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## Government to release Sh21b capitation to schools this week

**Education CS Julius Ogamba says the disbursement of capitation funds is sometimes delayed due to competition for limited resources and, at times, delays in the release of the exchequer**

BY MABEL KEYA-SHIKUKU, KNA

The Government will release approximately Sh21 billion in capitation funds to public schools this week.

Education Cabinet Secretary (CS) Julius Ogamba said this will help school heads plan for the second term, which began last week.

Speaking in Naivasha during the Naivasha Education Conference — which brought together education officers and other stakeholders from across the country — Ogamba urged the officials to closely monitor the use of government funds sent to schools to ensure they are used appropriately.

The CS noted that the disbursement of capitation funds is sometimes delayed due to competition for limited resources and, at times, delays in the release of the exchequer. About 30 percent of the national budget is typically allocated to the education sector.

Some of the government-funded programmes, as you already know, are extremely costly. As a result, we have, on some occasions, lagged in the disbursement of capitation funds to schools owing to competition for resources among various government programmes," he said.

The CS cautioned school heads against charging extra levies, adding that the ministry does not allow anybody to charge any levies that are not stipulated in policy.

He urged them to ensure no institutions charge illegal levies.

Ogamba directed education officers to move quickly and investigate cases of alleged malpractice in handling funds, noting that the Ministry has sometimes been accused of disbursing capitation funds to ghost schools, or learners in both primary and secondary schools.

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Education CS Julius Ogamba addressing education stakeholders in Naivasha, during the an Education Conference. PHOTO: MABEL SHIKUKU

## Ministry to increase NYS recruits to 100,000 annually, reveals CS

BY MUOKI CHARLES, KNA

The Government plans to increase the number of National Youth Service (NYS) recruits from the 20,000 enrolled this year to about 100,000 by 2027.

This expansion is part of a broader strategy to harness the potential of the youth, address

unemployment, and enhance service delivery across the country.

Speaking during a tour of the NYS Yatta Field Unit in Machakos County, Cabinet Secretary for Public Service Geoffrey Ruku emphasized the pivotal role NYS plays in youth empowerment, national development, and job creation.



The Cabinet Secretary for Public Service Geoffrey Ruku addresses the press at NYS Yatta Field Unit in Machakos County.

"We have many young, jobless Kenyans who are eager to join the NYS. As a government, we are working on modalities to increase enrollment from the 20,000 recruited this year to more than 100,000 in the next two years," said Ruku.

The government has embarked on commercialization of NYS activities with a special focus on agriculture, to make the service more self-reliant and productive. The focus being on farming avocados, maize, and beans on large-scale production and sale.

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### The Week In numbers

120b

The cost of a Beads Production Centre being constructed at the Sekenani Gate of the Maasai Mara National Reserve in Siana Ward, Narok West

5

Number of foreign embassies that have offered to partner with Kenya to develop, secure the North Eastern region

1m

Number of Kenyan workers the Ministry of Labour plans to export overseas annually as part of a new job creation strategy.

21m

Amount of money the Government has set aside Sh2.2 billion for the completion of Yamo dam, Maralal Samburu County

30m

The technical and vocational education and training Fund the County Government of Kwale has launched to strengthen TVETs and up-skill artisans.

# Government to release Sh21b capitation to schools this week

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"The Auditor General's report alleges some school principals sometimes sneak in some levies into school fees, without following the laid down procedures. These accusations, though not validated, must sound alarm bells to us to continuously examine our financial systems and procedures to ensure that there are no gaps that can bring us into conflict with the law," he warned.

Under the Free Primary Education (FPE), the government allocates Sh1,420 per primary school learner annually and Sh15,042 per junior school student. For secondary education, the annual capitation is Sh22,244 per learner, although this was recently reduced to approximately Sh15,000 per year.

The capitation to schools is usually done in three phases of 50 per cent allocation in terms one, 30 per cent in term two and 20 per cent in term three. In March, schools received the remaining Sh14 billion in capitation funds for first term.

There have, however, been

concerns raised by school principals regarding the amount allocated, with some citing it inadequate and leading to financial difficulties.

Some schools have reported discrepancies between the number of students on the roll and the number of students for whom capitation is disbursed, resulting in insufficient funding.

A portion of the capitation is sometimes retained by the Ministry of Education for specific purposes, such as capacity building and co-curricular activities, further exacerbating financial challenges for schools.

Ogamba, at the same time revealed that they have already successfully registered the candidates who will sit the first national assessment at Grade 9, ahead of their transition to Grade 10 of the Senior School.

He advised all education stakeholders to step up preparations for the Competency Based Education (CBE) system implementation in the Senior School next year.

"In the next three months, we expect you to oversee the



**Education CS Julius Ogamba (right) receiving an elephant trophy from the Principal Secretary for Basic Education Prof. Julius Bittok (left) during the official launch of Education Conference in Naivasha.** PHOTO: MABEL SHIKUKU

In the next three months, we expect you to oversee the selection exercise of Senior Schools for our Grade 9 candidates

selection exercise of Senior Schools for our Grade 9 candidates. Since this will be the premier class to be subjected to the selection process of Senior School options under the CBE, I urge you to be keen to address any teething problems that candidates may face," the CS stated.

# Government to increase NYS recruits to 100,000 annually, reveals CS

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The CS cited the NYS Yatta field unit which has about 300,000 avocado seedlings ready for market, it would boost earnings for the institution. The field units have enough land and labour to undertake large scale farming and the opportunity to become the country's food basket.

"If we sell the 300,000 avocados seedlings for about Sh200 each, that's a lot of money.

Last year, from 250 acres of maize planted in this field unit, we harvested 3,000 bags or 180 metric tons. We plan to undertake this on a large scale in all the NYS field units in the country," Ruku said.

He called on the national assembly to expedite any amendment presented to them on the effective operationalization of NYS so that more young people can be trained in these institutions.



## KENYA FISHERIES SERVICE

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The Kenya Fisheries Service wishes to invite sealed bids from interested, eligible and competent bidders for the following tender.

NO.	TENDER NO.	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE
1	KeFS/OT/004/2024-2025	TENDER FOR PROVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL INSURANCE SCHEME FOR KENYA FISHERIES SERVICE-STAFF	Insurance Underwriters	20/05/2025

Interested bidders may obtain a set of bidding documents with detailed specifications and conditions from [www.kefs.go.ke](http://www.kefs.go.ke) & [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) free of charge. Tenderers who download the tender document must forward their particulars immediately to [procurement@kefs.go.ke](mailto:procurement@kefs.go.ke).

Only bidders who meet the mandatory requirements pursuant to the tender document will be eligible for evaluation.

Completed tender documents (1 Original copy of the bid document and 2 other Copies) in plain sealed envelopes and clearly marked **Tender No KeFS/OT/004/2024-2025**

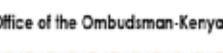
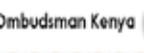
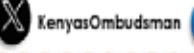
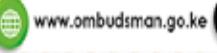
should be addressed to,

**The Director General**  
**Kenya Fisheries Service**  
**P.O. Box 48511-00100**  
**Nairobi**

And dropped in the tender box situated at the Kenya Fisheries service Office, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, SHA Building, Ragati Road, Nairobi on or before **20th May, 2025 at 10:00am**.

Submitted tenders will be opened immediately (**20<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 10:00am**) in the presence of bidders or their representatives who choose to attend at the Kenya Fisheries Service Boardroom, in 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, SHA Building, Ragati Road, Nairobi.

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### JOB ADVERTISEMENT

The National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA) is a State Corporation established by an Act of Parliament, NACADA Act 2012 to coordinate multi-sectoral efforts aimed at preventing, controlling and mitigating the impact of alcohol and drug abuse in Kenya. Towards achieving this mandate, NACADA wishes to competitively recruit dynamic, result-oriented and self-driven Kenyan citizen for the position of Deputy Director, Finance and Accounts.

No.	Position	Ref. No.
1.	Deputy Director, Finance and Accounts.	NACADA/DDF&A/5/2025

Detailed job profiles can be accessed at [www.nacada.go.ke/vacancies](http://www.nacada.go.ke/vacancies).

Qualified candidates are invited to apply to the below address. The application **should** indicate **Job Ref. No.** on both the application and envelope and **should** include current detailed Curriculum Vitae indicating email address, telephone contacts and three (3) professional referees; copies of academic and professional certificates, relevant testimonials and the National Identity Card.

**The Chief Executive Officer,**  
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Applicants whose background and competencies match the requirements of the job are invited to apply by submitting a cover letter, detailed curriculum vitae (CV), a copy of the National Identity Card, copies of academic and professional certificates and transcripts and other relevant testimonials either via email to [careers@nacada.go.ke](mailto:careers@nacada.go.ke) or hard copy to the above address.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

1. Applications must be received by **Friday 27th May 2025 at 5.00 p.m. East Africa Time..**
2. **ONLY SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES** shall be contacted.
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# Government teams up with five donors to boost stability in border counties

BY ERICK KYALO, KNA

The National Government, in collaboration with development partners and the northern frontier counties, is addressing insecurity and development challenges in the North-Eastern region. The partnership also aims to unlock the economic potential of these counties and their borderlands. It is working with the United Kingdom (UK), United States (US), European Union (EU), World Bank (WB), and United Nations (UN) on this initiative. According to the five development partners, the border counties in the North-Eastern region are of high importance due to their strategic location, untapped resources, and crucial role in promoting regional stability.

Among the key issues to be prioritized include peace and security. There have been integrated approaches to address extremism, inter-communal conflict, and community trust in public institutions.

Other issues include climate resilience and drought response programmes, gender disparities



UN Resident Coordinator Stephen Jackson during a press briefing at the Garissa county headquarters. He said that these teams are working to bring the two sides of the equation together; development investment and security for sustainable development ..

in access to leadership, education, and economic opportunities by women through inclusion, empowerment and strengthening service delivery, investment and capacity at county levels.

Speaking during a press briefing at the Garissa county headquarters, the UN Resident Coordinator Stephen Jackson said the partners are working to bring the two sides of the equation

together; undertaking development investment and helping boost security for sustainable development in the region.

"This is a zone of enormous potential, whether one is thinking of livestock, or agriculture or value chains that come from both of those or renewable energy or mining, there is so much potential that can be realized in this region," Jackson said.

# Trust in police requires reform and public engagement-IPOA

BY MARTIN KIPLIMO, KNA

The Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA) Chairperson Issack Hassan has said it is time for Kenya to have an honest, nationwide conversation about policing. He stated that while security remains a cornerstone of national stability, the relationship between the police and the public has become increasingly strained. According to him, IPOA believes that rebuilding this relationship requires not only reforms but also a great deal of dialogue. Speaking in Eldoret during the Second Annual Regulatory Authorities and Agencies Conference, the IPOA Chairperson reiterated the urgent need to bring all stakeholders—including citizens, police officers, civil society, and policymakers—to the table.

In reference to clashes over land in Angata Barikoi, Narok, where at least five people were killed and several others injured during a confrontation with government officials conducting demarcations, Hassan said the Authority's goal is not to attack the police, but to strengthen policing through accountability,



Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA) chair Issack Hassan makes his remarks during the final day of Second Annual Regulatory Authorities and Agencies Conference held at the University of Eldoret. PHOTO: EKUWAM SYLVESTER

transparency, and mutual understanding.

"Public confidence in law enforcement cannot be restored by command alone but be earned through openness and respect for rights," Hassan noted.

The chair noted that his office is willing to work closely with the Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja to ensure such incidents do not occur again in the future.

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<b>OPEN NATIONAL TENDER</b>				
1.	<b>KPC/PU/OT -213/I&amp;C/NBI/24 - 25</b> Supply, Installation, Configuration and Commissioning of Scada Servers, Networking Hardware and Accessories	KES.500,000.00	14-05-2025	21-05-2025
2.	<b>KPC/PU/OT -214/I&amp;C/NBI/24 - 25</b> Supply, Installation, Configuration and Commissioning of Densitometers for Scada Upgrade Project	KES.500,000.00	14-05-2025	21-05-2025
<p>The Tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from the website <a href="http://www.kpc.co.ke">www.kpc.co.ke</a> at no cost. Bidders will be required to register their companies on KPC SRM portal and send ONLY queries to <a href="mailto:opentender@kpc.co.ke">opentender@kpc.co.ke</a>. In addition, all addenda will be posted to those bidders who indicate their intention to participate through the SRM portal.</p> <p>No other email addresses shall be used and KPC shall not be liable if bidders choose to send their queries to other email addresses.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Bidders who are not registered in KPC SRM System should first register using this link <a href="https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal">https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal</a></p>				

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

All bidders will be required to submit the tenders online via SRM Portal <https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/portal> and all documents **MUST** be uploaded to the **COLLABORATION FOLDER**. Bidders shall not attach their documents at any other tab of the portal. To be received on or before the indicated closing date at **10.00 a.m.**

**(NO BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED IN THE TENDER BOX EXCEPT FOR THE ORIGINAL TENDER SECURITY)** Opening of the tenders will take place at **10.30 a.m.**

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

KeNHA invites sealed bids from eligible Consultant for the Request for Proposals (RFP) mentioned below;

S / No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Tender Closing/Opening Date/Time/Venue
1.	KeNHA/2871/2025	Request for Proposal for Consultancy Services for Provision of Internal Audit Services for Projects Financial Statements for the Period Ending 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025 - <b>LOT 1</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11.00am.</b> KeNHA Headquarters, Barabara Plaza, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA), Nairobi, Off Mazao Road, Block C - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Room.
2.	KeNHA/2872/2025	Request for Proposal for Consultancy Services for Provision of Internal Audit Services for Projects Financial Statements for the Period Ending 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025 - <b>LOT 2</b>	
3.	KeNHA/2873/2025	Request for Proposal for Consultancy Services for the Provision of Internal Audit Services for Projects Financial Statements for the Period Ending 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025 - <b>LOT 3</b>	

A complete set of Request for Proposal (RFP) documents may be obtained by interested Bidders free of charge by downloading from KeNHA website: [www.kenha.co.ke](http://www.kenha.co.ke) or Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP): [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) or from KeNHA Office JKIA Barabara Plaza Block C, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Supply Chain Management Office during normal working hours upon payment of non-refundable fee of **Kshs. 1,000.00** (One thousand shillings only) in form of a banker's cheque payable to Kenya National Highways Authority.

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

All interested bidders are required to continually check the Kenya National Highways Authority website: [www.kenha.co.ke](http://www.kenha.co.ke) and Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) website: [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) for any other tender addenda or clarifications that may arise before the submission date.

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# Ministry now tests greening initiative through 'Model Villages' to hit 2032 tree planting target

BY DICKSON MWITI, KNA

The Ministry of Environment, Climate change and Forestry is carrying out a pilot programme on 'Model Villages' to fast track the achievement of 15 billion trees target by the year 2032.

The Ministry's Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr Deborah Barasa said this was the way to go in achieving and exceeding the 15 billion mark as well as the 30 percent tree cover.

The CS said this in a speech read on her behalf by the Director of Economic Planning at the State Department for Forestry Mr Lawrence Muthamia during the launch of Kiamweri Model village in Meru County. The launch was held at Mukaragatine Primary School.

"The 15 billion Tree Growing Programme launched as a Presidential Flagship Project, is now being translated into tangible action here in Meru County, with Kiamweri Model Village leading the way.

I wish to commend the leadership and the people of Kiamweri for taking ownership of this national agenda and special recognition goes to Mr Lawrence Mwiti Muthamia, Director of Economic Planning at the State Department for Forestry, who has been pivotal in the strategic planning and coordination of this initiative across Meru County," said Dr Barasa.

Under his stewardship, she added, 30 schools have been selected in Meru County as sites for agroforestry-based tree planting, and that the pilot will be replicated in four other coun-



**Mr Muthamia planting a tree at Mukaragatine Primary school where the launch event was held.** PHOTOS BY DICKSON MWITI

ties including Turkana, Kitui, Marsabit, and Kakamega before national scaling.

"This represents the Whole-of-Government and Whole-of-Society approach that is central to the success of the 15 billion Tree Campaign," said Dr Barasa.

She underscored the importance of tree growing terming it as multipliers of value including their contributions to improved education, Nutrition and food security, Income generation, Carbon credit markets, Cultural and religious enrichment, Eco-

system services as well as Tourism and green heritage.

"In planting trees, we invest in the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), we support Vision 2030's Fourth Medium-Term Plan (MTP IV), and we also uphold our regional and international commitments

**We want to partner with school children as they are the centre of the families**

including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the AFR100, and the Bonn Challenge," said Dr Barasa.

She added: "To our schools, teachers, and students, you are the heart of this movement. Let each learner grow with the tree they plant today; nurturing it as they grow in wisdom, knowledge, and service to the country."

In his remarks, Mr Muthamia noted that the 2032 target could not be realised without a well-defined strategy and this was the reason for coming up with the model villages concept which will involve people on the ground.

"We have analysed and concluded that the best teams to involve are the schools, communities, and people living along forested areas as they form the buffer zones of protecting our already existing forests," said Mr Muthamia.

He said after the piloting, they will have a national wide coverage so that by the end of the day, they be at a position to assess the challenges, gaps, and lessons learnt from the implementations before scaling it to the entire country.

"We want to partner with school children as they are the centre of the families and they go down to the community, and when they grow knowing the importance of trees, it gets very well into the community and this is our target," said Mr Muthamia.

He also noted that they will be establishing woodlots in targeted schools where they will be engaging with teachers, County

Government Departments as well as schools' management boards.

Meru County Chief Forest Conservator Wellington Ndaka said the programme is vital in contributing to achievement of their target which they are very keen on.

So far, he added, Meru County has achieved a 12.9 percent forest cover against the target of 30 percent, and 29.6 percent of trees grown outside the gazetted forest.

"We have also managed to plant 34, 844,117 million trees against a target of 37 million meaning that we are only off by 3,000,000 trees which we will soon manage since we have similar events taking place in other parts of the county," said Mr Ndaka.

He said as a county they are heading to President William Ruto's directive and will hit and exceed the target before the given time.

He also said that planting trees in the county is currently a routine exercise and 30 percent of planted trees including in their nurseries are fruit trees as they are important in terms of climate mitigation and resilience as well as their interventions in issues of nutrition and generation of income.

"We are also doing landscape and agro-forest restoration as well as dry-land forestry considering that 60 percent of Meru is dry," said Mr Ndaka.

He called on the Kiamweri model village to count on them as worthy partners promising their support so long as they sustain the trees given to them.



## AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOARD

### TENDER NOTICE

The Affordable Housing Board (AHB) invites bids for the following tenders.

TENDER NUMBER	TENDER DESCRIPTION	CLOSING/OPENING DATE
AHB/RFP/023/2024-2025	Provision of End User Financing.	Monday 19th May 2025 at 10.00 AM Kenyan Local time

Interested and eligible bidders may access and download the tender documents from the Board's website; [www.affordablehousingboard.go.ke](http://www.affordablehousingboard.go.ke) and the Public procurement Information Portal; [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) at no cost.

Bidders will be required to forward their particulars via email to [procurement@affordablehousingboard.co.ke](mailto:procurement@affordablehousingboard.co.ke) for record and any further tender clarifications and addendum where necessary.

Any requests for clarification may be send to the **Ag. Chief Executive Officer, Affordable Housing Board (AHB)**, or email to: [procurement@affordablehousingboard.go.ke](mailto:procurement@affordablehousingboard.go.ke) so as to be received not more than 5days before the deadline date of submission.

Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any dead line date and time specified later. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address indicated in the tender documents.

**Ag. Chief Executive Officer**



## STATE DEPARTMENT FOR DEVOLUTION

### ADDENDUM ON REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

#### (CONSULTING SERVICES-INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT SELECTION-IC- CQs)

Country :	Kenya
Name of Project :	Second Kenya Devolution Support Program KDSP-II
Credit No :	IDA-7447-KE
Project ID No :	P180935
Assignment Title :	Individual Consultant - Environmental Safeguards Specialist
Reference No :	KE-SDD-480443-CS-INDV

Interested Individual Consultants - Environmental Safeguards Specialist are notified of amendments on Terms of Reference. The amended Terms of Reference are available on The Public Procurement Information Portal <https://tenders.go.ke> and the State Department For Devolution Website <https://www.devolution.go.ke>. The opening date has also been extended to **12th May 2025 at 11.00am**. All other conditions remain the same.

**PROJECT COORDINATOR (KDSP II)  
FOR: PRINCIPAL SECRETARY/ STATE DEPARTMENT FOR DEVOLUTION**



# Senate committee urges cooperation to address county assemblies financial woes

BY SITATI REAGAN, KNA

The Senate Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation has raised concerns over the financial and operational challenges facing county assemblies. The committee called for greater cooperation between governors and legislators to strengthen devolution. Led by Chairperson Senator Mwenda Gataya of Tharaka Nithi, the committee—while on a tour of the Mombasa County Assembly—emphasized the need for better and more cordial relations between the executive and the legislature at the county level to foster a seamless working environment. “We are here following an invitation by the Speaker of the Mombasa County Assembly to assess how the assembly is implementing its legislative mandate and supporting devolution,” Senator Mwenda said.

He noted that the commit-



**Mombasa County Assembly Speaker Aharub Khatri addressing journalists at the County Assembly during the Senate Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation meeting, flanked by Makueni Senator Dan Maazo (L), and the Committee Chair Senator Mwenda Gataya (L).** PHOTO: REAGAN SITATI

tee's core responsibility is to examine county legislation, such as tax collection, environment management, and ensure they

remain within the confines of the law and do not infringe on constitutional rights.

Senator Mwenda expressed

concern over reports that some county assemblies had not received their salaries and had suffered financial cuts.

“We have established that some assemblies have lost funds, allegedly redirected to the governors. This undermines their oversight role,” he stated.

He added that the committee would escalate the matter to the Senate Budget Committee, advocating for financial harmony between governors and county assemblies.

“Oversight in the counties is primarily conducted by the county assemblies. If they are weakened, they cannot effectively monitor county governments,” he emphasized.

The senator further noted ongoing collaboration with other Senate committees to address the recurring issue of delayed disbursement of county funds.

He also highlighted discussions to harmonize the Road Maintenance Levy Fund management between governors and members of Parliament, a subject that has brought great division.

The delegation included Vice

Chair Senator Danson Mungatana (Tana River), Senator Dan Maanzo (Makueni), Senator Betty Montet (Nominated), Senator Joyce Korir (Nominated), Senator Julius Murgor (West Pokot), and Senator Issa Juma Boy (Kwale).

Mombasa County Assembly Speaker Hon. Aharub Khatri welcomed the committee and acknowledged the importance of their visit. He confirmed that the deliberations focused on critical challenges, including funding and operational constraints. “We are encouraged by our discussion, especially as some of the senators present, have previously served in county assemblies and understand these issues firsthand,” Khatri said.

“We’ve agreed to continue this dialogue both here and in Nairobi, to find sustainable solutions that ensure public resources serve the wananchi,” he said. The committee is expected to compile a comprehensive report with recommendations to strengthen devolution and the effectiveness of county assemblies.



## TEACHERS SERVICE COMMISSION

### REPLACEMENT OF TEACHERS WHO EXITED SERVICE IN PUBLIC PRIMARY, JUNIOR AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS – MAY, 2025

The Teachers Service Commission is declaring **2,014 vacancies** to replace teachers who exited service through natural attrition i.e. **1,309** posts for primary schools, **32** posts for junior schools and **673** posts for secondary schools. The teachers recruited will serve on Permanent and Pensionable terms of service.

#### Eligibility

To qualify for recruitment, a candidate should meet the following minimum requirements:

- i) Be a Kenyan citizen;
- ii) Must be a holder of:
  - a P1 certificate in the case of primary schools OR
  - A atleast a diploma in education in the case of junior and secondary schools with a minimum Grade of C+ (plus) and C+ (plus) in two teaching Subjects in KCSE or its equivalent;
- iii) Must be a registered teacher with Teachers Service Commission.

#### Mode of Application

Interested and qualified candidates should submit their applications online through the Teachers Service Commission’s website, [www.tsc.go.ke](http://www.tsc.go.ke) under ‘Careers’ or [teachersonline.tsc.go.ke](http://teachersonline.tsc.go.ke) not later than **Monday, 19th May 2025 Midnight**.

Details on available vacancies per county/schools is in the Teachers Service Commission’s website: [www.tsc.go.ke](http://www.tsc.go.ke). General Information Please note that:

- i) The Teachers Service Commission Recruitment Guidelines 2024/2025 Financial Year (**Circular No. 19/2024 and No.20/2024**) shall apply.
- ii) Shortlisted candidates will be required to present original academic and professional certificates.
- iii) Successful candidates must not fill more than one Application for Employment Form. Filling of two or more Application for Employment Forms will lead to disqualification.
- iv) Manual applications will not be considered.
- v) Applicants who have not previously been employed by the Teachers Service Commission will be given preference.

The Teachers Service Commission is an equal opportunity employer as per the constitutional provisions and law and persons with disabilities (PWDs) are encouraged to apply.

#### CAUTION:

The recruitment exercise is free of charge. The Teachers Service Commission forewarns applicants against fraudsters who might extort money from unsuspecting persons purporting to assist in recruitment.

#### REPORTING OF FRAUD

Any fraudulent activity should be reported to the nearest TSC office or Teachers Service Commission headquarters through the following telephone lines: **Director Staffing (0202892193)** and **Deputy Director- Staffing (0202892131)** or write to the Commission through the email address [dirstaffing@tsc.go.ke](mailto:dirstaffing@tsc.go.ke).

In addition, any such fraudulent activity should be reported to the nearest police station.

Details on available vacancies per county/school is in the Teachers Service Commission’s website: [www.tsc.go.ke](http://www.tsc.go.ke)

TEACHERS SERVICE COMMISSION



## Public Notice

### Tax Compliance in Readiness for the Renewal of Licenses by the Betting Control and Licensing Board

The Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) reminds all licensed betting and gaming firms that the current operating licenses for the financial year 2024/2025 issued by the Betting Control & Licensing Board (BCLB) under the Betting, Lotteries and Gaming Act (BL&G Act) Cap. 131 are due to expire on 30th June 2025, pursuant to Section 9 of the BL&G Act.

Clearance by KRA is a mandatory requirement for renewal of the licenses by the BCLB. In this regard, all betting and gaming operators are encouraged to update their tax matters with KRA to avoid any inconveniences.

To facilitate the clearance process and validate the tax compliance status, KRA will confirm the following in accordance with the Tax Procedures Act:

1. Provision of a copy of the current CR12.
2. Updated Company iTax profile with the current Directors as per the CR12, the physical location of the company and the contact details.
3. Filed returns for all tax obligations and respective periods for both the Company and its Directors.
4. Settled tax liabilities for both the Company and its Directors.
5. Provision of all requested records for ongoing tax audits and/or compliance checks.
6. Full access to systems for ongoing system audits as is necessary for the purpose of the audit.
7. Valid Tax Compliance Certificates (TCC) for both the company and directors.
8. Integration with KRA Systems as per requirement and for purposes of daily tax remittances and data transmission.
9. Integrated and approved Company’s payroll numbers.

The relevant documents/records should be delivered to the KRA Offices at Ushuru Pension Plaza, Muthangari Drive or to the official email addresses of the relationship managers.

KRA remains committed to support all taxpayers to comply with their tax obligations in a timely and efficient manner. All taxpayers are encouraged to act promptly and take advantage of the tax amnesty before the 30th June, 2025 deadline.

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# JKUAT transforms mushroom farming with new technology

BY YVONNE WANGECI, KNA

A groundbreaking agricultural innovation is quietly taking shape at the leafy campus of Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT). Here, mushrooms are being grown not in traditional mud huts but inside a high-tech 40-foot container. Using a blend of smart farming technologies, including environmental sensors, CCTV cameras, and smartphone-linked applications, the project is redefining mushroom cultivation. Farmers can now monitor and manage growth conditions remotely, receiving real-time notifications to ensure optimal productivity.

The project is a collaboration between JKUAT, JKUAT's innovation hub (J-Hub), South Korean company Mush&Co., and the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA).

It also receives strong support from Kenya's Ministry of Agriculture and the Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO).

"When I came to this country, I was shocked by the size of farms. Kenya is 23 times bigger than Korea, yet many farmers

still face challenges. In Korea, even with small spaces, we stack mushroom farms up to 15 tiers high, about 50 meters. This saves space and maximizes yield. Here, you can grow mushrooms even in your backyard without occupying much land," said Jihyun Jung, CEO and Director of Mush.

She added that this method could also help combat deforestation, "In many places, forests are cleared to create farmland. This smart farming technique minimizes land use while ensuring high yields," she said.

According to the founder and director of J-Hub at JKUAT Lawrence Nderu, the project leverages advanced smart farming systems.

"We use sensors to track temperature, humidity, and light levels, key parameters for mushroom growth. If temperatures rise too high, actuators automatically activate sprinklers to cool the container. All of this can be controlled remotely via a mobile app, anywhere in the world," Nderu explained.

He emphasized that this kind of innovation is crucial for attracting young people into agriculture, an industry where the average farmer is aging.



**LEFT:** Mushroom inside the high-tech 40-foot container.  
**CEO of Mush & Co Jihyun Jung and founder of Jhub Lawrence Nderu exchanging gifts.**

"We want to make agriculture cool and tech-driven so we can train the next generation of farmers," he said.

While the initial setup costs are relatively high primarily due to the cost of sensors and smart systems, Jihyun Jung believes the investment is worthwhile.

"The risks are lower because the conditions are optimized. Mushrooms mature in about one and a half months, with daily

harvesting possible. You start to see returns almost immediately," she said.

The traditional substrate of hay and manure is still used, making it a familiar process for farmers despite the technological upgrade.

A single 20-foot container can produce approximately 100 kilograms of mushrooms, with expectations for increased yields as techniques improve.



**Kenya Civil Aviation Authority**

## TENDER NOTICE

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

INTERNATIONAL OPEN TENDER			
NO	TENDER NUMBER	TITLE OF TENDER	ELIGIBILITY
1.	KCAA/020/2024-2025	Supply, Delivery, Installation, Testing & Commissioning Of 120 KVA Uninterruptable Power Supply (UPS).	Open

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

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

**The Director General,  
Kenya Civil Aviation Authority,  
P.O Box 30163-00100, Nairobi**

So as to be received on or before **Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11:00 AM** at KCAA Headquarters, JKIA.

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

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FOR: DIRECTOR GENERAL**



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## TENDER ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE

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

Tender Reference Number	Tender Description	Pre-Bid Meeting / Site Visit	Closing/Opening Date
KAA/OT/MIA/0180/2024-2025	Re-Tender for Supply and Installation of Check In Counters and Associated Works at Moi International Airport	There shall be a site visit on 14/05/2025 at Moi International Airport at 10:00 am	22/05/2025 at 11:00 am
KAA/OT/MANDA/0181/2024-2025	Re-Tender for Provision of Cleaning Services at Manda Airstrip	There shall be a site visit on 15/05/2025 at Manda Airstrip at 10:00 am	22/05/2025 at 11:00 am
KAA/OT/NANYUKI/0182/2024-2025	Proposed Construction of Main Gate, Canopy, Toll Station and Public Ablution Block at Nanyuki Airstrip	There shall be a site visit on 14/05/2025 at Nanyuki Airstrip at 10:00 am	22/05/2025 at 11:00 am
KAA/OT/KABUNDE/0183/2024-2025	Proposed Construction of Kabunde Passenger Terminal Building and Associated Works	There shall be a site visit on 14/05/2025 at Kabunde Airstrip at 10:00 am	22/05/2025 at 11:00 am

Information on these tender notices and documents detailing the requirements, tendering procedures and guidelines should be downloaded from our website at <https://www.kaa.go.ke/corporate/procurement/> or <https://suppliers.kaa.go.ke/irj/portal> or Public Procurement Information Portal at [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) free of charge.

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

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

**MANAGING DIRECTOR/CEO**

# Kenya recognized as a creative powerhouse at WAVES summit



William Kabogo (centre), Cabinet Secretary for the Ministry of Information, Communication and the Digital Economy flanked by global leaders during the inaugural World Audio Visual Entertainment Summit (WAVES) 2025 in Mumbai, India.

BY JERRY ABUGA

Cabinet Secretary for Information, Communications, and the Digital Economy, William Kabogo Gitau, has expressed Kenya's position as a creative powerhouse ready to shape a diverse, ethical, and forward-looking media landscape. The Cabinet Secretary, who spoke at the Global Media Dialogue during the inaugural World Audio Visual Entertainment Summit (WAVES) 2025 in Mumbai, India, highlighted the transformative potential of media and entertainment in driving development, cross-cultural understanding, and innovation. "With 44 distinct communities and a rich storytelling tradition—from Nairobi's vibrant film scene to the soulful rhythms of

benga music—Kenya is amplifying African voices. We invite global partners to invest in African content that connects, uplifts, and inspires," he declared. The CS showcased Kenya's pioneering policies, including tax incentives, expanded connectivity, and platforms like M-Pesa, which empower creators through digital monetization. He stressed the need for global cooperation to protect intellectual property, bridge the digital divide, and uphold creators' rights across the Global South.

In a world where misinformation threatens stability, Mr Gitau stressed the urgency of joint efforts to safeguard truth.

"Kenya advocates for ethical standards, AI verification tools and harmonised content poli-

cies to combat misinformation, especially during elections and crises," he noted.

Cultural exchange, he argued, remains a vital bridge between nations, adding that through Diaspora networks, regional partnerships and co-productions, Kenya is fostering mutual respect and global unity.

"At the heart of this vision is the youth, who are mastering digital skills and building Africa's next generation of media platforms. I urge the world to partner with Kenya's thriving tech ecosystem to harness this potential," said the Cabinet Secretary. Proposing a global repository of best practices, Mr Gitau envisioned a platform for sharing knowledge and fostering ethical, inclusive and sustainable innovation.

# Government's wage bill to grow by Sh42.24 billion in second quarter

BY BERNADETTE KHADULI, KNA

The National Government personnel emoluments (PE) are projected to rise to Sh212.53 billion in the second quarter of FY 2024/2025. The Salaries and Remuneration Commission's (SRC) report on the wage bill for the Financial Year 2024/2025 indicates that personnel emoluments rose from Sh170.29 billion in the second quarter of FY 2023/2024.

The report further notes that, despite this growth, the PE-to-total-revenue ratio is projected to decrease from 31.7 percent to 25.7 percent over the same period, remaining within the recommended threshold. The first quarter runs from July 2024 to September 2024, while the second quarter spans from October 2024 to December 2024.

According to SRC, the national government PE in the first quarter 2024/2025 was estimated at Sh111.09 billion compared to Sh120.99 billion in the same period in FY 2023/2024, adding that the PE, which excludes national security and consolidated fund services declined from 23.53 per cent to 19.72 per cent.

On the county government expenditure on personnel emolument, SRC announced that the PE is projected to increase from Sh38.69 billion in the first quarter to Sh 52.16 billion in the second quarter of FY 2024/2025, representing 34.8 per cent growth.

"The PE to ordinary revenue ratio is projected to decline from 44.01 per cent in the first

quarter to 41.3 per cent in second quarter," the statement shows.

SRC further notes that the county government PE remained above the 35 per cent threshold set by the Public Finance Management (PFM) Regulations, 2015 Act in the second quarter, adding that only Nakuru, Kwale, Busia, Tana River, Narok and Kilifi counties complied with the PFM Act, 2012 threshold of 35 per cent PE to revenue ratio.

The county government expenditure on PE in the first quarter of FY 2024/2025 was estimated at Sh40.47 billion which is slightly lower than the Sh41.79 billion recorded in the first quarter of FY 2023/2024.

During the second quarter of FY 2024/2025, the commission received requests from public institutions for decisions, of which it managed to issue advice to a total of 73 institutions, with advice on allowances and benefits accounting for 64.4 per cent.

Advice job evaluation and salary structures was 24.7 per cent while the collective bargaining negotiations was at 11.0 per cent.

In the second quarter, SRC received 174 requests which remained pending, with 39 awaiting additional information from institutions.

Some of the requests did not receive advice as they were awaiting the constitution of the incoming Commission following the end of the six-year term of the former SRC. The advice was based on existing policies and precedence.



**INVITATION TO TENDER**

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

NO.	TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	TENDER COMMENCEMENT DATE	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1.	KP1/9A.2/OT/055/ICT/24-25	Supply and Installation of Data Centre WAN and Regional HQ Routers	Friday 09.05.2025	Friday 23.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.

Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tender may be obtained from the Kenya Power website ([www.kplc.co.ke](http://www.kplc.co.ke)) from the date shown above.

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**STATE DEPARTMENT FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (MSMES) DEVELOPMENT**



**MINISTRY OF INVESTMENTS, TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI)**

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

**STATE DEPARTMENT FOR INDUSTRY**



**THE NATIONAL TREASURY & ECONOMIC PLANNING**

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

**STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ECONOMIC PLANNING**

**MAPPING AND GEO-LOCATION OF INDUSTRIES AND DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DATABASE AND DIRECTORY OF KENYA - (NAIROBI COUNTY)**

The State Department for Industry in collaboration with the State Department for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development and State Department for Economic Planning together with their agencies Kenya Industrial Estates and Kenya National Bureau of Statistics intends to conduct Mapping of Industries within Nairobi County.

The primary objective of this exercise is to develop a Comprehensive Database and Directory of industries which is essential for policy formulation, planning and investment facilitation.

Trained Research Assistants will visit industrial establishments across all the 147 Sub-locations in Nairobi County to collect relevant data between the month of May and June 2025.

Industries management are urged to be receptive and cooperative in providing accurate data to facilitate the success of this important initiative.

Data collection will be done in a professional and non-disruptive manner.

For further information:  
Please contact the State Department for Industry  
Email: [infor@industrialization.go.ke](mailto:infor@industrialization.go.ke)  
Tel: +254 20 2731531.

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# Four students earn prestigious Mathematics scholarship at African Olympiad Academy

BY IAN CHEPKUTO, KNA

Four top students have earned a prestigious three-year mathematics scholarship at the African Olympiad Academy (AOA) in Kigali, Rwanda. The students excelled in the Pan-African Rising Stars Mathematics Contest, held at the Centre for Mathematics, Science, and Technology Education in Africa (CEMASTEA) in Karen, Nairobi.

The initiative, which is part of the AOA's talent recruitment camp tour, aims to identify and nurture the brightest young mathematicians from across the continent.

The four students are Gilbert Ogoro and Shawn Tunai from Alliance Boys High School, Tumi Imani from Lukanya High School, and Baraka Mulwa from Mangu High School. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of CEMASTEA, Jacinta Akatsa, emphasized the power of mathematics in solving everyday problems in a speech delivered on her behalf by Gladys Masai, the Deputy Director of STEM Research and Innovation.

"Mathematics is not just about solving problems, it is about nurturing creativity, critical thinking and a love for life-long learning," she said.

She added that, "These skills are essential for building a better future, not only for Kenya but for Africa and the world."

The intensive contest is specifically designed to prepare them for major global competitions



**Center for Mathematics, Science and Technology Education in Africa staff at the institution pose for a photograph with four math learners who have successfully won an education scholarship to Kigali, Rwanda.**

PHOTO: BONFACE MALINDA/KNA

such as the Pan-African Mathematics Olympiad (PAMO) and the International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO).

Selected students will be awarded a full scholarship to attend AOA, inclusive of tuition, boarding, uniform, and travel expenses. Describing the camp as "life-changing," the CEO noted that it represents a significant step in nurturing young talent and advancing scientific innovation in Kenya. "This opportunity is a call for a bigger dream, to keep questioning,

**Mathematics is not just about solving problems, it is about nurturing creativity, critical thinking**

imagining, and pushing for your limits," she said.

She added that, "Our young talents are not just the future – they are creators and leaders."

She encouraged the students to keep striving for excellence, follow their passions, and remain committed to making a positive impact.

Throughout the camp, participants engage in advanced problem-solving sessions and receive mentorship from top Olympiad coaches.

The students were selected from across Kenya based on their performance at the Kenya Math Olympiad (KMO), which is organized by CEMASTEA, the University of Nairobi and the Centre for Education in Mathematics and Computing (CEMC), based at the University of Waterloo.

# Nairobi to host expo on sustainable packaging



BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A, KNA

More than 150 exhibitors from around the world will convene in Nairobi in the coming weeks to showcase cutting-edge, eco-friendly innovations in packaging, printing, and food processing. The exhibition, scheduled from May 20th to May 22nd during the Propak East Africa Conference and Expo 2025, aims to promote sustainability and reduce environmental waste.

The annual event will bring together stakeholders from the packaging, printing, plastics, food processing, and beverage industries at the Sarit Expo Centre to present technologies and solutions that address the growing climate crisis driven by packaging waste.

Speaking ahead of the expo, the Managing Director at Montgomery Group East Africa Angela Kinyua expressed optimism about the impact of this year's event.

"This year's exhibition is going to be bigger and better.

Some of the products that will be showcased are going to be game changers in their respective industries. We expect products to be showcased by more than 150 exhibitors coming to the expo, and we invite all stakeholders to register and attend," Kinyua said.

She also highlighted the urgency of transitioning to sustainable packaging alternatives already available in the market.

"If you look around, you will notice that many of the materials currently in use can be replaced with affordable, high-quality, and eco-friendly alternatives.

The solutions exist, and it is now about creating awareness and driving action. With increased adoption, we will start to see cleaner, healthier environments," she added.

According to a World Bank report, the world produces over two billion tonnes of municipal solid waste each year, with at least 33 per cent of that not being managed in an environmentally safe manner.



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**TENDER NOTICE**

This is to bring to the attention of the general public that an invitation for the following tenders has been uploaded on the **PUBLIC PROCUREMENT INFORMATION PORTAL** and **KENYA URBAN ROADS AUTHORITY'S WEBSITE**.

No.	Tender Number	Tender Name
1	KURA/RMLF/HQ/431/2024-2025	Maintenance of Box Culverts on Kinanie-Muthwani Road
2	KURA/RMLF/HQ/432/2024-2025	Maintenance [Protection works at Chania bridge and drainage structures on Thika Bypass] in Thika
3	KURA/RMLF/HQ/433/2024-2025	Maintenance of Drainage Structures [Culverts on Kitui-Kavalola Road] in Kitui

Bidders are requested to visit KURA's Website at [www.kura.go.ke](http://www.kura.go.ke) and [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) for more information.

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For: DIRECTOR GENERAL**

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**TENDER NOTICE**

Sports Kenya (SK) is a body corporate established by the Sports Act 2013 with the mandate of harnessing Sports development, encouraging and promoting sports and recreation, providing for establishment of sports institutions, facilities, administration and management of Sports in the country and for connected purposes.

Sports Kenya invites eligible and competent firms to submit Tenders pursuant to section 74 of the Public Procurement and Disposal Act 2015 for goods, works and services as tabulated below:

TENDER NO.	DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE
SK/010/2024-2025	The Proposed Construction of Ithookwe Stadium in Kitui County	Open	15th May, 2025 11:00 AM

Interested eligible bidders may obtain tender documents from the office of the Supply Chain Management, Head Office, Kasarani, upon payment of a non-refundable fee (cash or bankers' cheque) of Kenya Shillings one Thousand (KShs.1,000/=) only, during normal working hours (8.00AM- 5.00PM) from Monday to Friday. The tender documents can be downloaded free from [www.sportskenya.org](http://www.sportskenya.org) or [supplier.treasury.go.ke](http://supplier.treasury.go.ke)

Completed tender documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes marked with Tender name and reference number and deposited in the Tender Box at the reception, **MAIN OFFICE, SPORTS KENYA, PRIVATE BAG, KASARANI, KASARANI** or to be addressed to **Director General, Sports Kenya, Private Bag, KASARANI NAIROBI**, so as to be received as shown on the above table.

Applications will be opened immediately thereafter, in the presence of candidates or their representatives who choose to attend the opening meeting, at the **Director General's Boardroom**.



## State targets unregistered churches to curb religious radicalisation

BY MAKOKHA KHAOYA,  
KNA

**N**yanza Regional Commissioner Florence Mworoa has said that the government will not spare any unregistered churches to curb religious radicalisation.

Mworoa, who spoke during a tour of the Melkio, St Joseph's Missions of Messiah in Opapo-Rongo, which was recently raided by police officers, said that a looming crackdown on unregistered churches will

not spare anyone.

The Rongo-based church with questionable doctrines has been shut down by authorities following the rescue of 57 worshippers who resided within the premises.

The recent activities in Rongo-Migori, where two bodies, including that of a GSU officer, were buried in the church compound, point out the need for reinforcement in the crackdown on unregistered church entities.



**Nyanya Regional Commissioner Florence Mworoa on a tour at the premises of Melkio St. Joseph's Missions of Messiah in Opapo-Rongo. She said that the government will not spare any unregistered church entities to curb religious radicalisation.** PHOTO BY MAKOKHA KHAOYA.

"We will not tolerate radicalisation in the churches that aims to brainwash our society," said Mworoa.

The RC also cautioned government officials colluding with unregistered entities that they are breaking the law, adding that no one will be spared for the crackdown.

Mworoa called upon the members of the public to be vigilant and report any suspicious activities to security agencies to avoid

negative vices in society.

"It is very important for everyone, including the security agencies, right from the village elders to play their part and know what is happening in our society to make it a better place to live in," Mworoa said. The administrator also confirmed that security agencies are still gathering information from the Opapo community to get a better insight into the church's events in recent years.

## PS defends state's labour export program, citing job opportunities abroad

BY WANGARI MWANGI AND  
MARY WAMUTWA, KNA

**T**he Principal Secretary in the State Department for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), Dr. Esther Muoria, has defended the government's labor export program, arguing that it has played a crucial role in addressing the country's unemployment crisis. Speaking at the Nyeri National Polytechnic, Dr. Muoria stated that despite the criticism, the government has successfully secured numerous job opportunities for Kenyans abroad. "A lot of noise has been made, and I want to say that, as far as I am concerned, it is unnecessary. We are sending many people to work abroad, and they can thrive there. You can work anywhere in this world if you have the necessary skills. So yes, young people can go out there and work," she said.

Since 2023, the government has been negotiating with countries to secure job opportunities in various sectors to facilitate the employment of close to 1.76 million unemployed youth in the country. Last year, the Ministry of Labour revealed it planned to export at least one million Kenyan workers overseas annually as part of a new job creation strategy.

According to Labour Cabinet Secretary, Dr Alfred Mutua, the government is actively making more bilateral labour agreements with other countries to secure job opportunities for Kenyans in the semi-skilled and professional fields.

"To ensure a structured and beneficial approach to



**Principal Secretary in the State Department for Technical and Vocational Education Training, Dr Esther Muoria (centre) during a press briefing at the Nyeri National Polytechnic. The PS has defended the government's labour export program stating that it has been instrumental in addressing the unemployment crisis in the country.** PHOTO: WANGARI MWANGI.

labour migration, we are expanding our network of bilateral labour agreements, opening doors for Kenyans to take up semi-skilled and professional roles internationally," Dr Mutua stated.

However, Dr Muoria said that the program is not just focused on exporting labour but, the State had equally realigned its training programs with the global standards to attract foreign investors into the country.

She said to promote development; the government will also create a conducive environment to attract investors to set up industries in the country.

"By the time all these industries finish es-

tablishing in Kenya; we want to tell the industrialists that we will have all these skills.

"We must move from the business of having money in our country but having expatriates doing the work. We need to have skilled people within the economy so that we can keep that money within our economy," Dr Muoria said. The PS spoke during the launch of a five-day training workshop for some 266 trainers Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) assessors from the Mount Kenya region.

Similar workshops are ongoing at Kenya Coast National Polytechnic and at the Kisumu National Polytechnic where 671 practitioners are participating.

The training is expected to build the capacity of TVET trainers to assess and certify individuals working in the informal sector who possess competencies but lack certification.

**We must move from the business of having money in our country but having expatriates doing the work**


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PROCURING ENTITY	Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation P O Box 34585 - 00100 Nairobi.	
The Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation invites sealed bids for the following tenders <b>CONTRACT NAME AND DESCRIPTION as follows;</b>		
RFX No.	Description	Closing Date
<b>1000001340</b>	Supply, Installation and Configuration of Call Centers Bulk SMS System and USSD Code In HQ and Regional Offices. -Retender	<b>29<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 @10.00a.m.</b>
<b>1000001339</b>	Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Biogas and Solar Water Heating Systems for Clean Cooking in Public Secondary Schools - Retender	<b>29<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 @10.00a.m.</b>

1. Tendering will be conducted under open competitive method (National) using a standardized tender document.  
 2. Tenderers will be allowed to tender for one or more lots.  
 3. Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours **8.00am - 12.45pm to 1.45pm-4.00pm Monday to Friday** at the address given below.  
 4. A complete set of tender documents may be viewed and downloaded by interested tenderers free of charge electronically from the Website [www.rerecc.co.ke](http://www.rerecc.co.ke) under May, 2025 tender documents, through the e-procurement portal using <https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal> and on the Public Procurement Information Portal <https://tenders.go.ke>. Tender documents obtained electronically will be free of charge.  
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 6. All Tenders must be accompanied by bank tender security of amount as specified in the TDS or tender securing Declaration Forms as specified in the TDS. Original bid security must be submitted in the tender box before closing date and time indicated in the table above.  
 7. Completed tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before date and time indicated on the table above  
 8. The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the tender documents submitted.  
 9. Completed tenders must be delivered to the SRM portal; <https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal> with scanned documents uploaded to the collaboration folder on or before closing/opening date and time as indicated above. A guide on tender submission labelled (Quick bidding reference) can be found in the RERECC website <https://www.rerecc.co.ke/Supplier-Bidding-Quick-reference-guide.pdf>  
 10. Only Electronic Tenders will be permitted.  
 11. Any addendum to this tender shall be uploaded to the Corporation's website [www.rerecc.co.ke](http://www.rerecc.co.ke) under the specific tender documents.  
 12. Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any dead line date and time specified later. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below.  
 13. Late tenders will be rejected.  
 14. The addresses referred to above are:  
**Address for obtaining further information on tender documents**  
 For hand Courier, Original Bid security delivered to the tender Box (Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor, Off Popo Road). Contact Manager, Supply chain management, telephone number: 0709193000 and e-mail address: [tenders@rerecc.co.ke](mailto:tenders@rerecc.co.ke)  
**Address for Submission of Tenders:** Online only through <https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal>  
**Address for Opening of Tenders:** Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor, **Online system**  
 Designation: **Chief Executive Officer**  
**A. Address for Submission of Tenders.**  
 1) Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation  
 2) Postal Address: 34585 – 00100 Nairobi  
 3) Physical address for hand Courier Delivery; South C, Office Popo Road, Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor; e-mail address: [tenders@rerecc.co.ke](mailto:tenders@rerecc.co.ke) and [info@rerecc.co.ke](mailto:info@rerecc.co.ke)  
**B. Address for Opening of Tenders.**  
 1) Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation  
 2) Physical address for the location: Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor.  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

# 2025 finance bill is a game changer: great gains for Kenyans in different walks of life

BY ISAAC MWaura

The much awaited finance bill 2025 is finally out. The social media has been awash with fake proposals in order to incite Kenyans against the government. In fact, the timing of the recent documentary on BBC is suspect, noting very well that they deliberately carried a one sided story in order to advance a certain narrative. The concoction of lies obviously by the merchants of chaos and the incitement is a well-choreographed strategy to not only besmirches the image of the government, but to also to destabilize the country.

However, President William Ruto has ensured that this year's finance bill has gains for Kenyans. To begin with, employers must apply reliefs automatically such as SHA, Housing Levy, and mortgage deductions, before computing the Pay as You Earn, meaning less taxation for employees. This was not the case before, leading to employees waiting for tax refunds from the Kenya Revenue Authority. This proposal will lead to efficient tax administration and predictable income for all employees, leading to effective planning on a personal and organizational level. It also helps the KRA to reduce the backlog of tax refunds,

Secondly, the bill proposes a raft of measures to do away with fraudulent tax refund claims, by sealing loopholes that have been used by a few companies to deny Kenyans

revenue. The proposals will help to improve efficiency, thus saving the country billions of shillings that can now be used for development such as roads, hospitals, schools, water, etc.

It's refreshing and empowering to note that our senior citizens who are retiring won't pay tax on their pension (both lump sum and monthly payments) thus getting a higher pay to live a more comfortable life after serving the country. This will also help increase self-reliance on their part. The tax free pension will now apply to private insurance schemes as they were not covered before.

In addition, small businesses can fully deduct the cost of tools and equipment in the same year, e.g. utensils, at a go, thus reducing the whole business of having tedious tax accounting regimes. Moreover, the bill proposes changes that will make refunds faster, in order to reduce tax disputes. This will thus ensure more money availability for businesses and for the government to improve public service delivery.

In order reduce unnecessary expenditure that leads to borrowing, thus increasing public debt; the fiscal deficit will be reduced to 4.5% of GDP in FY2025/26. This also aligns with international best practice. As Joseph Stiglitz said "A country's tax policy is ultimately a statement about its values."

The finance bill has also



proposed measures that will ensure that unnecessary expenditure in the government such us office consumables and travel have been reduced in order to focus on more important priorities. Content creators especially the GenZs can rest easy since there is relief for them as the digital service tax has been done away with. It means more income for them and their families. This will encourage digital innovation and it also aligns with global norms.

Also, employees in the private sector usually pay tax on their daily per diem, which the Salaries and Remuneration Commission (SRC) had capped at only Ksh 2,000. This has been raised to Ksh 10,000 and its now tax free thus boosting morale and ensuring fairness in the formal sector. Further, the crypto tax rate has been halved from 3% to 1.5%, thus enabling more Kenyans to earn more hence have greater disposable income. This will also help to positions Kenya as a fintech-friendly destination for investors.

In order reduce multiple and unclear means of taxation for online businesses

that don't operate from the confines of our borders, the Significant Economic Presence (SEP) model has been adopted for digital multinationals. This ideally shifts tax liability to global platforms with local revenue. This is in line with the global principle of the International Monetary Fund that Digital taxes must evolve with the platform economy, not punish its users. As Hernando De Soto in his book, *The Mystery of Capital* observes, "simplification is the best reform. Complexity breeds corruption."

Moreover, the maxim amongst the OECD countries is that the tax system should not lag behind the economy it aims to govern.

It's interesting to note that some companies have been making money through refund claims of up to Ksh 47 Billion in the manufacturing and sale of bread. The new revenue raising measures proposes the closure of revenue leakages in order to protect tax payer's money as a means of disincentivizing the tax cheats and refund cartels. In addition, stiff penalties for fraudulent refund claims have been proposed, KRA will be enabled to use of AI and data analytics in fraud detection. It will also be modernized in order to increase its investigative capacity.

Most importantly, the discretionary powers of the National Treasury to give tax waivers have now been limited in the proposed piece of legislation in order to prevent abuse. This will help to reduce

the scope for corruption and patronage. It is true to say that every shilling lost to fraud is a shilling stolen from public trust, and that technology is the greatest equalizer in the fight against corruption. Indeed, illicit refunds are worse than evasion since they are theft disguised as compliance.

According to research conducted by Transparency International, "where laws exist without timelines, impunity flourishes." The new finance bill proposes time-bound processes for refunds and taxation processes in order to speed up resolution and to reduces backlog. There are also new enforcement penalties for non-filers and defaulters.

This will not only help to improve tax compliance culture but also lead to higher collection of revenue, thus deterring the government from increasing public debt through borrowing. For example, some people upon being forced to pay taxes end up appealing at the KRA tax appeals tribunal. Since a simple lodging of an appeal is equal to a stay of execution of the previous judgment, over Ksh 170 Billion hasn't been collected so far. This money would have been more useful in bringing development to Kenyans such as roads, SHA etc, yet some people are using the court system to evade their obligations. The new bill proposes that unless one has an express stay order from a court of law, they are compelled to pay the amounts due to the taxman. Appeals must

henceforth be accompanied by payment of tax due in order to discourage frivolous litigation since justice delayed is revenue denied. Legal bottlenecks cost the state more than unpaid taxes.

Kenya has lost its competitive advantage in aircraft repairs to our neighbors due to high taxes. The bill proposes the exemption of aircraft repair spare parts, in order to boosts Kenya's ambition to be an African aviation hub. This alone will help create over 3,000 jobs for our aviation technician and engineers.

In order to support digital money, fintech start-ups will have a much more simplified compliance for onboarding purposes. This is important because Kenya is the number destination for startup capital in Africa for the last 2 years in a row. This will promote local tech enterprise growth since incentives work best when tied to performance. In fact, nations rise on the strength of their builders, not their buyers.

The Finance bill 2025, is thus a game changer in that, rather than introducing new taxes, it seeks to make those who aren't meeting their obligation to do so as a patriotic duty. The bill is dealing with corruption & wastage, ensuring fairness and equity, and providing incentives towards creating more jobs for our youth in different sectors of the economy.

Let's support it for a better prosperous Kenya.

*Senator Isaac Mwaura is the Government Spokesman.*

## CA pushes for more public engagement in policy communication

BY MARTIN KIPLIMO, KNA

Communication Authority of Kenya has challenged government institutions to foster a digitally inclusive Kenya by connecting policy to the public. The CA Director General (DG), David Mugonyi, stated that Regulatory Authorities and Agencies (RAAs) must activate internal communication teams, as this is critical in explaining government agendas and achievements to citizens.

Speaking in Eldoret during the Second Annual RAAs Conference at the University of Eldoret, Mugonyi emphasized that the involvement of government communication officers is often overlooked and becomes an afterthought.

However, these officers are well-trained to explain complex policies in a way the public can understand. "They know how to



Mr David Mugonyi, Communications Authority Director-General speaking in Eldoret.

listen, respond, and build confidence. Ignoring them and solely relying on private media misses the bigger picture," he said.

The Director further said too often, RAAs rely almost exclusively on private media to shape and deliver their messaging.

"While the media is a vital stakeholder, it should not replace or overshadow internal communication expertise," he added.

He said the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy has designated information and communication officers across various state departments whose mandate is to articulate government initiatives, clarify policy, and respond to public concerns.

Noting that these officers are not mere functionaries, Mugonyi said leaving them out undermines both the quality and

coherence of public information.

"They are trained professionals embedded within government structures, who understand both the content and the context of policies. They can tailor messaging to local realities, identify emerging issues early, and help build trust with the public," he added.

More importantly, he said, is that they ensure consistency so that the government speaks in one voice, with clarity and purpose.

The DG further noted that in this age of misinformation where narratives spread faster than facts, the government cannot afford to have fragmented or outsourced communication.

"RAAs must work together with public communication officers by integrating them into planning, outreach, and feedback loops," he said.

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### TENDER NOTICE

Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology hereby invites eligible and interested contractors to tender for the following works:

SN	CATEGORY NUMBER	CATEGORY NAME	BID SECURITY IN KSHS.	ELIGIBILITY
1.	MMUST/008/INS/2024-2025	Provision of Staff Group Life With Last Expense Insurance Cover	800,000	Open

Interested and eligible firms may obtain further information from procurement office during normal working hours. Tender documents may be viewed and downloaded FREE of charge from the University website: [www.mmust.ac.ke](http://www.mmust.ac.ke) or PPIP Portal <https://www.tenders.go.ke>

Duly completed tender documents enclosed in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with **Tender name** and **Number** shall be sent to;

**Vice Chancellor**  
Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology- MMUST  
P. O. Box 190-50100  
Kakamega

Or, dropped in the Tender Box situated at the main entrance of the Administration Block (ABA) Building at Masinde Muliro University of Science & Technology (MMUST) main campus along Kakamega – Webuye Road in Kakamega and not any other place so as to reach the University not later than 10:00am on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2025**. Opening of the bid documents will be done immediately thereafter in the presence of applicants or their representatives who choose to attend.

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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**



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#### TENDERS FOR VARIOUS ROAD MAINTENANCE WORKS FOR THE 4<sup>th</sup> QUARTER OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-2025

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

The Authority hereby invites bids from eligible contractors for various Maintenance works for fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Quarter for the FY 2024-2025 to be funded through the Road Maintenance Levy Fund (RMLF).

There shall be a mandatory pre-bid conference and pre-tender site visits as specified in the detailed tender notice uploaded onto the KeNHA website.

A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested tenderers from the Kenya National Highways Authority website: [www.kenha.co.ke](http://www.kenha.co.ke) or PPIP portal: [www.tenders.go.ke](https://www.tenders.go.ke) free of charge.

Bidders are encouraged to download tender documents to minimise physical visits to the respective KeNHA Regional Offices.

The tender closing date shall be on **Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11.00 A.M.**

All interested bidders are required to continually check the Kenya National Highways Authority website: [www.kenha.co.ke](http://www.kenha.co.ke) for any tender addenda or clarifications that may arise before submission date.

**Deputy Director, Supply Chain Management**  
**For: DIRECTOR GENERAL**

For all your queries email us on: [communication@kenha.co.ke](mailto:communication@kenha.co.ke),

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## TEACHERS SERVICE COMMISSION

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE POSITION OF SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**VACANCY NO: TSC/CS/001/2025**

#### 1. Introduction

The Teachers Service Commission is an Independent Constitutional Commission established under Article 237 (1) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 with the mandate to undertake teacher management functions as prescribed in the Constitution and the Teachers Service Commission Act Cap 212 of the laws of Kenya (the Act).

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 250 (12) of the Constitution and Section 16 (1) of the Act, the Commission is seeking applications from qualified candidates for the position of the Secretary/Chief Executive Officer, who in performance of the functions and duties of office, shall be responsible to the Commission.

The Secretary shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Commission responsible for implementation of policies, decisions and strategies of the Commission.

#### 2. Key Duties and Responsibilities

Under the guidance of the Commission, the Secretary will be:-

- (a) The head of the secretariat;
- (b) The Accounting Officer of the Commission;
- (c) The custodian of all records of the Commission; and
- (d) Responsible for-
  - i) Executing decisions of the Commission;
  - ii) Assigning duties to and supervising the staff of the Commission;
  - iii) Facilitating, coordinating and ensuring the execution of the Commission's mandate;
  - iv) Ensuring staff compliance with public ethics and values;
  - v) The proper and diligent implementation of Part IV of the Act; and
  - vi) The performance of such other duties as may be assigned by the Commission under the Act or any other written law.

#### 3. Minimum Qualifications and Experience

Pursuant to Section 16 (2) of the TSC Act, Cap 212, a person is qualified for appointment as Secretary/Chief Executive Officer of the Commission if such person-

- a) Is a citizen of Kenya;
- b) Holds a degree in education from a university recognized in Kenya;
- c) Has had at least ten years' experience in education, administration and management, public administration, human resource or financial management; and
- d) Meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution.

#### 4. Duration of Service

The Secretary shall hold office for a term of five years but shall be eligible for re-appointment for one further term of five years.

#### 5. Compensation and Benefits

Compensation and Benefits for this position will be in accordance with the Guidelines issued by the Salaries and Remuneration Commission.

#### 6. Application Process

a) Interested candidates should download the Application Form from the TSC website ([www.tsc.go.ke](http://www.tsc.go.ke)), fill and submit together with a detailed curriculum vitae, certified copies of National Identity Card or Passport, relevant academic and professional certificates and testimonials.

b) The Application Form is also accessible electronically in the application portal at [www.tsc.go.ke](http://www.tsc.go.ke) for online applicants.

c) Applications and supporting documents may be:-

- i) Submitted online through the application portal using the link <https://www.recruitment.tsc.go.ke>
- ii) Submitted in a PDF file format attachment by emailing to [chairperson2025@tsc.go.ke](mailto:chairperson2025@tsc.go.ke)
- iii) Hand-delivered during official working hours in a sealed envelope clearly marked at the right top **"Application for the post of Secretary/ Chief Executive Officer"** at the office of the **Commission Chairman, Teachers Service Commission, TSC House, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Tower Wing, Kilimanjaro Road, Upper Hill, Nairobi.**

d) Applications must be received on or before **Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. (East African Time).**

e) Applicants are required to submit together with the application, copies of clearance Certificates from the following bodies:-

- i) Kenya Revenue Authority;
- ii) Higher Education Loans Board;
- iii) Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
- iv) Directorate of Criminal Investigations and
- v) A recognized Credit Reference Bureau.

#### 7. Important Notes

i) The names of all applicants and the interview schedule of those shortlisted shall be published in the print media and the Commission's website at [www.tsc.go.ke](http://www.tsc.go.ke) after the closure of this advertisement and shortlisting process.

ii) Applicants to take note that it is an offence to provide false information to the Commission. Documents provided shall be verified with the relevant bodies to ascertain their authenticity.

iii) Only shortlisted candidates shall be contacted for interview.

iv) Canvassing in any form will lead to automatic disqualification.

v) The Teachers Service Commission is an equal opportunity employer.



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**OFFICE OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR**

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Laikipia University invites interested eligible suppliers to apply for the following tenders

NO	TENDER NO	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	TENDER/BID SECURITY	PRE-TENDER
1	LU/TEN/04/2024-2025	PROVISION OF GENERAL INSURANCE SERVICES	OPEN	Kes. 500,000	N/A
2	LU/TEN/05/2024-2025	PROVISION CLEANING, GROUND WORKS AND SANITARY DISPOSAL SERVICES	AGPO	Kes. 100,000	12th May 2025
3	LU/TEN/06/2024-2025	PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES	OPEN	Kes. 100,000	12th May 2025
4	LU/TEN/07/2024-2025	PROVISION OF FUEL AND LUBRICANTS	OPEN	Kes. 100,000	N/A

Interested candidates may obtain further information of the advertisement, and Tender documents from the University website [www.laikipia.ac.ke](http://www.laikipia.ac.ke)

Duly filled Tender documents in plain sealed envelopes, clearly marked with tender number, tender description and bearing no indication of the applicant (**Original and One copy**) should be deposited in the Tender Box provided at **The Security Office at the Main Entrance, Laikipia University Main Campus** and be addressed to:  
**The Vice-Chancellor**  
**Laikipia University**  
**P.O. Box 1100 – 20300 NYAHURURU**

**So as to reach the University NOT LATER THAN, 15th May 2025 at 12:00 Noon.**

Bid documents shall be opened immediately thereafter at the University Boardroom in the presence of applicants or their representatives who choose to attend.

Youth, Women and Persons with Disability are encouraged to apply.

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The Authority allows for continuous application for registration of suppliers in various categories of goods, works or services leading to registration on a biannual basis.

The interested prospective applicants are required to visit our official website [www.ntsa.go.ke](http://www.ntsa.go.ke) or **Public Procurement Information Portal** to download a supplier registration document that shall be used for application. Applications are to be submitted on a continuous basis through the address below.

In view of the above, NTSA will hold a sensitization workshop for the suppliers on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025** starting from **9:00AM** at the **Railway Training Institute, South B, Mwang'anya Road**. Interested and duly registered firms are requested to make reservations for the workshop by sending a request for reservation to [procurement@ntsa.go.ke](mailto:procurement@ntsa.go.ke) for one representative per firm who should be either a director or proprietor. Admission to the venue will strictly be for those who make reservations which MUST be received by close of business on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025**.

Registration documents are to be submitted on a continuous basis in a plain sealed envelopes clearly marked "Registration category No: **NTSA/REG-003/2025-2027**" and deposited in the Quotation box located on Ground floor of our offices and addressed to:

**Director General**  
**National Transport and safety Authority**  
**316 Upper Hill Chambers 2<sup>nd</sup> Ngong Avenue**  
**P.O. Box 3602-00506**  
**Nairobi Kenya**



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4. VA/EEE/EE/2025/05	ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONICS ENGINEERS
5. VA/GEO/EE/2025/05	GEOSPATIAL ENGINEERS

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4. EEE/GE/2025/05	ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONICS ENGINEERS
5. GEO/GE/2025/05	GEOSPATIAL ENGINEERS
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Higher National Diploma	KUC graduates of 3 or 4 year Diploma course in Hotel Management.	1 Year
Diploma in Hospitality Management	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C+ and Mathematics / Business Studies C- or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of 1, 1½ & 2 year certificate (Hotel related) courses may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit.	3 Years
Diploma in Front Office Operations & Administration	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C- and Mathematics / Business Studies D+ or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of 1, 1½ & 2 year certificate in Front Office Operation may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit.	2 Years
Diploma in Culinary Arts	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C- and Mathematics/Home Science D+ or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of 1, 1½ & 2 year certificate courses: Food Production/ Food & Beverage Service & Sales may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit.	2 Years
Diploma in Food & Beverage Management	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C- and Mathematics / Business Studies D+ or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of 1, 1½ & 2 year certificate courses: Food & Beverage Service & Sales/ Food Production, may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit.	2 Years
Diploma in Events Management	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C- and Mathematics/ Business Studies D+ or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of 1, 1½ & 2 year certificate courses: Food & Beverage Service & Sales/ Food Production, may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit.	2 Years
Diploma in House Keeping & Laundry Operation	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C- and Mathematics / Business Studies D+ or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of 1, 1½ & 2 year certificate course: Housekeeping & Laundry, may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit.	2 Years
Certificate in Front Office Operations	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C- and Mathematics/Business Studies D or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of short courses: Reception/Front Desk Techniques and Hotel Information Systems courses, with <b>KCSE Aggregate D+</b> , may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit. • KUC graduates of Reception/Front Desk Techniques course, with <b>KCSE Aggregate D</b> , are required to have done, two short courses in the related field. • KUC graduates with <b>KCSE Aggregate D-</b> , are required to have done two short courses and passed with Distinction or Credit and at least <b>2 years' work experience</b> in the related field.	1 Year
Certificate in Pastry and Bakery	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C- and Mathematics/Home Science D or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of short courses: Kitchen Operation Techniques/Cake Making & Decoration/Pastry & Bakery, with KCSE Aggregate D+, may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit. • KUC graduates of the above listed courses, with KCSE Aggregate D, are required to have done, two short courses in the related field. • KUC graduates with KCSE Aggregate D-, are required to have done, two short courses and passed with a Distinction or a Credit with at least 2 years' work experience in the related field.	1 Year
Certificate in House Keeping & Laundry	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C- or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of short courses: Housekeeping Operational Skills & Laundry and Dry-Cleaning Operational Skills, with <b>KCSE Aggregate D+</b> , may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit. • KUC graduates of the above listed courses, with <b>KCSE Aggregate D</b> , are required to have done, two short courses and passed with a Distinction or a Credit in the related field. • KUC graduates with <b>KCSE Aggregate D-</b> , are required to have done, two short courses and passed with a Distinction or a Credit with at least 2 years' work experience in the related field.	1 Year

COURSE DESCRIPTION	COURSE REQUIREMENTS	DURATION
Certificate in Food and Beverage Service & Sales	<b>KCSE Aggregate C-</b> , English C- or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of short courses: Banqueting Operations Techniques / Barista & Bar Tending, with <b>KCSE Aggregate D+</b> , may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit. • KUC graduates of the above listed courses, with KCSE Aggregate D, are required to have done, two short courses in the related field. • KUC graduates with <b>KCSE Aggregate D-</b> , are required to have done, two short courses and passed with a Distinction or a Credit, with at least <b>2 years' work experience</b> in the related field.	1 Year
Certificate in Banqueting & Events	<b>KCSE Aggregate C-</b> , English C- or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of short courses: Banqueting Operations Techniques / Barista & Bar Tending, with <b>KCSE Aggregate D+</b> , may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit. • KUC graduates of the above listed courses, with <b>KCSE Aggregate D</b> , are required to have done, two short courses in the related field. KUC graduates with <b>KCSE Aggregate D-</b> , are required to have done, two short courses and passed with a Distinction or a Credit, with at least <b>2 years' work experience</b> in the related field.	1 Year
<b>TOURISM COURSES</b>		
Diploma in Travel & Tourism Management	KCSE Aggregate C, English C- and Mathematics/Geography/History D+ or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of 1, 1½ & 2 year certificate (Tourism Related) courses may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit.	2 Years
Diploma in Tour Guiding & Administration	<b>KCSE Aggregate C</b> , English C- and Mathematics/Geography/History D+ or any other equivalent qualification or • KUC graduates of 1, 1½ & 2 year certificate (Tourism Related) courses may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit.	2 Years
Certificate in Travel & Tour Operations	KCSE Aggregate C-, English C- and Mathematics/History/Geography D or any other equivalent qualification, or: • KUC graduates of 6 months: Airline Cabin Crew/ Travel Agency Techniques (TAT) Foundation and Consultancy courses, with KCSE Aggregate D+, may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit. • KUC graduates of the above listed courses, with KCSE Aggregate D, are required to have done, two short courses in the related field. • KUC graduates with KCSE Aggregate D-, are required to have done, two short courses with at least 2 years' work experience in the related field.	1 Year
Certificate in Tour Guiding & Administration	KCSE Aggregate C-, English C- and Mathematics/History/Geography D, or: • KUC graduates of 6 months: Airline Cabin Crew/ Travel Agency Techniques (TAT) Foundation and Consultancy courses, with KCSE Aggregate D+, may apply provided they passed with a Distinction or a Credit. • KUC graduates of the above listed courses, with KCSE Aggregate D, are required to have done, two short courses in the related field. • KUC graduates with KCSE Aggregate D-, are required to have done, two short courses and passed with a Distinction or a Credit, with at least 2 years' work experience in the related field.	1 Year
Short courses	NB: Applications for short courses are on-going. Please visit our website: <a href="http://www.utalii.ac.ke">www.utalii.ac.ke</a> for more details	1-6 months

**TO APPLY:**

Visit our website [www.utalii.ac.ke](http://www.utalii.ac.ke). Go to applications and apply for a program of your choice as per your qualifications. Please attach scanned copies of your **KCSE/O' Level Certificate, School Leaving Certificate and National Identity Card/Birth Certificate**, ENSURE that ALL the scanned copies are in PDF Format. You should also provide a reliable email and telephone contact.

**Deposit a non-refundable application fee of Kshs.1000.00. NB. Every transaction will attract a charge of kshs.50.00 on top of the amount to be paid.**

Paybill Number :	222222
Account Number :	KUCC2 -NAME

For any inquiries, you can reach us via:-

Email: [admissions@utalii.ac.ke](mailto:admissions@utalii.ac.ke)  
 Website: [www.utalii.ac.ke](http://www.utalii.ac.ke)  
 Mobile: 0722205891/2, 0733410005

Deadline: 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025

**NB: Applications from candidates not meeting the specific academic requirements will not be acknowledged.**

# Construction of stalled Mamboleo Junction–Miwani–Chemelil–Muhoroni road resumes

BY PATRICK AMIMO  
(PCO)

The construction of the stalled Mamboleo Junction–Miwani–Chemelil–Muhoroni–Kipsitet road has resumed after the government resolved funding challenges. Speaking during an inspection tour of the reconstruction, Deputy Chief of Staff in the Executive Office of the President in charge of Performance and Delivery Management, Mr. Eliud Owalo, confirmed that the funding bottlenecks had been addressed.

"The government has now unlocked the funding challenges in the road sector that we have witnessed over the past two years. All stalled roads in the country will be completed in the not-too-distant future," Mr. Owalo said.

The 122-kilometre road, which is being implemented by the Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) at a cost of Sh15.7 billion, is a strategic investment in regional infrastructure.

It is divided into three lots, executed by China Railway No. 10 Engineering Group Ltd., Sinohydro JV with Gragab Agencies, and H. Young EA Ltd.

Under construction also is the Sh5.2 billion 33.9-kilometer stretch between Mamboleo Junction and Miwani.

The road connects Kisumu, Nandi, and Kericho Counties and serves as a crucial artery in neighbouring regions. It provides access to Kenya's sugar belt – one of the nation's key agricultural zones.

The project had stalled but the contractor is now back on site and progressing with work.

"This is a major game-changer. It will unlock the eco-



**Deputy Chief of Staff Eliud Owalo inspects construction of Mamboleo Junction–Miwani–Chemelil–Muhoroni–Kipsitet road, Kisumu County.**

nomic potential of the entire sugar belt and boost regional trade. We are happy to report that the contractor is back on site, thanks to recent government payments," Mr. Owalo noted.

Speaking on site, project engineer Mr. Li Jingang confirmed receipt of payments and pledged swift progress.

"The government has paid us. We are back and committed to delivering quality work for

**We envision the airport as a gateway for exporting agricultural and fish produce to global markets**



Kenya and Kisumu," Mr. Jingang said.

Engineer Linet Atieno, from the Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) echoed the optimism, urging the government to maintain momentum in payment processing.

"We appreciate the government's efforts. Our commitment is to deliver, and we ask for continued fast-tracking of funds to avoid future delays," she said.

The second lot involves reconstruction of the Sh4.96-billion 43.4-kilometer stretch between Miwani and Chemelil to bitumen standards by Synohydro JV with Gragab Agencies.

The third lot involves reconstruction of 44.7-kilometer stretch between Chemelil to Kipsitet to bitumen standards at an estimated cost of Sh5.7 billion by H. Young EA Ltd.

Once complete, the 122-kilometer Mamboleo Junction–Miwani–Chemelil–Muhoroni–Kipsitet road will significantly boost mobility, trade, and economic integration across Kisumu, Kericho, Nandi, and Nyamira Counties.

At Kisumu International Airport, construction is underway of a state-of-the-art air traffic control tower and radar systems, aimed at enhancing flight safety, boosting cargo export capacity, and enhancing regional connectivity.

"We envision the airport as a gateway for exporting agricultural and fish produce to global markets," said Mr. Owalo.

"This is a core part of the Kenya Airports Authority's masterplan," he added.

The new tower will offer enhanced visibility, modern communication systems, and increased operational capacity.

## CUE lauds Kenya's education system as globally recognized

BY FREDRICK MARITIM, KNA

The Commission for University Education (CUE) has commended Kenya's education system, saying it is globally recognized. The Commission Chairperson, Prof. Chacha Nyaiyoti Chacha, said Kenyan graduates have consistently demonstrated their skills and expertise on the global stage.

Speaking during the Second Annual Regulatory Authorities and Agencies (RAAs) Conference 2025 at the University of Eldoret, Prof. Chacha assured Kenyans that the quality of university education is well safeguarded by the Commission.

However, the CUE Chair raised concerns about some Kenyans who have been arrested and prosecuted for aca-

demic forgery. He warned that individuals with fake academic certificates will face the full force of the law once found.

He further stated that the Commission is prepared for the smooth enrollment of Competency-Based Curriculum (CBC) students who are set to join university in 2029. In March 2025, the Commission blacklisted 15 universities from offering Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctorate programs.

According to the Global Innovation Index, a research organization, Kenya is recognized as a leading educational hub not only in Africa but also globally.

The organization's survey indicates that the country has made commendable progress in expanding access to education, particularly through its free primary and subsidized



**The Chairman of the Kenyan Commission for University Education (CUE), Prof. Chacha Nyaiyoti Chacha speaking during the Second Annual Regulatory Authorities and Agencies (RAAs) Conference held at Eldoret university.** PHOTO: FREDRICK MARITIM.

secondary education policies. Speaking at the event, CUE Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Prof. Mike Kuria affirmed the commission's commitment to ensuring quality, relevant and sustainable university education in Kenya.

The Commission, the CEO said, was established to make better provisions for the advancement of quality university education in Kenya, which entails regulating and accrediting universities and universities academic programmes, among other functions.

Kuria added that the Commission is also mandated to grant authority to foreign universities seeking to collaborate with local universities and institutions to offer degree programmes.

"Furthermore, CUE regulates student recruitment agencies to ensure Kenyan students are placed in accredited and recognized foreign institutions," he explained.

## AGRICULTURAL FINANCE CORPORATION

### INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility (RK-FINFA) program is a jointly funded by the Government of Kenya and IFAD and implemented through The National Treasury and Economic Planning ministry. The project supports the transformation of rural and smallholder agriculture sector through private sector-led development by improving the access to the smallholder farmers and rural micro, small and medium sized enterprises to appropriate services. Agricultural Finance Corporation is the host institution for the Green Finance Facility (GFF) and will on lend GFF funds to smallholder farmers and rural MSMEs through intermediary SACCOs and Microfinance institutions/banks (MFIs/MFBs).

To implement the project, the Corporation invites sealed proposals from interested SACCOs and Microfinance institutions/banks for consideration. The details of the application procedure and other terms and conditions can be found at the AFC website [www.agrifinance.org](http://www.agrifinance.org). The closing date for all applications is **6th June 2025** at 5.00pm

### TENDER NOTICES

The Corporation invites sealed tenders from competent and qualified service providers for the following:

TENDER NO.	TENDER NAME	ELIGIBILITY	Closing Date
1. AFC/OT/07/2024-2025	Provision of Guarding services	Open to all	14.5.2025
2. AFC/OT/08/2024-2025	Provision of Courier services	Open to all	21.5.2025
3. AFC/OT/09/2024-2025	Disposal of corporate maintained motor vehicles	Open to all	21.5.2025

All tenders close at **12.00 noon** on the respective dates.

Interested bidders shall submit hard copies of their bid proposals at the Tender Box located on 5<sup>th</sup> floor of Development House, Moi Avenue, Nairobi. For any clarification contact the procurement office on 6<sup>th</sup> floor of Development House, along Moi Avenue or email via [procurement@agrifinance.org](mailto:procurement@agrifinance.org)

The tender documents may be downloaded free of charge from the Corporation's Website: [www.agrifinance.org](http://www.agrifinance.org) or [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke)

**The Managing Director Agricultural Finance Corporation**  
P.O BOX 3036700100, NAIROBI

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### TENDER NOTICE

1.0 Kenya National Shipping Line Ltd is a State Corporation established under the Companys ACT (Cap. 486) with the Mandate to conduct Shipping business which encompasses international shipping, coastal feeding services; On-land Logistics business which includes clearing & forwarding, warehousing & cargo consolidation; Crew and manning; Ship management; and Oil and Gas transportation.

2.0 Kenya National Shipping Line Ltd now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the contracts below:

S / No.	REFERENCE NUMBER	CLOSING DATE	CONTRACT TITLE	TARGET GROUP
2.1	KNSL/ONT/2024-2025/01	14th May, 2025	Provision of Group Medical Cover (In Patient and Out Patient) For The Eligible Board of Directors, Managing Director and Staff on a Two-Year Contract Period	Open
2.2	KNSL/ONT/2024-2025/02	14th May, 2025	Provision of Group Life Assurance and Group Personal Accident (WIBA Compliant) Insurance Cover for Staff & Eligible Board of Directors.	Open

3.0 Interested eligible Bidders may obtain tender documents from the following websites: [www.knsl.go.ke](http://www.knsl.go.ke) or [www.tender.go.ke](http://www.tender.go.ke)

4.0 The closing date for submission is on **14th May 2025 at 11.00 a.m.** Application is open to all interested bidders.

**Managing Director**



## HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONALS EXAMINATIONS BOARD

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No	Position	Job Group	No.of Positions	Terms of Employment
1.	Manager, Examinations Administration	2	1	Contract
2.	Manager, Test Development	2	1	Contract
3.	Senior, Examinations Administration Officer	4	1	Permanent and Pensionable

Details of the vacancies can be accessed at [www.hrmpeb.or.ke](http://www.hrmpeb.or.ke)

**How to apply**

All applications should reach the Board on or before **23rd May 2025 by 1700hrs**  
Applications should be addressed to:

**Chief Executive Officer**  
**Human Resource Management Professionals Examinations Board**  
**P.O Box 23733 00100, NAIROBI.**

Applicants are required to submit **SoftCopy** of their applications via email to [recruitment@hrmpeb.or.ke](mailto:recruitment@hrmpeb.or.ke) quoting the Job Title on the Subject. The application should be accompanied by a detailed curriculum vitae, copies of academic and professional certificates, transcripts, National ID, testimonial and all other relevant documents. All the documents should be in a **Single PDF file**.

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<b>REFERENCE NUMBER:</b>	<b>Mmara-U/RS/2025-2027</b>

Maasai Mara University is a Public University chartered in 2013. Our mission is to To provide quality education through teaching, research, innovation and community outreach.

Maasai Mara University invites applications for the registration of interested and qualified Suppliers, Contractors and Consultants for the financial years 2025/2026 &2026/2027, in various categories as indicated in the registration document.

The registration documents, containing submission information, detailed terms and conditions of qualification may be viewed and downloaded free of charge from the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) or from University website on the following link: - [www.mmrau.ac.ke](http://www.mmrau.ac.ke).

Completed registration documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes, marked with the Category number and name and be deposited in the Tender Box situated at the entrance to the Senate Boardroom or be addressed to:

**Vice Chancellor**  
**Maasai Mara University**  
**P.O. Box 861-20500**  
**Narok, Kenya**

so as to be received on or before **Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> May ,2025 at 12.00 noon.**

**Vice Chancellor**



# Ministry rallies engineers to leverage on digital sectors

BY YOBESH ONWONG'A  
(MYGOV)

The Ministry of Roads and Transport is rallying Kenyan engineers to capitalize on emerging sectors such as artificial intelligence, cybersecurity and smart infrastructure to redefine the country's digital economy.

In a speech read on his behalf by Secretary for Roads Eng Luka Kimeli, Cabinet Secretary for the Ministry of Roads and Transport Davis Chirchir said Vision 2030 emphasizes the digital economy as a driver of industrialization.

"Supported by Kenya's five-pillar on digital economy framework that comprises digital infrastructure, digital government, digital business, innovation-driven entrepreneurship, and digital skills and values, engineers are the founders of Kenya's growth, building the infrastructure that powers our economy and connects our people," Chirchir said.

The CS made the remarks in Nairobi during Engineers Board of

Kenya (EBK) occasion to unveil the sponsors and exhibitors for the 6th Engineering Partnerships Convention (EPC) 2025, themed "Engineering a Digital World."

"We are here to celebrate the transformative role of engineers in Kenya's development and underscoring the critical role of the media in amplifying their contributions," Chirchir said.

The CS observed that in Kenya's economic progress, from the highways that facilitate trade to the digital networks that drive innovation, engineers have been pivotal in shaping the country's progress.

He pointed out that the global digital economy, valued at US\$11.5 trillion in 2024 and projected to reach US\$16.5 trillion by 2028, highlights the vast potential for engineers to elevate Kenya's economic trajectory.

"In Kenya, our engineers have positioned us as leader in mobile and internet penetration in Africa, as evidenced by our ranking in the Inclusive Internet Index 2022," he said.

The CS said the EPC 2025 which will take place tomorrow in Nairobi will bring together policymakers, industry experts, researchers and innovators to discuss how to leverage technologies like fintech, e-commerce and smart manufacturing for sustainable economic growth.

"By fostering collaboration, the convention aims to develop strategies for green technology, create digital platforms for regional connectivity, and showcase homegrown innovations," he said.

Chirchir noted that EPC 2025 aligns seamlessly with Kenya's transformative frameworks which prioritizes the Digital Superhighway, with plans to expand the national fiber-optic network by 100,000 kilometers and establish 25,000 public WiFi hotspots, enhancing access to digital services for businesses and communities.

He called on the media to amplify the story of Kenya's development of roads, bridges, digital infrastructure and smart cities, highlighting the contributions of engineers,



## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

### DESIGN, FINANCE, CONSTRUCTION, AND OPERATION OF MIXED-USE FACILITIES

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

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Interested eligible candidates may obtain Expression of Interest (EOI) documents from our Website [www.kdc.go.ke](http://www.kdc.go.ke) or the Public Procurement Information Portal at <https://tenders.go.ke/>. All the candidates who download the EOI document must register with the Supply Chain Office by sending an email to: [supplychain@kdc.go.ke](mailto:supplychain@kdc.go.ke)

Completed proposal documents shall be sealed in a plain envelope, clearly marked "Expression of Interest (EOI)- for the Design, Finance, Construct, and Operate a mixed-use facility on LR. 209/7933, Nairobi; LR. NO. MOMBASA BLOCK XXV/169 and L.R. No. Embu/ Municipality/ 1494, Embu" and addressed to:-

**The Director General**  
**Kenya Development Corporation Limited (KDC)**  
17th Floor, Uchumi House, Aga Khan Walk  
P.O. Box 12665-00100, Nairobi

Completed documents shall be deposited in the Tender box located at the Reception area on 17<sup>th</sup> Floor, Uchumi House Aga Khan Walk, Nairobi, so as to be received on or before **10.00 a.m. on Friday 16th May 2025**. The EOI documents will be opened immediately thereafter at the Reception on 17<sup>th</sup> Floor in the presence of the Candidates or their representatives who wish to witness.

**DIRECTOR GENERAL**  
**KENYA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED**



**KENYA EXPORT PROMOTION & BRANDING AGENCY**

**TENDER NOTICE**

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

NO	TENDER REF	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TARGET	CLOSING AND OPENING DATE.
1.	KEPROBA / RFP/001/2024-2025	Provision of event management planning and implementation of Kenya's participation at the Osaka 2025 Expo.	Open	Tuesday 13th May 2025 at 11.00A.M.
2.	KEPROBA / RFP/002/2024-2025	Provision of Market Survey in Japan	Open	Tuesday 13th May 2025 at 11.00A.M.

**KENYA EXPORT PROMOTION AND BRANDING AGENCY**

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

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**MISSION:** Brand Kenya, Export Kenyan, Build Kenya

**STRATEGIC FOCUS:**

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- To develop, Diversify Kenya's Export Markets;
- To manage the image and reputation of Kenya;
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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

The Chief Executive Officer  
 Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency  
 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Anniversary Towers  
 P.O. Box: 40247-00100  
 NAIROBI

So as to be received on or before Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 11:00 am

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**DIRECTOR GENERAL**  
**KENYA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED**

## OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL & DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### VACANT POSITIONS

Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons for the positions shown below:

VACANCY NO.	VACANCY	JOB GROUP	NO. OF POSTS
VACANCY NO. 1/2025	ACCOUNTANT II	CSG '11'	TEN (10)
VACANCY NO. 2/2025	PUBLIC COMMUNICATION OFFICER II	CSG '11'	TWO (2)
VACANCY NO. 3/2025	CLERICAL OFFICER II	CSG '14'	TEN (10)

#### How to Apply

Candidates who meet the above requirements are requested to make their applications by filling Application for Employment Form **OAG&DOJ. FORM 1A** available on OAG & DOJ website ([www.statelaw.go.ke](http://www.statelaw.go.ke)). Applications should be scanned (PDF) and Emailed to: [recruit2024@ag.go.ke](mailto:recruit2024@ag.go.ke) or sent to the address below on or before **16<sup>th</sup> May, 2025** to be received by 5.00pm.

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# Government constructs a 400-km sewer-line in Nairobi

BY DOUGLAS NAMUNANE  
AND DUNCAN SIKOYO  
(KNA)

Sewerage treatment in Nairobi and bordering counties has received a major boost after the Government of Kenya through Athi Water Works Development Agency in collaboration with the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company and the African Development Bank put up a 400-kilometer sewer line aimed at enhancing sustainable

management of the Nairobi Urban environment.

Athi Water Works Development Agency Deputy Director in charge of Sewerage and Sanitation Eng James Muturi said that Agency through the Nairobi Rivers Rehabilitation and Restoration Program Sewerage Improvement Project (NaRSIP II) constructed 400 kilometers of sewer lines to increase sewerage treatment that is on the rise due to the escalating population within Nairobi city.

"What that means is that the sewer that was coming to the plant has increased a lot. By the time we were starting, we were receiving around 160,000 cubic meters per day, and now we are receiving more than 200,000 cubic meters per day. So, part of the NaRSIP II program is to enhance the treatment capacity of this plant", stated Engineer Muturi.

He said the sewer lines achieved an extra 20,000 connections, enabling the

Agency to drain sewer from 200,000 homes.

The Deputy Director who made the remarks at the Dandora Wastewater Treatment Plant in Ruai, Nairobi, said before the construction of the sewer line, the inlets had pilferages, leading to the mixing of sewer with solid waste.

"When we were starting, the inlet works were not working, and that means that all the solid waste that comes with sewer was ending up in the anaerobic

ponds. Therefore, we have separated the solids from the actual sewerage so that we can be able to effectively treat it", he stated.

As for the program where we are, the inlet works, we have actually completed the inlet works and they are working the way they were designed to work.

Engineer Muturi said the Agency has also completed disludging of all the ponds. He explained the component left within the system is slated to bolster the treat-

ment of another trunk line.

The Deputy Director also announced the NaRSIP II project has seen the construction of abolition blocks within the informal settlements.

"And this one has also dignified the way the people in those informal settlements dispose their waste", added he.

He urged Nairobi residents to cease vandalism of sewerage infrastructure, saying it's the root cause to blockage of sewer lines.



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Executive Director  
National Construction Authority  
KCB Towers Kenya Road  
P O Box 21046 – 00100 NAIROBI, KENYA

so as to be received on or before 21st May, 2025 at 11:00 am. Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the candidates or their representatives who choose to attend at the NCA Boardroom on 9th Floor, KCB Towers, Nairobi.

**Eng. Maurice Akech, MBS**  
**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR / REGISTRAR OF CONTRACTORS**



## OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND PLANNING

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**The Comptroller of State House**  
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Comptroller of State House



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Site visit date shall be on **Friday 9 May, 2025 at 11.00 am.**

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## OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY PRESIDENT STATE DEPARTMENT FOR DEVOLUTION

### PRESS STATEMENT

#### DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS CHART NEW COURSE FOR TRANSFORMATIVE DEVOLUTION

##### In summary

- PS Lenasalon emphasized stronger engagement with development partners to ensure supported programmes in the devolution sector are fully aligned to the Government's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).
- The meeting marked his first formal engagement with donor representatives since assuming office two weeks ago.

The State Department for Devolution Principal Secretary, Michael Lenasalon, held a consultative meeting with Development Partners representatives to discuss the critical need for improved coordination of technical and financial support aimed at supporting devolution.

The discussion focused on highlighting collective achievements, challenges and to chart a path for future collaboration. The meeting, convened under the auspices of the Devolution Donors Working Group, brought together representatives from the World Bank, UNDP, UNEP, the Embassy of Sweden, Embassy of Denmark, German Agency for International Development (GIZ), the European Union and the British High Commission. The Development Partners used the forum to appraise the Principal Secretary on the status of ongoing devolution-related activities.

In his remarks, the PS stressed the need for co-ordination to 'avoid duplication of efforts' by aligning with National and County Government priorities.

"As we continue to provide the necessary technical and budgetary support to Counties, let us ensure our program addresses key priorities of both the National and County Governments. By employing effective coordination and communication, we aim to harmonize our interventions to curb duplication. "Added the PS.

The PS urged the development partners to enhance efforts to mobilize additional resources aimed at plugging the gap left by the departure of USAID, particularly in Health Financing. "As we are aware, the funding gap occasioned by the departure of USAID has had a significant impact on devolution, particularly on health financing. I urge development partners to strongly consider redirecting extra funds to support counties even as we look for long term solutions" the PS said.

The PS highlighted progress made under the Second Kenya Devolution Support Program as one of the programmes creating lasting transformative impact in Devolution. "I'm happy to note the progress being realized under the Second Kenya Devolution programme. Significant reforms are now being implemented targeting the Management of HR in both the national and county governments, reforms in Pending Bills and Automation of Exchequer are just but some of the key reforms' initiatives"

The PS further urged the development partners to support government efforts to automate collection of own source revenue in counties, terming it as a key driving tool in guaranteeing counties achieve their respective revenue targets.

Addressing the forum, the DPs Co-Chair and representative from the Embassy of Denmark, Joseph Njuguna Kimani, reaffirmed the caucus support to the State Department, committing to offer the necessary support to priority areas key in sustaining Devolution. "As Development Partners, we assure you of our support in strengthening devolution and we look forward to closer collaboration with the State Department." Kimani said.

The Development Partners further urged the State Department to enhance efforts to engage and include Non-state Actors and the Private Sector into the devolution sector working groups.

The Devolution Donors Working Group brings together Development Partners that support various programmes aimed at enhancing Devolution.

The forum was attended by multiple key development partners representatives, also present were senior officials from the State Department of Devolution. As a way forward, the meeting agreed to hold quarterly Devolution development partner meetings as a way of forging closer working relationships and sustaining the already established synergy.

Earlier the same day, the PS chaired the 3rd National Program Steering committee meeting on the Second Kenya Devolution Support Program. The Meeting agenda discussed the Annual Performance Assessment (APA) report, presentation and adoption of the workplan and procurement plan



## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT



### Request for Bids Non-Consulting Services

<b>Employer:</b>	Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development
<b>Project:</b>	National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project
<b>Contract Title:</b>	Business Accelerator for Digitally Enabled Agripreneur Model
<b>Country:</b>	Kenya
<b>Credit No.:</b>	70640
<b>RFB No:</b>	KE-MOALF-478015-NC-RFB
<b>Issued on:</b>	6th May, 2025

- The **Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development** has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of **National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds towards payments under the contract for **Procurement of Business Accelerator for digitally enabled Agripreneur model**.
- The Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for **Procurement of Business Accelerator for digitally enabled Agripreneur model**. The Business accelerator will be responsible for providing comprehensive support for Agripreneur model. The location of the assignment is across thirty-four (34) counties. The delivery period is **12 months**.
- Bidding will be conducted through National competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's **"Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers -September, 2023 fifth edition ("Procurement Regulations")**, and is open to all eligible Bidders (or only to prequalified Bidders as the case may be) as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development via email [info@navcdp.go.ke](mailto:info@navcdp.go.ke) and inspect the bidding document during office hours i.e. 0900 to 1700 hours at the address given below.
- The bidding document in English language may be downloaded free of charge from Kilimo's website [www.kilimo.go.ke](http://www.kilimo.go.ke) by interested eligible Bidders.
- Bids must be delivered to the tender box situated at the entrance of Kilimo House on or before **16th June, 2025 at 11.00 am East African time**. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below.
- All Bids must be accompanied by a **Bid security of KES 3,420,000**.
- Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form included in the bidding document.
- The address(es) referred to above is:

**Principal Secretary**  
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# State allocates Sh2.2 billion for Yamo Dam to end Maralal's water shortages



Deputy President Kithure Kindiki (center) cuts a ribbon to officially open the Maralal Municipal Market which was constructed at a cost of 73 million. He is flanked by Samburu County governor Lati Lelelit (left). PHOTO: ROBERT GITHU

BY ROBERT GITHU, KNA

The Government has allocated Sh2.2 billion for the completion of the Yamo Dam, which is expected to ease

the perennial water rationing for Maralal residents and surrounding towns.

Speaking in Maralal after inspecting the construction works, Deputy President Ki-

thure Kindiki stated that, at full capacity, the dam can hold 1.5 million cubic meters of water and pump 6,000 cubic meters of water per day. He added that the second phase,

**The power substation is 40 per cent complete and it is expected to end the power blackouts in Maralal town**

which includes laying of the reticulation pipeline will be completed in June 2026.

"We are expediting the works and in one year, the whole project will be completed both the dam and the reticulation to make sure the people of Maralal have enough water for domestic use and for their livestock," he said.

The Deputy President also officially opened the Maralal Municipal Market which was constructed at a cost of Sh73 million through a national and county government collaboration.

He said that the modern market, which is the first of its kind in Samburu County, will offer modern and dignified spaces for small-scale traders with special rooms for lactating mothers, coolers for preservation of fresh produce, a boardroom and an ICT hub to facilitate e-commerce.

The DP also assured Maralal residents of the government's commitment to end perpetual power blackouts through the construction of a 330 million power substation in Rumuruti town in Laikipia County.

"The power substation is 40 per cent complete and it is expected to end the power blackouts in Maralal town," he said.

Accompanying the Deputy President was Samburu County Governor Lati Lelelit, Samburu West MP Naisula Lesuuda, Njoroge Kururia (Gatundu North), John Bwire (Taveta) among others.

## PS calls for action to prevent school dropouts, protect children from exploitation

BY MYGOV REPORTER

The Principal Secretary for Internal Security and National Administration, Dr. Raymond Omollo, has issued a clarion call to parents, teachers, and community leaders to unite in addressing the growing challenge of school dropouts and the threats facing Kenyan children, warning that inaction could jeopardize the country's future.

Speaking at Athi River Primary School during the Chief's Climate Action Day, Dr. Omollo emphasized that protecting children from dropping out of school, as well as from drugs and exploitation, must take precedence in national discourse.

"Our children are our greatest resource. We cannot afford to lose them to drugs, crime, or hopelessness. Parents have sacrificed so much to keep them in school. As a government, we are committed to ensuring that every child not only attends school but is also protected from all forms of exploitation," he said. He urged national government administrators to work



**The Principal Secretary for Internal Security and National Administration, Dr. Raymond Omollo (watering a tree) flanked by chiefs and children during the Chief's Climate Action Day in Athi River.**

closely with school leadership, parents' associations, and religious groups to keep children in school and prevent dropouts, noting that the Ministry will intensify interventions at the local level. Dr. Omollo also con-

demned the rising cases of drug and substance abuse, especially along highway towns like Athi River, which expose children and youth to illegal activities. He warned traffickers and unscrupulous businesspeople that

the government will not allow a generation to be destroyed for profit.

At the same event, the PS led a symbolic tree planting exercise under the Chief's Climate Action Day, a monthly national initia-

tive aimed at achieving President William Ruto's vision of planting 15 billion trees by 2032.

He praised Machakos County for being among the best-performing regions despite environmental challenges.

"We came here not just to plant trees, but to plant hope and restore dignity. Education and climate action go hand in hand because without a safe, educated generation, we cannot talk about sustainable development," he noted.

Dr. Omollo called on local industries in Machakos to support education and environmental programmes, stating that private sector players must invest in the communities they operate in.

# Poultry farmer turns to black soldier flies for cost-effective chicken feed

BY SARAH NJAGI, KNA

A poultry farmer in Kericho has embarked on rearing black soldier flies (BSF) as a supplementary feeding method for his chickens to address the challenges of skyrocketing commercial poultry feed prices. Silas Kipruto, 34, a resident of Chepkubei Village within Belgut Sub-County in Kericho County, is using BSF, a sustainable source of protein for his chickens, which is slashing his feeding costs and ensuring the birds fetch better prices. When KNA visited "The Palace Farm," a one-acre plot of land, Kipruto's chicken farm had around 500 improved kienyeji birds in various stages of breeding, housed in six-liter systems with adequate natural light and ventilation. The farm also features portable bell drinkers and hanging portable feeders.

He also has eight solar panels that generate 800 watts of electricity, providing sufficient warmth for his chicken and lighting too during the night.

The deep litter system is the traditional rearing of birds on the floor where they have more freedom to move around, scratch, stretch, flap and ruffle.

In a section of his chicken farm stands his BSF breeding area where a wooden structure measuring four by six meters with two rows of wooden shelves are spotted having six plastic basins full of organic wastes, two plastic water jerrycans of 50 litres each holding organic waste of maize germ and banana peels mixed with water placed on the ground alongside the wooden shelves.

Opposite the wooden shelves are four wooden cages covered with net-like clothing. Inside these cages hold black soldier flies that resemble wasps flying



Silas Kipruto proprietor of Palace Farm showing his BSF breeding structures in a section of his farm.

around the plastic basins full of light brown colored BSF larvae that resemble cocoons. Wooden planks called eggies are seen placed across the plastic basins where the BSF get to lay their eggs.

Kipruto said he learnt the art of producing the black soldier flies from a poultry farmer in Bomet County as well as watching series of trainings through YouTube, one of the many social media platforms and admits that it is a simple technique that any farmer can do.

He noted that this is a more sustainable source of protein for his chicken as it goes to cutting down the chicken feeding costs substantially, thus ensuring heavy poultry that fetches better prices.

"I opted to embark on black

soldier fly rearing because the cost of poultry feeds increased, and I decided to look for alternative ways of supplementing feeds for my birds. BSF has 50 per cent protein and this helps in the growth of chicken at a fast rate.

"The chicken feed on BSF larvae fetches better prices. I breed my own chicks using my own hatchery. In a month I can breed 1,500 chicks and farmers as far as from Samburu, and neighbouring county of Bomet come to buy one to six months old chicks to start

I opted to embark on black soldier fly rearing because the cost of poultry feeds increased

their own chicken farms.

"My poultry farm can keep up to 2,500 birds but on most times the birds are in high demand as farmers come to buy to start their own chicken farms and I can be left with 400 birds," Kipruto said.

He explains that a farmer requires a wooden medium called the eggies that have cavities where the BSF lay its eggs. It has a smelly liquid substance which attracts the BSF to come and lay its eggs. "I use plastic basins which have the organic wastes. In my farm, I use maize germ and banana peels. I then place them in the net covered compartments for the BSF to get attracted to come and lay its eggs on the eggies. The eggs hatch in a fortnight, forming larvae which drop onto the organic matter in the plastic basins."

## Raila Odinga stadium nears completion for Madaraka

BY DAVIS LANGAT, KNA

The construction of Raila Odinga Stadium in Homa Bay County is expected to be completed in the next two weeks. Interior Principal Secretary (PS) Raymond Omollo stated that the expansion of the stadium began in March this year in preparation for hosting this year's national Madaraka Day celebrations. Omollo, who inspected the facility last week, noted that the erection of the canopies on the new pavilions is ongoing. Initially, the stadium had only one pavilion, which could accommodate just 5,000 spectators. He also emphasized that local businesses should take advantage of the national event to boost their turnover and profits. "Prepare well and maximize the business opportunities that will be presented to you. Those offering hospitality services should prepare to receive a large number of guests," Omollo said.

Speaking after touring the stadium and Kabunde Airstrip, Omollo said the government is also improving roads within Homa Bay town.

"Road agencies such as the Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA), Kenya Rural Roads Authority (KeRRA) and Kenya Urban Roads Authority (Kura) are improving the condition of roads in Homa Bay town. The government is also extending the runway of Kabunde Airstrip for landing of bigger aircrafts," he said.

Wanga said the national celebration should be used to address issues affecting fishermen in Lake Victoria.

The theme of this year's Madaraka Day revolves around the Blue Economy.

## Kwale sets ambitious agenda with new TVET Fund to empower youth

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAH, KNA

The County Government of Kwale has launched a Sh30-million Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) fund to strengthen TVETs and upskill artisans. Governor Fatuma Achani announced the establishment of the TVET Fund as part of an ambitious agenda to reposition technical and vocational education and training across the coastal county.

The governor stated that the devolved government is determined to equip local youth with the skills necessary to drive economic growth, create employment, and reposition Kwale as a leading hub for skilled labor in the coastal region.

She emphasized her administration's commitment to economic empowerment and



Kwale County Governor Fatuma Achani when she presided over the issuance of tools of trade to 42 TVET students who benefited from the KEMFSED project scholarship programme.

poverty reduction through TVET development, aiming to enhance livelihoods and create economic opportunities.

Achani was speaking when she presided over the issuance of tools of trade to 42 TVET students who benefited from the Kenya

Marine Fisheries Socio-Economic Development (KEMFSED) project scholarship program.

The KEMFSED project is implemented by the State Department for Blue Economy and Fisheries with support from the World Bank with the project duration being 2020-2025 with a funding worth Sh10 billion.

The Governor confirmed that through the partnership with the KEMFSED project scholarship programme, over 180 students from Kwale have been trained in fields such as dressmaking, tailoring, hairdressing and beauty therapy, electrical installation and electronic repairs, plumbing, masonry, and motor vehicle and refrigerator repairs.

The distributed equipment includes catering tools, hairdressing kits, barbering machines, desktop computers, automotive repair tools, and electrical equipment.

"The county government and KEMFSED project seeks to provide TVET students with practical skills and invest in modern machinery, tools and resources," she said.

Achani said the devolved unit would be strengthening vocational and technical training to close the skills gap, enhance youth competitiveness in the job market, and drive socio-economic growth at the grassroots level.

She said the renewed TVET initiative is a 'step in the right direction' towards improving vocational education and empowering current and next generation of skilled workers.

The Governor further said she would collaborate with public and private stakeholders to ensure that Kwale becomes the choice of destination for technical talents in the coastal region.

# Aerial yams take root in Central Kenya as profitable alternative crop

BY FLORENCE KINYUA,  
KNA

The farming of aerial yams (*Dioscorea bulbifera*), also known as hanging yams, is slowly gaining traction among farmers in Central Kenya due to their numerous health benefits, versatility, and resistance to pests and diseases. These yams can be intercropped with other crops

such as beans, spinach, herbs, and kale, allowing for better land utilization and increased overall yields, which translates into higher income for farmers. This herbaceous, perennial plant has long climbing vines that can grow up to 65 feet. It is not labor-intensive, and once planted, it continues to rejuvenate itself year after year. In Murang'a's Mathioya Constituency, KNA visited

Pastor Simon Ngure on a damp, rainy morning to gain insights into the now highly lucrative venture. He quit coffee farming in 2009 to grow aerial yams—much to the dismay of many—but he has never looked back. "I got one Yam from my friend, who had received it from Nigeria. I propagated it and was impressed by the returns. I shared it with my neighbors, but

the surplus was still overwhelming, so I decided to turn it into a business venture, which has sustained my family and me to date," he reminisces. From propagation of the aerial yams, Ngure has not only earned himself fame and a spot in agricultural exhibitions across the country but has also earned himself fame, fortune and wealth.

"The demand for the seedlings is very high as more farmers embrace aerial yams farming, the yams thrive well in almost all climatic conditions but

grow best in cooler and warmer temperatures in the 20–30 degrees celsius range," he said.

He added: "They prefer a consistent amount of rainfall but where rain is not sufficient, the plants should be adequately watered preferably twice a week".

The propagated seedling is planted in a container with soil thoroughly mixed with well-decomposed manure before digging the container into the soil in a 2 by 2 feet hole.

He explains that the aerial yams are susceptible

to moles that destroy their roots thus the container acts as a deterrent to the moles.

"After planting, the yams produce their first fruit at only five months and it is important to provide climbing support for the yams as the vines can grow up to 65 feet," he says.

The Yam is also susceptible to aphids, and he recommends using rabbit urine to wade them off.

"I am an ambassador of organic farming; I minimize the use of synthetic fertilizers so as to protect the soil," he said.



## CALL FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE DRAFT KENYA ROADS BOARD (KENYA ROADS BOARD FUND) (ADDITIONAL FUNDING) REGULATIONS, 2025 ADDENDUM



The Ministry of Roads and Transport, pursuant to Section 32A (3) of the Kenya Roads Board Act, Cap 408A Laws of Kenya, has formulated the following instruments to support effective management of the Kenya Roads Board Fund: The Draft Kenya Roads Board (Kenya Roads Board Fund) (Additional Funding) Regulations, 2025.

In accordance with Article 10(2)(a) of the Constitution, the Ministry invites members of the public for a public participation exercise to be conducted as advertised in My Gov of 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2025.

Members of the public are further notified that the forum scheduled for Tuesday, 6th May, 2025 is available both physical at the Ministry of Roads and Transport, 8th Floor, Transcom House, Nairobi and virtually at [www.krb.go.ke/adverts/](http://www.krb.go.ke/adverts/).

**Davis Chirchir, EGH**  
**Cabinet Secretary,**  
**Ministry of Roads and Transport**



## INVITATION TO TENDER

Kenya Forest Service (KFS) is a State Corporation established by the Forest Conservation and Management Act 2016. The Service is mandated to conserve, develop and sustainably manage forest and allied resources for the social economic development of the country.

Kenya Forest Service now invites sealed tenders from eligible candidates for the following tender:

TENDER REF. NO.	DESCRIPTION	TENDER CLOSING DATE AND TIME
KFS/006/2024-2025	PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF ELECTRIC FENCE AT MASAI MAU FOREST BLOCK IN NAROK COUNTY (LOT 6,7 & 8)	WEDNESDAY 21 <sup>ST</sup> MAY 2025 AT 11.00 AM
KFS/007/2024-2025	PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF ELECTRIC FENCE AT KESSUP FOREST BLOCK IN ELGEYO MARAKWET COUNTY (LOT 1, 2, 3 & 4)	

The document can be downloaded from the KFS website [www.kenyaforestservice.org](http://www.kenyaforestservice.org) or from the public procurement portal; [tenders.go.ke](http://tenders.go.ke) free of charge. Those who download the tender documents and intend to submit a bid are required to forward their particulars to the email [procurement@kenyaforestservice.org](mailto:procurement@kenyaforestservice.org) for records and for the purpose of receiving any further tender clarifications and/or addendums.

Completed tender documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes, marked with the tender number and name and be deposited in the Tender Box at Kenya Forest Service Headquarters, Reception area, so as to be received on or before the indicated closing date and time.

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the candidates' representatives who choose to attend the opening at Kenya Forest Service Headquarters boardroom located in Karura, off Kiambu road. All bidders must serialize their documents.

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## MINISTRY OF ROADS AND TRANSPORT



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## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

Country	KENYA
Name of project	HORN OF AFRICA GATEWAY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, (HOAGDP)
Credit No	6768-KE
Assignment Title	CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE REVIEW OF THE KENYA TRAFFIC ACT, CAP 403
Reference	KE-SDOT-424778-CS-QCBS

1. The Government of Kenya (GOK) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Horn of Africa Gateway Development Project (HoAGDP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
2. The consulting services ("the Services") include the Proposed Consultancy Services for the Review of the Kenya Traffic Act, CAP 403.
3. The duration of the assignment is **Twelve (12)** calendar months.
4. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following websites: [www.transport.go.ke](http://www.transport.go.ke) or Public Procurement Information Portal [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke)
5. The State Department for Transport (**the "Client"**) in the Ministry of Roads and Transport, now invites **eligible consulting firms ("Consultants")** to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

### The shortlisting criteria are:

- i) **Core business and years in business:** The firm shall be registered/incorporated as a consulting firm with at least fifteen (15) years of core business in Road Transport Sector.
- ii) **Relevant experience:** The firm shall demonstrate
  - a) At least Fifteen (15) years' experience in the Road Transport Sector and demonstrate Road Safety experience in the last 10 years.
  - b) Successful execution and completion of at least two (2) assignments of similar nature and in similar operating environment in the last ten (10) years. Details of similar assignments- Name and address of the client, Scope of work, Value of work, and period, to be submitted with the Expression of interest (EOI).
- iii) **Technical and Managerial capability of the firm:** - The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity which shall entail description of relevant equipment, tools, software, etc. and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment.

### Key experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

6. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank's Procurement Regulation for IPF Borrowers, First Published July 2016 and Revised in September 2023 (5th Edition): ("**Procurement Regulations**") setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
7. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a Joint Venture (JV) and/or a Sub-Consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
8. The Consultant firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.
9. Further information can be obtained from Monday to Friday excluding public holidays from 0900 hours to 1600 hours East African Time (EAT) at the following e-mail address [scms@transport.go.ke](mailto:scms@transport.go.ke)
10. Expressions of interest **MUST** be submitted in written form to the address below, in person, by mail or by e-mail on or before **Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2025** at 1100 hours EAT, either:
  - a) Expressions delivered in person shall be deposited in the tender box at the main reception of Transcom House.
  - b) Via e-mail to [scms@transport.go.ke](mailto:scms@transport.go.ke).

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Attn. Head, Supply Chain Management Services**

11. All submissions should be clearly marked "**Consultancy Services for the Review of the Kenya traffic Act, CAP 403**". For email submissions: Assignment Title and Contract Number should be quoted in the subject row.
12. **There shall be no public opening of the Expressions of Interest.**

**Head, Supply Chain Management Services  
FOR: PRINCIPAL SECRETARY**



## State breaks ground on Sh1.2 b cotton ginning and oil extraction in Lamu

BY MYGOV REPORTER

The Government of Kenya, in partnership with Thika Clothing, has launched a Kshs. 1.2 billion Cotton Ginning and Oil Extraction Factory at Lamu Port, signaling a major step in the national drive to industrialize under the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

Strategically located along the LAPSSET Corridor, the new facility aims to unlock the untapped industrial potential of Lamu. It will act as an anchor project to attract additional investment in agro-processing, logistics, and blue economy ventures in the region.

The groundbreaking ceremony was led by the Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade and Industry, Hon. Lee Kinyanjui, and attended by Lamu County Governor Issa Timamy, development finance institutions, and other senior government officials.

"What we are launching today is more than a factory; it is a bold signal of Kenya's industrial future," said Hon. Kinyanjui.

"Let Lamu become

a benchmark for county-based industrial transformation. Let this investment revive local production, create dignified jobs, and signal the resurgence of our domestic value chains," the CS added.

The factory will have the capacity to process up to 20 million kilograms of cotton per year, sourced from local farmers through structured contract farming models. This will enable predictable incomes for farmers, stable supply for processors, and cooperative-led value chain development.

"This initiative is a major boost for cotton farmers and cooperative societies in the coastal region," said Principal Secretary for Investment Promotion, Mr. Abubakar Hassan. "It provides structured markets, stable incomes, and strengthens cooperative economies."

The Kenya Development Corporation (KDC), a State Corporation under the Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry, is playing a critical role by facilitating access to long-term

capital and working capital, as well as supporting machinery acquisition through the Exim Bank of India.

"KDC is proud to catalyze this transformative investment. Our role is to finance aspirations, nurture industries, and drive inclusive prosperity in regions like Lamu," said KDC Director, Mr. Benjamin Muketha.

KDC's support reflects its broader mandate of promoting economic devel-

opment through strategic financing and business advisory services for both large enterprises and SMEs.

The factory is expected to create over 300 direct and indirect jobs, with a strong emphasis on empowering women and youth. Beyond employment, the project includes technology transfer and capacity-building programs that will deepen local expertise in textile processing and value addition.

"This factory will pro-

duce not just garments or oil, but economic opportunity," added Mr. Muketha. "It will position Lamu as a competitive player in Kenya's value-added supply chains, from cotton to textiles, from agriculture to export markets."

The Government views this public-private partnership as a model for regional industrialization that is locally driven and globally competitive. The project reinforces Kenya's strategic ambitions under

the Africa Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) and other trade frameworks.

"We must continue to work together to unlock Kenya's full industrial potential," concluded Hon. Kinyanjui. "Partnerships like this are the engine of long-term transformation."

This investment heralds a new era for Lamu and coastal Kenya—an era defined by productive industries, decent jobs, and sustainable development.



### NATIONAL OPEN TENDER NOTICE

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

No	Tender No.	Description of Tender	Eligibility	Closing/Opening Date
1.	NCA/T/041 /2024-2025	Consultancy Services for Developing, Executing & Managing an Integrated Media Campaign for Public Awareness and Civic Education of the National Building Code 2025.	OPEN	14 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025
2.	NCA/T/043 /2024-2025	Provision of Regulatory Construction Information System (RCIS) support	AGPO	14 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025
3.	NCA/T/044 /2024-2025	Servicing and Maintenance of Printers	OPEN	14 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025
4.	NCA/T/045 /2024-2025	Retender for Provision of Group Personal Accident and Work Injury Benefit Cover for NCA Staff for a Period of One Year	AGPO	14 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025
5.	NCA/T/046 /2024-2025	Retender for Provision of Consultancy for Development of a Road Map for Enhancing Uptake of Building Information Modelling (BIM) for the Construction Industry in Kenya	OPEN	14 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025
6.	NCA/T/047 /2024-2025	Retender for provision of consultancy services for market survey on commonly used items for a period of one year	AGPO	14th May, 2025

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# The Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2) benefits 1.7 million people

BY CHRISTINE CHERYL  
(MYGOV)

In the heart of Kenya's bustling urban centers, informal settlements have long faced challenges of inadequate infrastructure, insecure land tenure, and limited access to basic services.

For millions of residents, daily life has been marked by navigating unpaved roads, grappling with unreliable water supplies, and living under the constant threat of eviction.

The Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2) is progressively changing this reality, bringing tangible improvements to close to 1.7 million people across selected urban informal settlements.

KISIP2 is a jointly funded project by the World Bank (International Development Association), Agence Française de Développement (AFD), the European Union (EU) and the Government of Kenya (GOK). The project is domiciled at the State Department for Housing and Urban Development.

The Project is focusing on enhancing land tenure security through land titling, upgrading infrastructure for basic services, fostering resilience and socio-economic inclusion, strengthening capacities of counties and national government institutions carry out slum upgrading and prevention

and supporting livelihoods through community engagement.

Implemented in almost 38 counties, the project addresses the systemic issues that perpetuate poverty in informal settlements, where 54.7% of Kenya's urban population resides.

"KISIP 2 is anchored in the Government's agenda of enabling residents of informal settlements across the country live in dignity. This will enhance planned neighbourhoods and boost investor confidence. Improved infrastructure upgrading is a vital element in promoting accessibility thus stimulating housing development," notes the Principal Secretary, State Department for Housing and Urban Development Charles Hinga.

He adds that rapid urbanization in Kenya has outpaced infrastructure development, leaving many urban poor without basic services.

"Since its inception, KISIP2 has made significant strides. These have seen development of millions of investments in upgrading informal settlements through tarmacading of roads, erection of streetlights, pedestrian walkways, drainage and sanitation facilities, land tenure security through land tenure regularization," she says.

According to George Mwangi, a resident of Eldoret's Langas informal settlement, Uasin Gishu, KISIP2 has been a game-changer.

"The new roads mean a lot to residents in terms of security and easy access to the markets. The



A completed road at Kwa Murogi informal settlement in Nakuru Town

ready witnessing the fruits of these interventions.

For Mariam Sally, a resident of Muyeye informal settlement in Malindi Town, Kilifi County, a move by KISIP2 to construct close to 250 public toilets will provide dignity to residents.

"For many years, we have been relieving ourselves using nearby bushes and schools. These planned toilets will therefore benefit over 1,000 residents with access to modern sanitation," she says.

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"The new roads mean a lot to residents in terms of security and easy access to the markets. The

streetlights further make it safer at night for residents to move comfortably," he notes.

In Kilifi, young entrepreneur Ahmed Juma plans to run a small grocery stall fashioned from one of repurposed cargo containers provided by KISIP2.

"This stall will give me a stable place to work and provide good shelter. The new roads will also enable more customers to reach me while streetlights across other settlements will make it safer at night," he articulates.

Ahmed's stall is part of a broader initiative to boost local economies, with KISIP2 creating employment opportunities through construction projects and community-driven programs.

The Digital Public Works

(DPW) initiative, a key component of KISIP2, has also left its mark. During a 2024 review meeting at the World Bank offices in Nairobi, PS Hinga highlighted DPW's role in enhancing infrastructure and services.

Community representatives shared stories of youth gaining skills through DPW, enabling them to secure jobs in construction and maintenance.

Axel van Trotsenburg, World Bank Senior Managing Director, praised these efforts, noting their contribution to sustainable urban development.

The project's emphasis on tenure security is equally transformative. Celestine Wanjala, Head of sub-component 1.1 on land tenure security, notes that titling efforts have empowered

residents to invest in permanent housing, aligning with State's Affordable Housing Agenda. Thousands of residents in informal settlements across the participating counties have already benefited from improved tenure security, fostering a sense of ownership and stability.

As KISIP2 progresses, its impact extends beyond infrastructure. By creating jobs, improving health outcomes, and enhancing resilience, the project is redefining what informal settlements can become.

"This is about dignity. In socio-economic inclusion planning, our primary goal is to identify and address the socio-economic needs of communities in selected informal settlements, with a focus on reducing poverty and improving livelihoods. It targets poor and vulnerable populations, including at-risk youth, to enhance their skills, employability, and access to economic opportunities," adds Zena Kurui, who heads the component.

With plans to expand to additional counties and integrate climate-resilient designs, KISIP2 is poised to remain a cornerstone of Kenya's urban development strategy. For residents like Miriam, Mwangi and Juma, and the millions they represent, the project is more than a policy initiative—it's a lifeline to a better tomorrow.

## Koskei demands action from Regulatory Authorities

BY MARTIN KIPLIMO, KNA

Chief of Staff and Head of Public Service Felix Koskei has challenged Principal Secretaries, Chief Executives, Board Chairs and Directors to ensure Kenyans get quality services.

Koskei was speaking on the final day of the second Annual Regulatory Authorities and Agencies (RAAs) Conference held at the University of Eldoret, where over 80 regulatory agencies participated.

The Head of Public Service called for the full adoption of digital technologies to empower the regulators to be proactive and predictive.

"Regulators must not only respond to change, but they must stay ahead of it," he said, adding that digital tools should be used to foresee risks and act be-

fore crises emerge.

He also emphasized the need for collective action programs to foster collaboration across sectors, particularly where mandates intersect.

Koskei urged agencies to continuously review existing regulations and make amendments, where laws have become outdated or ineffective.

On the ethical foundation of public service, Koskei issued a stern warning against corruption, calling on regulatory leaders to ensure their institutions do not become vehicles for abuse or rent-seeking.

He warned that the government will not allow any regulatory agency to become a tool that enables corruption and reminded the executives that they have a duty to close the windows of corruption and lead institutions that

are clean, transparent, and focused on the public good.

He encouraged the executives to act boldly and ethically, without fear of retaliation.

"Do the right thing. No one will victimize or call you for doing the right thing. If your decision is guided by the law, professional integrity, and the interest of Kenyans, you must stand by it," he said.

Setting the tone for future engagements, Koskei laid out expectations for the next RAAs Conference calling on regulators to return with evidence of progress, not just reports.

"When we meet next, do not just bring slides. Bring results and present your achievements, your challenges, and how you overcame them. Public service must be judged on action, not intention," he said.

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Date:	6 <sup>th</sup> May 2025
Project Name:	THIKA AND GITHUNGURI WATER AND SANITATION PROJECT
IFP No:	AWWDA/DSIF/TGWSP/W/01/2025

All prospective applicants for the above ongoing procurement of works for the prequalification of works and supply of goods under the contract for Thika and Githunguri Water and Sanitation Project are hereby informed that the responses to clarifications sought by bidders, and Addendum No. 1 to the prequalification Documents can be downloaded from the AWWDA website: [www.awwda.go.ke](http://www.awwda.go.ke), and PPIP Portal [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke), and [www.dgmarket.com](http://www.dgmarket.com) for free.

All applicants are further informed that the Submission date has been extended from 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 to 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025 at 12:00 pm East African Time.

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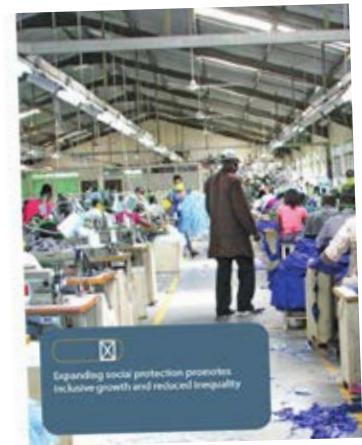
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MIGORI COUNTY  
**Population**  
The county has some 1,116,436 people, (2019 census)



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## TAXATION

# Employees get relief as reforms on pension savings, PAYE put money in their pockets

Government reforms streamline Pay As You Earn (PAYE) tax reliefs and boost pension payments, securing better financial future for workers



President William Ruto addresses workers during Labour Day on May 1, 2025. On the left is Musalia Mudavadi, the Prime CS and CS Foreign and Diaspora Affairs.

President William Ruto on Labour Day unveiled key Government initiatives aimed at enhancing workers' welfare, providing thousands of employees in public and private sectors with renewed motivation to keep working.

The Labour Day celebrations, whose theme was "Self-reliance in production is the key to economic growth", saw the President outline new measures that will put more money in workers' pockets.

To begin with, the President announced that pension and gratuity payments will now be exempted from taxation starting in the financial year 2025/2026, a significant policy shift that benefits workers.

"This reform measure is proposed in the Finance Bill 2025 in recognition of the service and sacrifice of workers in their active years, and a step towards ensuring that they retire in dignity," President Ruto said.

The retirement payments are currently

subjected to 30 per cent tax at the point of withdrawal. Therefore, a retiree with Sh5 million in pension savings would lose Sh1.5 million to taxes, remaining with Sh3.5 million.

With the removal of the tax, it means workers will be able to access their full pension savings upon retirement, leading to improved financial security.

Further, workers currently in active empowerment can now do their jobs without worrying about the amount of money they will lose upon retirement, making long-term employment more attractive.

The new policy is also expected to encourage savings with private pension schemes since workers will know that they will get their full money once they retire.

And with increased disposable income, it is expected that more retirees will engage in economy building activities like starting businesses hence creating jobs.

Another win for workers was the announce-

ment by the President that employers will be required to automatically apply all eligible tax reliefs and exemptions when calculating Pay As You Earn (PAYE) taxes for employees.

Under the current system, such reliefs can only be claimed from the Kenya Revenue Authority, leading to delays or missed benefits.

"Many employers omit these reliefs, forcing employees to seek refunds from the Kenya Revenue Authority," the Cabinet noted in a dispatch on April 29, 2025.

Therefore, with employers applying the reliefs directly, workers will immediately see the financial benefits in their salaries.

The new policy also reduces the administration burden of filing for tax refunds, saving employers' time and effort.

In 2024, the President had awarded workers a minimum wage increase of 6 per cent. He noted with concern that some employers had not implemented the order,

## FACTS &amp; FIGURES

## 200,000

The number of Kenyans who have secured jobs abroad through the Government labour migration initiative.

## 21 million

The number of Kenyan workers and their families who have registered under the scheme, a monumental leap towards Universal Health Coverage.

and, therefore, directed the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection to ensure full and fair enforcement of the wage increase.

"It is unacceptable for employers to ignore the wage increase. The Ministry of Labour must ensure justice for workers," he said.

The President announced that the Government had allocated Sh2.4 billion for the hiring of 20,000 intern teachers to reduce shortfall. The move is expected to reduce a 2022 teacher shortage of 116,000, and offer thousands of teachers' employment.

Over 76,000 teachers have been recruited in the last two years, the bulk of them to teach at the Junior Secondary School.

With the recruitment of new teachers, there will be more tutors in classrooms, enhancing teacher-student ratio, therefore, benefiting students across the country.

The announcement, further, offers hope to thousands of unemployed graduate teachers and those seeking to enter the profession, as it will reduce the unemployment crisis.

Beyond the teaching profession, in 2024, over 200,000 Kenyans secured jobs abroad through the Government labour migration initiative. This year, President Ruto said the Government is strengthening its efforts through targeted recruitment and bilateral labour agreements.

The Government has opened a Labour Attaché Office in Berlin, Germany, which will help operationalise partnerships and serve as a strategic hub for accessing opportunities in the broader European Union as part of the goal to reduce job crisis under the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

Through affordable housing, a flagship programme, the Government continues to create job opportunities for the youth in areas such as architecture, engineering, urban planning, masonry, carpentry, plumbing, and electrical work. So far, over 250,000 jobs have been created.

The programme is also benefiting workers by allowing them to own homes while contributing 1.5 per cent of their salaries to the Housing Fund. And in the health sector, over 21 million Kenyan workers and their families have registered under the scheme, a monumental leap towards Universal Health Coverage.

And under the MSME pillar, the Government through the Hustler Fund continues to increase its credit-lending band with over 25 million Kenyans accessing the funds. More than Sh70 billion has been lent to Kenyans to start business, which has contributed to the country's economic growth.

And in another win for workers, the National Social Security Fund (NSSF) has experienced a dramatic boost in savings following reforms that have seen employees and employers contribute 6 per cent of workers' salary. This has seen savings grow from Sh320 billion in 60 years to additional Sh280 billion collected in just two years.

The President encouraged workers to join unions for protection of the values of fair pay, safe working conditions, and the right to join a union is a constitutional guarantee, including those on contracts. ■

## TELLING THE STORY

## Kenya Yearbook celebrates Labour Day with special 'AgendaKenya' edition

The Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) celebrated Labour Day with a special souvenir publication of *AgendaKenya*.

The edition, which was distributed online, highlighted progress the Government has made in boosting workers' welfare.

The production of the newspaper is a continuation of KYEB's coverage of the sector. In the Yearbook 2024, KYEB outlines the programmes the Government is undertaking to improve working

conditions and safeguarding workers' rights.

The book's "Labour and Social Protection" chapter highlights Government's initiatives, including the placement of Kenyans in job opportunities abroad.

Over 200,000 Kenyans have now been able to access jobs abroad thanks to the Government interventions, according to the Ministry of Labour. The chapter further highlights social welfare programmes, including Inua Jamii where some 1.2 million elderly

persons and vulnerable families are benefiting from the social protection scheme.

The chapter further explores policies aimed at improving working conditions and workers' welfare upon retirement, in particular the enhanced savings through the National Social Security Fund (NSSF).

This followed a shift in Government policy, which saw employers and employees contribute 6 per cent of workers' pay to the scheme, up from Sh200.

KYEB CEO Lilian Kimeto notes that Yearbook 2024 celebrates the gains the nation has made in various sectors towards the realisation of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA). KYEB is mandated to document Government initiatives, programmes and projects through its publications, including the Yearbook. The Labour chapter is available on <https://yearbook.kenyayearbook.go.ke/2024/12/31/yearbook-2024-labour-and-social-protection/>. ■



## Huduma Kenya launches nationwide blood donation drive

**H**uduma Kenya has launched a nationwide blood donation drive through its Huduma Centres to support hospitals in meeting the constant demand for blood.

Healthcare facilities need a steady supply for emergency cases, surgeries and patients battling conditions such as sickle cell anaemia and malaria. In Bungoma County, Huduma Centre collaborated with the County Government to mobilise donations to help meet the monthly requirement of 1,300 pints of blood. The nationwide initiative,

### HUDUMA CORNER

launched on April 8, 2025, at Huduma Centre Makadara is a partnership with the Kenya Red Cross Society and the Kenya Tissue and Transplant Authority. It has already gathered more than 800 pints of blood across various Huduma Centres in under a month.

Huduma Kenya staff have taken the lead in donating blood to encourage public participation, working closely with county health

departments and local leaders to reinforce the drive. Their involvement has boosted awareness and mobilised more donors across different regions. Beyond blood donations, Huduma Kenya has also provided counselling services and basic health checks at various centres, ensuring a holistic approach to community care. The campaign aligns with the "We've Got Your Back" quarterly theme, highlighting Huduma Kenya's commitment to teamwork, unity, and impactful service in addressing critical healthcare needs. ■



Huduma Kenya staff donate blood.



The flagging off of domestic workers headed to the Gulf.

### FOREIGN JOBS

## How workers will benefit from Kenya's approval of ILO treaties

Ratification of Conventions 189 and 190 will help Kenya make significant progress in the protection of workers' rights

BY CHESORO LOKORIO AND KEVIN CHERUIYOT

President William Ruto on Labour Day announced that Kenya will ratify International Labour Organisation (ILO) Conventions 189 and 190, signalling the Government's commitment to protect workers' rights, especially those working abroad.

Through the ratification of the conventions, Kenya will seek to improve labour standards and safeguard its workers from exploitation and mistreatment both at home and abroad.

ILO Convention 189 (C189), also known as Domestic Workers Convention, 2011, calls for fair treatment of domestic workers, including decent wages, reasonable working hours, paid leave and legal protections.

Similarly, Convention 190 (C190), which is also known as Violence and Harassment Convention, 2019, is the first international treaty recognising the right of every person to a world of work free from violence and harassment, including physical and psychological.

Under C189, domestic work is acknowledged



as real work and that the workers deserve the same rights as others.

Therefore, Kenya's ratification of the global treaty will mean domestic work will be fully recognised and protected under the law.

The Government will also come up with measures to ensure that the workers get fair wages, reasonable working hours and safe working environments. Employers will have to formalise employment relationships and extend protections such as health insurance, maternity benefits and pension coverage through schemes like NHIF and NSSF.

This would elevate the status of domestic work, making it a respected job. On the other hand, the ratification of C190 will position

Kenya to treat workplace violence as a serious legal issue. Through the ratification of the treaty, the Government will push for stronger legal protections against workplace violence and harassment, ensuring safer environments for all workers. It will also promote equality and protect vulnerable groups, especially women, from workplace abuse.

Kenya is moving to ratify the Conventions at a time the Government is implementing its labour migration policies that have seen thousand of workers leave the country to work in the Gulf and Europe following signing of bilateral agreements with various nations.

The Government has secured employment for over 200,000 youth abroad since 2022

### INFOBOX

#### Working in Diaspora

For Kenyan migrant workers, provisions in ILO Convention 189 will shield them from rogue work agencies and exploitation abroad.

The foreign employer will need to provide an employment letter with identity and terms for the worker's travel to be approved.

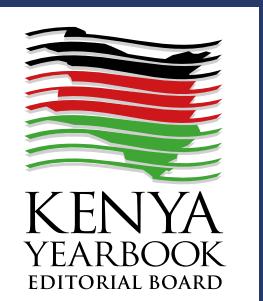
Furthermore, not only will the work agencies have to be screened comprehensively, but also banned from deducting salaries of their clients.

This will ensure that even beyond borders, Kenyan workers are safe and protected.

as it connects them to job opportunities in foreign markets, according to Labour and Skills Development Principal Secretary Shadrack Mwadime.

"About four million Kenyans are working in different countries. As more bilateral agreements are signed, we expect the numbers to rise exponentially. Kenyan youth are known for their discipline, fluency in English and strong work ethics, making them highly sought after in the global labour market," said the PS.

The new commitment to workers' rights by the Government through the signing of global treaties is expected to protect collaboration with employers, and labour organisations, to monitor and enforce good labour practices. ■

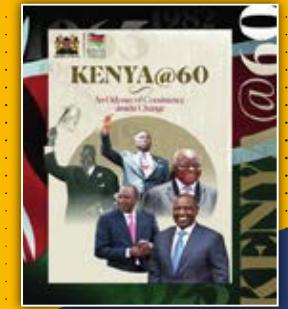
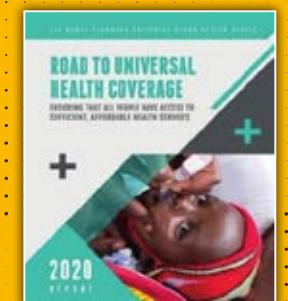
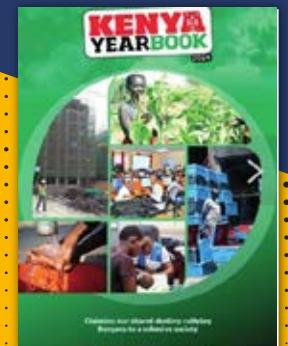


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**Information, Communications and the Digital Economy CS William Kabogo at the WAVES Global Ministers Panel in Mumbai, India. He called for global cooperation to protect intellectual property, bridge the digital divide and uphold creators' rights across the Global South.**

**Inset:** The CS when he paid a courtesy call to Ashwini Vaishnaw, India's Minister for Railways, Information, Broadcasting and Electronics. The two discussed digitising Government, growing digital economies, film and e-commerce and empowering youth and women at the heart of Africa's creative future.



Defence CS Soipan Tuya leads the Ministry officials, Kenya Defence Forces personnel and host community in Burat Ward, Isiolo North Constituency in planting 5,000 trees at Darajani Springs along Isiolo River in Isiolo County.

Cabinet Secretary for Health Aden Duale (second left) and PS Ouma Oluga (left) hold talks with the Egyptian Ambassador Wael Nasraddin Attiya (third left) and his team. The discussions focused on healthcare delivery, cancer treatment and regulatory collaboration.



The CS for Interior and National Administration Kipchumba Murkomen at Kambi Samaki in Baringo County at a security meeting. The meeting brought together the Rift Valley regional and sub-county security teams from Marigat, Baringo North, Mukutani, Tiati Central and Tiati East. The Government is intensifying efforts to curb crimes in the areas.



## Farmers urged to adopt improved seed varieties for enhanced millet production

BY RODGERS OMONDI, KNA

Millet farmers in Busia have been advised to embrace planting of improved seeds tolerant to climate change to boost their production.

Speaking after visiting millet farmers at Asing'e in Teso South Sub-County, an official from Centre for Behavior Change and Communication, Emmanuel Eshitemi, said the organisation is determined to change millet farming by using improved seed variety to help farmers increase their production in Busia.

"We are working with KALRO and KEPHIS to ensure that the seeds are of required quality and are available to the farmers. We are educating our farmers on the importance of improved seeds. The seed takes three months and is ready for harvesting," he said.

Eshitemi added that millet production using traditional seeds has yields to low production, and takes long before harvesting.

"These new varieties are drought tolerant and can do well in all-weather conditions. Many farmers do not understand the issue of climate change and that is why they need seeds that are tolerant to climate change so that farmers can be cushioned from making losses."

The improved variety has high yield after a short period. The seeds can only be recycled twice after which we encourage farmers to get new variety," he explained.



**Millet farmers weeding in their farm. The farmers have been urged to use improved seed varieties to boost their production.**

He further stated that the organization has distributed seeds in Teso South and added that the organization is determined to reach all farmers in the county.

"We want to reach all farmers so that they can benefit from our training and even getting the seeds. We have several improved varieties including U-15/ Maridadi, Kakamega Wimbi 2 and Kakamega Wimbi 3 and they are all available at youth and women quality centres in Busia," he said.

Millet farmers led by Marygoret Omodia explained how their yields have improved after using the improved variety and

using the correct ways of planting. "If you follow all the instructions, the yield per acre is approximately 10 bags of 90-kilogrammes from one acre. I want all millet farmers to embrace these new ways of millet farming so that we can increase the production of millet in the county," she said. She added that millet is healthy for people with diabetes and children. Mary

**The traditional seed was taking six months but the improved variety takes three months,**

Awala, another farmer, said through the improved variety, she can plant three times a year thereby increasing her production.

"The traditional seed was taking six months but with the improved variety, it takes three months, and with that I can plant three times per year through crop rotation. This has helped me to pay school fees for my children and my livelihood," Awala said.

She also said the modern ways of planting, which includes planting millet in a line, makes it easy for weeding unlike the traditional ways which involved random planting.

## Mining PS highlights Kenya's progress in fighting illegal resource exploitation at international summit

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A, KNA

Kenya is steadily advancing in the implementation of the six tools and regional initiatives aimed at combating the illegal exploitation of natural resources. Mining Principal Secretary (PS) Harry Kimtai stated that the six tools include a regional certification mechanism, harmonization of national legislation, a regional database on mineral flows, the formalization of the artisanal mining sector, the Extractive Industries



**Mining Principal Secretary (PS) Harry Kimtai.**

Transparency Initiative, and a whistleblowing mechanism.

Speaking during the convening of the Secretariat of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR), Kimtai highlighted that Kenya has made significant strides in strengthening its legal and regulatory framework and has begun targeted efforts to formalize the artisanal and small-scale mining sector.

"Illegal exploitation of natural resources has long been recognized as a major factor fueling conflicts, undermining governance, and impeding economic growth across the region," said Kimtai.

According to the PS, the six tools designed to combat the illegal exploitation of natural resources provide a comprehensive framework for addressing these challenges.

"As a region our commitment must be to fully operationalize the six tools and ensure their integrity and strengthen their impact," the PS said.

## BRIEFS

### Narok to launch Sh120m beadwork production centre

BY LAMECH WILLY, KNA

A Sh120 million Beads Production Centre is nearing completion at the Sekenani Gate of the Maasai Mara National Reserve in Siana Ward, Narok West, in a move poised to revolutionize the beadwork industry in the region and uplift the socio-economic status of Maasai women.

Governor Patrick Ole Ntutu, who inspected the facility this week ahead of its official launch, said the centre aims to provide structured support to local artisans and bolster beadwork as a key economic activity in Narok County.

He noted that beadwork is more than just a cultural expression terming it a vital source of livelihood for many women living within the Maasai Mara ecosystem.

"Beadwork production plays a significant role not only in preserving our cultural identity but also in supporting the tourism sector, which in turn sustains numerous families and households in the region," Governor Ntutu said during the site visit.

The centre, he added

will serve as a dedicated hub for training, production, and marketing of traditional Maasai beadwork. It is also expected to empower hundreds of women by providing them with a formal workspace, access to markets, and the opportunity to earn sustainable incomes.

This economic empowerment is also expected to translate into improved social well-being for families, including better access to education, healthcare, and food security.

In addition to its local impact, the centre will enhance the county's appeal to tourists seeking authentic cultural experiences, creating a direct link between conservation, culture, and community development.

President William Samoei Ruto is expected to officially inaugurate the facility during his anticipated visit in the region, marking a significant milestone in efforts to integrate cultural heritage with economic empowerment, one of the key pillars of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda.

### County in fight against pasture-killing weed

BY DIANA MENETO, KNA

Kajiado County, through its Department of Environment, Natural Resources, and Climate Change, has launched a community sensitization campaign to eradicate Ipomoea, an invasive weed that has choked grazing fields. According to the County Executive Committee Member for Environment, Natural Resources, and Climate Change, Michael Semera, the weed—which was declared a county disaster last year by Kajiado Governor Joseph Ole Lenku—has occupied vast acres of grazing land and caused immense losses to livestock farmers, as no pasture can grow beneath it.

"The only solution is to uproot it especially during the rainy season as it becomes easier to uproot it. We are calling upon all farmers to uproot it on their farms so that we can protect the environment and save our livelihoods," he said. He added that the department has sensitized ten community groups consisting of a hundred people each who will in turn relay the message to the rest of the community.

the growth of grass and other vegetation, making large areas of land unproductive and unsuitable for livestock grazing.

He noted that the weed has widely spread in Matapato North, Matapato South and Imaroro in Kajiado East, greatly affecting livestock keepers as they are forced to relocate to search for pasture elsewhere even though it has rained in their specific locations.

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