mining town 145 kilometres (90 miles) southwest of the capital Harare.

Rescuers were trying to use pumps to extract water in the search for survivors and bodies at the site near the town of Kadoma.

"We heard from their colleagues that at least 23 people are trapped in the mine shaft which was flooded by water from a dam wall which burst due to heavy rains on

Tuesday night," Wilson Gwatiringa, spokesman for mining company RioZim, owners of one of the mines, told AFP.

"One of them is our mine which was no longer in operation. We are assisting on humanitarian grounds."

The state-owned Herald newspaper said the other mine was privately owned.

District administrator Fortunate Muzulu told the paper at least 23 people were trapped underground and that the "chances of rescuing any survivors are very slim".

-AFP

One of the mines was no longer in operation —AFP

Business Hub

Rotich gives education largest slice of Budget

Treasury increases national spending proposal by eight per cent to massive Sh2.7 trillion

■ by Martin Mwita
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The National Treasury has unveiled a Sh2.7 trillion budget for the 2019/20 financial year beginning July 1, with education getting the largest allocation.

This is up from the proposed Sh2.55 trillion spending plan for the current financial year ending June 30 before it was revised upwards to Sh2.074 trillion.

The Budget Policy Statement (BPS) tabled in Parliament yesterday, is tailored towards job creation and realisation of the Big Four Agenda projects.

In the proposed budget, Cabinet secretary Henry Rotich has allocated Sh670.7 billion for development spend up from Sh631.2 billion while recurrent expenditure goes up 9.9 per cent to Sh1.66 trillion from the current year's Sh1.513 trillion.

National government will control Sh1.82 trillion of the budget, an increase from Sh1.75 trillion, with the Executive, Judiciary and Parliament allocated Sh1.76 trillion, Sh17.9 billion and Sh38.5 billion respectively.

Consolidated Fund Services (CFS) under the national government, which holds money for operational costs – salaries and allowances, subscription to international organisations, payment of pensions and gratuities – gets Sh535.7 billion up from Sh490.6 billion.

The education sector is the biggest winner if the budget is approved in its current state gets an allocation of Sh473.4 billion, seven per cent up



Top 5 allocations

Sh473b

Amount allocated to education in the 2019/20 financial year

Sh407b

Budget directed to energy, infrastructure and ICT

Sh271b

Share of Budget set aside for public administration

Sh205b

Money earmarked for governance, justice, law and order

Sh154b

Monies allotted to National Security in the 2019/20 Budget

from Sh442.3 billion.

According to National Treasury CS Henry Rotich, the huge portion will go towards supporting the sector's short term priorities which include recruitment of additional teachers to support government's 100 per cent transition policy.

Technical institutes

The funds are also expected to support the free primary, secondary education, and special needs education through increased capitation as the segment takes up 26 per cent of the share in total ministerial expenditure.

"The sector will also complete the ongoing construction and equipment of TTIs (Technical Training Institutes) and support university education in public and private universities in or-

der to equip the youth with relevant skills required to drive the industrialisation agenda," Rotich notes in the BPS.

The second biggest allocation goes to Energy, Infrastructure and ICT which takes up Sh406.7 billion. This, however, is a 2.9 per cent cut from the current year's Sh418.8 billion allocation.

The reduction comes after the completion of a number of key proj-

ects including roads, procurement of a new ferry for the Likoni (Mombasa) channel — MV Jambo — reduced spending on geothermal projects after major achievements.

The government expects to reduce spending on new mega infrastructure projects as focus now shifts to the Big Four agenda with housing as a priority.

Key port, oil and gas, and ICT projects including the Konza Complex are however expected to continue.

Public administration and international relations has been given Sh270.9 billion, governance, justice, law and order sector (Sh204.8 billion), national security (Sh153.6 billion), health (Sh96 billion), Environment (Sh82.3 billion), agriculture, rural and urban development (Sh59.1 billion), social protection Sh54.8 billion and general economic affairs Sh23.9 billion.

Total revenue

To support budget funding, Kenya Revenue Authority is expected to collect Sh1.88 trillion up from the current revised target of Sh1.65 trillion, with total revenues including Appropriation-in-Aid projected to increase to Sh2.08 trillion from Sh1.83 trillion.

The planned higher spend comes amid cries of a swelling national debt which has seen concerns from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank. Treasury has been negotiating for roll-overs among other arrangements as it moves to meet its obligations.

Reflecting the projected expenditure and revenue, the fiscal deficit (excluding grants) is projected at Sh629.9 billion. Overall fiscal deficit is projected at Sh578.3 billion.

The government expects to borrow Sh306.5 billion externally and Sh277.5 billion in the domestic market and other net domestic receipts of Sh5.7 billion to bridge the deficit.

Banking



Relief as ERC slashes pump prices for 3rd month

FUEL: Petroleum prices have now fallen to a new low after the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) cut prices by up to Sh4 a litre in the latest price review, thanks to the recent slide in international oil prices that have been falling since October last year.

International rates of fuels ordinarily follow the crude price trend – which has tumbled to under \$72 (Sh7,212) a barrel from slightly over \$86 (Sh8,614.4) in October last year. Such reverse adjustments on global crude oil prices generally drive down local fuel rates that has now been seen in the last three months.

Motorists in Nairobi will for the next one month pay Sh100.09 for a litre of petrol, down from Sh104.21 last month and Sh113.54 they had been paying since December 14 – marking a three-month low. The cost of a litre of diesel has also fallen by Sh6.28 to retail at Sh95.96 in the city.

Kerosene will retail at Sh96.50 in Nairobi, a drop from Sh101.7 last month. The commission further attributed the otherwise anticipated shrinkage to the softening global crude prices which saw the average landed cost of imported super petrol dropping by 7.23 per cent from \$590.92 (Sh59,190.68) per tonne in December to \$543.2 (Sh54,410.71) per tonne in January, while diesel prices dropped by 11.29 per cent from \$615.97 (Sh61,699.87) to \$546.42 (Sh54,733.25) per tonne and Kerosene lessening by 3.92 per cent from \$620.05 (Sh62,108.55) to \$595.75 (Sh59,674.49) per tonne, which explains the fall in pump prices.

Motorists in Mombasa will buy a litre of petrol at Sh97.46 from Sh101.60, Sh93.96 for diesel and Sh 93.88 for a litre of kerosene.

—STEVE UMIDHA

Nairobi, Turkana carve biggest share of county cash

■ by Hillary Mageka and Zachary Ochuodho
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Nairobi, Turkana, Nakuru, Kilifi and Kakamega counties will receive the largest share of the Sh310 billion equitable share to be given to counties in the next financial year which starts on July 1.

Nairobi will get Sh15.5 billion compared to the Sh15.3 billion it received in the last financial year, while Turkana will get Sh10.4 billion up from the Sh

10.3 billion that the county received in the current financial year.

Nakuru will be the biggest beneficiary receiving Sh10.2 billion from Sh9.1 billion in the last financial year. Kilifi will pocket Sh10.5 billion up from the current Sh10.2 billion and will be closely followed by Kakamega at Sh10.1 billion.

Equitable share

According to the Division of Revenue Bill, 2019, unveiled yesterday in Parliament, National Treasury pro-

Sh2.5b

Amount allocated to Lamu from the Sh310 billion set aside for counties in the next financial year.

poses that counties be given a total of Sh371.6 billion inclusive of equitable share, Road Maintenance Levy Fund (RMLF) collections and conditional

allocations from loans and grants.

The allocation represents 30 per cent of the Sh1,038 trillion – which is the latest audited revenue for the financial year 2014/2015 as required by the Constitution and is above the 15 per cent stated as the minimum requirement.

Loans and grants

The budget proposal is a 1.1 per cent increase or Sh4.2 billion from the revised budget proposal for the 2018/19 financial year.

Treasury Cabinet secretary Henry Rotich said the allocation comprises an equitable share of Sh310 billion, additional allocations from the share of national government revenue amounting to Sh14.16 billion, Sh8.98 billion being 15 per cent RMLF collections and Sh38.7 billion conditional allocations from loans and grants.

Lamu at Sh2.5 billion, Tharaka Nithi (Sh3.8 billion), Elgeyo Marakwet (Sh3.7 billion) and Isiolo and Embu (Sh4.1 billion each) will get the lowest share of the allocations.

Fertiliser shortage hits Rift

...as price of a 50 kilogramme bag of fertiliser shoots up to Sh3,800 from Sh3,000

by Peter Leshan
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Maize and wheat farmers in South Rift are staring at uncertainty as severe fertiliser shortage hits the area three weeks into the planting season.

The outage bites even as 50 kilogramme bag of Di-Ammonium Phosphate (DAP) is retailing at between Sh3,600 and Sh3,800 up from Sh3,000 in the previous planting season.

The high demand for the important farm input is occasioned by the absence of the government's subsidised fertiliser which has for the last 10 years cut cost of production by almost half.

Huge profits

Farmers said yesterday that traders were taking advantage of the absence of subsidised fertilisers to make huge profits, adding that they would reduce sizes of land under the two crops.

"The government has left us on our own after it failed to procure fertiliser in time for planting. Because of cheap fertilisers, we have over the years expanded land under crops but this year we will reduce to cut the high cost of inputs," said Dancan Totona, a large scale wheat farmer in Olopolo area in Narok North.

He said some farmers had prepared acres of seed bed because of fair diesel prices between December and this month.

"Fuel prices favoured us. We

BUMPER HARVEST

Last year, according to statistics from the Ministry of Agriculture, wheat farmers in Narok harvested an average of 20 90kg bags per acre while their maize counterparts harvested an average of 12 bag of the same unit.

Due to bumper maize harvest last year, a 90 kilogramme bag of maize retailed at between Sh2,000 and Sh2,500 down from Sh4,000 in 2017.



did not know the government will let us down by failing to ensure cheap fertiliser is availed in time," said Totona.

Because of procurement issues, the government has said it would this year not avail the product.

High yields

Dr Noah Wekesa, the chairman of Strategic Food Reserve has asked farmers to procure fertilisers in the market because the one under the subsidised scheme would not be forthcoming.

Nasheiki ole Kimojino, a large-scale maize farmer in Emarti area in Transmara said this year, the weather looks favourable for high yields and faulted the agriculture ministry for failing to advise them in time to source for the input elsewhere.

Macadamia association sets minimum price for produce

by Wangari Njuguna
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Macadamia Growers Association has set Sh170 as the minimum price for the nuts across the country as the harvesting season kicks off today.

The Agriculture and Food Authority (AFA) had imposed a three-month ban on macadamia harvesting to give them time to mature.

Members of the association who had converged in Murang'a also want the processors to get the nuts directly from farmers.

Led by their chairman Edward Mwi-



wai, the growers said they are making efforts to do away with brokers who have for a long time been exploiting them.

Mwiwai said they shall have designated centres across the country where farmers shall take macadamia for processors to buy.

This, he said, will enable them to have the bargaining power for their produce by selling it to the highest bidder.

"We have set the minimum price for our produce to ensure we get good returns," he said.

He also said the processors should obtain a permit from the county government leaving all their details for easier tracking of their operations.



NAIROBI SECURITIES EXCHANGE

COMMODITY	KG	Nairobi	Mombasa	Kisumu	Nakuru	Eldoret
Dry Maize	90	2200	2250	2600	1500	1800
Green Maize	115	2200	3500	2200	1800	1600
Finger Millet	90	7400	6750	8000	5400	7200
Sorghum	90	3400	2700	3000	3500	4500
Wheat	90					3000
Beans Canadian	90	5550	6000	8000	5000	
Beans Roseco	90	5800	6000	8000	5000	8100
Beans Mwitemania	90	5300	4600		3600	8000
Mwezi Moja	90	5500				3600
Dolichos (Njahi)	90	5800	6300		5400	10000
Green Gram	90	7600	7650	8800	5400	12000
Cowpeas	90	3500	3600	8000	8100	9000
Fresh Peas	51	3000	2500	2500	3000	2550
Groundnuts	110	11200	13750	10000	11000	11700
Red Irish Potatoes	50	2100	1600	1400		1300
White Irish Potatoes	50	2000	1600	1400	2000	1100
Cassava Fresh	99	2200	2000	3000		
Sweet Potatoes	98	3100	2700	3000	3000	3600
Cabbages	126	1450	2835	1500	1200	1200
Cooking Bananas	22	550	625	250	250	1100
Ripe Bananas	14	600	500	250	750	650
Carrots	138	3370	5400	2500	3200	3000
Tomatoes	64	4300	6500	7000	4500	6500
Onions Dry	13	650	800	910	750	910
Spring Onions	142	2700	4400	2500	3000	1400
Chillies	38	2280	4400	1500	3000	1500
Cucumber	50	2200	2000			
Capsicums	50	2600	2500	2400	3000	1500
Brinjals	44	2200	1320	1500	2500	
Cauliflower	39	2340	1950			
Lettuce	51	3000	2500			
Passion Fruits	57	3900	4500	3000	5500	6850
Oranges	93	2400	2800	3000	5400	3000
Lemons	95	2300	2700	1700	2700	
Mangoes Local	126	2000	2200	2400	3000	2400
Mangoes Ngowe	25	1100	1000	1800		700
Limes	13	1040	1500	650		
Pineapples	13	975	720		600	1080
Pawpaw	54	2800	1100	1200	3000	3150
Avocado	90	3000	4000	1800	3000	3400
Kales	50	1250	1000	1500	1100	1500
Eggs	250	280	260	280	280	280

MARKET WATCH

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COMMERCIAL BANKS' AVERAGE FOR MAJOR CURRENCIES (OPENING MARKET) - 14/2/2019

CURRENCY	MEAN	BUY	SELL
US DOLLAR	100.2489	100.1489	100.3489
SW KRONER	10.8061	10.7937	10.8186
STG POUND	129.2144	129.0606	129.3683
SINGAPORE DOLLAR	73.8482	73.7691	73.9273
SAUDI RIYAL	26.7302	26.7028	26.7576
SA RAND	7.2723	7.2624	7.2822
S FRANC	99.3449	99.2261	99.4637
NOR KRONER	11.5670	11.5521	11.5819
KES / USHS	36.5989	36.4911	36.7067
KES / TSHS	23.1923	23.1193	23.2654
KES / RWF	8.9527	8.9400	8.9655
KES / BIF	17.9401	17.9154	17.9648
JPY (100)	90.7764	90.6817	90.8710
IND RUPEE	1.4192	1.4175	1.4210
HONGKONG DOLLAR	12.7730	12.7603	12.7857
EURO	113.2061	113.0761	113.3361
DAN KRONER	15.1601	15.1438	15.1763
CHINESEYUAN	14.8153	14.7976	14.8329
CAN \$	75.6053	75.5157	75.6590
AUSTRALIAN \$	71.2118	71.1157	71.3079
AED DIRHAM	27.2924	27.2625	27.3222

NSE ALL SHARE INDEX: DOWN 1.43 points to close at 158.85

NSE 20-SHARE INDEX: DOWN 12.04 points to close at 3058.29

NSE 25-SHARE INDEX: DOWN 32.09 points to close at 4042.60

KenGen to tap funds from market, eyes green bond

by Nairobi, Wednesday

Kenya Electricity Generating Company (KenGen) plans to raise funds from the market later this year and it may opt to issue the country's first green bond, its chief executive said.

KenGen has a 1,631 megawatt annual capacity and it supplies 70 per cent of the Kenya's electricity. Private investors hold 30 per cent of the company while the rest is held by the state.

Rebecca Miano, KenGen's CEO, said the company would go to the market once it redeems its 10-year,

\$250 million (Sh25 billion) bond in October.

The bond was heavily oversubscribed when it was issued in 2009.

"Our finance people are burning the midnight oil to look at the possibilities," she told Reuters in an interview yesterday, without giving a figure for the target amount.

"The team is looking at asset backed securities, they are also looking at green bonds."

The so-called green bonds help to finance projects in the renewable energy, energy-efficiency, green transport and wastewater treatment sectors. —REUTERS

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YOUNG, AFRO & URBAN

A crop of young Kenyan artistes is rapidly changing the traditional Afro-fusion music by merging it with more modern vibes, writes Manuel Ntoyai



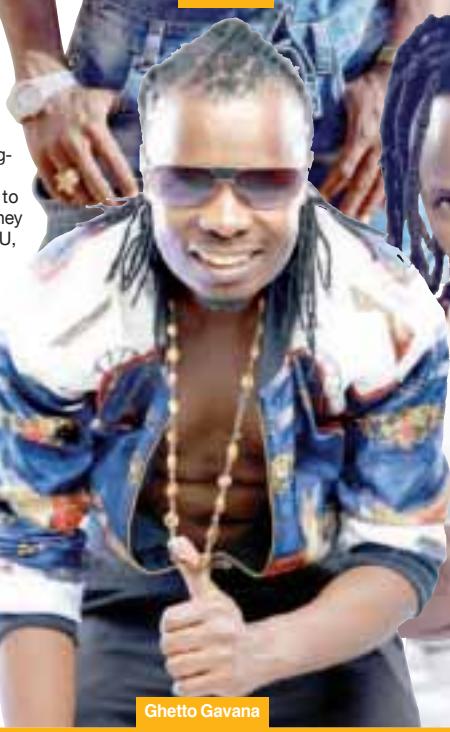
Urban influence

When it comes to music and airplay, the so-called 'uptown' artistes — who are full of swagger and surrounded by an aura of hipsters — gobble most of it up. They are eccentric as they come and if you happen to come from the countryside, or if you grew up listening to 'zilizopendwa' from the old family transistor radio, they have no time for your 'ushamba'.

This uncharacteristic phenomenon has over the years created a rift between those born in urban areas and those from the countryside. However, with technology helping to bridge the gap, sooner or later the roles are going to be reversed. Apart from technology, the rise of vernacular radio stations has also offered a platform for these artistes to get airplay, with social media coming in as the icing on the cake.

Away from the uptown funkiness, there exists a group of talented artistes, who have taken upon themselves to balance the act. Blending modern and traditional music genres, these artistes are creating their own oaths and growing their popularity from their perceived 'tribal backyards' to catching up with their Nairobi-based counterparts. Theirs is not just the old Afro-fusion kind of music though. It is hyper, catchy and everything in between.

"When I was an active rapper, I would wonder why the so-called 'River Road' artistes were making not only more money, but also had good airplay on radio. Now that I am a record label owner, I have come to understand the business side of it and also the need to support these kind of artistes," says BMG Empire founder and CEO Nasty Bull.



"Growing up, I used to listen to KBC radio and they had a show called KeTAU, which played East African music from artistes such as Jose Chameleone and Redsan. Also, there are Meru artistes who greatly influenced my love for music. Traditional Meru music is called Kirarire and musicians Kamanu and Karimi Bruno would be played in almost every homestead that had a radio cassette player," says Meru-based singer Nassizu Murume, who is also the Watanashati Classics CEO.

Nassizu broke into

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TANZANIAN RAPPER GODZILLA IS DEAD



Celebrated Tanzanian hip-hop artiste Golden Mbunda aka Godzila has died. The *Salasala* hit rapper passed away on Wednesday morning at his home in Dar es Salaam. Godzila's sister Joyce Mbunda said prior to his demise, the 31-year-old rapper complained of stomach pains, high blood pressure and diabetes. He's known for other hit jams such as *Lakuchumpa*, *King Zilla*, *Kill Yourself*, *Kila Siku*, *Milele* that he featured Alikiba and First Class featuring Mwasiti. He is survived by a son. Rest In Peace Zilla.

national limelight after doing a cover version of Ali Kiba's hit *Mwana* in Ki-meru. He's since grown his brand from that platform.

"I love bongo music and growing up, artistes such as Matonya and Ali Kiba were the stars I wanted to be like. However, I later realised many of my peers were torn between listening to Kirarire and the modern music and that is where I got the idea to fuse the two. I started Watanashati Classics with my partners and so far, things are looking good as more young talents from Meru want to be identified with this new flow," he says.

For rapper Smallz Lethal, 'Ndizi Flow' or 'Mogaka Music' is an identity for those coming from Kisii land or 'Banana Republik' as he fancies it.

"Rap music is mostly done in English and when Swahili rap grew to where it is right now, I would bump into my hommies in Kisii town who would free style in Kikisii, but didn't have the confidence or resources to record actual songs.

"When we met with Raj and did 'Ndizi Flow', that is when the name started getting popular. Previously, we had the likes of Mr Ong'eng'o who paved ways for many of us. Now

we have the likes of Miggy Champ, Mr Vekta and Babu Gee and we are all moving the masses towards this direction for future generations," says Smallz Lethal, who recently released his song *Zimeshika*, produced by Kisii-based sound engineer Agosto.

The fusion

Lethal says the artistes had issues getting producers who would understand not only the language, but also how to blend traditional instruments and modern rap.

Dancehall singer Rankadah sees himself as versatile enough to blend Jamaican Patois with Kiswahili, Sheng and Kikamba. His moniker, Ula Mu-kamba, means the Kamba guy, a name he got from his peers growing up. He explains that he uses a mixture of his mother tongue with English and Kiswahili to capture all audiences and maintain his originality, a style that has so far been his identity in the industry. He says he would venture into any genre of music but Lingala. Currently, he is enjoying the regga vibe in his releases.

"There is no running away from the fact that I am a Kamba and proud one at that. I love reggae and dancehall music and I also grew up listening to benga music with the likes of Ken Wa Maria being played in almost all Kamba radio stations. From there, I got my style and even in the streets, many identify me with the same and my flow style," he tells Spice.

In Maasailand, a new genre called Maafleva is growing rapidly. Traditional Maa music is called Eko and the morans would sing while competing in jump dance. However, as years progressed, many of them went to school and got influenced by modern music, especially reggae and bongo. The young generation of artistes has been able to blend the two and that is how Maafleva came into existence.

"Maafleva represents a generation that wants to chart its own course by expressing themselves through music. We have artistes who do house music, reggae, bongo and kapuka. They are all fused with traditional Maa music such as the chants and we are also able to use the old rythms to come up with more funkier music, especially for youthful campus-going audience," says Kimintah, a Maafleva artiste.



Bloggers Euginia Gathoni and Brenda Kwamboka.



Simbisa Brands managing director Salim Eeoelaza.



Fashion and lifestyle blogger Nelly Mwangi.



Lyra Aoko and Jayson Mbogo.



Food and lifestyle blogger Miss Mandi.



Guests interact with each other, as they enjoy moments during the launch.



Live on stage: Rhythm Unlimited Band does its thing.



Grill Shack general manager Wesly Baleta with floor manager Hillary Ndialuka.



Ushers Sylvia Waithera, Immaculate Mbugua and Ann Njeri.



Musician Makadem aka Ohanglamana in his element.



Music lovers Ian Tafari, Veeh Brenda, Jade Mumbi and Hawkins Joab.



Timothy Gituro on the strings.

THRILLS OF OHANGLA

Acclaimed musician Makadem aka Ohanglamana was simply electric as he performed at Goethe Institut in Nairobi recently. The *Kisumu Bound Bus* hit maker's powerful performance was during the February edition of Nairobi Jam, a monthly music platform aimed at bringing together musicians and a live audience for interaction and fun. Besides the music thrill from Makadem and Ian Msanii, revelers also enjoyed entertaining sessions from popular spoken word artiste Teardrops.

TEXT AND PHOTOS: JOHN OCHIENG



Spoken word artiste Teardrops stirs the crowd with his lines.



Ian Msanii rocking it!



Jeffre Latmo and Ashley Wanjiru.



Music is food for the soul: Revellers enjoy song and dance at Nairobi Jam.

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By Nafsi Huru

Mulikwa

A ta kama jana ndio iliku Valentine's, tuna madhongo vile kesi za murde za mapenzi zimeku rampantsana kwa hii Kenya yetu siku hizi na haipendesi ata! Watu wanazidi kuwa washenzi kwenye lovy dovin hadi inawafanya wana act vicrozy. Tuki count na kupoint raiya imebugudu after kugunduliwa amajuya vivu hadi kwa police service tutakesha hapa. Divorce na broken homes zinaongezeka every sunrise na ndio unapata hapa 254, wato wengi tu wanaku bila one or both biological parents.

Toxic na psychotic relationships zinakua entertained hadi demise ama tragedy inahappen, ndio marafiki wanafikiru kupost kwa social media venye walikua wamesense hio riba. According to research made by Daystar University, marriage nyangi never last past 10 years na hiza za mavijanaa hazitobagi hata four years. Main issues affecting relationships inasemekana ni unfaithfulness, poverty na kuvurugwa na inlaws, sana sana mother-in-law.

As much as modern marriages zinajface more challenges, hii maneno imekua ikiendelea kutoka siku za ancestors. Expectations za partners zikikosa kuwa met unampatta kwa dating site akichochwa na mafisi. Empowered females pia kuna wale huona hawahitaji mwanaume ama anadai wakutu equal kwa uhusiano. Wanaku pia hatujuadapt kuishi na mbus inakufunga kulkuliko mnakosa kuelewana. Young couples mra most hawakugi tarayi juu wana expect perfection na kuishi happily ever after. Shida ingine bwaku ni lack of



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Ni fiti kuchorea mapenzi toxic

communication kati ya couples. Marriage is not about love, experts wanatuambia, ni kuelewana na kua tayari kuvurugana kwa uzuri. Pressure za life ni kitu ya kawa na ukutaka relationship yako lende

sawa, lazima uweke bidii. Marital institutions zote zinafa kufanya couples pre marital counselling na mentoring ndio vijana waelewe mapema wanajingiza wapi badala ya kupotezeana muda na saa

zengine uhai. Sheria inadai ukikaa na mresh more than six months huyo ni wako. Uendee marriage certificate na nadhani hii sheria inachangia kuchanganya raiya hawakua na hizo mifango.

Jua kumaintain biz mtaani

Uradi

By Rodgers Ndegwa



Kwa mahood mob hapa Nairobi, kuna mayout wamejikamaua sana kuset up mabiz. But after sometime, wengi hufind it dimanga kuendelea kuzirun juu ya kukosa ujanja. Leo, Tribe inatou njia nei safi za kujaribu kuendelea kumaintain biz.

1. Be outstanding

Hii ni characteristic moja lazima ukuwe nayo kama utanataka biz yako ikuwe bigi. Lazima kuwe na kitu inakuseparate na competitors na hio ndio ukwua the defining factor kwa biz kadhaba mtaani. Hako kaextra mile huenda far sana.

2. Kuwa problem solver

Ndiyo uweze kukuwa mseee wakautract wateja wengi itabidi ukwue unasolve shida zao kadhaba. For example, kama uko na biz

ya butchery, itakuwa rahisi kucontract customers ka utawapea hata dhania ama nyaya free of charge, juu watakuwa wanakam na kuget two things at one place.

3. Get better

Hii ni kumean day-in day-out, lazima usetrize kumake the business better and better ndio ilitete more

customers kwa yadi yako. Kuwa mclean, ongea na watu vizuri and offer good service.

4. Tembea na muda

Kuna njia mob sana saa hii za kupiga biz na kuimarket. Kuna Internet na unaweza advertise wera ya kwako online.

Key Msanii



Joseph Njau ama Key Msanii aka Mr Education ni msanii anafanya mziki wa hip-hop na kapuka. Alianza kupenda shughuli za mziki akiwa mless, though ndoto yake ilikuwa ni kuwa journalist.

Ngoma yake ya fio inaitwa *The Start* na alifanya na rende ya mtu nne. Baada ya rende kuvunjika, allingia studio tena na akatoo ngoma

inajia *Ata Kama*, yenye illisukiwa pale Urban Scorch Records. Hii ni ngoma ilimpush kwa media na pia akazidi kujua ujanja ya game na baadaye akatoo Jifunze Kuongea na ngoma anakula shine nayo kwa sasa ni *Wee tu Manzi Yangu*. Key Msanii alichapia Tribe 43 kuwa vijana wanafaa kujituma kwenye hustle na pia wanafaa kutambua every dream is possible.

Ngori ya irresponsible sex

Siku hizi kuna noma zinehazielwei. Yaani unapata msee amepotea days kadhaa, especially magaldem, na akipatikana unapata ashaukata. Mara mob huwa tunasema ni bandi indio wamefanya hiyo nomu, but pia mara kadhaa utaskia alikuwa na ball na complications zingine mob hapo.

Mara mob ikifika ni ngori ya dem kuavya mimba, huwa dem ndio anaangushiva nomu na hakuna msee anaulia chali muhusika, coz most of the time wao ndio hutoa ganji za kutoa ball yenyeve.

Kama wanaume, tunfaa kujitta mkutano tujilizile hizi maswali na pia role yetu ni gani kupunguza hizi cases. Wanaume wengi hawatika kuwa responsible na bado

wanataka kula peremende bila juala, but watakuwa wa kwanza kutoa doh za kwenda kuflush.

Kama uko na issue na mdem wa wenye kuhusiana na ball, kuna places mob msee anaaza saidika kufanya safe abortion na pia kama unajaminia, ni poa kulea hia mimba na pia huyo mto akizaliwa. Kitu ingine ni poa pia tukianza kubonga kuhusu hizi issues, especially kati yetu vijana ndio pia tuchuanue vile wasee wanaeza epuka hizi ngori.

Huko ghetto kuna madoki quacks na wanadanganya wasee vile wanaeza wahelp kuflush, kumbe ni ufala yenyne inapotezea msee mai-sha. Kaa chonjo na wao na pia kwa life yako; kuwa rada ya hawa mafala.

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By Nafsi Huru

1. Dogo Toka Grip – Marsh Mashavu
2. Flexing – Monski ft Chale Slim
3. Kidonda – Iddi Singer
4. Sema Ukweli – Skeme Music
5. This Time – Gunda Weche
6. Yule Mbaya – Dan Dan 125
7. Radi – Johnny Wakuu
8. Unavyonipenda – Charismas ft Mbithi
9. Utabarikiwa – Mr Boo ft Kidis
10. Kamata – Rhymes Cashomey & Daziah

Marsh Mashavu



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Shengedia

Ni yet another weekend inadai kuingia na kama kawa teams zote za Kenya Handball Premier League zitadai kuchukua points tatu ndio zimalize kwa favourable spot kwa table standings. Hii weekend, kuna mechi tano moto kama pasi ziko lined up pala Kholeni Social Hall, Jogg Road, hasapa tu Nai. Kuna wale walipigwa mabao kadhaba last weekend, na watakuwa wanatry kupiga comeback moja hatare kwa game zao za weekend.

After kuonuo war na Black Mamba last week, University of Nairobi (UoN) watakuwa wanatry kupiga comeback wakicheza na Kenyatta University (KU). UoN walipigwa 34-29. Nairobi Water na watakuwa wanapatana na KU. Hii game ni ngumu juu teams zote ziko na wachezaji fiti na wote wanadai kuchukua league at the end of the season.

St Pauls watakatiusa na Gunners, alafu Mount Kenya Thika watapambana na Boomerang before an on-form Black Mamba wairupushe kwa grao na Technical University of Kenya.

Kwa foota, ile mechi moto ya weekend pale Kenya Premier League itakuwa between Gor Mahia na Sofapaka.

Kujipin - To be armed

Origin - Joska

Example - Wale mavedi walikuwa Dusit walikuwa wamejipin mbaya sana.

Vanga - Chips/fries

Origin - Mowlem

Example - Sisi kama mayout wa mtaani tumezoea kujipanga na vanga mwitu.

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Best friend-cum-enemy

by Harriet James
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Gospel artistes Bahati and Mr Seed have been best of friends. They hustled together and made it together. And when they got hitched, their women, Diana Marua and Nimo Gachuiiri also became buddies.

However, all this seems to have come to a startling halt. Mr Seed recently announced he had quit Bahati's EMB's Records. A fellow musician Ringtone would later reveal what had transpired. That during EMB Jesus Party held on December 31, last year, Bahati called cops on the heavily pregnant Nimo and her father. Reason? Nimo was selling beverages at the venue! Also Bahati is withholding money that he apparently owes Mr Seed after performing during the New Year concert.

Though our efforts to reach Bahati and Diana to get their side of the story were futile, it is clear there is no love lost between these long-time friends. Mr Seed still insists that there was no bad blood between him and his friend of 17 years.

Jealous friends

Recently, Nimo posted a photo of Bahati, Diana and herself, which she captioned. "The word says, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." Who are the enemies? Be the judge.

However, that friends do turn enemies is not news. It's the things that the supposed friends do to the other that is mind-boggling. Think of Mary Wambui — she dined, took selfies and spent her last time with Judy Wangui, a prime suspect in the murder case.

John Kioko understands the pain of a friend turning into an enemy well. He began noticing these changes from his childhood friend when he signed a contract with one of the leading organisations. As John recalls, the news of this offer did not go well with his friend who is still tarmacking for job.

"His eyes suddenly turned red when I broke the news to him. He told me not to leave him in Umoja if I was a real friend and that I should help him look for a job too," John recalls.

John says moving in with his friend was the worst mistake he made. He never knew peace. Every evening when he came from work, he got home to constant negative comments from his friend. Then one day, he came home to find his house cleared. Everything that he had worked so hard to buy including his laptop that had all his projects was gone. A

You have been together during good and bad times, you have each other's back. It turns out nothing good lasts forever, even friendship. But why would a BFF change overnight?



bitter note from his friend said he did that to get back to him for not getting a job for him soon enough.

"I couldn't believe that my friend would do this to me. I housed him, took care of his bills and his girlfriend who was seven months pregnant, and then he did this," he exclaims.

Unresolved conflicts

And Jane Maina recalls how her best friend dated her fiancé. "I loved my fiancé so much and I found myself sharing a lot about my relationship to my best friend. It turned out she got interested in him. Told him a lot of lies about me that made him break our relationship. The next thing I knew, they were together," she says.

According to psychologists, a change in common interests, a serious lifestyle change or a change in the physical location of a friend can make them distant. "Human emotions change all the time, that's a normal thing. But if the intensity of the emotions became strong and if those intense emotions lasted for some

time, then the person might start questioning things such as their friendship with others," says Beatrice Ndjeritu, a sociologist.

In real life, any kind of unresolved emotional conflict that arises can turn a friend into an enemy. "These include; jealousy, feeling inferior around you, when they keep losing to you and perception problems, that is, when they see something that doesn't exist," she explains.

"The sense of betrayal and disappointment is stronger, especially when there is a contrast to how you feel about the person and what the person has done making you lose confidence in them," says psychologist Ruth Mwaura.

"You begin to dislike the person with an intensity equal to the caring and liking that once existed between you," she adds.

Talking to your friend who has just flipped sides is a sure way of finding out their reasons for change.

CirclesofLife

WITH ANN WAIRIMU



Heaven Bahati turns one

She was a Valentine's gift — born on February 14, last year to EMB Records CEO Bahati and his wife Diana Marua. And they named her Heaven. He even strategically released a song dubbed TEN over TEN, which he dedicated to his wife commanding her for being a good wife. The song further highlighted Diana's pregnancy journey. The bubbly baby already has an Instagram account with over 100,000 followers. And the couple has never shied away from sharing her milestones on social media. The gospel artiste also has another daughter baby Mueni Bahati with whom he got with his former lover Yvette Obura better known as Kisha.

Best&worst

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Point Blank,

MC and animator

Best and worst place I have had a gig was at Sevens grill Gigiri's New Year party in 2013 and Capital Club both. The crowd was amped till 7am. Multicultural awesomeness. Worst place would be Narok. The venue manager made no effort to push the gig and we ended up making losses.

One thing that most people do not know about me is that I love classic music.

My worst habit is that I am so impulsive. If she's cute, I'll make a pass at her. Not even to know her or ever take her home. But just to make her blush. Then leave without her number and no way of contacting her again. It's the helpless romantic in me. If she truly wants to reign with me, she will seek me out and make me her own.

Memorable country I have ever been to was South Africa, Johannesburg. I went there in 2009 as Channel O emcee Africa 2 Kenya Finalist. Free holiday, all expenses paid, and representing Kenya on the mic as a battle champ. Nothing tops that yet.

Sweetest act anyone has ever done for me was when my friend, Noel Mwachala bought two copies of my first comic book, Home guard and framed the one I autographed for him. That still melts my heart. I salute you Noel.

Lowest amount of money I have ever been paid at any performance was actually nothing. I wasn't paid a penny at a certain UN event so long ago though. They eventually made up for it.

Best place I have ever visited





A section of the Dongo Kundu Bypass at Miritini in Mombasa.

PHOTO: NDEGWA GATHUNGU

Property players hope for sector recovery

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The real estate sector at the Coast is bracing for recovery this year, with players confident of growth prospects even as they continue to bear the brunt of interest capping by banks.

The players are now asking the government to leave the banking sector free to regulate interest rates so that home buyers can acquire mortgages more easily and for developers to go for low-cost and give longer paying duration to buyers.

Players say the market is expected to stabilise in the second quarter of the year with residential property market leading this transformation. Multimillion projects such as luxuries apartments are fast coming up in up in the city suburbs such as Nyali, Bamburi and Vipingo Ridge to meet increasing demand.

While prices of most residential properties dropped throughout first and third quarter of 2018, the sale price of these houses in Nyali currently stand at Sh18 million for a two-bedroom unit and Sh32 million for four-bedroom duplexes. There are areas where luxury apartments are costing nearly Sh50 million, with penthouses in the same blocks going for more.

Goldwyn Consult CEO Benedict Mutuku says the company is now focusing on both short- and long-term residential homes projects. However, he regrets that the process to acquire mortgages is too long compared to earlier years and that the capping interest rates is frustrating investors.

"The interest charged by the banks is 30 per cent so that they can be sure that customers given loans can pay back the money at a profit. Therefore, businessmen would rather invest using their savings without bank loans, which is not enough to enable them acquire properties," said Mutuku.

He said most locals can only buy properties worth Sh3 million and below, hence adding to the slow market for homes costing more than Sh4 million. "Hard economic times in the country have greatly influenced the slow marketing in the property investment sector," said Mutuku.

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BOMA

Home of property and leisure

State projects spur Coast real estate growth

Standard Gauge Railway and opening of the Dongo Kundu Bypass phase one projects stimulates property market

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The completion of mega infrastructural projects in parts of Mombasa has sparked a rush for property and led to an unprecedented rise in land prices, signalling significant economic growth prospects.

The economic potential of Mombasa began to be realised in parts of Mombasa West after the completion of the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) projects as well as the First phase of the Dongo Kundu Bypass. Where the new railway begins, there are land transactions resulting to doubling or even tripling of prices over the past two years since the SGR project was launched.

A survey by Boma has established that the cost of

land in Miritini, a few kilometres from the Miritini Station is rising as eager investors take advantage of the multi-billion project. Residents say an acre of land that previously cost Sh100,000 is now selling at Sh500,000, triggering demand for land for development projects.

The complexion of Phase One of the Dongo Kundu Bypass to connect Mombasa with South Coast has also spurred Mombasa West economy as giant clearing and forwarding companies positioning themselves to reap from the new road.

Phase Two

The construction of Phase Two of the Sh30 billion Dongo Kundu Bypass and the development of Special Economic Zones projects in Likoni has also opened a window for developers and investors to reap from the mega projects. This second phase entails an 8.9km road between Mwache junction and Mteza while the third phase will see construction of a 6.9km road between Mteza and Kibundani, linking the highway to the Likoni-

Some of the new developments at Miritini Shopping Centre, Mombasa. INSET: Goldwyn Consultant CEO Benedict Mutuku displays a picture of an apartment they have built and (BELOW): The new Nyali Golf View Residence. PHOTOS: BONFACE MSANGI AND NDEGWA



Lunga Lunga Road via an interchange.

Stakeholders in the transport business are among the biggest beneficiaries of the SGR development. Towards pick-and-drop hours as trains arrive or depart, the area becomes a beehive of activity with hawk-eyed taxi operators scrambling for passengers.

Several taxi operators have been accredited to operate within the terminus. They have since established rapport with their frequent clients making their business run smoothly.

M-Pesa shops as well as open cafes and food kiosks are moving closer to the terminus and are some of the small businesses increasingly catching up in the area. Traders, however, said the business usually booms during pick and drop hours but goes absolutely dormant in the rest of the day.

"Business is going on well and we are seeing progress. Mostly, travellers waiting to board the train pass by to pick snacks and soft drinks," said Kindi John.

"Previously, an acre here in Miritini went for as little as Sh100,000 but now, the value has appreciated.

There is influx of people looking for investments around the station," said Masai Muasya, a resident.

In Port Reitz, where the government constructed the Port Reitz Road, the price of an acre has doubled from Sh60 million just two years ago to the current Sh120 mil-

lion. In Changamwe, an eighth of an acre that was going for Sh1 million is now selling at more than Sh2 million. Property developers say the land use is expected to change from residential to commercial with banks setting up branches and storage yards being set up for light industrial and commercial activities.

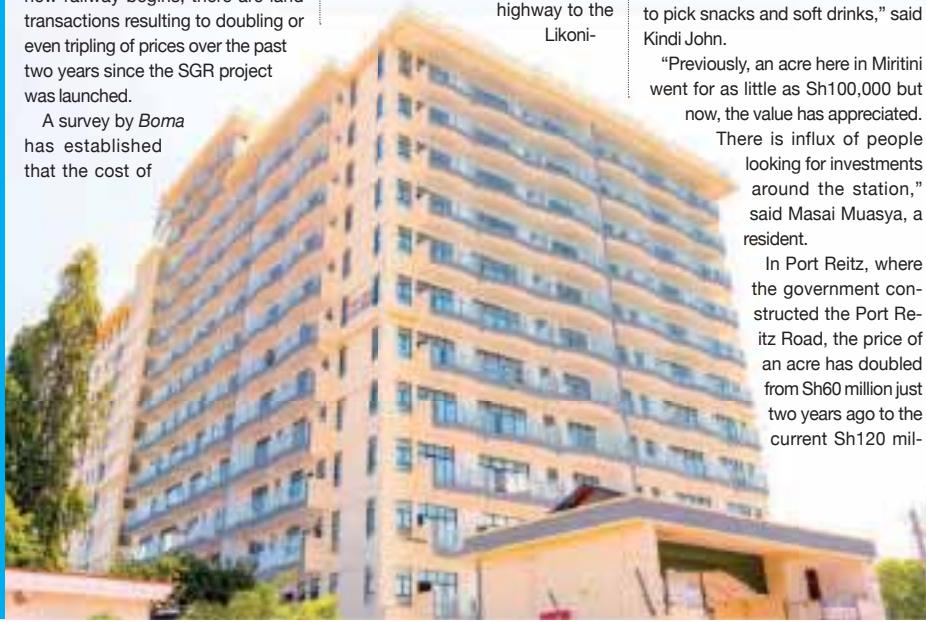
The same scenario is replicated along the 40-kilometre stretch between Mombasa and Mariakani where investors are buying plots and putting up warehouses and petrol stations.

Retail prospects

Real estate agents say although the sector was experiencing a slump in other parts of the coastal region, prospective investors have started flowing in, with rents for new residential houses in Mikindani, Miritini, Mazeras and Miritini projected to rise.

Cytonn Real Estate, the development affiliate of Cytonn Investments, said in a report last year that Mombasa and Mt Kenya regions are the best for retail real estate development due to high retail space demand, attractive yields and occupancy rates at 96.3 per cent and 84.5 per cent, respectively. The report focused on the performance of the real estate retail sector in Kenya in 2018, based on rental yields, occupancy rates, demand and supply, which was compared to 2017's performance to gauge trends.

"The outlook for the sector remains cautiously positive and we expect to witness reduced development activity in Nairobi, with developers shifting to county headquarters in some markets such as Mombasa and Mt Kenya regions that have low retail space supply, attractive yields and high occupancy rates," said Cytonn Real Estate's Research Analyst, Juster Kendi.



The lounge

Youth scrambles for a pie of property market

After learning some tricks of the game from past employers, Njoroge is confident enough to plunge into the business

■ by Barry Silah

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Describe your journey in this industry.

I have been in the real estate sector for about five years. For half of that time, I was employed by a real estate dealer in Thika town called Vestrack Africa where I learned the ropes of the business and became passionate about it. The allure of the property market taught me to be self-reliant and have entrepreneurial and networking skills. I also got a brief stint at Diamond Properties who are well-established players in the industry. With that I became aware of what I needed to become to survive and thrive in this sector. Now I run my own company, Faidika Real Estate and so far the journey has been good for us despite the competitive environment.



Faidika Real Estate founder and CEO Confidence Njoroge. PHOTO: BERNARD MALONZA

Tell us more about Faidika Limited.

Most of our parcels of land are in strategic locations, which have potential for growth. We are specifically situated near soon-to-be vibrant localities and our payment systems are credible and accommodative to many people. Our areas of operation include Matuu in Machakos county (Thika-Garissa Road) which will soon be a pathway of the Lamu Port-South Sudan-Ethiopia-Transport (Lappset) Project.

Another one is in Makuyu off the Thika-Sagana-Nyeri highway, an area expected to be a hot property market in coming days. In some of our parcels, we are thinking of digging boreholes and putting up beehives to earn money for our plot buyers.

What is a flexible payment system?

The biggest challenge for potential landowners is the financing bit due to exorbitant interest rates charged by banks on loans. For us, the first instalment has to be 50 per cent of the overall parcel cost, then the remaining balance should be offset inside five months. Thereafter, we ensure that in four months time, valid documentation in terms of title deeds and sale agreements are duly provided. We are clean in our transactions since many people have suffered from fraudsters.

How many projects do you have?

At the moment, we straddle three counties of Kenya with prime pieces available. In Machakos County where our major project lies in Matuu, there are 14 acres just near the Lappset Corridor. In this town, we have done three phases with total 76 plots sold so far. In Makuyu along the Nyeri-Sagana

highway we also have 14 acres in anticipation of a sale, but in the first two phases, we sold eight plots. In Naro Moru we have 15 acres at our disposal and in Laikipia we also have a parcel that we are about to subdivide and sell.

What challenge do you face?

Infrastructure for sure remains a challenge and we are hoping county governments and State agencies such as Kenya Rural Roads Authority can help. Most roads are impassable during the rainy seasons, which complicates land sales as most clients are keen on the accessibility of their plots. Water and electricity is another problem; we are urging the relevant bodies to act so that our people can benefit. Of course, individual counties have their own plans and the national government is also doing its bit to spread services to the citizens. What we are doing as a company and will probably partner with other organisations is mapping and fencing our parcels.

Your overall experience?

The most important lesson is value over greed. Once this is achieved, one begins to get buy-in and trust from clients. Creating networks is also important because it brings in referrals for business. Customers are becoming more aware so keeping all procedure short and formal helps everybody. It has not been entirely smooth sailing but everything has been a lesson. Another thing in this business is that one needs patience and obviously due diligence is necessary.

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How to succeed in the industry as a contractor

Are you one of those people who are passionate about the construction industry, especially being a contractor? Then this is the piece for you.

Firstly, you want to know that a contractor is simply someone or an entity that has been engaged to undertake some work on site. And most importantly, they do this for a profit. In terms of qualifications, a contractor will be expected to undertake these works on site with skill, discipline and tact. They will, therefore, hire labourers, provide materials and supervise the works.

In other words, a contractor should not only have technical skills and know how construction works, but also have management skills for people, works and materials such that there is efficiency in the project.

Further, a contractor, just like any businessperson, should ensure a client is happy at the end of the day. So if you are interested in being a contractor, you should ask yourself if you have the wherewithal and means to execute a project.

Do you have the traits required to drive a project to completion? The determination to ensure that a project is delivered as designed without shortcuts?

Shortcuts is a disease that has decimated many contractors in Kenya. While you may get away with it in the short-run, in the end you taint your hard-earned reputation and become known as the unprofessional contractor. No one will want to be associated with you.

Needless to say, there are many jobs typically contracted on a site, such as plumbing works, electrical works, lifts and even the typical building works. The opportunity may be for the complete delivery of the whole component such as plumbing works or just to supply labour for installation of client-supplied materials. Now, this will depend on both your capacity and the client's preferences. Your experience and reputation on previous jobs will be factored in.

How do you then get these jobs? Typically, in the construction industry, most jobs are got through tendering. This means that you not only need to be competitive in your pricing but also be known well enough to be invited for these tenders. And this just means one thing; being a contractor can never be side hustle. It has to be your main focus if at all you will grow to be the N.K. Brothers of this town.

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Décor

WITH CYNTHIA MUKANZI



A glass jar makes a beautiful option as well



A ceramic candle holder with an underneath porch for home fragrance.

Get stylish candle holders to match your décor

Candles act as an alternative source of light, that shimmers softly within spaces. Valentine's has come and gone, hopefully it isn't the only time you remember to use candles. Candlelight should not just be reserved for romance. It fits family dinner time, when you have friends over or even alone. Come to think of it, it's a good way to conserve electricity. When using candles, it doesn't hurt to have stylish holders. That way, not only is your home glowing with ambience but it also looks beautiful with unique candle holders that complement the interior décor. The amazing thing about these lighting accessories is that they are not costly and come in various designs made from wood, metal, glass and ceramic as seen below;

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Candlelight adorned in a jar.



A wooden holder with a rustic appeal.



Time out

PICK of the day
Sweetest Love
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| 5.30 Tizi | 16.30 Team raha |
| 6.00 Switch mix | 17.00 Beat box |
| 7.00 K24 alfajiri | 18.00 Madhubala |
| 9.00 River of passion | 19.00 K24 saa moja |
| 10.00 Daily brief | 19.30 Rush |
| 12.30 Inside business | ► 20.05 Sweetest love |
| 13.00 News cut | 21.00 Weekend with Betty |
| 13.30 Sports hub | 22.00 Over drive |
| 15.00 Dw documentary | 23.00 Beatbox |
| 15.30 Playlist | 00.00 Dw feed |



HOROSCOPES

ARIES (MAR. 21-APRIL 20)

You will be in the doghouse if you are being. Your best gains will come through helping others emotionally.

TAURUS (APR. 21-MAY 21)

Be sure to use your charm and diplomacy when dealing with potential new clients. Accomplishment is yours if you direct yourself accordingly.

GEMINI (MAY 22-JUNE 21)

You can meet interesting new friends if you join worthwhile groups. Try to be understanding.

CANCER (JUNE 22-JULY 22)

Keep your feet on the ground; if you can. Nagging has never been something that you could tolerate.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG 22)

Control those desires to cast your fate to the wind. Family may not want to get involved but an entrepreneur will.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 23)

Gambling will be a waste of time and money. Romance will develop through work-related activities.

LIBRA (SEPT. 24-OCT. 23)

Your emotional reaction will be dependent upon your partner's responsiveness. You will have a childlike approach today, big hearted and full of spunk.

SCORPIO (OCT. 24-NOV. 22)

You may win favours if you present your ideas and include your family. Think twice before you agree to take on any new projects.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 23-DEC. 21)

You will have an interest in foreigners and their cultures. Inharmonious situations at home may be extremely upsetting for you today.

CAPRICORN (DEC 22-JAN. 20)

Take the day to relax and pamper yourself. You'll be prone to tears if your mate is harsh with you today.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 21-FEB. 19)

You must strive to get the most important projects completed properly, rather than doing everything in a half-baked way.

PISCES (FEB. 20-MAR. 20)

Be sure to take time for old friends or relatives you don't get to see that often. Try to think things through.



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		Kenya
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10:00	Dully and Pals	7:00: Taarifa
10:30	Mtaani	7:30: Attitude
11:00	Beautiful Ceci	8:00: First Lady
12:00	Afriusion	9:00: Channel 1 News
1:00	Lunch Time News	10:00: Top Mashariki
1:30	Business Defined	11:00: CCTV News
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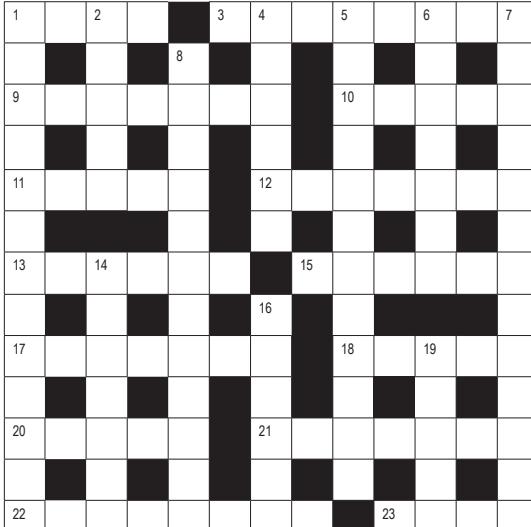
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SUDOKU

The aim is to fill the grid so that each row, column and every 3x3 shaded box contains only one of the digits 1-9. You need to reason out where to place the missing numbers by using the numbers given in the grid and a process of elimination. It is a game of logic not mathematical ability.

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- Weaker
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 8. Axle
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 10. Alkaline
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 12. Waist
 15. Speed
 17. Goddess

- DOWN
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 3. Caravan

DEATH AND FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Late Joseph Manyuru Iwouni
Sunrise: 1942 Sunset: 21st Jan 2019

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the demise of **Joseph Manyuru Iwouni**.

Son of the late Iwouni and late Sabina Nabalayo.

Beloved husband of Roseline Namulanda and Resper Mutongo.

Father of late Mary Naliaka, Peter Manyuru, John Manyuru, Moses Manyuru, Sabina Manyuru, late Knight Manyuru, Robert Manyuru, late Patricia Manyuru, late Daniel Manyuru, Kennedy Manyuru, Everlyne Manyuru and Mildred Manyuru.

Brother of late Raphael Ondeto, Willimina Barasa, Virginia Nekesa, Ermeyo Kwoba, late Orukan, late Samwel Khasindu, late Lazarus Ogema, late Patrick Omondo, late Michael Odhiambo, Ernest Ondugu, Anthony Ogema, Simon Nyongesa, Zainab Nekesa and Rophina Makio.

Friends and relatives are meeting for funeral arrangements. All are invited for a fund-raising to offset hospital bill at his home Okisimo village, Amukura East Ward.

The cortège left Recourse Hospital mortuary, Eldoret yesterday, Thursday 14-02-2019. Funeral service and burial will be held at his home Okisimo village, Amukura East Ward, Teso South Sub-County, Busia County tomorrow, Saturday 16-02-2019.



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Dated at Nairobi; 14th Feb, 2019.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

PHYSICAL PLANNING ACT (CAP 286)

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Duly instructed by our principals, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned items on their behalf of their statutory powers, on behalf of their clients and in the matters of distress for rent, we shall sell by public Auction the under mentioned goods at Pangani auction center along Muriuki road opposite Guru Nanak Hospital on 23rd February, 2019 at 10.30am or soon thereafter:

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Kenya Open golf tickets ready for purchase

GOLF: Tickets for this year's Kenya Open Golf Championship are now available for purchase. Kenya Open Golf Limited making provision for daily tickets as well as season tickets to cater for the different needs of golf and lifestyle enthusiasts expected at the tournament. Daily tickets are retailing at Sh1,000 while season tickets are retailing at Sh3,000 for the four days. To encourage the uptake of the sport among juniors, the Kenya Open Golf Limited has made provision for children under the age of 12, as well as members of the Junior Golf Foundation, to have free access across the four days. Commenting on this, Kenya Open Golf Limited's Tournament Director, Patrick Obath, said that this year's tournament will offer spectators a holistic experience on and off the course; adding that this year's village at the tournament will offer spectators great food, music and entertainment to add on the experience.

-ERRICSON KIPRONO

Karoki eyes Tokyo race with Olympics in sight



ATHLETICS: World Half Marathon silver medalist Bedan Karoki will gun for his maiden victory in the Tokyo Marathon on March 3 in Japan. The 28-year-old will be running his sixth full marathon since making his debut in 2017. However, he firmly believes that a good performance in the Japanese capital will certainly earn him a slot in the competitive Kenyan team to the World Championships, which will be held in Doha, Qatar in October. "I have a plan, which includes the world championships and the Tokyo Olympics in 2020," he said. With a long shot at the 2020 Summer Olympics, he believes that the road towards the actualisation process starts in this year's Tokyo Marathon. "I have switched from track to marathon and my progress will depend on me doing well in Tokyo and earning a slot in the Kenyan team because it is important for me to compete at the World Championships and the Olympic Games," Karoki said. With two silver medals from cross country and World Half Marathon, Karoki, who is the former London Marathon bronze medalist, is joining a ballooning list of elite Kenyan runners who are eyeing a break into the marathon and represent the country at the Olympics or the World Championships.

-ERRICSON KIPRONO

Sinyolo start journey to reclaim position in girls'



HOCKEY: Sinyolo Girls hope to replicate their past performance when they bully off this year's campaign to reclaim the national hockey title when Kisumu West Sub County School games kick off tomorrow at Maseno School. The 2017 national hockey champions failed to feature in the last year's Kenya national secondary schools games that were held in Kangaru School, Embu County. The reigning champions attended the France for a six-a-side tournament which saw their slot taken over by Nyamira Girls whom they defeated 1-0 during the Nyanza Region finals. Speaking to People Daily Sports, coach Alloys Owino said he is not expecting stiff competition at the sub-county adding that he will be using her second team for the championships. Sinyolo became the first team to win the Federation of East Africa Secondary School Sports Association (FEASSA) hockey title five years in a row.

-VIDEN OCHIENG



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Kwemoi leads North Rift to national x-country championships

by Emmanuel Masinde
@PeopleSport11

Former world U20 10,000m champion Rogers Kwemoi will lead Central Rift region at national cross-country championships.

Qualine Kiprop will be flying 10km senior women's category while Lydia Jeruto and Gideon Rono will be in junior races.

Kwemoi from Usin Gishu County will be in the same team with Baringo's 2017 world cross country under-20 bronze medallist Richard Kimunyani, Usin Gishu's Evans Keitany.

Baringo's Kiprop will be on the starting list for 10km women race. Kiprop will be joined by World U18 800m silver medallist Lydia Jeruto lead the 6km junior women team which also has Betty Jepkemoi (Nandi) and 2018 Discovery cross country champion Roselinda Jepkete also

from Nandi county. Upstart Rono from Baringo will join Vincent Kiprotich from Uasin Gishu and Emmanuel Kiplangat from Baringo, also will be joined by World U20 2,000m steeplechase champion Cleophas Kandie from Baringo.

Meanwhile North rift region will be led by former world cross country junior Brillian Jepkorir in senior women category while Michael Kibet will lead in men.

Jepkorir won the North Rift 10km senior women's race, running for Elgeyo Marakwet County beat a host of other athletes to book for a slot at the national championships where the federation will select a team to represent Kenya at the continental championships.

Jepkorir wants to feature in Team Kenya at the Denmark alongside Vicot Chepkenyo from Samburu and Gloria Kite from West Pokot.

With Kibet Mathew Kimeli and Raymond Ma-



Athletics Kenya (AK) President Jackson Tuwei (left) Usin Gishu Governor Jackson Mandago and Lotto representative Mourene Anduro during the sponsorship at the County headquarters in Eldoret yesterday. PHOTO: EMMANUEL MASINDE

gut. In women's 6km junior category, Feliciana Kanda, Agnes Jebet and Winnie Kimutai all from Elgeyo Marakwet County. Samuel Cheboto from Samburu will fly regions flag in 8km junior men, will be joined by Charles kakuri of West Pokot and Reuben Longosiwa.

Special Olympian's woes



Double medal winner at the 2015 Olympiad works as house help in Nyeri with little or nothing to show for apart from travel papers and keepsakes from organisers

by Lynette Matheka and
Seth Mwaniki
@PeopleSport11

The story of Susan Gatwiri, the winner of the prestigious Sports Personality of the Year (SOYA) award in the People Living with Disability category took social media by storm when her employer narrate the plight of his house help.

Gatwiri represented the country in the 14th edition of the Special Olympics World Summer Games in Los Angeles, USA in 2015. Kenya won a total of 42 medals (22 gold, two silver and 18 bronze), which was the best ever performance by Team Kenya that was represented by 51 athletes.

Her case emerged after her story was shared on social media where many doubted why she is categorised as a special athlete despite being visibly healthy.

However, the uncle to Gatwiri Judith Kiende says that she has undergone all her primary education as a special learner

unit school in Nyeri County.

Gatwiri had hoped the same would translate to self fortunes by giving her a monetary award besides getting medals in order liberate her mother back at home who wallows in extreme poverty.

But contrary to her expectations, the athlete only came home with a SOYA Award of a paltry Sh75 000 that she gave to her mother to rent a house, pay some fees for her siblings and obtain ordinary chattel of a table and chairs.

Her case emerged after her story was shared on social media where many doubted why she is categorised as a special athlete despite being visibly healthy.

Following the social media post, People Daily has established the following facts about Gatwiri's plight after

an ordinary learner only for things to change later after teachers proved she could hardly read or write despite being fully-trained to do so," her mother said. In deed all her certificates of merit in school sports competition shows that she has until the day she sat for KCPE participated in the category of persons with intellectual disability.

The athlete scored 105 marks after sitting for her KCPE at Meere Primary School.

The dejected Gatwiri who now earns Sh6,000 per month works as house girl in a month in the outskirts of Nyeri town, an amount she uses to cater for her needs and those of her jobless mother who resides in a rental shack in near Narumoru forest.

I went through learning as a special learner both a school in Timau and Mere Primary School.

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Special Olympian Susan Gatwiri (right) speaks to a member of the public when People Daily visited her in Nyeri yesterday. INSET: Gatwiri's memento collection from her exploits as a member of the Kenya team to the Special Olympics, are all she holds dear from her travails abroad. PHOTOS: SETH MWANIKI

speaking to Special Olympics Kenya national coordinator Susan Masila;

Fact one- She participated in the Unified Special Olympics in 2015. These are sports for Intellectually Disabled (ID) people.

Fact Two- She had all the paper work from the Ministry of Education to ascertain that she has an ID before making the 2015 team (ID can mean one is too slow in class and they need special attention from the teachers. Some people with such conditions attend normal school but get special attention to their teacher) Fact Three- She

won two gold medals. Gatwiri clocked 11:03.13 to bag gold in women 3000m and 5000m in a personal best of 18:51.4. The 2015 games were the only edition that Gatwiri participated in.

Fact Four: Each gold medal attracted Sh 200,000 from the Ministry of Sports as a token of appreciation.

Our efforts to reach the Ministry of Sports through Principal Secretary Peter Kaberia to establish whether Gatwiri was paid the owed Sh400,000 from her winnings were futile as he did not pick our calls.

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Tae Kwon-do federation hands over athletes for African games



Kenya Air Force's Zenna Chemtai (right) delivers a right kick to Linah Mwambe (left) of Nairobi Region in their middleweight bout at the Defence Headquarters. PHOTO: PHILIP KAMAKYA

by Amos Abuga
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Kenya Taekwondo Federation (KTF) has handed over eight athletes to the National Olympics Committee Kenya (NOC-K) president Paul Tergat, as part of their continued preparations for 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo, Japan.

The teams four for men and an equal number for women have their work cut out starting with next week's Africa Para Taekwondo championships to be held in Cairo, Egypt all the way to the 12th African Games that will take place from August 23 to September 3 in Rabat, Morocco.

Three athletes, Emmanuel Karisa in the under 61kg category, Peter Kar-

bane and Samson Ojuk both in the under 75kg category will represent the country in Cairo, on February 20.

The other events will be ANOCA Zone Five Games in Rwanda in April and also the world championships to be held in Manchester, England in May.

"The teams and their management are all psyched up for the upcoming games, we are confident the tournaments will give the athletes the much needed exposure," Philip Khaumba, KTF second vice chair in charge of technical affairs and who will be doubling up as the coach for the Para team underscored.

The Atlanta 1996 and Sydney 2000 Olympic 10,000m silver medallist, Tergat had kind words for the fed-

eration as part of a turnaround from one whose leadership of the sport had been 'untenable, to its integrity being adulterated'.

"I want to first applaud the sense of maturity, unity and togetherness exhibited in the federation of Taekwondo. Long are the days of wrangles, warring factions and poor leadership."

"Management is the core of any success in any federation, I want to urge all the federations that are experiencing wrangles to borrow a thing or two from Taekwondo," the NOC-K supreme challenged.

The former world marathon record holder says his target of having togetherness in various federations will soon bear fruit.



IAAF refutes at Semenya sex reports

London, Thursday
@PeopleSport11

Athletics' governing body has denied it will tell a court female athletes with high testosterone levels like Caster Semenya should be classified as male.

World and Olympic 800m champion Semenya is challenging a proposed IAAF rule that aims to restrict the levels of testosterone in female runners.

The case will be heard at the Court of Arbitration for Sport (Cas) next week.

The Times reported that IAAF lawyers will say Semenya is a "biological male" as well as classified as female.

The IAAF said it is "not classifying" any athlete with "differences of sexual development" (DSD) - of whom South African Semenya is the most notable - as male.

"To the contrary, we accept their legal sex without question, and permit them to compete in the female category," it said in a statement on Wednesday.

"However, if a DSD athlete has testes and male levels of testosterone, they get the same increases in bone and muscle size and strength and increases in haemoglobin that a male gets when they go through puberty, which is what gives men such a performance advantage over women."

"Therefore, to preserve fair competition in the female category, it is necessary to require DSD athletes to reduce their testosterone down to female levels before they compete at international level."

- BCC

Locals get direct entry

Twenty golfers earn places in KCB-sponsored Sunshine Tour Karen Masters Tournament that tees off next weekend

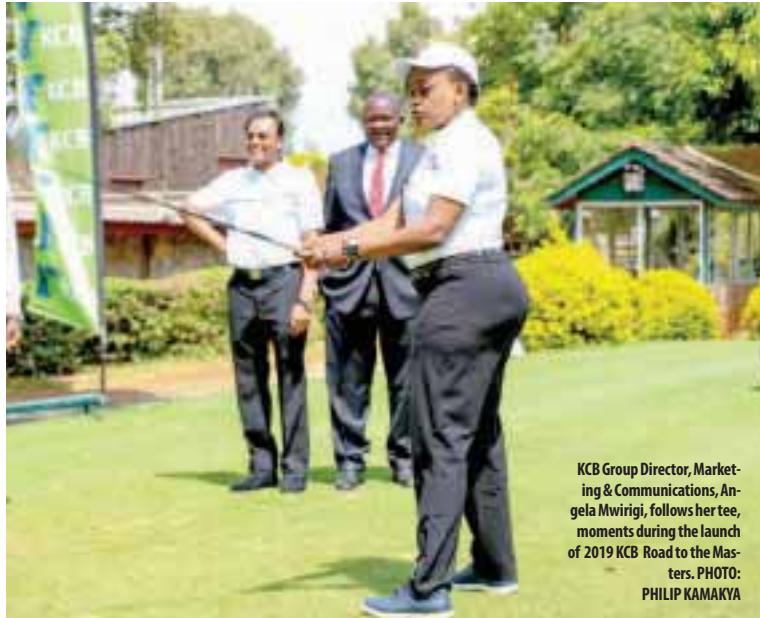
by Lynette Matheka
@PeopleSports11

four of the five events.

The bank has sponsored the tour to a tune of Sh2 million to be divided in four events, each getting Sh500,000 as prize money.

"The prize money for the Pros will be split on a 60/40 ratio. The 60 per cent will be prize money for the top 15 finishers while the 40 percent is set aside for those who meet the set scores for the different courses. The cut will be set at level par and better," said Professional Golfers of Kenya (PGK) chair Charan Thethy.

In the last two editions, our golfers have not had the chance to build up events to the Karen Masters. That's like



KCB Group Director, Marketing & Communications, Angela Mwirigi, follows her tee, moments during the launch of 2019 KCB Road to the Masters. PHOTO: PHILIP KAMAKYA

Additionally, the 20 Pros will be joined on the course by 30 amateurs at the pro-am event preceding the masters as six amateur winners stand a chance to be selected at each of the five qualifying rounds. The qualifiers will be Men's Winner, Lady Winner, Guest Winner, Staff Winner, Junior Winner and a Wild Card winner.

According to the event organisers, the date has been pushed forward to June as they anticipate better weather thus attracting more golfers and fans to Karen as opposed to when the event is held in the cold month of July.

going to the Olympics without trials and that cannot guarantee good result. This year will be different as we have the four events to prepare and we are hoping for better scores from our locals," said the PGK chair.

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"We are redefining golfing in Kenya by increasingly giving more opportunities to amateur and professional golfers across the country. We believe in growing sports talent for local and international competitions. It's our way of using golf to promote sports tourism and as a result catalysing Kenya's economic growth agenda," said KCB Group Director of Marketing and Communications Angela Mwirigi during the launch.

Lack of sponsors leaves star boxer Waguthii worried over title defence

by Lynette Matheka
@PeopleSports11

Doning black joggers and a white top, Judy Waguthii goes about her gym session at Colosseum Fitness Centre with a smile. However, when the 34-year-old boxer finally gets a break from her instructor Ambrose Muga for a quick chat, her infectious smile disappears as she is a worried woman.

The World Boxing Council (WBC) Silver Super Lightweight champion could lose her belt if she does not defend it by May this year.

"A champion has up to a year to defend their belt, failure to which the WBC declares it vacant. I won the belt in May last year so I have until this May to organise for a fight," she says.

Waguthii beat Prisca Vicot from France on unanimous decision to win the title in Glattbrug, Switzerland. She dominated in all the 10 rounds to score 100 against Vicot's 92.

The mother of one was set to defend her title against Vicot on November 24, last year but the 43-year-old French pulled out in the last minutes leaving the burden of a defence bout on Waguthii.

"It is expensive to plan for these fights especially without a sponsor or a promoter coming in. Sanction fee for my belt is set at about Sh 200,000 (2,000 dollars). I also have to cater for all the expenses for my competitor including paying for their card as well as pay for a WBC official," Waguthii says.

Her silver title made her a top contender for the WBC World Female Super Lightweight title but she is yet to

feature in any fight. It has, however, not been an easy journey for the Dandora-born professional boxer who started out as a taekwondo player while in high. She was an active footballer and sprinter in high school and played taekwondo over the holidays. She went on to achieve a red belt in taekwondo.

"Tae Kwon-do was not paying off so I moved to kick boxing as it came with a promise of a trip to Canada that never materialised, so I quit.

I stayed inactive for a year until David Kiulu introduced me boxing," she said adding that her biggest motivation to join boxing was the money and travelling abroad.

She trained for three months and made her debut as a professional boxer against the experienced Jane Kavulane, shocking everyone with a win at the age of 20.



WBC Silver Superlight Weight winner Judy Wanguthii with her trainer Ambrose Musa of Colosseum Fitness Centre in Adams Arcade. PHOTO: PHILIP KAMAKYA

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2. 16/02/2019	18:00	Shrewsbury vs Burton	2.53	3.23	2.90
3. 16/02/2019	18:00	Gillingham vs Scunthorpe	2.47	3.33	2.90
4. 16/02/2019	18:00	Carlisle vs MK Dons	2.62	3.37	2.62
5. 16/02/2019	18:00	Cambridge Utd vs Tranmere	2.40	3.36	2.88
6. 16/02/2019	20:30	Hertha BSC vs Werder Bremen	2.42	3.44	2.91
7. 16/02/2019	22:00	Angers vs Nice	2.47	3.06	3.17
8. 16/02/2019	22:30	Korona Kielce vs Lechia Gdansk	2.70	3.12	2.64
9. 17/02/2019	15:15	Motherwell vs Hearts	2.91	3.13	2.59
10. 17/02/2019	15:30	Dynamo Dresden vs Jahn Regensburg	2.49	3.51	2.76
11. 17/02/2019	16:00	Blackburn vs Middlesbrough	3.07	3.12	2.48
12. 17/02/2019	16:30	Brugge vs Racing Genk	2.53	3.61	2.64
13. 17/02/2019	17:00	Empoli vs Sassuolo	2.58	3.39	2.74
14. 17/02/2019	19:00	Viktoria Plzen vs Slavia Prague	2.57	3.15	2.83
15. 17/02/2019	19:00	Reims vs Rennes	2.44	3.14	3.14
16. 17/02/2019	19:00	Swansea vs Brentford	2.45	3.30	2.87
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Ferguson hails fallen Man United youth team coach Harrison

FOOTBALL: Alex Ferguson has hailed Eric Harrison's "incredible" contribution to football following the death of the former Manchester United youth coach. Ferguson enjoyed the fruits of Harrison's labour during his iconic 27 years in charge of the club, with Ryan Giggs, Paul Scholes, David Beckham, Nicky Butt and the Neville brothers all among the players who came through the system on his watch. After Harrison's death at the age of 81 was confirmed by the club yesterday, Ferguson paid tribute to the role he played in bringing success to Old Trafford. "Eric's contribution to football and not just at Manchester United was incredible," he told the club's official website. "When I came as manager, I was lucky enough to have Eric on the staff as head of youth development, so I got to see the work he did, and not just with the Class of 92 but with all the young players," he added. "He built character and determination in those young players and prepared them for the future," said Ferguson.



Abaka retires from boxing to nurture young talent

BOXING: Former Kenyan middle-weight boxer Nick Abaka has retired from the sport after a career spanning almost two decades. Nicknamed 'King' the Kenya Defence Forces pugilist represented the country in the 2008 Beijing Olympics qualifiers and won a bronze medal at the 2007 All African Games in Algiers, Algeria. Abaka, 38, has been a regular fixture for the Hit Squad (national team), which he once captained, and also signed up to the AIBA-Pro League in 2016 where he got an opportunity to fight with the best in the world. In the local league, the decorated soldier also helped his KDF team win a couple of trophies during their rivalry with arch nemesis Kenya Police. His last major international assignment was in Gold Coast in Australia during last year's Commonwealth Games. In 2008, Abaka was among four Kenyans who qualified for the Olympics in Beijing, China alongside Aziz Ali, Nick Okoth and Bernard Ngumba but he later withdrew from the games, leaving the three who went on to lose all their opening bouts. He will now concentrate on training upcoming boxers at KDF alongside his mentor Samuel Magima.



Kibera Black Stars begin hunt for coach after Oduor exit

FOOTBALL: National Super League side Kibera Black Stars are looking for a new coach following the departure of Godfrey Oduor. Oduor left the club three weeks ago by mutual consent following a string of poor results and the team is now looking for a suitable replacement to take them forward. The team is currently languishing 17th spot in the 20-team log with a just eight points from 13 matches, having won only one, drawn five and lost seven, leaving them in danger of relegation for a team that finished ninth last season. However, sources within the club have told People Sport that Oduor, who also doubles as the Harambee Stars Under-17 assistant coach, fell out with the management over lack of major activities in the transfer market after key players left. In his absence, Rashid Suleiman has been handling the team on an interim capacity.

-BARRY SILAH

Ingwe rescue efforts

Ministry to pay outstanding allowances of Leopards players as club seeks services of psychologist

by Amos Abuga
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The government through the Ministry of Sports has committed to settle outstanding allowances owed to AFC Leopards players.

Sports Cabinet Secretary Rashid Echesa believes the gesture will help the club whose results on the pitch have nose-dived.

Ingwe' performances have been so bad to the extent that they are languishing in the relegation zone, sitting at position 17 with 10 points in the 18-team league.

This led the club's National Executive Committee (NEC) to come up with the 'Rescue Committee' to try and save the situation.

Echesa revealed on Twitter that the ministry will offset the accrued allowances amounting to Sh1.7 million going back to last year, a statement that was affirmed by club secretary general Oscar Igaida yesterday.

On the issue of players lacking medical cover, which was highlighted on social media, Igaida denounced it, saying the playing unit is well covered by health insurer AAR and the Na-



An AFC Leopards fan during last weekend's Mashemeji Derby at Kasarani Stadium. Ingwe have begun efforts to turn around the fortunes of the club. INSET: Leopards officials led by Secretary General Oscar Igaida (centre) address the media yesterday.

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tional Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF). Igaida was, however, at pains to explain why the club is running around with begging bowls yet it receives over Sh50 million annually from betting firm SportPesa, who are their main sponsor.

It is common knowledge that the club has a sponsor but let me make it clear that the allocation coming from our financiers goes for fixed ex-



penses, which include but not limited to player salaries, office rent, coach's rent, daily expenses like hiring the field and also fuel for the team bus," he said.

Igaida further revealed that the club has sought the services of a psychologist in an effort to motivate the players.

"Psychologists help professional and amateur athletes to overcome problems, enhance their performance and achieve

their goals. We anticipate that the players will get their confidence as soon as the next game," added Igaida.

New head coach Andre Casa Mbongo has also employed double training sessions during the week in an effort to improve the team's performance.

"The coach has hinted that the fitness levels have been low and that is what he wants to work on," he said.

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SportPesa now on F1 grid after Racing Point deal

by Stephen Mbuthi
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Local gaming firm SportPesa have made their entry into the lucrative Formula One after being announced as the new title partners for Racing Point.

The team will now be known as SportPesa Racing Point F1 ahead of the 2019 season that starts in Melbourne, Australia on March 17.

Disclosure was made during their pre-season launch event held at the Canadian International Auto Show on Wednesday alongside a reveal of the team's 2019 car livery.

The three-year deal will see Racing Point cars retain their pink colour with

BWT continuing as principal sponsor of the team, with the addition of blue SportPesa branding on the front and rear wings as well as the engine cover.

"We are absolutely delighted to become part of the extended Formula One family. This partnership is very important to us because it diversifies us into new territories and allows us to reach new audiences across the globe," said Adam Beighton, SportPesa company director.

He added: "Equally important is the platform it provides us with, enabling us to stay true to our mission which is to build and develop grassroots and professional sport in the countries where we operate by bringing new opportunities to local communities."



The new-look Racing Point F1 car after betting giants SportPesa came on board ahead of the 2019 season.
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This week has seen eight cars revealed with the Mercedes W10 expected to be the one to beat after dominating the turbo-hybrid era, winning 74 per cent of the races, since its inception in 2014.

Gor Mahia players during a training session at Everton's Finch Farm base in Liverpool last November. PHOTO: RODGERS NDEGWA



K'Ogalo's Confederation Cup task runs into storm after loss to Petro sends them to second in Group D

Hurdles on Gor's path

by James Magayi
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Kenyan champions Gor Mahia ceded control of CAF Confederation Cup Group D to NA Hussein Dey after their 2-1 loss in Luanda, Angola coupled with a gutsy draw between Zamalek and the Algerian outfit in Egypt on Wednesday night.

K'Ogalo dropped to second spot on unchanged three points while Hussein Dey's 90th minute equaliser against Zamalek earned them a point that increased their tally to four. Petro Atletico are third with three points but with an inferior goal count to K'Ogalo while

erstwhile favourites Zamalek lie bottom with just one point.

The fact that points difference between the first and last team is only three leaves the group wide open for the four contesting teams after the second round of matches with four more fixtures left.

Continental club championships are synonymous with teams winning home fixtures and so far, three Group D contestants have followed the script with the exception of Zamalek.

The five-time African champions lost against Gor in Nairobi then dropped two vital points with the Wednesday

draw at home leaving their chances slimmer than the rest.

Gor have two home fixtures left against NA Hussein Dey and Petro Atletico with two trips to North Africa against Hussein Dey and Zamalek also on the cards before the quarterfinalists are known. K'Ogalo have a fair chance of finishing in the top two based on strength so far displayed by contestants in this group.

Should K'Ogalo win their two home fixtures, their performance in remaining Carthage trips will determine their fate as teams will most likely win their home games.

The Kenyan club had a chance to grab at least a point on the road but circumstances left them incapacitated. Away

in Luanda, Gor dominated play from the onset but were let down by inadequacy upfront. K'Ogalo also gave away cheap goals to Petro Atletico but the strong and assured display away from home indicated a team full of confidence, potential and on the ascendancy.

Coach Hassan Oktay missed both right backs Philemon Otiemo and Wellington Ochieng due to suspension and illness respectively and he had to improvise by posting Joash Onyango at full back. The result was telling as Petro Atletico's second goal emanated from the exact spot.

Onyango struggled with the pace and guile of the hosts young, skillful and agile wingers and K'Ogalo paid the price.



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15:30	5192	Peykan FC vs Sepahan Esfahan	4.32	3.21	1.90
16:00	5432	Cape Umoya United FC vs Mbombela Utd	2.79	2.89	2.53
16:30	5721	AL Wahda Scc (UAE) vs Dibba Al Fujairah	1.32	5.54	7.65
16:35	1979	AI Dhafra vs AI Ain	6.68	4.97	1.39
16:45	2813	Kharaitiyat vs Al Ahli Doha	7.65	5.54	1.32
17:05	2128	AI-Budaiya vs Malfika Club	2.11	3.53	3.21
18:30	1201	Al Shabab Riyadh vs Al Wehda	1.81	3.88	3.88
18:30	3463	Vereya vs Ludogorets Razgrad	24.11	9.54	1.02
20:00	2185	Teplice vs Mlada Boleslav	2.19	3.31	3.31
20:00	3534	Lokomotiva Zagreb vs Rudes Zagreb	1.21	6.08	13.21
20:00	3952	Pogon Szczecin vs Gornik Zabrze	1.69	3.75	4.71
20:30	1398	Sandhausen vs SV Darmstadt	2.20	3.23	3.49
20:30	2040	Paderborn vs FC Koln	2.80	3.71	2.37
20:30	3151	Yeni Malatyaspor vs Besiktas	3.60	3.39	2.10
21:00	1414	Unterhaching vs Wehen	2.50	3.35	2.77
21:00	5033	Sonderjyske vs AGF Aarhus	2.53	3.28	2.85
21:00	5766	Nimes vs Dijon	1.83	3.72	4.31
22:00	1179	Le Havre vs Nancy	1.78	3.45	5.06
22:00	1196	Niort vs Troyes	2.49	3.08	3.08
22:00	1882	Lyon Duchere vs Laval	2.23	3.03	3.56
22:00	2814	ADO Den Haag vs PEC Zwolle	2.43	3.46	2.86
22:00	3119	Valenciennes vs Grenoble Foot	3.29	3.08	2.37
22:00	3146	Lorient vs Red Star	1.61	3.71	6.19
22:00	3443	GO Ahead Eagles vs NEC Nijmegen	2.07	3.66	3.29
22:00	3579	AJ Auxerre vs Clermont Foot	2.38	3.02	3.35
22:00	5437	Gazelec Ajaccio vs Brest	3.67	3.18	2.16
22:00	5469	FC Eindhoven vs Jong Ajax	3.31	3.96	1.98
22:00	5541	Paris FC vs AC Ajaccio	2.10	3.01	4.14
22:00	5583	Chateauroux vs Orleans	2.20	3.06	3.71
22:30	3355	GKS Piast Glwice vs Lech Poznan	2.68	3.10	2.68
22:30	3786	Standard Liege vs Lokeren	1.35	5.09	8.67
22:30	4090	Juventus vs Frosinone	1.19	6.75	17.28
22:30	4749	Augsburg vs Bayern Munchen	9.23	5.43	1.32
22:45	1050	QPR vs Watford	4.28	3.42	1.87
22:45	2007	Dundalk FC vs Sligo Rovers	1.27	5.65	11.58
22:45	2517	St Patricks vs Cork City	2.91	3.29	2.48
22:45	2582	Sunderland vs Accrington	1.87	3.48	4.39
22:45	2722	Crusaders Belfast vs Coleraine FC	1.84	3.53	3.95
22:45	3301	Bohemians FC vs Finn Harps	1.77	3.71	4.62
22:45	3736	Derry City vs UCD Dublin	1.71	3.84	4.91
22:45	3919	Ards FC vs Institute	2.65	3.42	2.44
22:45	5565	Waterford Utd vs Shamrock Rovers	3.38	3.11	2.31
22:45	5770	Lyon vs Guingamp	1.36	5.21	8.42
22:45	5857	Dungannon Swifts vs Warrenpoint	1.93	3.61	3.50
23:00	4877	Eibar vs Getafe	2.05	3.18	4.09
23:00	5602	Palermo vs Brescia	2.14	3.32	3.54
23:00	5856	Cordoba vs Granada	3.02	3.08	2.54
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PSG happy to see Pogba banned, says Draxler

PARIS: Julian Draxler and PSG are happy to see Manchester United midfielder Pogba on the sidelines ahead of next month's Champions League clash. Paul Pogba's suspension for Manchester United's Champions League last-16 return leg has given Paris Saint-Germain an advantage, said Julian Draxler. Pogba was sent off in the closing stages of United's 2-0 first-leg loss at home to PSG in the Champions League on Tuesday. The United star midfielder, who was shown a second yellow card for a challenge on Dani Alves, will miss the trip to Paris on March 6 as a result. Draxler and PSG are happy to see World Cup winner Pogba on the sidelines ahead of next month's showdown. "For me Paul is the best player of Manchester United," he said. "He's a very important player for the team and you could see he is fantastic [on Tuesday]. That is why we are very happy he will not play the second leg. I think they started very well so the pressure was not easy for us," he added.



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Sanchez injured after running into linesman in PSG warm up

MANCHESTER: Alexis Sanchez was injured in a freak incident during Manchester United's defeat by Paris Saint-Germain, colliding with a linesman while he was warming up. Chile star Sanchez is now battling to be fit for Monday's FA Cup tie against Chelsea at Stamford Bridge, with Anthony Martial and Jesse Lingard already serious doubts for the fifth-round clash. Sanchez was preparing to come on for Lingard, who had strained his left hamstring towards the end of the first half in the 2-0 Champions League defeat. However, the United substitute became distracted by the match action as he jogged along the touchline and ran straight into Italian linesman Fabiano Preti. The collision floored Sanchez who recovered sufficiently to replace Lingard moments before half-time, but he informed United's coaching staff that he had suffered a leg injury above the knee. The decision was taken to keep him out on the pitch to stop his leg from stiffening up and Sanchez spent the interval warming up in a training top. The bizarre incident is the latest setback in Sanchez's troubled United career since he arrived from Arsenal 13 months ago.



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LEEDS BACK ON TOP IN CHAMPIONSHIP AS NORWICH SLIP UP

Norwich City suffered a shock defeat to Preston North End on Wednesday, allowing Leeds United to return to the top of the Championship. After a 2-1 victory over Swansea City, Marcelo Bielsa's side leapfrogged Norwich City, who lost at Preston North End. Leeds had started Wednesday two points behind Norwich but goals from Pontus Jansson and Jack Harrison were enough to move them back to the summit. Oliver McBurnie did pull one back for Swansea with a late penalty but it was too little too late as Leeds sealed an 18th win of the campaign midweek. Leeds have a one-point advantage over Norwich thanks to stunning display from Preston, managed by former Canaries boss Alex Neil, at Deepdale. Preston quickly opened up a 2-0 lead over Norwich as Ben Davies and Paul Gallagher beat Tim Krul. Marco Stiepermann missed a penalty before the break and when Sean Maguire scored Preston's third, Norwich were beaten.



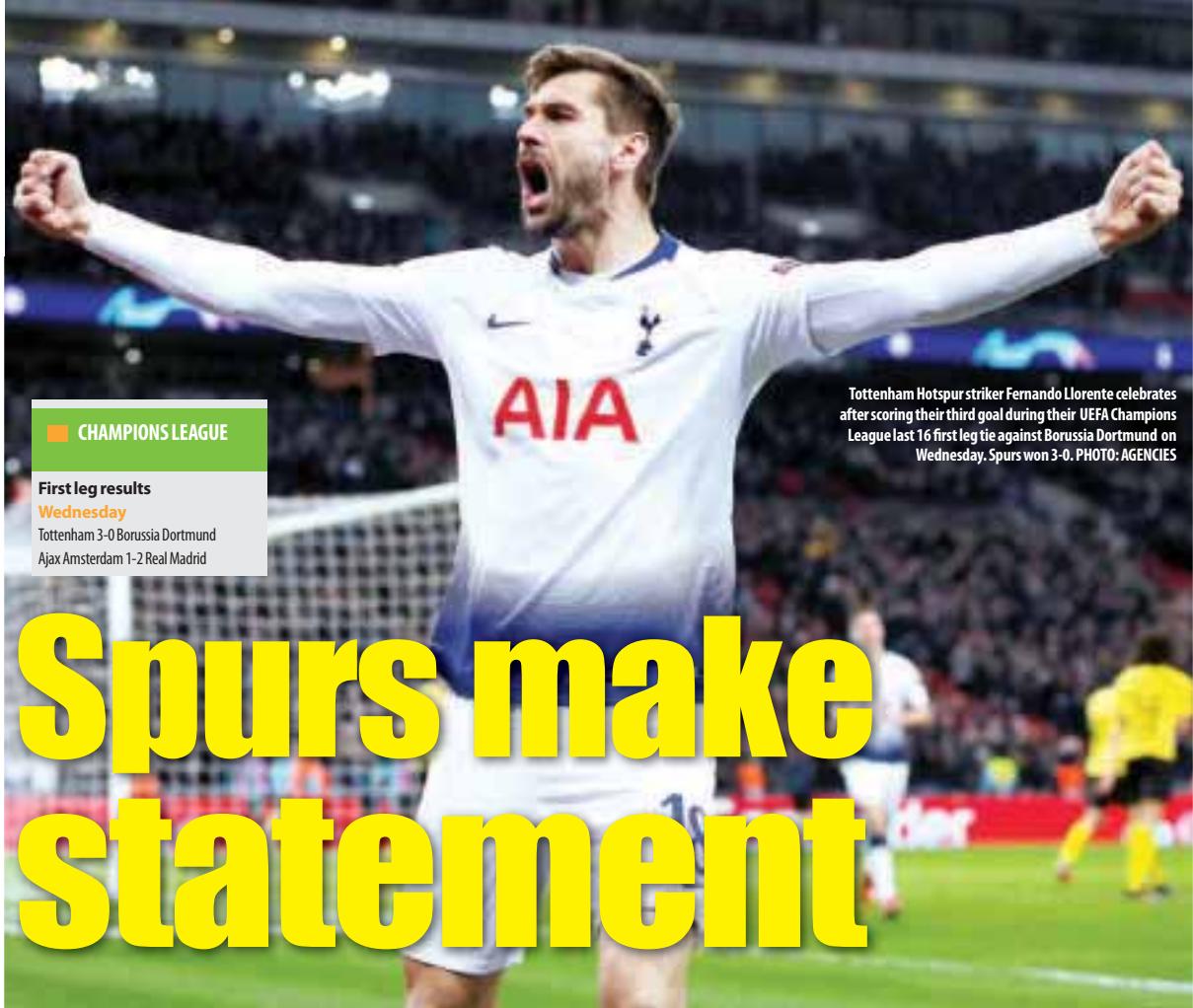
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LEGEND KADENGE SUFFERS STROKE, HOSPITALISED

Kenyan football legend Joe Kadenge has suffered a stroke and is currently admitted at Nairobi Hospital. The former Maragoli United, Abaluhya FC and Harambee Stars playmaker, commonly remembered by the 'Kadenge na mpira' slogan, was rushed to hospital yesterday morning where relatives, friends and football enthusiasts later flocked to wish him well. According to his son Rodgers Kadenge, the legend, who initially had health problems, had been enjoying good health of late until suffering the stroke. "He started showing signs of suffering stroke on Tuesday and it must have been triggered by the death of my sister Everlyne who passed on in the US on Saturday," Rodgers told People Sport yesterday. Kadenge played for Maragoli United, and scored the fastest ever goal in the Kenyan Premier League. He also played club football for Abaluhya United (now AFC Leopards), winning the Kenyan Premier League title in 1966. -JAMES WAINDI



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Spurs make statement

Tottenham: From dead and buried to live Champions League contenders

London, Thursday

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It might have been easy for Tottenham and Mauricio Pochettino to throw in the towel.

They were three games into their Champions League campaign this season and they were dead and buried.

A pair of defeats—to Barcelona and Inter Milan—plus a disappointing draw with Dutch also-rans PSV meant they had gained only one point by the turn.

It's happened before, not least with Brendan Rodgers' Liverpool, that clubs have decided to run up the white flag and end their quest for European

glory. There are other priorities these days, league games, preservation of fitness, the top four, the very Premier League title itself, and some managers would consider what was left in front of Spurs as three dead rubbers.

But where there's a will there's a way.

The subsequent wins against PSV and Inter at Wembley gave them everything to play for in the final group stage game away at Barcelona.

They had the opportunity to follow Lionel Messi and Co into the knockout rounds. There, anything could happen.

It's hard to know now what the odds of Spurs being Champions League quarter-finalists were the moment that Luuk de Jong equalised for PSV in the 87th minute on matchday three.

For sure, it would have been a lot more unlikely than it is right now, after Wednesday's remarkable 3-0 last-16 first-leg win over Borussia Dortmund.

Spurs have forged their own path here the hard way.

This week we've seen a Paris Saint-Germain team deal with the absence of two key attackers in Edinson Cavani and Neymar with the minimum of fuss. It's no exaggeration to say Spurs did the

same and, arguably, against a team of better quality than Manchester United too.

Harry Kane is their captain, top scorer and all-round totem. Dele Alli is creator-in-chief. They were without them both against Dortmund and what did it matter?

The Bundesliga leaders have problems of their own, given Paco Alcacer, Marco Reus and Manuel Akanji were unavailable for the trip to London.

The Germans, who lost the 2013 Champions League final on this ground, have also seen their season's momentum judder to a halt in recent weeks.

They have not won a game since the last week of January, have tumbled out of the German Cup and came into this game in much worse shape than they were when the draw was made.

But there is quality in their ranks, not least in Jadon Sancho, Christian Pulisic and Axel Witsel, and had to be dealt with.

Spurs themselves had double cup exits to contend with and a defeat at home to a top-four rival. The manner, however, in which they stick to their guns is admirable and their rewards are coming.

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