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Kenya eyes 3m visitors as tourism sector rebounds post-Covid crisis

Tourism Principal Secretary John Lekakeny Oloituaa says prior to the advent of Covid-19, the sector contributed nearly 10 percent of the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP). However, this figure dropped to its lowest levels during the pandemic.



State Department for Tourism PS John Lekakeny Oloituaa, speaking during the launch of the development of the National Tourism Strategy 2025-2030 in Naivasha.

BY MABEL KEYA-SHIKUKU,
KNA

Kenya is projected to receive three million tourists by the end of this year, following a steady recovery of the tourism sector in the aftermath of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Tourism Principal Secre-

tary John Lekakeny Oloituaa said that prior to the advent of Covid-19, the sector contributed nearly 10 percent of the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP). However, this figure dropped to its lowest levels during the pandemic.

He added that the sector is now well on track to recovery.

Speaking during the official launch of the development of the National Tourism Strategy (NTS) 2025-2030 in Naivasha, the PS noted that the country has witnessed an increase in international visitors since 2021, recording a 34 percent growth.

The workshop, which was

attended by various stakeholders and experts, was organized by the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA).

The National Tourism Strategy (NTS) is a critical document that will provide a

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14,500

Classes required by the first cohort of grade nine learners already constructed

1.76m

Kenyans enlisted with the Inua Jamii who have received their Dec 2024 stipend.

400

Police reservists that have been recruited to provide security Marsabit County

6,000

Residents who will be served by the newly built Garbakte Dispensary

41.1m

Tons of cargo the Port of Mombasa handled in 2024

400

Teen mothers across Embu County who have been given full scholarships

2024

Year Philip Kiplagat presented his innovation at the 24th MSMEs Trade Fair

14,500 classrooms ready for Grade Nine learners across the country -CS

BY DIANA MENETO, KNA

Fourteen thousand five hundred (14,500) of the 16,000 classrooms required for the first cohort of Grade Nine learners have already been constructed across the country.

Speaking in Kajiado North while assessing the state of preparedness for the new school term,

the Cabinet Secretary for Education, Julius Migos, stated that the Ministry of Education will ensure all incomplete Junior Secondary School (JSS) classrooms are completed within the next month.

The CS remarked that the ministry, through a multi-agency approach, is doing everything possible to ensure a smooth transition to Grade Nine.

"Where there are challenges, they should be escalated, and a solution should be found, including merging classes for the lower grades to ensure that Grade Nine learners are not affected," he said.

The CS also noted that 9.9 million textbooks for all learning areas have been distributed, ensuring that all students

will receive books on a 1:1 ratio as they report to school. He added that distribution is ongoing in areas where it has not yet been completed for various reasons.

"Almost 76,000 teachers have been made available for JSS. In areas where they are insufficient, primary school teachers will be reassigned to teach JSS



The Cabinet Secretary for Education Julius Migos interacts with learners at Ongata Rongai Comprehensive School when he visited to assess the state of preparedness for the new school term. Photo by Diana Meneto

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classes based on their competencies," the CS explained.

The CS further noted that they are carrying out 100 per cent transition in compliance with Article 53 of the Constitution for the learners who are moving from Grade Six to Grade Seven and urged the teachers not to turn away students who do not have uniforms or anything that is required but give them time to purchase. The CS visited Ongata Rongai Comprehensive School, Arap Moi Comprehensive School, Oloolua Comprehensive School and Kimuka Comprehensive School in Kajiado North in the company of area Member of Parliament (MP) Onesmus Ngogoyo.

On his part, Hon. Ngogoyo urged the Ministry of Education to factor in desks in



Some of the classrooms constructed by the Ministry of Education for the first cohort of Grade Nine learners. PHOTO BY DIANA MENETO.

their supplementary budget as they were not factored in in the initial budget for the classrooms.

"The issue of desks is a problem because they were not factored in and it is important that when the supplementary budget

is done, we budget for lockers so that each student can get their locker. The cost should also not be passed to the parents because of the harsh economic times we are living in," the MP said.

The Ministry of Education disbursed Sh11b for the construction of 11,000 classrooms while the Treasury released Sh 7.8 billion to the NG-CDF to build 5,000 classrooms to be used by the first cohort of the Grade Nine learners.

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roadmap to accelerate tourism growth in the country.

Ololtuua stated that the Ministry will partner with county governments to diversify tourism opportunities, with a focus on promoting meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibitions (MICE) tourism.

"Globally, international tourist arrivals grew by 34 percent in 2023 compared to 2022, representing an 88 percent recovery rate of pre-pandemic numbers, while Africa recovered 96 percent of pre-Covid pandemic levels," Ololtuua said.

On a positive note, Kenya witnessed a notable surge from 1.483 million international visitors in 2022 to 2.086 million in 2023, representing an impressive growth of 31.5 per cent. In 2023, inbound tourism earnings grew up to Sh352.54 billion compared to Sh268.09 billion in 2022 indicating a growth of 31.5 per cent.

More data from the Kenya Tourism Board (KTB) shows that Kenya's tourism industry reported significant growth in the first six months of 2024, with

revenue reaching Sh142.5 billion with the country receiving 1,027,630 international visitors, marking a 21.3 per cent increase from the same period in 2023.

The PS observed that the NTS will be key in identifying critical drivers and enablers of tourism growth in the country and will provide a practical implementation plan towards the achievement of the country's overarching tourism and economic goals.

The development of this strategy will be a culmination of extensive stakeholder involvement and participation, as well as mainstream tourism concerns in the sector.

It will also provide the much-needed framework for the mobilisation of resources to realise long term national objectives including but not limited to sustained economic growth, employment creation, and marketing and human resource development.

The Tourism Act Cap 381 provides for the development and publishing of the National Tourism Strategy at least once every five years in accordance with which the tourism sector shall be de-

veloped, managed, marketed and regulated.

Ololtuua urged the participants working on the document to prioritise the ambitions for both recovery and growth of the tourism sector to ensure that it is founded on key strategic shifts.

These shifts are Kenya becoming an all-year-round tourism destination, creating new and more diverse customer experiences and products and building a refreshed brand and repositioning Kenya as an up-market with a sustainable destination.

The strategy will also seek to develop enablers, including unlocking alternative and innovative sources of funding and optimising the adoption of digital innovations and new technologies by the tourism sector to revamp it.

Ololtuua expressed confidence that the National Tourism Strategy will address brand repositioning, strategically focus on existing and new international source markets, scaling the domestic tourism market, as well as developing a new and improved experience in parks and reserves.

NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE

TENDER RE-ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE

The National Youth Service invites sealed bids from eligible firms for the Supply, Delivery, Installation and Commissioning of Bakery Equipment at Paramilitary Academy Gilgil & Supply, Delivery, Installation & Commissioning of an Electric Maize Mill at NYS Athi River Field Unit, Yatta as tabulated below;

S/No.	Tender Name	Tender No.
1.	Supply, Delivery, Installation & Commissioning of complete Bakery Equipment, standard Bread (600-900G) 240 pcs/session at NYS Paramilitary Academy, Gilgil.	NYS/ONT/025/Bakery Equipment/ 2024-2025
2.	Supply, Delivery, Installation & Commissioning of An Electric Maize Mill at NYS Athi River Field Unit, Yatta.	NYS/ONT/026/Electric Maize Mill/ 2024-2025

Complete set of tender documents may be purchased or obtained by interested tenderers upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **Kshs. 1,000** made through MPESA [Paybill No. 222222, Account Number NYSHQ2- Bidder's Name] and collected from the Supply Chain Management Offices at the NYS Headquarters in Nairobi, during official working hours between 9:00am - 4:00pm from Monday to Friday.

Tender documents may also be viewed and obtained electronically free of charge from the websites, www.nys.go.ke and www.tenders.go.ke. Tenders shall however not be submitted electronically but physically delivered to the address provided below.

**The Commandant General
National Youth Service Headquarters
P.O Box 30397-00100,Nairobi**

Tenders in plain sealed envelopes, marked tender number on the right-hand side corner and bearing no indication of the tenderer should be addressed, delivered and placed in the tender box on 1st floor of the NYS Headquarters Administration Block Building, so as to be received not later than **30th January, 2025 at 11:00am**.

Submitted bids will be opened immediately after the tender closure on the same date and time publicly in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend. Late bids will be returned unopened.

N.B Pre-bid site meetings will be held on 20th January 2025 in the two respective sites starting at 11:00am

The Government reserves the right to reject any tender and does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

**Head Supply Chain Management Services
For: COMMANDANT GENERAL**



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/MBD/0063/2024-2025	Development and Management of a Branded Restaurant at Wilson Airport	There shall be a site visit on 22/01/2025 at Wilson Airport at 10:00 am	30/01/2025 at 11:00 am.
KAA/OT/MBD/0064/2024-2025	Re-Tender for Development and Management of an International Branded Restaurant at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.	There shall be a site visit on 22/01/2025 at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport at 10:00 am	30/01/2025 at 11:00 am.
KAA/OT/LEGAL/0071/2024-2025	Prequalification of Law Firms for Provision of External Legal Services to Kenya Airports Authority	N/A	30/01/2025 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 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

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

MANAGING DIRECTOR/CEO



Newly recruited police reservists to enhance law and order in Marsabit

BY SEBASTIAN MIRITI, KNA

Efforts by the government to provide security and maintain law and order in Marsabit County have been strengthened with the recruitment of 400 police reservists.

The officers, drawn from across the county, graduated after a one-month training during a pass-out parade presided over by the Deputy Inspector General (DIG) of Police Eliud Lagat at Anuwai Technical Training College in Laisamis Sub-County.

Mr. Lagat urged the reservists, whose training cost the government considerable resources, to uphold patriotism and always be fair when serving the community. He observed that this would help improve the security situation in Marsabit County, which has previously experienced cases of cattle rustling, banditry, and inter-communal conflicts.

The DIG said the reservists would be expected to work closely with other security stakeholders who include the police and



A section of 400 national police reservists during a pass-out parade at Anuwai technical training college in Laisamis Sub-County. The police reserve is part of a wider strategy by the government in the maintenance of security and peace in Marsabit County.

community elders for improved peaceful coexistence of local communities.

Mr Lagat reminded the reservists that they were expected to have respect for human rights, be accountable, ensure fairness and above all to discharge their duties professionally.

He asked the reservists to always uphold the rule of law and maintain the trust of the people they serve to foster peace and succeed in their work.

Mr Lagat underscored the importance of community-based policing which the national police reserve was expected to enhance by acting as the bridge between the law

and peace leaders so that the much-needed peace could be achieved in the county.

Kamau warned against misuse of firearms and involvement in crime as those found out will be severely punished.

The county commissioner noted that the police reservists were equipped with the necessary skills and moral fortitude to enable them to offer the required protection in the society.

"Your deep understanding of local dynamics, culture and traditions positions you uniquely to address security challenges effectively," he told the reservists whom he cautioned against any engaging in any form of corruption, discrimination or abuse of power.

The DIG pointed out that the integrity of the police uniform issued to the reservists lies in the actions and decisions of the individual officers.

Marsabit County Commissioner James Kamau emphasized discipline among the new officers as lack of it would not be tolerated.

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Lake region traders urged to seize multi-billion shilling EU market

BY IAN CHEPKUTO, KNA

building export capacity, which is expected to stimulate economic growth in the country. Speaking in Kisumu during a sensitization meeting with stakeholders from Vihiga, Siaya, and Kisumu counties, K'ombudo emphasized that this initiative is crucial for implementing the government's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), which addresses gaps in market access for local products. The Lake Region, he noted, is endowed with vast arable land, natural resources, and adequate rainfall.

He challenged farmers in the area to diversify production and embrace value addition to maximize benefits from the EU market. "This is a golden opportunity for all counties in the Lake Region to diversify their exports, increase incomes, and empower local economies. We must take advantage of the duty-free and quota-free access to the EU market," he said.



MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION & THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ICT AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

PUBLIC NOTICE: CALL FOR COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT KENYA NATIONAL ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) STRATEGY (2025-2030)

The ministry, through the AI steering committee is in the process of developing the Kenya national AI strategy. The strategy aim is to enable the country harness the transformative potential of AI to drive the country's socio-economic development.

In accordance with requirements of the constitution of Kenya, which mandates public participation in policy making, the ministry invites members of the public, stakeholders and all interested parties to submit their views, comments and recommendations on the draft strategy which will inform its review.

The Policy is available on www.ict.go.ke.

Written submissions should be submitted to the committee using the provided template not later than **19th January 2025**, through the email aistrategy@moict.go.ke or through the address

Chairperson
Kenya national AI steering committee
C/O Principal secretary
10th Floor, Teleposta towers
P.O Box 30025-00100
Nairobi

COMMENTS SUBMISSION TEMPLATE

NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION/INDIVIDUAL				
S/No	Section of the Strategy	Provision of the Strategy	Proposed amendment	Rationale for the amendment/recommendation
1.				
2.				

* Provide Text on exact wording of the provision in the Strategy paragraph or sub-paragraph

** Provide the exact wording of how the proposed amendment to the Strategy paragraph or sub-paragraph is proposed to read



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The Academic Model Providing Access to Health Care (AMPATH) is a program under the auspices of Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital (MTRH), Moi University and a Consortium of North American Universities led by Indiana University whose aim is to provide sustainable efforts in access to Health Care, Research, and Training. AMPATH oversees USAID-funded projects namely; USAID AMPATH Uzima and USAID 4The Child.

OPEN NATIONAL TENDER				
No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Eligibility	Closing Date
1	MTRH/AMP/T/035/2024-2025	TENDER FOR PROVISION OF CONFERENCE AND HOSPITALITY SERVICES	Open	4th February 2025
2	MTRH/AMP/T/036/2024-2025	TENDER FOR THE PROVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE COVER (UNDERWRITERS ONLY) FOR USAID AMPATH Uzima & USAID 4THECHILD	OPEN	4th February 2025

Complete sets of Tender documents shall be obtained by interested Bidders free of charge from MTRH official website: www.mtrh.go.ke and state tender portal: www.tenders.go.ke.

Tender bids in plain sealed envelopes bearing the Tender number (**in bold**) on the top right-hand corner but with no indication of the Tenderer's name should be deposited in **Tender Box "A"**, located at **Ground Floor, Chandaria Cancer Centre** or Posted to

The Chief Executive Officer
Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital
P.O. Box 3-30100 ELDORET

So as to be received on or before **Tuesday 4th February 2025 respectively, at 10.30 am.** Bids will be opened publicly immediately thereafter in the presence of Bidders or their representatives who choose to attend at **AMPATH Centre 1st Floor ATI Hall RM 118**. Late bids will not be accepted whatsoever and shall be returned unopened.

All queries regarding this tender should be directed to the Supply Chain Manager - USAID AMPATH Uzima at procurement-info@usaidampathuzima.or.ke and copied to acherotich@usaidampathuzima.or.ke



SONY Sugar posts Sh113 million profit after a decade of losses in significant turnaround

BY BERYL AKINYI AND MAKOKHA KHAOYA, KNA

South Nyanza Sugar Company (SONY) has reported a pre-tax profit of Sh113 million in the first quarter of the financial year 2024/2025, marking a significant turnaround after a decade of losses.

Speaking to the media, Managing Director (MD) Martine Dima announced that the company is on the right path, having achieved its first positive pre-tax profit since 2010.

"The company is on the right trajectory, and we are working towards reclaiming our lost glory for the first time in 14 years," said Dima.

In the last financial year (2023/2024), the company incurred a loss of Sh700 million, which severely disrupted its operations.

Dima, who was appointed as the substantive MD in July 2023, attributed the latest pre-tax profit to an increased crushing rate of over 2,700 tons per day and a 90 percent machine efficiency rate.

Regarding delays in payments to farmers, Dima acknowledged that the company is in the process of clearing payments for cane supplied in October and November 2024.

He explained that the delays were caused by the December maintenance of the sugar mill, during



A tractor delivering cane to South Nyanza Sugar Company. PHOTOS: BERYL AKINYI

which crushing operations were halted for three weeks. "The delay of payment to our cane farmers for October (Sh68 million) and November (Sh78 million), was as a result of the maintenance in December, but we are in the process of trying to ensure we clear the bills in the coming weeks", elaborated Dima.

The cases had accumulated over Sh2 billion, but after audit reconciliation with court registries, the cases have since dropped below 1,000, representing a potential amount of

upon the National government, to assist the Sugar Company to undergo full maintenance, to boost the 40-year-old crushing capacity projected to be 3,000 tons per day.

The MD also disclosed that since taking over, the workload of legal cases has dropped from 3,500 to less than 1,000.

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South Nyanza Sugar Company Managing Director Martine Dima speaking to the press.

about Sh500 million.

"We have been talking with law firms, to explain to them our situation and find a way of accommodating one another, and most of them have been positive. We want to thank them for showing us the good spirit, to ensure that our sugar mill continues to operate in an accommodating environment", said Dima. The Official, however, appealed to the County government of Migori, to stop impounding the Company's vehicles due to an unpaid cess

levy that had accrued for four years.

He noted that the current cess levy was up-to-date, urging the county government to wait for the audit report that has been transmitted to the national pending bills committee for verification.

Dima was grateful to the national government, the company support staff and the support of the South Nyanza Sugar Company Board that guided him in making better policy decisions.

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VACANT POSITIONS IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY- STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ICT AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

Applications are invited from qualified persons for the positions shown below.

V/NO.	POST	MINISTRY/STATE DEPARTMENT	GRADE	NO. OF VACANCIES
1/2025	Information Communication Technology Assistant III	ICT and The Digital Economy	CSG 12	290

The details of the post and mode of application can be accessed on the Commission's website.

Interested and qualified persons are required to make their applications **ONLINE** through the Commission website: www.publicservice.go.ke or jobs portal: www.psckjobs.go.ke so as to reach the Commission on or before **4th February, 2025 (Latest 5 pm East African Time)**.

**SECRETARY/CEO
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

KENYA VISION 2030

KENYA SUGAR BOARD

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Sugar Act No.11 of 2024 established the Kenya Sugar Board. Under section 6 (1) of the Act, the composition of the Board includes, among others, five representatives elected by growers from each sugar catchment area and two representatives each elected by private and public owned sugar mills. Section 40 of the Act imposes the Sugar Development Levy to be gazetted by the Cabinet Secretary.

Draft procedures for the election of grower and miller representatives to the Board and an order for the imposition of the Sugar Development Levy have been formulated. It is hereby notified to the general public that the Board will undertake public participation on the Draft Procedures for the Election of Grower and Miller Representatives to the Board and will engage stakeholders on the imposition of the Sugar Development Levy.

The public is invited to submit their comments on the Draft Procedures for the election of grower and miller representatives to the Board and the Order for the Imposition of the Sugar Development Levy, available on the Board's website: <https://ksb.go.ke>. Comments and written memoranda should be submitted via email to info@ksb.go.ke by **Tuesday, 21st January 2025**.

**Jude Chesire
Ag. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

KENYA VISION 2030

State disburses Sh3.5b for Dec 2024 Inua Jamii payments

BY DOUGLAS
NAMUNANE(PCO)

Approximately 1.76 million Kenyans enlisted in the Inua Jamii Cash Transfer Programme have received their December 2024 stipend.

Making the announcement, State Department for Social Protection and Senior Citizen Affairs Principal Secretary Mr. Joseph Motari

said the government had released a whopping Sh3,517,470,000 in payments to 1,758,735 beneficiaries.

"The payment commenced on January 7, 2025, with each beneficiary set to receive Sh2,000, covering the December 2024 cycle," he stated. The Principal Secretary reiterated that the cash transfer programme is meant to offer support

to the needy population in society. "Inua Jamii is a government cash transfer programme designed to support vulnerable members of society by providing monthly stipends to cushion them against poverty and hunger, thereby improving their quality of

3.5b
Amount of money the government released to 1.7m beneficiaries of inua Jamii

life," Mr. Motari said.

He revealed that the State Department for Social Protection and Senior Citizen Affairs is piloting a new payment system that will utilize the government's e-Citizen platform for payments.

"To enhance service delivery, the department is piloting a new payment solution using M-Pesa through the e-Citizen platform. The pilot phase

is currently being implemented in Murang'a and Marsabit counties," the Principal Secretary added.

Mr. Motari emphasized that, effective January 2025, all beneficiaries under the programme will be paid through the new payment solution.

He explained that the new system aims to provide a more efficient and effective way to deliver cash transfers through

M-Pesa's extensive agent network.

The Principal Secretary also clarified that beneficiaries from the remaining counties will access their December 2024 stipends through their usual six contracted commercial banks.

Beneficiaries of the popular program have been receiving their dues in good time following a presidential directive last year.

 **MINISTRY OF MINING, BLUE ECONOMY AND MARITIME AFFAIRS**
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR BLUE ECONOMY AND FISHERIES
Kenya Marine Fisheries Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED)
P.O. BOX 58187-00200 NAIROBI

REQUEST FOR BIDS (RFB)

Country:	Kenya
Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED)	
Project No.:	P163980
Credit No:	65400-KE
Assignment Title:	Design, Supply, Installation of Fisheries Information Management System (FIMS) in Kenya

1. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED)** and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for the following:
- Tender Name: Design, Supply, Installation of Fisheries Information Management System (FIMS) in Kenya.
2. The State Department for Blue Economy and Fisheries now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for the above-mentioned tender.
3. Bidding will be conducted through National competitive procurement using Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" First Published July 2016 and Revised Fifth Edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Kenya Marine Fisheries Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED) Procurement Office situated at Maktaba Kuu Building, Mezzanine Floor Ngong Road Nairobi E-mail: info@kemfsed.org; Telephone: +254-020-271 6103; www.kemfsed.org and inspect the bidding document during office hours from Monday to Friday excluding weekends and public holidays during office hours East Africa Time from 0800hours-1700hours at the address given below.
5. The bidding document in English may be obtained by interested eligible Bidders from our website at www.kemfsed.org, www.worldbank.org www.mibema.go.ke or at Public Procurement Information Portal <http://tenders.go.ke>
6. Bids must be deposited into the tender box located on the Maktaba Kuu Building, Mezzanine Floor Ngong Road Nairobi to be received on or before Thursday, **27th February, 2025 at 11.00 hrs. EAT (Local Time). The bids should be clearly marked 'Design, Supply, Installation of Fisheries Information Management System (FIMS) in Kenya KE-MOMBEMA-C1-2024-039-CS-CQS/MMBE-MASD-BE&F/05/2024-2025**. Electronic Bidding **will not** be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend in Maktaba Kuu Building (Ngong Road), Mezzanine Floor Boardroom.
7. All Bids must be accompanied by a bid security of **Kenya shillings Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand (KES. 250,000.00) or an equivalent, in any easily convertible currency**.
8. **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 as included in the bidding document.**
9. The address (es) referred to above is (are):

The Principal Secretary	Other addresses
<p>The Principal Secretary Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs State Department for Blue Economy and Fisheries Ragati Road, Social Health Authority (SHA) Building 14th Floor P O Box 58187 - 00200 NAIROBI Email:ps@blueeconomy.go.ke Website: https://www.mibema.go.ke,</p>	<p>The National Project Coordinator Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development (KEMFSED) Project Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs State Department for Blue Economy & Fisheries Maktaba Kuu Building, Mezzanine Floor, Ngong Road, Website: www.kemfsed.org Email: info@kemfsed.org Telephone: +254-20-2718870</p>

 **COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF KENYA**

TENDER NOTICE

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

CA invites tenders from interested and competent firms to tender for the following;

No.	Tender Reference	Description of tender	Closing date and time	Eligibility
1.	CA/SCM/OT/23/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Re-tender for supply, delivery, and installation of assorted ICT Equipment	5th February 2025 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
2.	CA/SCM/OT/24/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Supply and Delivery of Computer Laptops	5th February 2025 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
3.	CA/SCM/OT/25/2024-2025	Framework Contract for provision of Chartered Helicopter Services	5th February 2025 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
4.	CA/SCM/RFP/03/2024-2025	Request for proposal for provision of Multimedia Audience measurements and industry Trends Data.	5th February 2025 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
5.	Online Sensitization Workshop for Youth, Women and Person's Living with Disability owned firms		Online on 31st January 2025 from 10:00am to 12:00noon (East African Time)	Access to Government Procurement Opportunities (AGPO) suppliers

Interested suppliers who wishes to participate in the sensitization workshop are invited to register their details via procurement@ca.go.ke, in order to receive the link to attend the sensitization forum.

Firms that are interested with the tenders advertised can access and download the tender documents from the Public Procurement Information Portal <http://www.tenders.go.ke> and the Authority's website: <https://www.ca.go.ke/open-tenders> / free of charge.

Further, firms who download the tender documents must arrange to forward their particulars/ contacts to the Head of Procurement, Communications Authority of Kenya, through the email address tenders@ca.go.ke before the closing date for records and for purposes of receiving clarifications and or addendums, if any. Any addendum, which will be issued, will be uploaded in the CA Website.

Eligible bidders may also inspect and obtain detailed hard copy of the tender documents from the Supply Chain Management Department 2nd floor Wing A at CA Centre along Waiyaki Way, Nairobi, between 9am to 4pm, Monday to Friday excluding Public Holidays at a non-refundable fee of Kshs 1,000.00.

Prices quoted should be inclusive of all taxes and **MUST** be expressed in Kenya shillings.

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

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

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

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New mining police unit established to tackle illegal mining and resource theft

BY SHARON ATIENO, KNA

The Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy, and Maritime Affairs has launched an investigative arm within the Mining Police Unit (MPU). This initiative aims to combat illegal resource exploitation and the mining of minerals across the country, ensuring compliance within the sector.

It underscores Kenya's commitment to promoting sustainable development and upholding justice in its resource management sector.

"We have a new commander, Commissioner of Police Fatuma Ali, who was previously the Deputy Criminal Investigation Officer (DCIO) for Kilimanjaro. Anyone who de-

stroys the economy is no different from criminals committing robbery with violence," said Mining CS Hassan Joho.

Speaking during the launch, Joho emphasized the government's commitment to safeguarding Kenya's natural resources for both current and future generations. He announced the formation of

a team to support the Ministry, as long as stakeholders in the mining industry comply with regulations, such as paying royalties on time and collaborating with local communities and county governments.

"When minerals are extracted unlawfully, they are lost forever. I want to ensure we have teams in place to enforce the law."



CS for Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs, Hassan Joho, hands over the Mining Act to the Head of the newly created Investigation Section of the Mining Police Unit (MPU), Fatuma Ali (second left), PS for Mining Elijah Mwangi (Centre) and Head of MPU Richard Ndiang'ui (in light blue blazer) in Nairobi.



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EXAMINATIONS NOTICE – APRIL 2025 EXAMINATIONS

Students of Kasneb, parents, sponsors, guardians, training institutions and other stakeholders are hereby notified that the **April 2025** examinations will be administered over a period of **four (4) days, from Tuesday, 22 April 2025 to Friday, 25 April 2025**. The specific dates and other additional information are availed below:

1. EXAMINATION DATES

The examination dates for the April 2025 examinations are as follows:

(a) **Tuesday, 22 April 2025 and Wednesday, 23 April 2025**

- (i) Diploma in Data Management and Analytics (DDMA)
- (ii) Diploma in Computer Networks and Systems Administration (DCNSA)

(b) **Tuesday, 22 April 2025 to Friday, 25 April 2025**

- (i) Certificate in Accounting and Management Skills (CAMS)
- (ii) Accounting Technicians Diploma (ATD)
- (iii) Certified Public Accountants (CPA)
- (iv) Certified Secretaries (CS)
- (v) Certified Investment and Financial Analysts (CIFA)
- (vi) Certified Credit Professionals (CCP)
- (vii) Certified Information Systems Solutions Expert (CISSE)
- (viii) Certified Forensic Fraud Examiner (CFFE)
- (ix) Certified Public Finance Manager (CPFM)
- (x) Vocational Certificate Courses: (VCEI), (VCGD), (VCICS) and VCBCT
- (xi) Certified Procurement and Supply Professional of Kenya (CPSP-K)
- (xii) Associate in Procurement and Supply of Kenya (APS-K)
- (xiii) Certified Quality Professional (CQP)
- (xiv) Business Data Analytics Practical Paper (CPA) and Financial Modelling and Data Analytics Practical Paper (CIFA)

(c) **Wednesday, 23 April 2025 and Thursday, 24 April 2025**

Foreign Accountancy Qualifications (FAQ)

Note: Candidates are advised to make early arrangements, including seeking permission from employers where applicable, to ensure that they sit for the examinations.

2. CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION AND EXAMINATION ENTRY

The closing date for registration and examination entry for the April 2025 examinations will be **Friday, 21 March 2025**.

3. QUALIFICATIONS BROCHURE

The qualifications brochure can be downloaded from the Kasneb website www.kasneb.or.ke or obtained from the following sources free of charge:

- (a) The offices of Kasneb.
- (b) Kasneb counters at Huduma Centres in Nairobi GPO, Kisumu, Kisii, Eldoret, Nyeri, Mombasa, Nakuru, Kitale, Kakamega, Meru and Thika.
- (c) Kenya National Library Service (KNLS) branches countrywide.
- (d) Training institutions offering Kasneb courses.

4. METHODS OF PAYMENT OF FEES

(a) **Payment through student portal**

Students are advised to use student portal link <https://online.kasneb.or.ke>. A detailed guide regarding this mode of payment is available within the student portal.

(b) **Payment by students based outside Kenya**

Foreign based students should pay through KCB Dollar Account No.1123096465..

Note: Students are advised to utilise the above payment channels. Please note that NO payment shall be made through any member of staff or agent of Kasneb. Cash payments will NOT be accepted at Kasneb offices. Students based outside Kenya/Foreign students are advised to pay the applicable fees in US dollars.

5. All continuing students of Kasneb are required to renew their annual registration by 1 July of each year. New students are advised to note that the annual registration renewal fee is due on the 1 July following the first eligible examination sitting and annually thereafter.

SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Tuesday, 14 January 2025

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KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE LIMITED

NATIONAL OPEN TENDER

The Kenya BioVax Institute Limited a State Corporation mandated to manufacture, package and commercialize human vaccine and other health products and technologies invites eligible firms to provide comprehensive medical cover services as follows.

TENDER NUMBER	TENDER NAME	CLOSING/OPENING DATE
KBI/NT/002/2024-2025	PROVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL COVER	Wednesday 22 nd January 2025 at 11.00 AM

Interested eligible candidates may obtain further information, inspect and download the tender documents from Kenya BioVax Institute's website (www.biovax.go.ke) and the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP, www.tenders.go.ke).

Completed Tender documents should be addressed to the;

Chief Executive Officer,
Kenya BioVax Institute Limited,
P.O Box 40779-00100,
NAIROBI, KENYA

Manager, Supply Chain Management
For: Chief Executive Officer.



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KENYA MEDICAL SUPPLIES AUTHORITY (KEMSA)

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) NOTICE

The Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (KEMSA) herewith invites sealed tender (s) as follows:

No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Tender Closing / Opening Date & Time
1.	KEMSA/ONT12/2024-2026	Procurement of Motor Vehicle Insurance Cover	28 th January, 2025 at 10:00am
2.	KEMSA/ONT13/2024-2026	Provision of Medical Insurance Cover	
3.	GFATM MAL GC7/ONT01/2024-2025	Provision of Motor Vehicle Insurance Cover	30 th January, 2025 at 10:00am
4.	KEMSA/GOK/MOH-ONT01/2024-2025	Supply of ARV - Reserved for Local Manufacturers	29 th January, 2025 at 10.00am
5.	KEMSA/GOK/MOH-OIT03/2024-2025	Supply of Nutrition Health Products - Open to all	4 th February, 2025 at 10.00am

Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tenders may be obtained from KEMSA Website: www.kemsa.go.ke and PPIP Portal: <https://tenders.go.ke>



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MINISTRY OF INVESTMENTS, TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI)

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR INVESTMENT PROMOTION (SDIP)

WORLD BANK KENYA JOBS AND ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION (KJET) PROJECT

RECRUITMENT ANNOUNCEMENT - PROJECT SPECIALISTS

BACKGROUND

The Government's Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) has placed significant focus on the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Sector by prioritizing financial inclusion for MSMEs, value chain approach to MSME products as well as sustainable job creation through the sector.

In this endeavor, the Government of Kenya (GOK), with the support of World Bank, is implementing the **Kenya Jobs and Economic Transformation (KJET) Project**, a significant initiative aimed at addressing key constraints within government and market systems that hinder the creation of high-quality jobs and the adoption of environmentally sustainable practices by Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs).

The Project's objective is to address gaps and market failures that prevent high quality job creation and adoption of green practices by Micro Medium and Small Enterprises (MSMEs), including burdensome and costly regulatory frameworks, inadequate Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) promotion, coordinating failures between buyers and suppliers, information asymmetries with respect to capabilities and market requirements, as well as externalities related to climate change.

Its first component **Strengthening Business and Investment Enabling Reform** will address prioritized Business Regulatory and Investment Policy and Promotion reforms to support private sector growth, through a combination of diagnostics, legal and regulatory reforms, institutional capacity development, and integration of a One Stop One Stop (OSOS) digital platform. Throughout implementation, special focus will be given to regulatory constraints faced by exporters and priorities for attracting export oriented Foreign Direct Investment (FDI).

The third component **Scaling Up Green Financing and Strengthening Climatic Resilience for SMEs** is aimed at mobilizing green private capital to support adoption of green technologies through setting up an agile, patient financing structure to crowd in private capital, especially by medium businesses. It will further pilot an innovative instrument to support SMEs in managing compound climatic shocks. The flagship of this component is the Green Investment Fund (GIF), an Alternative Investment Vehicle, providing risk-adjusted, long-term, patient capital, including equity and mezzanine financing to climate resilient SMEs in Kenya and the greater East African Community. Investment focus sectors will be Cleaner Energy and Material Efficiency and Environmental Resources with priority in Transport (electric vehicles), Building Efficiency, Sustainable Agriculture and Waste Management. It targets to create 45,000 jobs to Kenyans, including at least 6,800 for women through new or improved job opportunities.

Both components will be anchored within the **State Department of Investment Promotion (SDIP) and implemented under the Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry (MITI)**

The State Department for Investment Promotion (SDIP) is therefore seeking to **recruit eight (8) Project Specialists** who will form the **Project Implementation Unit (PIU)** responsible for coordinating the World Bank SDIP KJET Project Management, Monitoring and Evaluation. The duty station for these roles will be Nairobi, Kenya.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified **KENYAN** candidates for the advertised vacant positions shown here below:

S/No.	JOB TITLE	NO. OF POSTS	VACANCY NO.
1.	Project Director	1	1/2025
2.	Financial Management Specialist	1	2/2025
3.	Project Accountant	1	3/2025
4.	Procurement Specialist	1	4/2025
5.	Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Specialist	1	5/2025
6.	Communications Specialist	1	6/2025
7.	Environmental and Social Risks Management (ESRM) Specialist	1	7/2025
8.	Legal Specialist	1	8/2025

HOW TO APPLY

- Application letters submitted physically must be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes, marked with the vacancy number and job title together with detailed Curriculum Vitae, certified copies of Academic and Professional Certificates, and contact details of at least three (3) referees and be addressed to:

**The Principal Secretary,
State Department for Investment Promotion (SDIP) Development,
P.O Box 30057 - 00100 GPO
Bishop Road, Capitol Hill, Social Security House, Block 'A', 12th Floor
NAIROBI.**
- Application documents may either be submitted physically at the above address **OR** electronically through ps@investmentpromotion.go.ke
- Applications **must be received on or before 31st January, 2025 5pm East African Time**
- Interested eligible qualified candidates may seek further information from the **Office of the Principal Secretary, State Department of Investment Promotion** at the above address, during normal working hours from **8.00am to 5.00pm East African Time**.
- Complete detailed Terms of Reference (ToR) with detailed scope of work, eligibility and qualifications required as well as contract duration and terms, may be accessed by interested eligible candidates at www.investmentpromotion.go.ke and www.tenders.go.ke
- The SDIP is an equal opportunity Employer. Female candidates and Persons Living with Disability (PLWDs) are encouraged to apply.
- The SDIP will only contact the shortlisted candidates, and canvassing will result in automatic disqualification

Abubakar Hassan Abubakar, CBS

Principal Secretary

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR INVESTMENT PROMOTION (SDIP)



Kenyan innovator seeks support to mass produce patented steam jiko



Micro and Small Enterprises Authority (MSEA) North Rift Region Director, CPA Alton Kogo (left) meets with Philip Kolil, Director and founder of Trans Care Stoves, Eldoret. He assured him of the Authority's support to MSEs, Eldoret, Uasin Gishu.

BY EKUWAM SYLVESTER, KNA

Philip Philip Kolil, a juu kali innovator, has been at the forefront of the campaign against global warming. With his patented steam jiko, he has showcased his innovation both nationally and internationally in an effort to support the campaign.

In November 2024, he presented his innovation at the 24th EAC MSMEs Trade Fair in Juba, South Sudan, where his product emerged as the second-best.

Despite being in the market for some time, the inventor has yet to break even and is now seeking assistance for mass production of the jiko, which he aims to improve.

A resident of Kipkaren in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County, Mr. Kolil is seeking support from government agencies, well-wishers, and other stakeholders in the manufacturing industry to help him realize his dream.

Kolil, who is the Director and founder of Trans Care Stoves in Eldoret, has been pursuing the idea of the steam jiko since 1983. He has since acquired various certifications from the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS), the Kenya Industrial Research and Development Institute (KIRDI), the Kenya Industrial Property Institute (KIPI), the Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KNCCI), the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), and others.

Though he has been manufacturing the smokeless stoves in small quantities, he feels the need to produce the stoves on a large scale to meet the market demand and at the same time earn enough to support his needs and those of his employees.

"It is more efficient and reliable than the ordinary jiko and works in the same principle as a pressure cooker. It boils water first and then taps the vapor steam. The steam now takes up the heating while at the same time absorbing the smoke making it smokeless. It is a form of clean cooking," he explained.

He pointed out that the product plays a key role in transforming the cooking habits in both urban and informal settlements since the jiko emits no smoke to the environment.

It also helps reduce carbon dioxide emission and at the same time reduce the risk of contracting respiratory dis-



Steam Jikos being manufactured at Trans Care Stoves workshop, Eldoret, Uasin Gishu. PHOTO: EKUWAM SYLVESTER

eases associated with unclean cooking methods like the traditional jikos.

Noting that he had attended various expos both locally and internationally where his product attained remarkable results, the Jua Kali innovator requested support from research institutions, manufacturers and other stakeholders to improve his product and upscale its production.

He explained that he lacks financial capacity and the space to enter into the mass production stage to reap enough from the unique venture.

Micro and Small Enterprises Authority (MSEA) North Rift Region Director, CPA Alton Kogo, lauded the innovation by Kolil who chairs the Kipkaren Jua Kali Association noting that smokeless steam jiko is a unique and marketable product which needs to be adopted since it is environmentally friendly.

He said nations around the world are putting measures to combat climate change by reducing carbon dioxide emissions.

The regional director affirmed the authority's commitment to supporting the MSEs to tap into the new opportunities in the market, noting that it has supported over 1,000 enterprises in training, space, market linkages and others.

"He needs a lot of support, especially capital and space so that he can produce this unique product on a large scale. We have given him space together with other MSEs at Kipkaren market," the regional MSEA director noted.

He added that the authority has been keen to ensure that the MSEs are supported in line with the Bottom-Up Transformation Agenda (BETA) and the Affordable Housing Project.

Kenya Yearbook 2024 publication showcases the nation's growth, economic gains

VICTOR OBURE-PCO

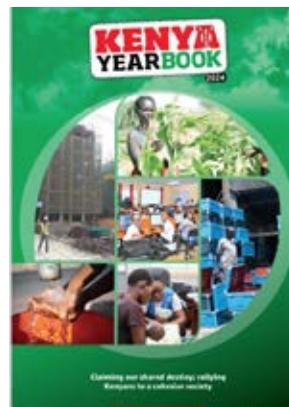
The Kenya 2024 Yearbook publication is finally out.

The publication, produced by the Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB), highlights the most significant developments in the country over the past year.

The Yearbook 2024 offers an overview of Kenya's governance, economy, culture, education, technology, and environmental aspects.

In a press release, KYEB Chief Executive Officer Lilian Kimeto stated that the publication, themed "Claiming Our Shared Destiny: Rallying Kenyans to a Cohesive Society," explores the socio-economic gains the nation has made towards realizing the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) plan.

She added that the Kenya Yearbook 2024, dubbed "Alakara"—a Turkana word for gratitude and thanksgiving—am-



The cover page of the released Yearbook 2024 which highlights the country's milestone over the last one year.

plifies the country's historical significance as the cradle of humankind, where the oldest human fossils were discovered at Koobi Fora.

Kimeto noted that the publication serves as a valuable resource for policymakers, academia, investors, and citizens seeking information on various aspects of the

country. It is an essential tool for national branding, both domestically and internationally, showcasing Kenya's development trajectory, achievements, potential, and milestones.

The Yearbook offers a comprehensive survey of Kenya's history, contextualized economic achievements, culture, and national heritage, making it a source of pride for the nation and its people. The book highlights stories that capture the soul of Kenya.

Furthermore, the Yearbook serves as a vital national resource, reflecting Kenya's development path and providing a detailed record of the country's events, challenges, and achievements.

Through the Yearbook 2024, presented through the perspectives of the youth, the government aims to inspire national pride, promote education, and ensure that Kenya's story is preserved for future generations, Kimeto explained.



CAREER OPPORTUNITY

The Kenya Power & Lighting Company PLC is a well-established and recognized leader in electricity distribution and retail in the region. KPLC is established as a limited liability company under the Companies Act, Cap 486, Laws of Kenya. The Company's key mandate is to purchase bulk electricity supply, distribute and retail electricity to end-user customers throughout Kenya. KPLC is at the forefront of spearheading accomplishment of Vision 2030. Kenya Power is seeking to recruit results driven and highly motivated individual to fill the position of Manager, Safety, Health, and Work Environment.

Reporting to the General Manager Human Resource & Administration, the Manager, Safety, Health, and Work Environment will be responsible for ensuring organizational compliance to prevailing safety, health and work environment requirements and practices.

MANAGER, SAFETY, HEALTH AND WORK ENVIRONMENT

Job Ref. HR: KP1/5B.2/1/3/1992

This position will be reporting to the General Manager, Human Resource & Administration. The key duties and responsibilities will include;

- Implement strategies on safety, health and work environment.
- Advise management on provisions of safety, health & work environment requirements.
- Implement Electrical Safety Rules and codes of practice for compliance to safe working procedures.
- Facilitate periodic reviews of electrical safety rules, safety work procedures in line with corporate requirements.
- Promote compliance with the Electrical Safety Rules, Permits to work issuance protocols and adherence to the certification processes for Competency and Authorization classes for operations.
- Implement legal provisions related to safety, health & work environment.
- Promote a safe and healthy work environment companywide.
- Coordinate implement safety, health & work environment measures in the company.
- Organize and participate in assessment/authorization for system switching and working on the high voltage power system (for staff, contractors and other electricity sector agencies)
- Develop strategies to promote and implement a safety awareness culture in the company.
- Facilitate site safety inspections, equipment tests and calibration verifications in line with legal safety and health regulations to ensure adherence to safety regulations and procedures.
- Facilitate safety, health & work environment training programmes.
- Nurture a positive relationships with external organisations/agencies on matters of safety, health & work environment.
- Develop and implement emergency procedures and disaster preparedness on safety & work environment in the company.
- Participate in accident/incident investigations based on Regulatory requirements and implementation of preventative actions and other compliance requirements.
- Enforce field audit, statutory environment, safety and health audits, inspections and monitoring compliance to safety standards, adherence to safety procedures and statutory requirements
- Promote Environmental sustainability initiatives
- Coordinate Environmental Impact Assessments, environmental monitoring for ongoing projects to ensure compliance with environmental management plan in line with Environmental Management laws;
- In depth knowledge of the OSHA Act and regulations.

Appointment Requirements

- Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering or related field from a recognized Institution
- Advanced Training in Safety, Health & Work Environment
- Registration with DOSHS or Engineers Board of Kenya (EBK)
- Ten (10) years' working experience; five (5) of which should be in a supervisory role preferably in Safety Health & Work Environment
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HOW TO APPLY

Interested persons should submit their applications **online** through visiting Kenya Power website on <http://www.kplc.co.ke>. Attach detailed Curriculum Vitae, copies of academic and professional certificates and other testimonials. Please note that we may use this information to conduct background verification during the recruitment process. Quote the title of the position you are applying for and include your mobile telephone contact and email address and to be received not later than **Friday , 24th January 2025**.

Only candidates offered employment shall present the following clearance certificates;

- Valid Certificate of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations
- Valid Clearance Certificate from Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
- Valid Tax Compliance Certificate from Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA);
- Current Clearance from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC);
- Current Report from an approved Credit Reference Bureau (CRB)

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Women from pastoral regions swap livestock for crickets in fight against persistent drought

BY MARTIN MUNYI-KNA

For years, communities in the semi-arid regions of northern Kenya have relied on livestock as their main source of livelihood.

However, recurrent droughts have decimated livestock populations, leading to massive losses. In response, women from Laikipia, Marsabit, Samburu, and Isiolo counties have turned to cricket farming as an adaptation

measure against the adverse effects of climate change. By embracing the innovative idea of rearing protein-rich insects to diversify their livelihoods, these women hope to transform their fortunes through economic empowerment. The project is being implemented by the Catholic Organisation for Relief and Development (Cordaid) with technical support from the International Centre for Insect

Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE).

The initiative has also partnered with community-based organizations, IMPACT Trust, and county governments, whose role is to educate the traditionally conservative pastoral communities. Slowly gaining acceptance among the pastoralists, 34 community groups have started trapping crickets from their immediate environment for rearing and even-

tual sale as animal feed.

Once captured, the insects are housed in black boxes and fed maize flour and kale, with water provided via wet cotton balls that also double as egg-laying nests. A single cricket can lay up to 300 eggs, and depending on the species and care provided, it matures within one to two months.

Animal feed dealers have been struggling to source adequate protein



Iwala women group members display their cricket-rearing kit at their facility situated at Il polei trading centre in Laikipia North. PHOTO: MARTIN MUNYI-KNA

due to the limited supply of traditional ingredients like fish, sunflower seeds, and cotton seeds. This shortage has been cited as a key fac-

tor driving the ever-rising cost of poultry and pig feeds, forcing many potential farmers to abandon their investments.



MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR IRRIGATION

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

RE-ADVERTISEMENT

Name of project:	Coastal Region Water Security and Climate Resilience Project
Country: Kenya;	Project No.: P145559; Credit No: 55430-KE
Assignment Title:	Request For Expression of Interest for Consultancy Services for Implementation of Livelihood Restoration Plans (LRPS) And Support of The Social Aspects of Community Infrastructure for Project Affected Households (PAHS) In MWACHE DAM P3 Areas RAP1, RAP2 AND RAP 3 Areas
Reference/Contract No.:	KE-MOWI-KWSCR-001-2024-CS-QCBS

- This Request for Expression of Interest follows the Approval of Loan Notice for this project done on **14th December 2014**.
- The Government of Kenya has received a Credit from International Development Agency (IDA) towards the cost of the Coastal Region Water Security and Climate Resilience Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this Credit to payments under this contract: Consultancy Services For Implementation of Livelihood Restoration Plans (LRPS) And Support of The Social Aspects of Community Infrastructure For Project Affected Households (PAHS) In Mwache Dam P3 Areas RAP1, RAP2 AND RAP 3 Areas.
- The State Department for Irrigation through the Coastal Region Water Security and Climate Resilience Project now invites firms to express their interest in providing the services. The shortlisting criteria are:
 - Core Business and years in business; The firm must have at least 10 years' experience in the consultancy in areas of community engagement and livelihood restoration in developing economies preferably in coastal Kenya.
 - Relevant Experience In handling community livelihood restoration with at least two similar assignments in the last Six Years.
 - Technical and managerial capability of the firm in livelihoods restoration activities and implementing adaptive management, monitoring and evaluation, social safeguards, business enterprise developments, community engagements, training on agribusiness crop and livestock activities.

NB: Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

- The attention of interested consultants is drawn to the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers September 2023 (Procurement Regulations) setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- Consultant may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in form of a Joint Venture and or Sub-consultancy. In case of joint venture all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract if selected.
- The consultant firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection – QCBS method set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations.
- Interested firms may obtain further information at the address below from 0900 to 1700 hours East African Time (EAT) from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400hours EAT) and public holidays or download full TORs on Website: www.tenders.go.ke free of charge and should be registered by sending an email to procurement@kwscr.org in order to receive clarifications.

Expression of interest shall be delivered by or on **29th January 2024 at 1100 hours EAT**. - using one of the following modalities: (i) deposit in the tender box located at **Maji House 5th Floor, Nairobi Kenya** and notify Procurement Office Room 513 or (ii) send by email to: procurement@kwscr.org and quote the Assignment title and Contract No. in the Subject row. For expressions of interest that will be deposited at the tender box, the packages should be clearly marked **Coastal Region Water Security and Climate Resilience Project; Tender Reference/ Contract No: KE-MOWI-KWSCR-001-2024-CS-QCBS**.

Project Manager,
Kenya Water Security and Climate Resilience Project,
Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation



MINISTRY OF LANDS, PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

TENDER ADVERTISEMENT

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM (AHP) PROJECTS

The Government of Kenya through the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, State Department for Housing and Urban Development, invites tenders from interested eligible tenderers for the following tenders:

S/ No.	Tender Description	Tender No.	Constituency	County	No. of Units	Category
1.	Proposed Completion Of 130no. Housing Units for General Service Unit (Gsu) In State House Nairobi	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/AHP/135/2024- 2025	Dagoretti North	Nairobi	130	Open Tender
2.	Proposed Completion Of 1no. Block Of 48no. Bedsitter Units And 12no. Two Bedroom Units at Kisii Prison	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/AHP/136/2024-2025	Kitutu Chache South	Kisii	60	Open Tender
3.	Proposed Completion Of 1No. Block of 48no.Bedsitters And 12no.Two Bedroom Units at Sondu Police Station	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/AHP/137/2024-2025	Sigowet Soin	Kericho	60	Open Tender
4.	Proposed Completion of Housing Units at Garissa Police Station & Garissa AP Camp	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/AHP/138/2024-2025	Garissa Township	Garissa	150	Open Tender
5.	Proposed Completion Of 2no. Blocks Each With 50 Units of 4No. Three Bedrooms,14No. Two Bedrooms And 32no. Bed-sitter Units at Kajiado Police Station in Kajiado County	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/AHP/139/2024-2025	Kajiado Central	Kajiado	100	Open Tender
6.	Proposed Completion Of 1no. Block Of 12no. Two Bedroom And 48no. Bedsitter Units at Anti-Stock Theft Unit (ASTU) Gilgil - Nakuru County	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/AHP/140/2024-2025	Gilgil	Nakuru	60	Open Tender

- Prospective tenderers can access the tender documents from the State Department's website www.housingandurban.go.ke or the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) <https://tenders.go.ke> free of charge. Tenderers who download the tender documents from the website are required to provide their details by registering with the Supply Chain Management Office, located at Ardh House 6th Floor Wing B, 1st Ngong Avenue, during normal working hours. All enquiries and clarifications should be sent via email to: procurement@housingandurban.go.ke.
- There will be an optional Pre-Tender site visit for interested bidders on **Tuesday, 21st January 2025 at 11.00am** at the respective sites.
- Completed Tender documents enclosed in plain sealed envelopes and clearly marked with the Tender Number and Tender Description shall be delivered to the address below and/or be deposited in the Tender Box located on the 6th Floor, Ardh House, 1st Ngong Avenue so as to be received on or before **Friday, 31st January 2025 at 9:00am**. Bulky documents shall be delivered and Registered at the Office of the Head, Supply Chain Management Services Ardh House 6th Floor, Wing B.
- Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter at State Department for Housing and Urban Development **Boardroom, located at Ardh House, 6th Floor "Wing "B"**, in the presence of tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend. Late tenders shall be rejected.
- The State Department for Housing and Urban Development may cancel the tender proceedings at any time before award. Clarifications and addendums related to this notice shall be posted in the State Department's website www.housingandurban.go.ke.

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



Government partners with US recruitment agency to launch job mobility for youth



Labour and Skills Development Principal Secretary Shadrack Mwadime speaking during a function in Nairobi.

BY CATHERINE KAMAU
(PCO)

As the new year begins, Kenya's Labour and Skills Development Principal Secretary, Shadrack Mwadime, has launched a drive to create more job opportunities for young people by engaging with 22 youth who are preparing for labour mobility programs to the United States.

The youth, eager and optimistic about the prospects of starting new careers abroad, were encouraged to explore various pathways to secure their dream jobs. Despite coming from diverse professional backgrounds, Mwadime urged them to consider a wide range of opportunities, even if they may not align directly with their initial interests.

"You may start in a field that is not your first choice, but it could serve as a stepping stone toward your long-term goals," said Mwadime, highlighting that some could begin their careers as teachers in the US and later transition into other professions.

Drawing from his own career experience, Mwadime shared how he began his professional journey in administration, despite his academic background in Economics. He emphasized that embracing different opportunities led to his eventual success.

The PS encouraged the youth to remain flexible in their career choices, to work hard, and to gain valuable experience. He also reminded them of the importance of reinvesting their earnings into Kenya. He noted that in 2024, Kenya received over \$4.3 billion in remittances, a large portion of which came from the US, alongside contributions from Saudi

Arabia, where many Kenyans work in low-skilled jobs.

While the government cannot cover all expenses for workers relocating abroad, Mwadime assured the youth that they would receive guidance on trustworthy lending institutions, such as the Youth Fund. The government, in collaboration with relevant agencies, will also assist them in connecting with financing options, setting up repayment plans once they settle abroad.

The young candidates, who are expected to travel later this year, are being supported by Consult Center Limited, a recruitment agency that specializes in sending teachers to the US. Managing Director Caroline Njoki Murogo outlined the recruitment process, which typically takes 6 to 9 months from registration to departure.

For candidates without teaching backgrounds, Murogo explained, there will be conversion training conducted virtually to meet US standards. The process involves verifying certificates through a background check, which will then be converted to American standards. Candidates will need to submit a CV, a certificate of good conduct, and pass required exams.

Additionally, Murogo assured candidates that affordable housing will be provided for six months upon arrival in the US, along with work permits, to help ease their transition into their new environment.

This initiative reflects the government's continued commitment to exploring innovative ways to provide job opportunities for Kenyan youth and promote skills development both locally and internationally.



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT AT AFRALTI

African Advanced Level Telecommunications Institute (AFRALTI) based in Nairobi, Kenya, is an intergovernmental organization established in 1991. AFRALTI serves as a human capacity building institution dedicated to the development of ICT skills, fostering and spearheading digital innovation and socio-economic development through cutting-edge research and consultancy initiatives mainly in the sub-Saharan Africa.

AFRALTI invites applications to fill the following post:

HEAD OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Purpose of the Job:

The Head of Finance and Administration reports to the Director (CEO) and acts as Chief Advisor to the Director on all financial and administrative matters of the Institute and oversees finance and administration operations.

The position leads management and monitoring of the Institute's financial, procurement and administrative services, procedures, guiding, safeguarding and overseeing their proper implementation and will be responsible for leading, preparing and delivering financial reports, overseeing reconciliation of financial records on a routine basis. She/he will be responsible for leading, preparing and following up on the necessary procurement and contracts procedures with providers.

The incumbent collaborates closely with Heads of Departments and staff members to meet their financial and administrative objectives. She/he manages staff of the Finance and Administration Department.

Main Functions:

- Accounting and financial reporting.
- Formulation of appropriate financial management and accounting procedures in compliance with international accounting standards and AFRALTI Financial Regulations.
- Developing and implementing effective administrative and financial internal controls.
- Initiating budget proposals and financial plans of the Institute.
- Strategic Financial Planning.
- Coordinating the provision of administrative services / support.
- Supporting the Director on governance issues.

Job Responsibilities:

- Lead, developing, updating, and implementing pertinent and efficient financial, procurement and administrative procedures.
- Lead, guide, monitor the preparation and implementation of AFRALTI annual budgets based on work plans with close collaboration with heads of departments.
- Prepare and submit monthly, quarterly and annual financial statements and financial reports for operations.
- Coordinate and manage the annual budgeting process and its periodic review.
- Coordinate the preparation and administration of contracts and other legal instruments for use by the Institute.
- Coordinate the procurement of goods and services, ensure all procurements are made according to approved policies, rules, regulations and procedures and service contracts administration.
- Develop, review and administer cost models for pricing of services offered by the Institute.
- Undertake cash management including periodic forecasting and reporting on revenue generation and expenditure.
- Ensure that general ledger and monthly bank reconciliations are timely performed.
- Coordinate External Audits, ensure timely resolution of audit queries and actioning on Auditors' observations.
- Preparing relevant Governing Council reports and supporting the Director in their submission.
- Develop and maintain the Institute's risk profile and submitting risk management reports.
- Develop, periodically reviewing and implementing financial and administrative policies.
- Credit control management which involves monitoring debt levels with customers.
- Oversee management of the Institute's physical assets, Infrastructure and all facilities including overseeing security for the premises.
- Manage the Conferencing, Canteen and Guest House (CCG) business Unit to ensure steady business growth, revenue generation, profitability of the Unit and good quality service delivery.
- Supervise and provide on-job coaching and mentoring to staff members in Finance and Administration Department.
- Other duties as may be assigned from time to time.

Main Deliverables:

- Annual Budgets.
- Audited Financial Statements.
- Monthly Management Accounts and other reports.
- Bi-annual Governing Council reports.
- Contracts and other legal Instruments.
- Risk Profile.
- Effective and Efficient administrative services.

Qualifications and Experience:

- Master's degree in a relevant field (MSc/MBA).
- Bachelor's of Commerce (Accounting/Finance/Economics) from a recognized university.
- Professional Accounting Qualification ACCA/CIMA/CA/CPA or any other Internationally recognized professional accounting qualification
- At least 10 years of experience in Accounting, Finance and Administration, including in international, intergovernmental or regional organizations.
- At least 5 years should be at managerial level.
- Experience in both private and public sector, as well as intergovernmental or similar regional organization is a plus.
- IT proficiency, competent in Microsoft and specialized accounting packages.

Competencies:

- Excellent organizational capacity and resourcefulness.
- Demonstrates strong planning and analytical skills.
- Possess high ethical standards.
- Reliable, valuing the importance of timeliness and accuracy.
- Effective communicator both orally and in written.
- Demonstrate good numerical and problem-solving skills.
- Demonstrates strong interpersonal skills and the ability to build relationships.
- Proven and demonstrated supervisory and managerial skills.
- Demonstrates self-motivation and the ability to fulfill tight reporting deadlines.
- Detail oriented review and clear follow ups.
- Ability to design, analyze and process multiple and multi-level processes.

A competitive remuneration package including a basic salary, housing allowance, education allowance, medical subsidy, commensurate with the responsibilities of the post will be offered to the successful candidate.

If you believe you have the relevant qualifications, experience and abilities to fill this post, please submit your application letter with a comprehensive CV, email and telephone contacts, one passport size photograph, three reputable referees and their contacts, two of whom must hold or have held senior management positions, to the address below, not later than **Friday, 17th January 2025**.

The Director,
African Advanced Level Telecommunications Institute,
Waiyaki Way, Adjacent to the Communications Authority of Kenya (CA),
P. O. Box 58902
Nairobi, Kenya, 00200
Mobile: +254-710-207061
Email: info@afralti.org

The Port of Mombasa achieves significant growth in container traffic, transit cargo

BY SADIK HASSAN, KNA

The Port of Mombasa has registered a remarkable increase in cargo throughput in 2024, handling 41.1 million tons compared to 35.98 million tons in 2023.

"This increase of 5.1 million tons, or 14.1 percent, demonstrates our resilience and capability to manage growing trade volumes despite global disruptions," said Kenya Ports Authority Managing Director, Capt. William Ruto.

For the first time in over a decade, the Port's container traffic surpassed two million twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs). A total of 2,005,076 TEUs were handled in 2024, representing an increase of 381,996 TEUs, or a 23.5 percent rise compared to the 1,623,080 TEUs recorded in 2023.

Imports increased by 7.2 percent to 768,088 TEUs, up from 716,493 TEUs in 2023, while exports rose by 6.6 percent to 731,934 TEUs, up from 686,526 TEUs in 2023.



An aerial view of a docked vessel at the Port of Mombasa. The Port has recorded improvements. PHOTO: HANIEL MENGISTU/KNA

Transit cargo volumes grew by 17.4 percent to reach 13.4 million tons in 2024, highlighting the Port's crucial role in regional trade.

"Uganda remains our top transit destination, accounting for 65.7 percent of our transit cargo, with 8,811,289 tons handled in 2024, up from 7,115,079 tons processed in 2023. This represents a

growth of 1,696,210 tons, or a 23.8 percent increase compared to 2023," Capt. Ruto stated. Other notable transit destinations include South Sudan (12.7 per cent), the Democratic Republic of Congo (11.8 per cent), Rwanda (5.1 per cent), and Tanzania (3.4 per cent).

The Port also recorded an exceptional growth in transshipment traffic,

491,666 TEUs were recorded in 2024 compared to 211,073 in 2023.

"This growth can be attributed to vessel diversions stemming from the Red Sea crisis and an increase in vessel calls to Mombasa driven by our efficient turnaround times," Capt. Ruto said.

In December 2024, the port handled a total cargo throughput of 3,746,363

tons, marking a robust increase from the 3,029,482 tons recorded in December 2023, a testament to the Port's expanding capacity and efficiency.

Capt. Ruto said, "It is gratifying to note that in December 2024, we experienced strong performance which further bolstered our overall figures."

He further expounded that the performance was enhanced by significant growth in containerized and bulk cargo volumes.

Transshipment cargo received a boost from some major shipping lines choosing the Port of Mombasa as their transshipment hub thus enabling smaller feeder vessels to serve Eastern, and Southern African ports as well as the Indian Ocean Islands from the port of Mombasa.

The Managing Director reiterated commitment to enhance services and facilities to accommodate the growing global trade demand and to support the region's economic development.

"Our ongoing invest-

ments in equipment replacement and modernisation programme, infrastructure development and operations system upgrade ensure that the Port of Mombasa continues its upward trajectory as East Africa's leading trade gateway," he said.

He lauded the Mombasa Port and Northern Corridor Community Charter (MPNCCC) stakeholders and the Ministry of Roads and Transport for their support saying he was op-

17.8 pc
Growth in percentage terms of transit cargo volumes at the Port of Mombasa in 2024

timistic about the Port's future as they worked on capacity expansion development projects.

He added that the Port of Mombasa remains a critical hub for East Africa regional trade and that improved performance underscores its strategic importance in trade facilitation and connectivity throughout the region.



NATIONAL BIOSAFETY AUTHORITY

TENDER NOTICE

The National Biosafety Authority (NBA) is a State Corporation established under the Biosafety Act No. 2 of 2009 with an overarching mandate to exercise general supervision and control over the development, transfer, handling and use of Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) with a view to ensuring safety to human and animal health as well as the provision of adequate level of protection to the environment.

The Authority wishes to replace the following vacant position.

TENDER NO	ITEM/SERVICE DESCRIPTION	CLOSE DATE
NBA/PRO/02/2024-2025	Supply, Installation And Commissioning Of Enterprise Resource Planning Upgrade (Erp) Application	22 nd January 2025
NBA/PRO/03/2024-2025	Group Life Assurance, Wiba, Group Personal Accident and Employer Liability for Year 2024-2025	22 nd January 2025

Eligible Tenderers may obtain further information and download the Tender Document free of charge from the PPIP Portal: tenders.go.ke and **NATIONAL BIOSAFETY AUTHORITY WEBSITE (www.biostekya.go.ke)**

Tenders will be opened thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend at National Biosafety Authority, Board-room.

Completed bid documents enclosed in plain sealed envelopes and clearly marked with the tender number, tender name should be addressed and sent to:

Chief Executive Officer
National Biosafety Authority
NACOSTI Building,
Loresho, Off Waiyaki Way
P. O. Box 28251 - 00100, Nairobi
Tel: +254 202678667
Email: ceo@biosafetykenya.go.ke
Website: www.biosafetykenya.go.ke



POSTAL CORPORATION OF KENYA



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY/ JOB VACANCY

The Postal Corporation of Kenya is a commercial State Enterprise operating under the PCK Act, 1998. The Corporation's mandate includes provision of accessible, affordable and reliable Postal services to all parts of Kenya as a Public Postal Licensee where communication through the Post Office forms part of the basic human right as enshrined in the 1948 United Nations Charter.

Effective identification and deployment of human capital are crucial to achieving our corporate goals and objectives. In this regard the Corporation invites applications from suitable individuals to fill the following vacant position:-

Job Title	: Manager /Legal Services & Corporation Secretary
Terms of Employment	: 5 years contract renewable
Division	: Legal Services
Grade	: PCK 3
No of Positions	: One(1)
Reporting to	: Postmaster General and Board of Directors

Interested candidates should log on to PCK website www.posta.co.ke for more details. Those who meet the minimum requirements should submit a written application and updated Curriculum Vitae through the POST or Expedited Mail Service (EMS) and attach relevant copies of certificates and testimonials to the following address:

**The Postmaster General,
Postal Corporation of Kenya,
P. O. Box 34567- GPO, 00100
Nairobi.**

The closing date for receipt of the applications through the POST is **Tuesday 6th February, 2025** before close of business. Kindly note, only short listed candidates will be contacted and any form of canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification without any notice.



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Email: pmg@posta.co.ke

**National Crime Research Centre (NCRC)**



PROVISION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE GPA, WIBA AND GL COVER FOR GOVERNING COUNCIL AND STAFF

TENDER NO. NCRC/T/1/2024-2025

The National Crime Research Centre (NCRC) also referred to as Procuring Entity invites sealed tenders from eligible candidates for the Provision of Medical Insurance Cover for Governing Council and Staff. The contract will be for a period of two years' subject to annual Satisfactory Performance review.

The document may be viewed and downloaded from the National Crime Research Centre's website: www.crimeresearch.go.ke or www.tenders.go.ke for free.

Prices quoted should be net inclusive of all taxes, must be in Kenya Shillings and the tender validity should be 120 days.

Completed tender documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes, marked with the tender number and be deposited in the tender box provided at **The National Crime Research Centre's Offices, GROUND FLOOR, ACK GARDEN ANNEX, 1ST NGONG AVENUE, Nairobi**, and addressed to:

The Director / CEO
**National Crime Research Centre,
P. O. Box 58535 - 00200 NAIROBI**

To be received on or before **Tuesday, 28th January, 2025 at 11:00 AM**.

Tenders must be accompanied by a **Tender Security of Kshs. 100,000 valid for 150days** in form of a guarantee from a reputable bank or an insurance company payable to the Director/CEO, National Crime Research Centre (Self-insured tender securities are not allowed).

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers representatives who choose to attend the opening at the Board Room, **GROUND FLOOR, ACK GARDEN ANNEX, 1ST NGONG AVENUE, Nairobi**.

**DIRECTOR/CEO
NATIONAL CRIME RESEARCH CENTRE**



National Environment Management Authority

REMINDER

PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL IMPORTERS OF REFRIGERATION AND AIR CONDITIONING (RAC) GASES

The Ministry of Environment, Climate Change & Forestry (MECC&F) and the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) hereby remind all importers of refrigeration and air conditioning gases to apply for their annual import licenses for the year 2025 from NEMA.

All importers are notified that the year 2025 will be the last year allowed for Kenya to import HCFC under the Montreal Protocol and the attendant amendments, of which Kenya is a signatory and has ratified the same. Based on the quota system, Kenya is eligible to import 171.6 tons for the year 2025.

Importers are hereby reminded that the phase out date for importation of HCFC for Kenya is 1st January 2026. All applications for the licenses shall be made online through Kenya Electronic Single Window System website. The deadline for application is **28th February 2025**.

All importers are hereby notified that importation of these substances without a valid license shall be an offence under the Environmental Management and Co-ordination (Controlled Substances) Regulations, 2007.

For further inquiries, please contact:

Director General
National Environment Management Authority
P.O. Box 67839-00200, Nairobi, Kenya
Popo Road, South C, off Mombasa Road
Mobile: 0724 253398, 0735 013046.
Email: info@nema.go.ke

Report Environmental Incidents / Complaints through
 0741 101 100 | 0786 101 100 | incidence@nema.go.ke



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**STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE**

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

P.O BOX 30028-00100 NAIROBI



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

Country :	Kenya
Name of Project :	Food Systems Resilience Project (FSRP)
Credit No :	7328-KE,7327KE
Project ID No :	P177816
Assignment Title :	Consulting Services to Undertake Baseline Evaluation for the Food Systems Resilience Project (FSRP)
Procurement Reference No. :	KE-MOALF-454770-CS- QCBS

1. This Request for expression of interest follows the General Procurement Notice for this project that appeared in Development Business of 22nd July 2024.

2. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Food Systems Resilience Project (FSRP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

3. The Consulting Services ("the Services) include **Consulting Services to undertake Baseline Evaluation** for FSRP. The estimated period of assignment is six (6) calendar months.

4. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: - www.kilimo.go.ke and www.fsrp.go.ke

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

- a) **Core business and years in business:** The firm shall be registered/incorporated as a consulting firm with core business in undertaking integrated socio-economic household and firm surveys for baseline evaluation for agricultural value chain development or related fields for a period of at least eight (8) years.
- b) **Relevant experience:** The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed at least two assignments on comprehensive socio-economic baseline survey of similar nature, scale, complexity and in a similar operating environment in the last five (5) years, including using the CAPI data collection instrument. Details of similar assignments, Name and address of the client, scope, value, and period should be provided and submitted. Expression of Interest should include enumeration of these similar past assignments.
- c) **Technical and managerial capability of the firm:** The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity including relevant equipment, tools, software and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment in the submitted company profile(s).

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 Regulations for IPF Borrowers" First Published July 2016 and revised Fifth Edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

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 and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

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

9. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 0900 to 1700 hours East African Time (EAT) from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400hours EAT) and public holidays.

National Project Coordinator
Food Systems Resilience Project (FSRP)
P.O. Box 8073-00200 NAIROBI
Capitol Hill Towers, 3rd Floor, Cathedral Road.
Phone: +254-020-2715466
Email: info@fsrp.go.ke

10. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **28th January, 2025 at 1100 hours EAT** and be deposited in the tender box clearly marked State Department for Agriculture located at Kilimo house main reception - Ground floor, Cathedral Road Nairobi or be sent to info@fsrp.go.ke and clearly marked "**Consulting Services for undertaking Baseline Evaluation for FSRP**".

The Principal Secretary
State Department for Agriculture
P.O Box 30028-00100
Nairobi, Kenya.
E-mail: info@fsrp.go.ke
Tel. +254-020-2715466

**Head Supply Chain Management
For Principal Secretary**




REPUBLIC OF KENYA

Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development
Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP2)


Kisii County Government
The Department of Lands, Physical Planning & Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT. (No. 13 of 2019)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PREPARE LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR DARAJA MBILI, KEUMBU, AND MARANI INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS IN KISII COUNTY

Pursuant to the provision of section 47 of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act 2019, NOTICE is hereby given that the County Government of Kisii with support from the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to commence preparation of Local Physical and Land Use Development Plans for the following informal settlements;

1. Daraja Mbili – Kitutu Central Ward – Kitutu Chache South Sub-County
2. Keumbu – Keumbu Ward – Nyaribari Chache Sub-County
3. Marani – Marani ward – Kitutu Chache North Sub-County

The purpose of the Plans is: To enhance security of land tenure, regulate land use and development and improve access to basic services for the plot allottees, residents and key stakeholders. The planning exercise will include: establishment of the settlements' boundaries, community mobilisation; enumeration of residents and socio-economic surveys, as the basis for preparation of the Plans. These Plans will form the basis for regularization of land tenure and improvement of basic infrastructure within the settlements.

This exercise will be carried out under the Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2), a Government of Kenya project whose aim is formalize land tenure security of residents in participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya.

Preparation of these plans will be participatory and therefore all the stakeholders are invited to the planning process. Plot allottees are requested to avail copies of their **IDs, KRA PINs, and PLOT ALLOTMENT DOCUMENTS**. Any comments, enquiries or suggestions on the same shall be done in writing to: **The County Executive Committee Member in charge of Lands, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development**
P.O Box 4550 – 40200 KISII, KENYA

Dated: 14th January 2025

Hon. Grace Nyarango,
County Executive Committee Member,
Lands, Physical Planning, Housing, and Urban Development




REPUBLIC OF KENYA

Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development
Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP2)


COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF BARINGO

Department of Lands, Housing & Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

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Title of Development Plan: Local Physical and Land Use Development Plans for Metipso (Eldama Ravine), Umoja (Eldama Ravine), Kabimoi (Eldama Ravine), Kampi Turkana (Marigat) and Kampi Samaki (Marigat) all in Baringo County.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section (47) of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019, NOTICE is hereby given that the County Government of Baringo in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development, intends to commence the preparation of the above Plans.

The purpose of the Plans is to improve access to basic services and land tenure security of residents in participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya.

The objectives of the Plans are:

- i. Give a basis for ensuring socio-economic inclusion in the 5 settlements within Baringo County,
- ii. Provide a basis for survey and advancing land tenure regularization in the 5 settlements within Baringo County,
- iii. Promote efficient utilization of land as a scarce resource
- iv. Provide a basis for the provision of infrastructure and public facilities within the 5 settlements within Baringo County.

Comments on the proposed plans may be directed to the County Executive Committee Member for Lands, Housing and Urban Development, Baringo County, P.O. Box 53-30400, Kabarnet not later than 9th Day of January 2025

Dated this 14th January 2025

County Executive Committee Member for Lands, Housing and Urban Development,
County Government of Baringo




REPUBLIC OF KENYA

Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development
Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP2)


Kirinyaga County Government
The Department of Lands, Physical Planning & Urban Development

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Project area. Gatugura, Kianjiru & Kiangombe informal settlements within Gichugu Sub-County, Kamuthanga & Gathambi Settlements within Ndia Sub-County and Kiarukungu within Mwea Sub-County, Kirinyaga county

Notice is hereby given to all residents and stakeholders in Kirinyaga County that pursuant to article 6, 10(2), 60,66, 67,184,186 and the first and fourth schedules of the constitution of Kenya 2010; the National Land Commission Act 2012, County Government Act 2012, Land Act 2012, the Physical and Land use Planning Act 2019, Physical Planners Registration Act 1996 and other enabling legislations.

The County Government of Kirinyaga in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to prepare Local Physical and Land Use Development Plans for the above-mentioned project areas.

This exercise will be carried out under Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP 2) a Government of Kenya project whose aim is to improve basic services and land tenure security of the residents in the participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya.

Preparation of this plans will be participatory and therefore all stakeholders are invited to the planning process. Any comments, enquiries or suggestions on the same may be done in writing to: **The County Executive Committee Member, The Department of Lands, Physical Planning & Urban Development, P.O Box 260-10304, Kutus.**

Dated 14th January 2025

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER
THE DEPARTMENT OF LANDS, PHYSICAL PLANNING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT




REPUBLIC OF KENYA

Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development


County Government of Kwale
The Department of Lands, Physical Planning & Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT NO. 13 OF 2019

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PLAN

Project Areas: Jeza A and Taru – Kwale County

Notice is hereby given to all Residents and stakeholders in Machakos County that Pursuant to Articles 6, 10 (2), 60, 66, 67,184,186 and the first and fourth schedules of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010; the National Land Commission Act, County Government Act, Urban Areas, and Cities Act, The Physical and Land use Planning Act 2019 (section 47), Physical Planners Registration Act and other enabling legislations;

The County Government of Kwale in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to prepare Local Physical and Land use Development Plan for Jeza A and Taru informal settlement.

This exercise will be carried out under Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP 2), a Government of Kenya project whose aim is to improve access to basic services and land tenure security of residents in participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya. The planning exercise will include: establishment of the settlement's boundaries, community mobilization; enumeration of residents and socio economic surveys, as the basis for preparation of the Plans. These Plans will form the basis for regularization of land tenure and improvement of basic infrastructure within the settlements.

Preparation of these Plans will be participatory and therefore all stakeholders are invited to the planning process. Any comments, enquiries or suggestions on the same may be done in writing to the:

The County Secretary Kwale County P.O BOX 4-80403 Kwale.	or	The County Director of Physical Planning Kwale County P.O Box 4-80403 Kwale.
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Dated: 14th January 2025

Hon. Saumu Beja
County Executive Committee Member
Environment, Natural Resources and Urban Planning





REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development



County Government of Laikipia
The Department of Lands, Physical
Planning & Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PREPARE LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

Pursuant to the provisions of section (47) of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019, NOTICE is hereby given that the County Government of Laikipia in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development intends to commence preparation of Local Physical and Land Use Development Plans for **Maina (Nyahururu), African Location (Rumuruti), Kanyoni and Kwa Mbuzi (Nanyuki), Umande and Sipili Settlements under the Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement project (KISIP2)**

The purpose of these plans is to facilitate the conferment/formalization of land tenure for the above-mentioned settlements within Laikipia County through Planning and Surveying.

The objectives of the plans are;

- i To facilitate regularization of land tenure security within the selected settlements.
- ii To provide a framework for provision of requisite infrastructure and services.
- iii To provide basis for development control.

The planning exercise will involve review of relevant policies, regulations and institutional frameworks, community mobilization, sensitization and stakeholder engagement, basemaps preparation, undertaking socio-economic surveys and physical mapping of the settlements, undertake environmental and social impact assessment (screening), preparation of local physical and land use development plans for the respective informal settlements, prepare a social management plan and/or a resettlement action plan (RAP), surveying of resultant plots and preparation of survey plans, preparation of detailed topographical survey for engineering designs and preparation of land information system (LIS). This will form the basis for preparation of the plans which aims at improving living conditions in Laikipia County through regularization of land tenure.

The plan preparation will be participatory and the County invites all Stakeholders to the planning process. Stakeholders who wish to make comments or suggestions on the same may do so in writing within 21 days of publication of this notice. Comments or views should be addressed to:

The County Executive Committee Member (CECM)-Infrastructure, Land & Physical Planning, Housing, Energy and Urban Development

County Government of Laikipia.
P.O Box 1271-10400, Nanyuki.
Dated this 14th January 2025

Ekwam Nabos
The County Executive Committee Member
Infrastructure, Land, Housing and Urban Development,
County Government of Laikipia.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development



Marsabit County Government
The Department of Lands, Physical
Planning & Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PLAN

Project area. Otte settlement in Saku Sub- County, Marsabit county

Notice is hereby given to all residents and stakeholders in Marsabit County that pursuant to article 6, 10(2), 60,66,67,184, 186 and the first and fourth schedules of the constitution of Kenya 2010; the National Land Commission Act 2012, County Government Act 2012, Land Act 2012, the Physical and Land Use Planning Act 2019, Physical Planners Registration Act 1996 and other enabling legislations.

The County Government of Marsabit in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to prepare Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan for the above-mentioned project area.

This exercise will be carried out under Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP 2) a Government of Kenya project whose aim is to improve basic services and land tenure security of the residents in the participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya.

Preparation of this plan will be participatory and therefore all stakeholders are invited to the planning process. Any comments, enquiries or suggestions on the same may be done in writing to:

The County Executive Committee Member, Department of Lands, Energy and Urban Development, Marsabit County, P.O Box 29-60500 Marsabit.

Dated 14th January 2025

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER
THE DEPARTMENT OF LANDS, ENERGY AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development



County Government of Machakos
The Department of Lands, Physical
Planning & Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PLAN

Project Areas: Muumandu, Masinga, Makutano and Mutituni – Machakos County

Notice is hereby given to all Residents and stakeholders in Machakos County that Pursuant to Articles 6, 10 (2), 60,66,67,184,186 and the first and fourth schedules of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010; the National Land Commission Act, County Government Act, Urban Areas, and Cities Act, The Physical and Land use Planning Act 2019 (section 47), Physical Planners Registration Act and other enabling legislations;

The County Government of Machakos in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to prepare Local Physical and Land use Development Plans for Muumandu, Masinga, Makutano and Mutituni informal settlements.

This exercise will be carried out under Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP 2), a Government of Kenya project whose aim is to improve access to basic services and land tenure security of residents in participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya. The planning exercise will include: establishment of the settlement's boundaries, community mobilization; enumeration of residents and socio-economic surveys, as the basis for preparation of the Plans. These Plans will form the basis for regularization of land tenure and improvement of basic infrastructure within the settlements.

Preparation of these Plans will be participatory and therefore all stakeholders are invited to the planning process. Any comments, enquiries or suggestions on the same may be done in writing to the:

The County Secretary
Machakos County
P.O BOX 1996-90100
Machakos.

or
The County Director of Physical Planning
Machakos County
P.O BOX 1996-90100
Machakos.
Housing.urbandev@machakos.go.ke

Dated: 14th January 2025

Hon. Nathaniel Nganga
County Executive Committee Member
Lands, Energy, Housing and Urban Development



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development



County Government of Nakuru
The Department of Lands, Physical
Planning & Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PREPARE LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR TURI, KARIANDUSI, NAISHI SOWETO AND LANGWENDA INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS IN NAKURU COUNTY.

Pursuant to the provision of section 47 of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act 2019, NOTICE is hereby given that the County Government of Nakuru with support from the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to commence preparation of Local Physical and Land Use Development Plans for following informal settlements;

1. Turi - Molo Sub-County
2. Kariandusi - Gilgil Sub-County
3. Naishi Soweto - Njoro Sub-County
4. Langwenda - Kuresoi North Sub-County

The purpose of the Plans is: To enhance security of land tenure, regulate land use and development and improve access to basic services for the plot allottees, residents and key stakeholders. The planning exercise will include: establishment of the settlements' boundaries, community mobilization; enumeration of residents and socio-economic surveys, as the basis for preparation of the Plans. These Plans will form the basis for regularization of land tenure and improvement of basic infrastructure within the settlements.

This exercise will be carried out under the Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP2), a Government of Kenya project whose aim is formalize land tenure security of residents in participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya.

Preparation of these Plans will be participatory and therefore all the stakeholders are invited to the planning process. Plot allottees are requested to avail copies of their IDs, KRA PINs, and PLOT ALLOTMENT DOCUMENTS. Any comments, enquiries or suggestions on the same shall be done in writing to:

The County Executive Committee Member of Lands, Physical Planning, Housing, and Urban Development
P.O. BOX 2870-20100 Nakuru

Dated: 14th January 2025

Hon. Plan. John Kihagi - MKIP, MISK
County Executive Committee Member
Lands, Physical Planning, Housing, and Urban Development





REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development



WAJIR COUNTY
County Government of Wajir
Department of Lands, Public Works,
Housing and Urban Development

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PREPARE LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

1. Bahati Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
2. Hadado Yarey A Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
3. ICF Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
4. Makaror A Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
5. Ahmed Liban A Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
6. Bulla Glacier Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
7. Sunrise 1 (Shokaa) Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan

Pursuant to the provisions of section (47) of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019, NOTICE is hereby given that the County Government of Wajir intends to commence the preparation of the above plans.

The purpose of the plans is to provide a framework to guide tenure regularization for the residents of the participating settlements.

The exercise will be undertaken under the Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2), a Government of Kenya project, whose aim is to improve access to basic services and land tenure security of the residents in participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya.

Comments on the proposed plans may be directed to:

**The County Executive Committee Member
Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development
P.O. Box 9-70200,
Wajir, Kenya.**

14th January 2025.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development



County Government of Taita Taveta
The Department of Lands, Physical
Planning & Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PLAN

**Project area: Mwakingali B (Aseko), Sofia Kati and Bura Ndogo Phase 2 –
Taita Taveta County**

Notice is hereby given to all Residents and stakeholders in Taita Taveta County that Pursuant to Articles 6, 10 (2), 60, 66, 67, 184, 186 and the first and fourth schedules of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010; the National Land Commission Act, County Government Act, Urban Areas, and Cities Act, The Physical and Land use Planning Act 2019 (section 47), Physical Planners Registration Act and other enabling legislations;

The County Government of Taita Taveta in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to prepare Local Physical and Land use Development Plan for Mwakingali B (Aseko), Sofia Kati and Bura Ndogo Phase 2 informal settlements.

This exercise will be carried out under Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP 2), a Government of Kenya project whose aim is to improve access to basic services and land tenure security of residents in participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya. The planning exercise will include: establishment of the settlement's boundaries, community mobilization; enumeration of residents and socio economic surveys, as the basis for preparation of the Plans. These Plans will form the basis for regularization of land tenure and improvement of basic infrastructure within the settlements.

Preparation of these Plans will be participatory and therefore all stakeholders are invited to the planning process. Any comments, enquiries or suggestions on the same may be done in writing to the:

**The County Secretary
Taita Taveta County
P.O BOX 1066 - 80304
Voi.**

Dated: 14th January 2025

**Hon. Christine Zige Mwashighadi
County Executive Committee Member
Lands, Physical Planning, Housing, Mining and Energy**

**The County Director of Physical Planning
Taita Taveta County
P.O BOX 1066 - 80304
Voi.**



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Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development



Nyeri County Government
The Department of Lands, Physical
Planning & Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PLAN

**Project area. Gitunduti and Ndumanu informal Settlements in Mathira East
Sub - County, Nyeri County**

Notice is hereby given to all residents and stakeholders in Nyeri County that pursuant to article 6, 10(2), 60,66,67,184, 186 and the first and fourth schedules of the constitution of Kenya 2010; the National Land Commission Act 2012, County Government Act 2012, Land Act 2012, the Physical and Land Use Planning Act 2019, Physical Planners Registration Act 1996 and other enabling legislations.

The County Government of Nyeri in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to prepare Local Physical and Land Use Development Plans for the above-mentioned project areas.

This exercise will be carried out under Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP 2) a Government of Kenya project whose aim is to improve basic services and land tenure security of the residents in the participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya.

Preparation of this plans will be participatory and therefore all stakeholders are invited to the planning process. Any comments, enquiries or suggestions on the same may be done in writing to: **The County Executive Committee Member, The Department of Lands, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development. P.O. Box 1112-10100 Nyeri.**

Dated 14th January 2025

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER
THE DEPARTMENT OF LANDS, PHYSICAL PLANNING, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development



County Government of Tana River
Department of lands and physical planning,
agriculture, livestock, veterinary services,
fisheries and cooperative development

THE PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PLAN

**Project area: Kone, Mikinduni, Handampia, Mji wa pili, Minjila Malakoteni,
Idsowe, Kipini Mjini and Oda**

NOTICE is hereby given to all residents and stakeholders in Tana River County, that pursuant to Articles 6, 10(2),60,66,67,184,186 and the first and fourth Schedules of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010; The Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019; the County Governments Act, 2012; Urban Areas and Cities Act, 2011; Physical Planners Registration Act, 1996; National Land Commission Act, 2012; and other enabling legislations;

The County Government of Tana River in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to prepare Local Physical and Land Use Development Plans for the above-mentioned project areas under the Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement project (KISIP2).

The purpose of these plans is to facilitate the conferment/formalization of land tenure for the above mentioned settlements within Tana River County through Planning and Surveying.

The objectives of the plans are;

- I. To facilitate regularization of land tenure security within the selected settlements.
- II. To provide a framework for provision of requisite infrastructure and services.
- III. To provide basis for development control.

The planning exercise will involve review of relevant policies, regulations and institutional frameworks, community mobilization, sensitization and stakeholder engagement, basemaps preparation, undertaking socio-economic surveys and physical mapping of the settlements, undertake environmental and social impact assessment (screening), preparation of local physical and land use development plans for the respective informal settlements, prepare a social management plan and/or a resettlement action plan (RAP), surveying of resultant plots and preparation of survey plans, preparation of detailed topographical survey for engineering designs and preparation of land information system (LIS). This will form the basis for preparation of the plans which aims at improving living conditions in Tana River County through regularization of land tenure.

The process will be participatory and therefore all stakeholders are invited to participate. Any comments, enquiries or suggestions on the same maybe done in writing to:

**Hon. Mwanajuma Hiribae
C.E.C.M, Lands and Physical Planning, Agriculture, Livestock, Veterinary Services, Fisheries and Cooperative Development
County Government of Tana River
County Headquarters, County Council Road
P.O BOX 29-70101 Hola, www.tanariver.go.ke, 14th January 2025**



Educationist urges early assessment for disabled pupils for timely educational support

BY KAMANJA MAERIA, KNA

An Education Assessment and Resource Centre (EARC) officer has urged parents and guardians of children with disabilities to take them for assessment to facilitate early identification, rehabilitation, appropriate placement, and educational support.

Speaking to KNA, the Assessment Officer from Igembe, Francis Gitonga, noted that early assessment plays a crucial role in ensuring that children with disabilities receive the support they need to thrive in the education system.

"Early identification of disabilities allows us to provide tailored interventions and recommend suitable learning environments that cater to each child's unique needs," Gitonga said.

According to the officer, EARC centers conduct evaluations to identify learning, physical, or developmental challenges and provide recommendations for inclusive education or specialized institutions.

"Parents who take their children for timely assessments not

only help streamline the placement process but also ensure their children can access appropriate learning resources and environments," he said.

Gitonga emphasized that many children remain unidentified or are placed in schools that lack the necessary support systems, leading to frustration for both learners and teachers.

"Inappropriate placement can lead to frustration and missed opportunities for learners with disabilities to achieve their full potential," Gitonga stressed.

He added that the centers are equipped with trained profes-

Frustration

Inappropriate placement can lead to frustration and missed opportunities for learners

sionals and resources to ensure every child gets the best start in their educational journey.

The officer issued a stern warning to families who hide children with disabilities instead of providing them access to education and necessary support.

"Every child has untapped potential that needs to be unleashed and hiding them denies them the right to education and an opportunity to grow," Gitonga stated.

He reiterated that children with disabilities are equal to their peers without disabilities and deserve the same opportunities to learn and grow.

Gitonga noted that in the region there are several institutions tailored to support learners with special needs including Athi Special school, Njia Special School, Meru School for Mentally Handicapped, Kaaga School for the Deaf and St. Lucy's for the Blind.

He also pointed out that many schools have integrated special units to promote inclusivity and meet diverse learning needs of such children.

Gitonga further advocated for inclusive education, encouraging schools and communities to integrate learners with disabilities into mainstream classrooms to help them develop social skills, confidence, acceptance and a sense of belonging.

Kenya leads push for unified healthcare worker standards across EAC

BY SADIK HASSAN (KNA)

The Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Health, Dr. Deborah Barasa, has assured East African health professionals of Kenya's commitment to the harmonization of regulations for healthcare workers through resource mobilization, stakeholder dialogue, and integration into national frameworks. To achieve regional integration and sustainable growth, the CS noted that there is a need to cultivate a highly skilled, competent, and mobile healthcare workforce capable of delivering quality services across borders. "These efforts demand harmonizing education and training standards for healthcare professionals, including Clinical Officers, Pharmaceutical Technologists, Nurses, Midwives, Public Health Officers, and others," said Dr. Barasa. "Aligning these standards will ensure common competencies, facilitate mobility across partner states, and enhance the credibility of our healthcare systems," she added, speaking at the conclusion of the East African workshop on the harmonization of regulation for health-

care workers in Mombasa. Dr. Barasa emphasized that regulating health professions is integral to fostering resilient health systems, promoting patient safety, and achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC). She explained that this goal can be achieved by setting and upholding standards for professional ethics, entry, licensure, and practice. Regulation ensures quality care while maintaining public confidence in health services. The CS also noted that harmonized internship training across the East African Community (EAC) is a critical component, as it bridges the transition from academic knowledge to practical expertise under mentorship, ensuring that healthcare professionals are well-prepared to address the evolving needs of the population. "By addressing gaps in training, certification, and oversight, we can ensure excellence in healthcare delivery, ethical practice, and the mobility of health professionals, while fostering a shared vision of quality care for all East Africans," said Dr. Barasa.



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All applications should reach the Board on or before **4th February, 2025 by 1700hrs.**

Applications should be addressed to:

**The Chairperson
National Mining Corporation (NAMICO)
P.O Box 115-00100
KWFT Centre Off Kiambere/Masaba Road, 4th Floor
NAIROBI**

Applications may be deposited at the Corporation's Headquarters at KWFT Centre, 4th Floor. Alternatively, applicants can email the soft copy applications to the Chairperson of the Board using the email: chairman@namico.go.ke.

All documents should be in a single PDF File



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- ii. Bachelor's Degree in Finance, Accounting, Business Administration or its equivalent and CPA Part III with twelve (12) years' working experience as an internal auditor OR
- iii. Bachelor's Degree in Finance, Accounting, Business Administration or its equivalent and CPA Part III with at least three years working experience as Internal Auditor Scale XI
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TERMS OF SERVICE

Appointment to the position will be on permanent and pensionable terms subject to successful completion of probation.

APPLICATION MODE

Applicants should send 10 copies of their applications which include a cover letter, updated curriculum vitae, and copies of certificates and other testimonials to the undersigned on or before **5.00 P.M on 28th January, 2025**.

Deputy Principal (Administration, Finance & Planning)

Turkana University College

P.O. Box 69 - 30500

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AI and underwater technology to boost conservation efforts in Kisite Marine Park

BY GESIMBA GLORIA AND MGENI SALIM, KNA

Huawei Kenya, in collaboration with the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS), has launched a project aimed at monitoring and protecting coral reefs and biodiversity in the Kisite-Mpunguti Marine Park and Reserve.

The three-year project seeks to strengthen the monitoring and management efficacy of this protected area, located on the southern coast of Kenya.

Underwater cameras, photogrammetry, and audio monitoring technologies will be deployed to observe marine life, including the biomass and population of parrotfish. In many coral reef ecosystems, parrotfish are considered a keystone species because their diet helps prevent coral from being smothered by seaweed and algae.

The digital power solution and improved network connectivity covering the park and watchtower will facilitate the rapid transmission of collected data to a cloud server, where Artificial Intelligence trained to recognize specific target species by sight or sound will analyze it.

This system will also provide real-time, data-driven insights into the behavior, population,



Officials from Huawei-Kenya and the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) during the launch of a project to monitor and protect coral reef and biodiversity in Kisite-Mpunguti Marine Park and Reserve.



Huawei-Kenya's Media Director, Khadija Ahmed (C) speaks during the launch of a project to monitor and protect coral reef and biodiversity in Kisite-Mpunguti Marine Park and Reserve.

and distribution of biodiversity in the reserve and the reef ecosystem. Furthermore, it will be able to identify boats involved in illegal fishing and send

alerts to rangers for near-real-time intervention.

The solution will also monitor substrate cover in reef ecosystems, seagrass cover, and the presence

of green turtles and bottlenose dolphins, both of which are classified as endangered and vulnerable on the IUCN Red List.

The Kisite-Mpunguti

reserve faces several challenges, including illegal fishing and insufficient resources for effective patrolling. Other challenges include the lack of remote monitoring for the reserve's three coral islands, pressures from tourism (as the fringing reefs are popular diving sites), limited community awareness of the importance of reef and biodiversity protection, and inadequate communications network infrastructure to support tech-driven monitoring.

Huawei-Kenya's Media Director, Khadija Ahmed underscored the importance of leveraging technology and innovation to solve pressing global challenges.

"Climate change and biodiversity loss are threatening the health of our planet and placing our longevity in a precarious position. However, advances in technology are offering humanity and our home a lifeline: innovative thinking and smart solutions are already helping to mitigate some of the world's most pressing environmental problems," said Ahmed.

Innocent Kabenga, Country Representative-IUCN Kenya Country Office, noted that the technology is one of its kind to be used in the country for marine conservation.

"It will be the first

monitoring instrument and data capturing and analysis in the marine protected area. It is also an opportunity to help the park to obtain green list certification to support the sustainability agenda that most tourists like and as well as to ensure our future generations enjoy the benefits of the Marine parks," said Kabenga.

KWS Senior Assistant Director, Coast Conservation Area Adan Kala noted that the partnership will enable them to understand their resources in the marine ecosystems well.

"We are partnering with Huawei and IUCN to deploy underwater cameras to acquire some data on marine mam-

Climate change and biodiversity loss are threatening the health of our planet—Khadija Ahmed

mals, corals, and fisheries to make informed decisions," Kala said.

"The advantage of this technology is it can be deployed in wider areas that we couldn't patrol every single day to get data for day and night for us to make good, informed decisions," he added.

State to release BT maize variety to farmers in 2025 after field trials

BY ANNE KANGERO AND MOSES WEKESA (KNA)

The Government will release the BT maize variety to farmers in 2025, following the completion of national field trials.

Currently, the National Biosafety Authority (NBA) is conducting public participation meetings across the country to gather views that will inform the decision on releasing the genetically modified organism (GMO) BT maize to the market.

Farmers have been urged to prepare for the adoption of this variety, which has been produced using GMO technology, once it is released to the

market. According to Josephat Muchiri, the Acting Director for Biosafety Research and Compliance at the NBA, it is a requirement of the Biosafety Act and the Constitution to seek public comments before making a final decision on the BT maize.

"NBA is an oversight body that regulates all activities involving GMOs and part of our regulating laws is engaging the public from time to time to get their views on new and upcoming technologies," said Muchiri at the Machakos Agricultural Training College.

Muchiri further urged Kenyans and farmers to dismiss misconceptions

on GMO as the government will ensure the safety of the maize before its release in the next two years.

At the same time, National Biosafety Authority Director of Legal Services Moses Sande assured Kenyans that the BT maize variety has undergone extensive tests, with scientists approving it safe for human consumption as well as animals.

He said it is also harmless to the environment, adding that farmers are set to benefit from it since it withstands pests and is tolerant to the vagaries of weather. Sande was speaking during a public participation meeting on release of GMO BT maize to the market at the Machakos Agricultural Training college.

He said that the Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organiza-



A group of farmers and Agriculture stakeholders from various sub counties during a public participation meeting on release of GMO BT maize to the market at the Machakos Agricultural Training college. PHOTO: ANNE KANGERO

tion (KALRO) is in the last phase of research on the BT maize variety, which will be subjected to field trials during the long rain season of 2025.

Sande said the field trials will be done in Busia, Kakamega, Machakos,

Mombasa and Trans Nzoia at the KALRO fields for a period of three months after which the maize will be rolled out to farmers.

He noted that once the field trials are done to the satisfaction of both KALRO and the National Biosafety Authority, KALRO will announce certified seed producers where Kenyans will obtain the seeds for planting.

The director noted that the Authority is sensitizing Kenyans on the importance of GMO and its role to ensure that all GMO products entering the country undergo strict tests and trials to guarantee they are safe.

He said GMO technology has been in the world for the last 30 years, noting that Kenya is catching up with countries like the United States of America, South Africa, Brazil, Argentina, among other nations which adopted the technology earlier.

Baringo single mothers empowered through tailoring and fashion design

BY BENSON KELIO, KNA

A total of 40 single mothers in Baringo County have benefited from a self-reliance support project spearheaded by two South Korean partners in the county. The mothers underwent a 10-month tailoring and fashion design course sponsored by World Together Kenya and the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA). Speaking at the graduation ceremony held at the Kenya School of Government in Baringo, County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Education and Vocational Training, Rev. Symon Kiuta, lauded the two partners for extending a helping hand to teenage mothers who face many challenges, including financial strain, social isolation, and mental health issues. He stated that the training has equipped them with the skills needed to set up their own businesses and, in turn,



A graduate from Baringo holds the hand of County Executive Committee Member for Education Rev Symon Kiuta during a ceremony for single mothers at Kenya School of Government, Baringo Campus. PHOTO: BENSON KELIO

improve their livelihoods. "The Lord will make you the head and not the tail, the top and not the bottom, and you will be lending and not borrowing," said Rev. Kiuta. The CECM urged the public to embrace these women back into society by supporting any business ideas they may have.

The project coordinator, Sung-jick Lee, in his remarks, stated that they will begin recruiting the next group of single mothers on January 13. He called on all eligible individuals to register and receive free training in the courses, which are offered in the mornings and afternoons.



THE NATIONAL TREASURY & ECONOMIC PLANNING

PENSIONS DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

PENSIONERS SELF-REGISTRATION EXERCISE

(START DATE: 05-12-2024 END DATE: 28-02-2025)

As part of the ongoing Public Service Pension Administration Reforms, the National Treasury officially launched an online Pensioner Self-Registration Portal on 5th December, 2024. The portal is hosted on the eCitizen platform under the National Treasury – Pensions Department services.

Following the launch, all pensioners and dependants in receipt of monthly pension administered by the Pensions Department are required to register themselves by **28th February, 2025** for continued remittance of their monthly pension.

The registration targets pensioners in the category of retired:

1. State Officers,
2. Civil Servants,
3. Teachers who are former employees of TSC,
4. Police, Prisons and National Youth Service officers
5. Military officers and
6. Dependents of deceased pensioners.

In order to register, a pensioner or dependant is required to have a valid email address, mobile telephone number, KRA Pin number and an eCitizen account.

Documents required for upload during the registration include scanned pdf copies of;

1. National ID (both front and backside)
2. Bank or Sacco ATM card of your pension disbursement account (face side only with name and A/C No. clearly legible)
3. Birth certificates for children
4. Death certificates for principal pensioners and
5. Tax exemption certificates for PLWD where applicable.

A step by step guideline on the registration process has been provided on the portal. If you require assistance with the registration, raise support request on the portal or visit the nearest Huduma Centre.

The online pensioner self-registration can be done 24/7 using a mobile smartphone or desktop/laptop computer from any location.

**Michael A. Kagika, EBS
SECRETARY/DIRECTOR OF PENSIONS**

Contact Address

**Pensions Department
Bima House
P. O. Box 20191 – 00200 NAIROBI.
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR
(PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE)

EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR KEY PERSONNEL FOR THE USAID TRANSFORMING HIGHER EDUCATION ACTIVITY

The Open University of Kenya (Olk) has been awarded a grant in funding by USAID to implement the USAID Transforming Higher Education Activity. As such, it is seeking suitable candidates to fill the following key personnel positions essential to the work to be performed under the Activity. Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the advertised vacant positions shown here below:

SN	Job Title	No. of Posts
1	Chief of Party	1
2	Partnerships Manager	1
3	Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Manager	1
4	Finance and Administration Manager	1
5	Curriculum Development and Inclusivity Manager	1

More information on the required qualifications can be obtained from <https://ol.k.ac.ke/careers>

Open University of Kenya (Olk) is an equal opportunity employer and, therefore, applicants of either gender, Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) and those from marginalized areas are encouraged to apply. Interested applicants should submit their applications so as to be received on or before **Tuesday, 28th January, 2025**. Any form of canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR (PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE)



BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF ARCHITECTS AND QUANTITY SURVEYORS (BORAQS) KENYA



PRESS NOTICE

01. PROFESSIONAL EXAMINATIONS FOR ARCHITECTS AND QUANTITY SURVEYORS

A. YEAR 2025 APPLICANTS

Applications are invited for the above examinations from eligible candidates from recognized universities, who will have attained a minimum of 24 months approved postgraduate experience as at, 14th March, 2025.

Applicants should apply through

<https://boraqs.or.ke/application-form-for-professional-examinations-form-b1> The duly completed application to be submitted by 4:00 PM on Friday, 14th March, 2025 accompanied by all the requirements.

Referees: All referees for the candidates must have at least 2 years post-registration experience.

B. PRACTICAL E-LOGBOOK PORTAL

Prospective candidates for Professional Examinations should apply on the Board's website www.boraqs.or.ke/logbook Please ensure constant and consistent endorsements.

02. NOTICE TO REGISTERED PERSONS SUPERVISING CANDIDATES

PUPILLAGE

All Architects and Quantity Surveyors are reminded to observe and adhere to By-laws 41, 42 and 43 and other provisions of the Architects and Quantity Surveyors Act Cap 525 of the Laws of Kenya.

MANUALS FOR ARCHITECTS AND QUANTITY SURVEYORS

All registered persons and the general public are notified that the Manuals for Architects and Quantity Surveyors are available at the Secretariat offices. Both the candidate and the trainer must each have the respective manual.

03. PUBLIC NOTICE

LIST OF ARCHITECTS AND QUANTITY SURVEYORS IN KENYA

Developers and the general public are advised to seek professional services from Architects and Quantity Surveyors in good standing with the Board. This is therefore to notify the general public that the list of Architects, Quantity Surveyors, Architectural firms and Quantity Surveying firms in good standing is available on the Board's website www.boraqs.or.ke/members. Any person or firm not listed on the website is NOT allowed by law to practice Architecture or Quantity Surveying. The general public is encouraged to confirm the registration status of their respective consultants with this Board.

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Dated 20th December, 2024

Mvurya advocates for integration of religious and secular education for muslim children

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI,
KNA

Muslims in Kenya have been urged to allow their children to develop through exposure to holistic education. They have been advised to embrace both religious and secular education to improve their socio-economic status in the country.

Youth Affairs, Creative Economy, and Sports Cabinet Secretary Salim Mvurya says Muslim children should acquire knowledge of both religious and secular subjects.

Mvurya emphasized that embracing holistic education would create opportunities for Muslim children to gain education that imparts skills, knowledge, and values.

Mvurya made these remarks while engaging with religious and local leaders during the Musabiqah al-Quran and graduation ceremony at Markaz Darul Quran in Ramisi Ward, Msambweni Sub-County, Kwale.

He underscored the critical role of religious education in shaping chil-



Youth Affairs, Creative Economy and Sports Cabinet Secretary, Salim Mvurya when he addressed Madrassa graduates in Kwale County. Mvurya urged parents to create time out of their busy schedules to have close personal relationships with their children.

dren's character and development, commending the dedication of religious teachers and acknowledging the invaluable guidance of parents in instilling both education and moral values.

Mvurya urged Madrassa schools (Islamic religious institutions) to teach and promote basic morals that would have a positive impact on society.

He also urged students from both religious and secular schools to remain

morally and spiritually upright, focused, and committed to ensuring a bright future.

Mvurya underscored the need for parents to take seriously their responsibility of training their children to become morally upright adults who will set examples for others.

He urged parents to caution their children against the bad influence of social media, especially Facebook, Instagram and

to instill good manners in their children," he said, and warned parents against prioritising child-bearing but ignoring instilling discipline in them.

The Cabinet Secretary urged parents to create time out of their busy schedules to have close personal relationships with their children with a view to seeing how well they are growing.

Mvurya said it is high time for men to play the big role in the upbringing of children instead of leaving the same to their spouses, teachers and religious leaders.

According to the CS, society is in turmoil because the foundation of human societies, the family, is in shambles as parents, particularly fathers, have

neglected their duties of shaping their children to become good people who will relate conscientiously and peacefully with others around them.

Mvurya emphasized that intentional parenting rooted in Islamic teachings can successfully shape children into responsible, God-fearing individuals who contribute positively to society.

Speaking separately, Kwale Governor Fatuma Achani said fathers should be sensitized on child upbringing, saying the financial role of provider in the family is not enough.

Governor Achani urged parents to embrace effective parenting strategies aimed at raising morally upright and responsible youth.



TENDER NOTICE

Kisii University was chartered in February 2013. It is headquartered in Kisii town, some 1.5 kilometers away from the town center.

The University invites tenders for:

S/ No.	TENDER NUMBER	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGI- BILITY	TENDER CLOSING DATE AND TIME
1.	KSU/T/13/2024 /2025	REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR E-LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM EFFECTIVENESS ASSESSORS	Open	29 TH JANUARY 2025 TIME: 11.30A.M
2.	KSU/T/14/2024 /2025	TENDER FOR SUPPLY ,DELIVERY , INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF PHYSICS LABORATORY EQUIPMENT	Open	29 TH JANUARY 2025 TIME: 11.30A.M
3.	KSU/T/15/2024 /2025	TENDER FOR SUPPLY ,DELIVERY , INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF ENGINEERING LABORATORY EQUIPMENT	Open	29 TH JANUARY 2025 TIME: 11.30A.M
4.	KSU/T/16/2024 /2025	TENDER FOR SUPPLY ,DELIVERY , INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF DIGITAL FOIL BLOCKING MACHINE AND ELECTRICAL STITCHING MACHINE	Open	29 TH JANUARY 2025 TIME: 11.30A.M
5.	KSU/T/17/2024 /2025	TENDER FOR SUPPLY , DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION OF COMPUTERS	Open	29 TH JANUARY 2025 TIME: 11.30A.M

To download the tender documents, Visit Kisii University website (www.kisiouniversity.ac.ke) or www.tenders.go.ke. Youth, Women and Persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Two (2) copies of bound completed and paginated tender documents (marked 'original' and 'copy') are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes marked with tender number and be deposited in the Tender Box at Kisii University main campus administration block and shall be addressed to:

Vice Chancellor Kisii University
P.O BOX 408-40200
KISII.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing & Urban Development
State Department for Housing & Urban Development
Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP2)



County Government of Embu
Department Of Lands, Mining,
Housing, Physical Planning And
Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT (Cap 303)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PREPARE LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

Pursuant to the provisions of section (47) of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019, NOTICE is hereby given that the County Government of Embu in conjunction with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development intends to commence preparation of Local Physical and Land Use Development Plans for Ithata "A" Ithata "B" and Majimbo Low-Cost Settlements in Mbeti North Ward under the Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement project (KISIP2).

The purpose of these plans is to facilitate the conferment/formalization of land tenure for the above-mentioned settlements within Embu County through Planning and Surveying.

The objectives of the plans are;

- i To facilitate regularization of land tenure security within the selected settlements.
- ii To provide a framework for provision of requisite infrastructure and services.
- iii To provide basis for development control.

The planning exercise will involve review of relevant policies, regulations and institutional frameworks, community mobilization, sensitization and stakeholder engagement, basemaps preparation, undertaking socio-economic surveys and physical mapping of the settlements, undertake environmental and social impact assessment (screening), preparation of local physical and land use development plans for the respective informal settlements, prepare an environmental & social management plan and/or a resettlement action plan (RAP), surveying of resultant plots and preparation of survey plans, preparation of detailed topographical survey for engineering designs and preparation of land information system (LIS). This will form the basis for preparation of the plans which aims at improving living conditions in Embu County through regularization of land tenure.

The plan preparation will be participatory and the County invites all Stakeholders to the planning process. Stakeholders who wish to make comments or suggestions on the same may do so in writing within 21 days of publication of this notice. Comments or views should be addressed to:

**The County Executive Committee Member (CECM)
Lands, Mining, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development
County Government of Embu.
P.O Box 36-60100, Embu.**

Dated this 14th January 2025

**Raymond N. Kinyua, OGW
The County Executive Committee Member (CECM)
Lands, Mining, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development
County Government of Embu.**





SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)

Country	Kenya
City	Nairobi
Agency	Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC)
Buyer	Kenya Millennium Development Fund
Project Name	Program Administration
Procurement Title	Fiscal Agent Services
Procurement Reference number	KEN 25-4001
Type of Procurement	Consultant Services (Firms)
Publication date	January 9, 2025
Submission deadline	4.pm EAT (GMT+3) on February 04, 2025

1. The United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC"), and the Government of Kenya ("Government") signed a **Threshold Program Grant Agreement ("THP Agreement") on September 19, 2023**, through which MCC will provide funding not to exceed Sixty Million United States Dollars (USD \$60,000,000) ("MCC Funds") to the Government of Kenya for a program called the **Kenya Urban Mobility and Growth Threshold Program ("THP Program")**. This agreement with Kenya seeks to assist in addressing limited connectivity in urban areas, a critical constraint to inclusive economic growth. The Government has formed the Accountable Entity (AE), Kenya Millennium Development Fund ("KMDF"), for the purpose of implementing the THP Program. This agreement with Kenya seeks to assist in addressing limited connectivity in urban areas, a critical constraint to inclusive economic growth. The Government has formed the Accountable Entity, **Kenya Millennium Development Fund ("KMDF")**, for the purpose of implementing the THP Program. Subject to the terms and conditions of the Threshold Program, related agreements, and the availability of funds, the Government intends to use a portion of the funds to finance professional Fiscal Agent services from a legally constituted firm ("Fiscal Agent", "FA" or "Offeror") to assist the Government with the implementation of the THP Program in a transparent and sound manner. This Grant and related documents are available on MCC website (www.mcc.gov).
2. The THP Agreement consists of the following four (4) projects:
 - (i) **The Integrated Transport Planning project** strengthens the Nairobi Metropolitan Area Transport Authority ("NAMATA") and builds its capacity to coordinate, manage and lead long-term efforts to rationalize the planning and prioritization of transportation investments among a range of public agencies and authorities.
 - (ii) **The First and Last Mile Connections project** supports improvements in both the planning and implementation of small-scale infrastructure that connects residents of economically disadvantaged neighborhoods east of Nairobi's central business district to stations on one of the busiest lines on the existing commuter rail service and two lines on the planned bus rapid transit ("BRT") system.
 - (iii) **The Detailed Land Use Planning project** updates the policy and regulatory framework for land use decisions throughout the county, supports integrated processes for the development of a comprehensive land use plan for neighborhoods located east of Nairobi's central business district, and introduces new approaches to transit-oriented development that build stronger connections between residential, commercial, and industrial areas and the emerging commuter rail service and BRT system.
 - (iv) **The Blended Finance for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project** aims to catalyze private financing to support the acquisition of electric (or other low emission) buses to operate one or more lines of the bus rapid transit (BRT) system, currently being prepared for the Nairobi metropolitan area. The project aims to facilitate the timely operation of BRT lines and contribute to the Government of Kenya's goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions related to urban transportation.
3. MCC requires that all beneficiaries of MCC Funding, including the AE Entity and any applicants, Bidders, Suppliers, contractors, Subcontractors, consultants, and sub-consultants under any MCC-funded contracts, observe the highest standards of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. MCC's Policy on Preventing, Detecting and Remediating Fraud and Corruption in MCC Operations ("MCC's AFC Policy") is applicable to all procurements and contracts involving MCC Funding and can be found on the MCC website at: <https://www.mcc.gov/resources/doc/policy-fraud-and-corruption>.
4. This Request for Offers, the RFO, follows the General Procurement Notice that appeared in dgMarket website (<http://www.dgMarket.com>) and UNDB Online (<http://www.devbusiness.com>) on September 10, 2024, and the Local newspaper MyGov on September 24, 2024.
5. KMDF now invites Offers from legally constituted firms and organizations to provide the Fiscal Agent Services ("Offers"). More details on these Agency Services are provided in the Terms of Reference in Section V of this RFO. The Fiscal Agent will provide support ("Fiscal Agent Services" or "Agency Services") in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in an agreement (the "Fiscal Agent Agreement", "FA Agreement" or "FAA"), a form of which is attached to this Request for Offers ("RFO") in Section VI.
6. The RFO is open to all eligible entities ("Offerors" or "Agents") who wish to respond. Subject to restrictions noted in the RFO, Offerors may associate with other Offerors to enhance their capacity to successfully carry out the assignment.
7. An Offeror will be selected under the **Quality and Cost-Based Selection ("QCBS") method**, an evaluation procedure that is described in Section III of the RFO in accordance with the "MCC Accountable Entity Procurement Policy and Guidelines" provided on the MCC website (www.mcc.gov/ppg). The selection process, as described, will include a review and verification of qualifications and past performance, including a reference check, prior to the contract award.
8. A Pre-Offer Conference will be held at 3.00pm EAT (GMT+3) on January 16, 2025, via an online event that can be attended by clicking on the following link: [Pre-Offer Conference - KMDF Fiscal Agent Services | Microsoft Teams | Meetup-Join](#).
9. Offerors interested in receiving the RFO and submitting an Offer should register using the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/eCvY5afgik>. Offerors should provide their correct email contact details. This will ensure that the Offerors receive updates regarding this RFO.
10. The Offers (Technical and Financial) shall be submitted in the manner specified in the ITO 18.1 no later than **4:00 pm (GMT+3) on February 04, 2025. Only electronic Offers submitted via the File Request Link (FRL), provided in ITO 17.1 c), will be accepted**. Late Offers will not be accepted under any circumstances.

Contact :

Attn :	Interim Procurement Agent (IPA)
E-mail :	kmdfprocurement@outlook.com
MCC website :	www.mcc.gov

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Mucemi Gakuru
Interim Chief Executive Officer



TOM MBOYA UNIVERSITY KNOWLEDGE FOR SUSTAINABLE INNOVATION ENTERPRISE

VACANCY ADVERTISEMENT

In pursuit of its mission and mandate, the University invites applications from qualified candidates to fill the following advertised positions.

ACADEMICS

Position	Reference Number	Grade	No. Of Positions
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (Statistics)	TMU/ACA/01/25	GRADE 14 A	One (1) Position
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (Aquatic and Fishery Science / Blue Economy)	TMU/ACA/02/25	GRADE 14 A	One (1) Position
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (Accounting/ Finance)	TMU/ACA/03/25	GRADE 14 A	One (1) Position
SENIOR LECTURER (Law)	TMU/ACA/04/25	GRADE 13 A	One (1) Position
SENIOR LECTURER (Medical Laboratory)	TMU/ACA/05/25	GRADE 13 A	One (1) Position
SENIOR LECTURER (Forensic Science)	TMU/ACA/06/25	GRADE 13 A	One (1) Position
SENIOR LECTURER (Surveying, Mapping and Geomatics Engineering)	TMU/ACA/07/25	GRADE 13 A	One (1) Position
SENIOR LECTURER (Land and Estates Management)	TMU/ACA/08/25	GRADE 13 A	One (1) Position
SENIOR LECTURER (Educational Foundations/Curriculum)	TMU/ACA/09/25	GRADE 13 A	One (1) Position
LECTURER (Actuarial Science)	TMU/ACA/10/25	GRADE 12 A	One (1) Position
LECTURER (Project Management)	TMU/ACA/11/25	GRADE 12 A	One (1) Position
LECTURER (Biochemistry)	TMU/ACA/12/25	GRADE 12 A	One (1) Position

ADMINISTRATION

DEPUTY REGISTRAR (Academics)	TMU/ADM/01/25	GRADE 14	One (1) Position
SENIOR ACCOUNTANT	TMU/ADM/02/25	GRADE 13	One (1) Position
SENIOR SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR	TMU/ADM/03/25	GRADE 13	One (1) Position
LIBRARIAN	TMU/ADM/04/25	GRADE 12	One (1) Position
ASSISTANT PROCUREMENT OFFICER	TMU/ADM/05/25	GRADE 10	One (1) Position
SECURITY OFFICER	TMU/ADM/06/25	GRADE 8	One (1) Position
SECRETARY	TMU/ADM/07/25	GRADE 8	One (1) Position
LABORATORY TECHNOLOGIST (Physics)	TMU/ADM/08/25	GRADE 8	One (1) Position
FARM ASSISTANT	TMU/ADM/09/25	GRADE 6	One (1) Position
DRIVER	TMU/ADM/10/25	GRADE 5	One (1) Position
ARTISAN (PLUMBING)	TMU/ADM/11/25	GRADE 4	One (1) Position
ARTISAN (ELECTRICAL)	TMU/ADM/12/25	GRADE 4	One (1) Position
ARTISAN (CARPENTRY)	TMU/ADM/13/25	GRADE 4	One (1) Position
ARTISAN (MASONRY)	TMU/ADM/14/25	GRADE 4	One (1) Position

Application Mode

Applications should be accompanied by a detailed up to date curriculum vitae, certified true copies of academic and professional certificates, National Identity Card or Passport, together with testimonials and other relevant supporting documents.

Qualified candidates must submit **ten (10) hard copies of their application**, clearly indicating the reference number of the position applied for, to the address below. Applications must be received on or before **Tuesday 4th February, 2025 by 5:00 PM (1700hrs)**:

Address to:

**The Vice-Chancellor,
Tom Mboya University,
P. O. BOX 199 - 40300,
HOMA-BAY.**

Recommendations from at **least three (3) referees** should be sent separately under sealed envelopes on or before the advertisement deadline to the address above.

Terms of Service

The terms for the advertised positions will be on permanent and pensionable terms.

NOTE: Tom Mboya University (TMU) is an equal opportunity employer committed to inclusivity and diversity. The University welcomes applications from individuals of all genders, ethnic backgrounds, and persons living with disabilities.

Therefore, women, persons living with disabilities, marginalized groups and minorities are encouraged to apply.

Please note that canvassing will result in automatic disqualification. TMU does not charge any fees at any stage of the recruitment and selection process. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Interested applicants should visit Tom Mboya University website: www.tmu.ac.ke to view detailed requirements.

Kenya's tea auction sees higher prices for quality grades, boosts farmers' pay



BY MYGOV TEAM, KNA

Farmers and factories producing high-quality tea will enjoy better prices as the Tea Auction, which follows quality categories from "Good" to "Medium," attracts more competitive bids and considerably higher prices.

Tea Board of Kenya (TBK) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Willy Mutai said that in October 2024, tea offered for sale by the smallholder tea factories managed by KTDA, whose quality is relatively higher, fetched an average price of \$2.83 (approximately Sh366) per kilogram for the main grades, compared to \$2.78 (approximately Sh360) recorded during the same period in 2023.

Mutai explained that "Lower Medium" and "Plainer" teas, along with secondary grades, attracted either less interest and thus discounted prices or no offers at all. Consequently, these teas constituted the highest proportion of those withdrawn from the auction.

"Depending on the quality band, the leaf grades generally attracted relatively higher prices than the dust and secondary grades," said Mutai.

He also disclosed that the auction sales volume for Kenyan tea in October stood at 32.58 million kilograms, lower compared to 38.63 million kilograms recorded during the corresponding month in 2023.

Mutai said that while there was generally good demand for tea at the auction, prices continued to be negatively impacted by relatively higher supply.

He said the demand for tea at the auction continued to be affected by the effects of global economic shock experienced in most countries due to the Russia-Ukraine crisis and market access challenges owing to internal conflict in Sudan as well as shipment disruptions through the Red Sea.

"This has continued to affect the sale of certain grades of tea at the auction leading to lower absorption. However, compared

LEADING IMPORTERS OF KENYAN TEA	
Country	Imports in million kgs
Pakistan	13.10m Kgs
Egypt	6.22m Kgs
UK	3.80m Kgs
UAE	2.87m Kgs
Russia	2.77m Kgs
India	2.37m Kgs
Sudan	1.60m Kgs
Poland	1.23m Kgs
China	1.09m Kgs
Saudi Arabia	0.69m Kgs

to the previous months, the absorption of teas offered under the main catalogue was good at 69 per cent. During the month, Pakistan packers were active but selective in their buying while the Egyptian and South Sudan packers had good interest," Mutai said.

According to the CEO, during October, the volume of specialty teas produced was 710,560 kilograms, which represented two per cent of the total production. Specialty teas were dominated by Orthodox teas at 92 per cent (651,527.90 kilograms) and were largely produced by estates and independent tea factories, respectively.

The rest of Specialty teas consisted of green and purple tea produced by the cottage tea industries.

He added that tea production for October 2024 dropped by 2.73 million kilograms from 52.79 million kilograms recorded during the same period of last year to 50.06 million kilograms.

Mutai said that lower production was attributed to generally low and poorly distributed rainfall experienced within the country explaining that though the month of October marks the onset of the "short-rain" season, the amount of rainfall recorded in most parts of the tea growing areas was depressed (near-to-below average precipitation for the month of October).

"During the month of October 2024, most of the tea grow-

ing areas within the West of Rift experienced low to moderate rainfall of between 9 mm to 38 mm daily except for Kericho and Nandi, respectively, which recorded higher precipitation ranging from 20 to 73 mm daily. However, precipitation within the tea growing areas in the East of Rift was relatively lower compared to the West of Rift at between 1 mm to 35 mm daily," he said.

The CEO said cumulatively up to the month of October, production for the year 2024 was higher by 6.5 per cent (30.21 million kilograms) from 465.01 million kilograms recorded during the first ten months of 2023 to 495.23 million kilograms.

He said higher production was due to favourable weather recorded during the first four months of the year, with rainfall ranging from near-to- above the long-term average amounts compared to the trend for the same period over the years owing to the El-Nino weather phenomenon.

The total export volume for the month of October 2024 was lower by 9.04 per cent (4.33 million kilograms) from 47.96 million kilograms recorded in the same period of last year to 43.63 million kilograms.

Mutai said this was despite shipments to more export destinations at 61 compared to fifty-six 56 for the same period of last year.

"Lower export volume was attributed to less exports to the traditional and emerging markets, with Pakistan recording less imports by 4.71 million kilograms while exports to Egypt were lower by 2.63 million kilograms," he said.

Mutai said despite lower volume, Pakistan maintained its position as the leading export destination for Kenyan tea having imported 13.10 million kilograms, which accounted for 30 per cent of the total export volume.

-Joseph Ng'ang'a, Bernard Munyao and Purity Mugo

Makueni County's sand dam initiative gains recognition from UN agencies and state



Makueni County Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr and UN Resident Coordinator Dr Stephen Jackson during the tour of sand dams at Kaiti River in Makueni.

BY ALBANUS KIOKO (KNA)

Makueni County hosted a delegation of over 15 agencies from the United Nations and the State Department for Devolution on a learning mission and tour of sand dams, examining their impact on addressing water shortages, food security, and climate change in Makueni.

Makueni County Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr., speaking during the tour of River Kaiti, where sand dams have been constructed, emphasized the need to build and invest in more sand dams across rivers.

These dams have assisted in water conservation and boosting agriculture. Governor Mutula stated that the county has over 1,000 sand dams, which have become a major source of water for Makueni residents. He added that they plan to invest in more and urged the national government to assist in replicating the sand dam conservation technology throughout the country.

"This should be a learning experience so that Kenya can come to Makueni. If this can be replicated nationwide, we are confident we can take care of our rivers," said Governor Mutula. State Department for Devolution Principal Secretary Teresia Mbaika acknowledged Makueni County's efforts in water conservation and the construction of 22 sand dams across the Kaiti River, which have made water available to local communities.

Mbaika noted that the UN is one of the partners they have mobilized so far and called for more partners to join the initiative to ensure that river conservation through sand dams is implemented across the country. She also reiterated the gov-

ernment's support for the initiative, adding that it is part of Kenya Kwanza's plan to ensure food sufficiency. "You are also aware that it is part of the Kenya Kwanza Administration's plan to ensure food sufficiency, and so we cannot have sustainable agriculture without water," added the PS.

UN Resident Coordinator Dr. Stephen Jackson commented on the effects of climate change, which have impacted the country in recent years through droughts and floods. He praised Makueni for developing sand dams that help capture rainwater, which can be used during droughts.

Dr. Jackson added that he had brought his colleagues from different UN agencies to learn about and experiment with the sand dams and their impact in Makueni. He emphasized the UN's support for the development of sand dams in other parts of the country.

With their low cost of construction and significant impact on communities, he promised to support the initiatives in Makueni and other counties that have not yet been reached. "The UN has been supporting the construction of sand dams, and together with my colleagues, we want to see how the national government, county government, and international partners can come together to construct many more sand dams," said Dr. Jackson. Present during the tour were representatives from multiple UN agencies, the Board Chair of TANATHI Water Works Development Agency (WWDA) Regina Ndam-buki, Makueni County Commissioner Dancun Darusi, Makueni Executive Committee Members, and other guests.

First Federation in water games launched in Kenya

BY FLORENCE KINYUA
(KNA)

Kenya has launched its first water games federation at the Sagana Rapids Camp in Murang'a County.

The inaugural federation will now oversee all water rafting activities in the country.

Speaking during the launch, the Kenya Rafting Federation (KRF) Secretary General William Kinuthia noted that with the federation outside

Nairobi County, the initiative will play a huge role in protecting the natural resources sources and consequently conserve the environment while promoting tourism.

"Even as we raft and attract tourists in these two counties of Murang'a and Kirinyaga, we will also conserve our environment considering that this is first federation outside Nairobi doing water sports and we are excited to get closer to the community,"

he stated

He noted that the federation together with other stakeholders will ensure the protection of the water sources where rafting takes place.

"This is also going to encourage tourism in place and the sport and it is a big thing for the residents of Murang'a and Kirinyaga counties," he noted

Kinuthia averred that the federation will be professionally run and is looking forward to bring-

ing the world championship in the country because of all the infrastructure in place, there is the river and the hotels and stakeholders who are supporting the movement.

"We will also educate the local community not to cut down trees and to encourage the growing of trees," he added.

The federation will assist to oversee the coordinating and regulating of rafting activities in the country while at the same

time advancing rafting safety standards and promoting the certification and professional training of river rafting guidelines to ensure quality standard operating procedures.

"We are also in consultation with the Ministry of Education to deliberate on how water games training can be included in the CBC curriculum so as to help nature talent from a tender age," he said.

On his part, Lee Daniel from Salvage Camp de-

cried that for the 35 years he has lived in the country, the River Sagana has kept on dwindling and now more than ever before the water quality has gotten worse.

"The water quality has been greatly affected and it is my hope that with this federation in place, we will come together and tackle this challenge and restore this natural beauty even as we prevent deforestation along the rivers," he said.

Kenya promotes clean cooking with biogas through BETA projects

BY MOSES WEKESA (KNA)

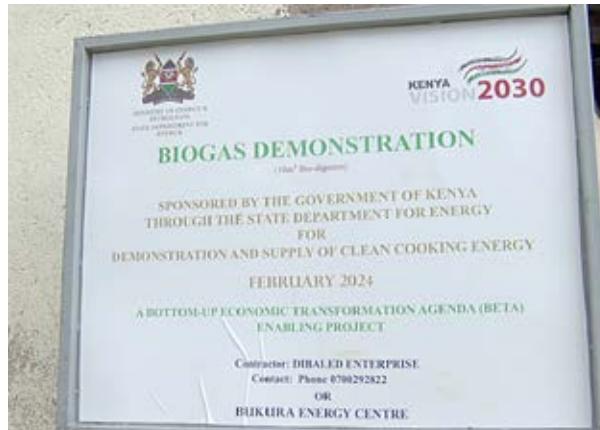
The government is promoting the adoption of various clean energy sources among Kenyans to encourage clean cooking. Biogas, one of the clean renewable energy sources, is among the alternatives the government is promoting under the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) projects. The project is being implemented through the State Department for Energy, with the aim of demonstrating and supplying clean cooking energy.

Clean cooking is one of the key pillars of Kenya's climate ambition to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050, as outlined in the Kenya Energy Transition & Investment Plan (ETIP).

This plan was developed in line with Kenya's commitment to champion the fight against climate change. ETIP identifies clean cooking, renewable energy, green hydrogen, e-mobility, and energy storage as decarbonization technologies.

Under the biogas BETA enabling project, the government is installing biogas plants for selected farmers across the country, which will be used as demonstrations to facilitate the transfer of the technology to community members. KNA visited two farmers in Kakamega County who are among those benefiting from the project.

One of them, Patrick Shitekha from Shinyalu thanked the government for the project which has enabled him to stop using firewood, charcoal and even cut down on the costs of electricity and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG).



A sign post at the entrance to Patrick Shitekha's farm where a biogas plant was installed by the government under the Bottom Up Economic Transformation Agenda(BETA) enabling project.

"When they did their research, they found me as one of the best farmers around here, they gave me the biogas plant as a present to motivate me, and to be used as a demonstration of the biogas technology to the community."

"I was the first one to be given, other farmers will also benefit as a motivation for engaging in farming," he noted.

Once someone gets a biogas plant, Shitekha noted, the only cost one incurs is ensuring they have cow dung. He said biogas can provide light in the house and produce enough heat for cooking all types of foods.

"The gas from the biogas is very efficient, natural and cost saving. I used to purchase and refill Mpishi LPG Gas most of the time, but the biogas plant has saved

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me from that. We cook everything with it," he explained.

He says that he uses the biogas slurry, waste resulting from the biogas plant, to apply on his crops, reducing dependency on artificial fertilizer.

"I use the waste from the biogas on my 'Sukuma Wiki' (green vegetables), napier grass and other crops. The Biogas slurry is very efficient; crops grow very fast, they do very well, so there is no wastage in the farm," he explained.

Another farmer, Winstone Etemere from Ikolomani says that since the government installed biogas at his homestead, his family stopped using firewood and charcoal which was their main source of fuel.

He says they also purchased a cooking burner which is designed to use biogas and produces enough heat which they also use to brood chicken.

"I am proud that my passion in farming and commitment has enabled us to benefit from the government which has sup-



A cooking burner in the farm of Patrick Shitekha which uses Biogas.



A Biogas Plant at the home of Patrick Shitekha in Shinyalu Kakamega County. PHOTOS: MOSES WEKESA

plied us with biogas plants for free as a token. We are now enjoying the fruits of the government, we now do not use LPG gas, charcoal and firewood," he explained.

Etemere urged the government to support dairy farmers by providing them with the latest technologies to improve their farming practices including provision of high-quality breeds to increase milk production, and provision of machinery for transportation.

"The support that we may need more is for our dairy to be equipped to help and sustain the farmers. We want to go high-tech farming. We need to improve our breeds more

so that we have high quality products. So, if we are really supported financially, there is a lot we can do in farming," he pointed out.

Apart from the biogas plants installed in the selected farms, farmers are encouraged to visit energy centres close to them to learn more about the technology among other technologies including solar energy, bioenergy, improved cooking solutions, wind energy, waste to energy and agroforestry.

The energy centres are technical outreach centres of Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation (REREC) used in the promotion of renewable energy and technologies

through training, sensitization, demonstration and extension to raise awareness and support in adoption of sustainable energy solutions.

In Kakamega the available energy centre is the Bukura Energy Centre located next to the Bukura Agricultural Training Centre (ATC).

The centre serves Kakamega, Kisumu, Vihiga and parts of Bungoma Counties.

Other energy centres across the country include, Busia, Garissa, Jamhuri, Kericho, Kisii, Kitui, Lodwar, Marsabit, Migori, Mirangine, Mitunguu, Mtwapa, Uasin Gishu, Wajir and Wambugu Energy centres.

Embu County unveils plans to revive Mwea game reserve

BY SAMUEL WAITITU (KNA)

County Government of Embu through its Department of Trade, Tourism, and Marketing, has launched an ambitious programme to revive and position Mwea Game Reserve as a key tourism hub in the country.

The county has partnered with over 70 tourism marketing agents in a move aimed at shining a spotlight on this untapped potential.

The little-known game reserve, located in Mbeere South Constituency, measures 42 square kilometers and is home to a significant number of animals including elephants, zebras, buffaloes, gazelles and the rare Rothschild giraffe.

The reserve also offers idyllic relaxation after safari adventure along the sandy beaches of Kindaruma Hydro Dam towards the edge of the reserve that mimics coastal beaches.

The area is a popular picnic site for local groups doing team building. Boat riding is also available around the dam where one can also have a chance to see crocodiles and hippos.

However the reserve, which has been in existence for over four decades, has remained unutilized as a tourist attraction or destination site.

County Executive Committee Member for Trade and Tourism Francis Ndwiga exuded confidence that the partnership will help revive and unlock the potential of the reserve.

"We are determined to showcase this County's hidden gem and ensure it becomes a must-visit destination for both local and international tourists," he said.

He was speaking when he hosted over 70 tour operators for a game drive around the conservancy who will be instrumental in promoting and popularizing the game

reserve.

Tour Operators Society of Kenya (TOSK) Chair Daniel Mbugua expressed excitement about the partnership, stating that it would elevate Embu's profile on the global tourism map.

"Our goal is to open this county that has been a hidden gem to the world," he said, noting that the promotion will give people a chance to travel around the country away from the commonly known crowded places.

Francis Njue, the founder of 1,000 Lenses, a tour operating entity, said the reserve had been one of the most untapped and hidden gems of tourism in Kenya.

Mwea is the closest place from Nairobi where one can see elephants in their natural habitat and also the endangered Rothschild giraffe," he said.

He continued, "It is also an amazing place with wonderful beaches and we are promoting these unique places



Visitors boat riding on Kindaruma Dam within Mwea Game Reserve

to open up tourism in Kenya where people can visit and walk away from the traditionally known places such as Maasai Mara and so on."

He said the reserve is a sleeping giant that has the potential to transform the financial fortunes of the county and put it on the world map as a preferred tourist destination.

County Trade and Tourism Chief Officer Benjamin Wamalwa urged residents

to embrace domestic tourism and take pride in their heritage.

"When residents visit and promote these sites, it not only boosts revenue but also inspires their growth and preservation," he said.

As part of the initiative, the county government and its partners plan to roll out aggressive marketing campaigns across multiple platforms.

These efforts will high-

light key attractions such as waterfalls, nature trails, cultural festivals, and historical landmarks.

The campaigns aim to create awareness and entice both seasoned travellers and first-time visitors.

With this renewed focus on tourism, Embu County is poised to emerge as a vibrant destination that celebrates its natural beauty, rich culture, and welcoming spirit.



MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR IRRIGATION

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

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Name of project:	Coastal Region Water Security and Climate Resilience Project	
Country: Kenya;	Project No.: P145559; Credit No: 55430-KE	
Assignment Title:	Request For Expression of Interest for Consultancy Services for Individual Expert Investigator on Gender Based Violence-GBV / Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment-SEAH Incidents at Mwache Multipurpose Dam at Kwale County	
Reference/ Contract No.:	MWSI/KWSCR-55430-KE/2024-2025 / KE-MOWI-444469-CS-INDV	

- This Request for Expression of Interest follows the Approval of Loan Notice for this project done on **14th December 2014**.
- The Government of Kenya has received a Credit from International Development Agency (IDA) towards the cost of the Coastal Region Water Security and Climate Resilience Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this Credit to payments under this contract: Consultancy Services for Individual Expert Investigator on Gender Based Violence-GBV / Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment-SEAH Incidents at Mwache Multipurpose Dam at Kwale County.
- The State Department for Irrigation through the Coastal Region Water Security and Climate Resilience Project now invites Individual Consultant to express their interest in providing the services. Interested individuals must provide information indicating that they are qualified in similar assignments to perform the services; (attach curriculum vitae (CV), copies of documentary evidence of Academic qualifications, Professional Qualifications and registration/licensing of professional body).
- An Individual Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection of Individual Consultants method set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers dated September 2023 fifth Edition (Regulations).
- Interested individuals may obtain further information at the address below from 0900 to 1700 hours East African Time (EAT) from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400hours EAT) and public holidays or download full TORs on Website: www.tenders.go.ke free of charge and should be registered by sending an email to procurement@kwscr.org in order to receive clarifications.

Expression of interest shall be delivered by or on **29th January 2024 at 1100 hours EAT**. - using one of the following modalities: (i) deposit in the tender box located at Maji House 5th Floor, Nairobi Kenya and notify Procurement Office Room 513 or (ii) send by email to: procurement@kwscr.org and quote the Assignment title and Contract No. in the Subject row. For expressions of interest that will be deposited at the tender box, the packages should be clearly marked **Coastal Region Water Security and Climate Resilience Project Reference: MWSI / KWSCR-55430-KE/2024-2025 / KE-MOWI-444469-CS-INDV**.

Project Manager,
Kenya Water Security and Climate Resilience Project,
Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation.



MICRO AND SMALL ENTERPRISES AUTHORITY

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRM SELECTION)

NAME OF PROJECT:	KENYA JOBS AND ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROJECT (KJET)
ASSIGNMENT TITLE:	DEVELOPMENT OF LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR CO-INVESTMENT IN MSME CLUSTERS
REFERENCE NO.	MSEA/KJET/REOI/02/2024-2025

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Jobs and Economic Transformation Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Consulting services ("the Services") include to develop a legal and strategic framework that guides the co-investment of MSME Clusters under the project to ensure sustainability of the finances, targeted support to viable ventures and guide the co-investment decisions.

The Kenya Jobs and Economic Transformation (KJET) Project development objective is to increase private sector investments, access to markets and sustainable finance to create and improve jobs. The project targets to create and improve productivity of select MSME clusters based on priority value chains envisioned under the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

The Micro and Small Enterprises Authority 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.

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the Quality Cost Based Selection method set out in the procurement guidelines and Regulations. Detailed information for the Expression of Interest can be downloaded from www.msea.go.ke or www.tenders.go.ke.

Further information can be obtained through kjetproc@msea.go.ke or at the address below during office hours 0900 to 1700 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in plain sealed envelope clearly marked with tender number and deposited in the tender box located on the mezzanine floor, Utalii House, along Utalii Lane to the address below by **Tuesday 28th January, 2025 at 1100 hours**.

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KDC strengthens livestock resilience through knowledge exchange program under the DRIVE Project

BY DIANA NGUNJIRI
(MYGOV)

The Kenya Development Corporation (KDC) has emphasized on regional integration, sustainable solutions and impactful investments in efforts geared towards building resilience in the livestock sector across the Arid and semi-arid lands (ASALs).

"We are honoured to lead initiatives that foster knowledge sharing, empower communities, and unlock new opportunities in the livestock value chain," said KDC Director General, Norah Ratemo.

"This exchange program highlights the power of collaboration in achieving impactful outcomes across the region," he said during the Knowledge Exchange Program event.

The event under the DRIVE (DeRisking, Inclusion, and Value Enhancement) Project brought together stakeholders from Kenya, Djibouti, Ethiopia, and Somalia, Sinah said.

The DRIVE Project, implemented in partnership with the World Bank, ZEP-RE (PTA Reinsurance), and the State Department for Livestock, is designed to address challenges faced by pastoralists and livestock-dependent communities.

Speaking during the session, James Sinah of the World Bank highlighted the critical role of regional integration and cross-border trade in strengthening the livestock value chain and enhancing productivity among pastoralists.

In Kibwezi, stakeholders observed the cultivation of high-quality animal feed,

ment, we can build a sustainable future for livestock-dependent communities, ensuring resilience against climate challenges and economic shocks,"

which is helping farmers mitigate the effects of drought and drive agricultural transformation in the region.

Meanwhile, in Kajiado, participants visited a women owned feedlot enterprise located along the Nairobi-Namanga Road.

This is pioneering sustainable livestock finishing practices while creating economic opportunities for women in agribusiness which has demonstrated that women-led livestock value chain investments among pastoralist women is realistic and achievable.

The investor has demonstrated equitable gender representation livestock investment with the support of the DRIVE Project funds through KDC.

The Knowledge Exchange Program also served as a

benchmarking opportunity for delegates from Djibouti, Ethiopia, and Somalia, who were eager to learn from Kenya's innovative approaches to sustainable live-stock farming.

Delegates expressed interest in replicating best practices, such as feed conservation through the use of pit silos that are capable of holding up to 150,000 tonnes and the cultivation of protein-rich forages such as Juncao grass that was showcased by one pastoralist visited in Kajiado County, to address drought-induced livestock losses.

More importantly, the delegates appreciated the link between fodder production and livestock productivity investments and marketing to increase income growth and sustainable livestock keeping in the ASAL areas.

"This benchmarking exercise has provided valuable insights that can be adapted to address similar challenges in our respective countries," Maurice Ouma, DRIVE Project Coordinator, noted.

KDC reaffirmed its commitment to empowering communities and advancing sustainable agricultural practices in ASAL regions.

Through its Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS), KDC ensures that risks are managed, safety is prioritized, and projects meet the needs of both current and future generations.

The DRIVE Project continues to strengthen resilience in the livestock sector through innovative investments, robust partnerships, and practical solutions tailored to the unique challenges of ASAL economies.



MICRO AND SMALL ENTERPRISES AUTHORITY

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES –FIRM SELECTION)

NAME OF PROJECT:	KENYA JOBS AND ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROJECT (KJET)
ASSIGNMENT TITLE:	DEVELOPMENT OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (BDS) CURRICULUM
REFERENCE NO.	MSEA/KJET/REOI/01/2024-2025

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Jobs and Economic Transformation Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Consulting services ("the Services") include to develop a comprehensive, adaptable and practical generalized Business Development Services (BDS) Curriculum based on the 360 needs assessment from sampled MSME clusters in the value chains of focus.

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES –FIRM SELECTION)

NAME OF PROJECT:	KENYA JOBS AND ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROJECT (KJET)
ASSIGNMENT TITLE:	VALUE CHAIN MAPPING/ANALYSIS
REFERENCE NO.	MSEA/KJET/REOI/03/2024-2025

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Jobs and Economic Transformation Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Consulting services ("the Services") include to undertake a value chain mapping exercise that focuses on the 9 priority value chains identified under the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

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State steps in to rebuild Cheptulel schools and support displaced communities

BY RICHARD MUHAMBE
AND AGNETA CHEBET, KNA

The Government has taken up measures to resettle displaced residents of the Cheptulel area in West Pokot County and revive five schools that were severely affected by banditry in the region.

This initiative aims to address the humanitarian crisis caused by a recent wave of violence while also ensuring that education can resume for the affected community members.

Speaking at Cheptulel Girls Secondary School in Pokot Central Sub-County, Cabinet Secretary for East African Community (EAC), Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs), and Regional Development, Beatrice Askul,

promised to provide essential support to the local community and the school, which has faced significant challenges due to rampant insecurity in the region.

While touring the school, which had been severely damaged by the violence, the CS expressed her commitment to addressing the community's urgent needs.

"The government is deeply concerned about the situation here in Cheptulel. We are committed to ensuring that the local people and this school receive the support they need to recover and rebuild. Education and community welfare are priorities, and we will ensure that the necessary resources are

provided," she stated.

Askul assured community members that her ministry would provide relief food supplies and building materials to help rebuild homes destroyed during the unrest.

"We are committed to providing food and construction materials, including galvanised iron sheets, to help families rebuild their homes and restore their livelihoods," the CS said.

Askul called on the county government to prioritize the repair of the road leading to Cheptulel saying that the poor condition of the road had made it difficult for aid to reach affected residents, exacerbating the challenges faced by the community.

"I call on the governor to take swift action in repairing the road so that essential supplies can reach the people without delay," she pleaded.

She said a Kenya Defence Forces (KDF) camp would be established at the border between West Pokot and Elgeyo Marakwet counties to enhance security and prevent further violence in the area.

"We are taking measures to ensure the safety of the people here and the KDF camp at the border will help stabilise the region

and prevent future incidents of insecurity," she stated.

West Pokot County Commissioner Abdullahi Khalif reiterated the government's commitment to restoring law and order in Cheptulel, following the recent flare up of violence that led to the displacement of residents and disruption of educational activities.

"We are taking all necessary measures to ensure that peace is restored and maintained in the area. The safety of the people

and their property is our top priority, and we are confident that peace will prevail," the CC stated.

The County Commissioner assured the community that despite the challenges facing local schools, educational activities would continue without further interruption.

Governor Simon Kachapin highlighted the importance of the Cheptulel market as a hub for local trade and commerce, revealing plans to level the market, and improve the layout and accessibility.



PUBLIC NOTICE

NATIONAL OPEN TENDER NOTICE

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

No	Tender No.	Description of Tender	Eligibility	Closing/Opening Date
1	NCA/T/018/2024-2025	Supply, installation and commissioning of research and data analysis softwares.	OPEN	29th Jan, 2025
2	NCA/T/019/2024-2025	Provision of broadband internet and wide area network services	OPEN	29th Jan, 2025
3	NCA/T/020/2024-2025	Retender for provision of consultancy services on employee satisfaction survey.	AGPO	29th Jan, 2025
4	NCA/T/021/2024-2025	Provision of consultancy services for market survey on commonly used items.	AGPO	29th Jan, 2025
5	NCA/T/022/2024-2025	Framework agreement for provision of catering services on "as and when required"- basis for a period of one year	OPEN	29th Jan, 2025
6	NCA/T/023/2024-2025	Framework agreement for provision of accommodation and conference facilities for; Lot I: 5 Star hotels Lot II: 4 Star hotels Lot III: 3 Star hotels Lot IV: 2 Star hotels on "as and when required"- basis.	OPEN	29th Jan, 2025
7	NCA/T/024/2024-2025	Framework agreement for provision of; Lot I: Tent and Décor setup services, Lot II: Photography and videography and Live streaming services on "as and when required"- basis for a period of one year	OPEN	29th Jan, 2025
8	NCA/T/025/2024-2025	Tender for disposal of assets and unserviceable stores.	OPEN	29th Jan, 2025

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

**Manager, Supply Chain
FOR: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



KENYA RURAL ROADS AUTHORITY

Connecting Devolved Kenya

TENDER NOTICE

Kenya Rural Roads Authority (KeRRA) hereby invites bids from eligible and interested Suppliers and Service Providers for the following tenders;

No.	Tender Name.	Tender Number	Date of Uploading Documents	Closing & Opening date and time
1.	Provision of Group Personal Accident, Group Life Assurance and Work Injury Benefits	KeRRA/08/38/04/2024-2025	14th January, 2025	29th January, 2025 at 11.00. am
2.	Upgrade of the Primary and Secondary Data Centres for the Authority	KeRRA/08/37/01/2024-2025	17th January, 2025	7th February, 2025 at 11.00.am
3.	Supply, Installation, and Maintenance of Heavy-Duty Scanners and Printers	KeRRA/08/37/02/2024-2025	17th January, 2025	7th February, 2025 at 11.00.am
4.	Supply and Delivery of Laptops and Desktop computers	KeRRA/08/37/03/2024-2025	17th January, 2025	7th February, 2025 at 11.00.am
5.	Upgrade, Customization, Support and Maintenance of the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System	KeRRA/08/38/05/2024-2025	17th January, 2025	7th February, 2025 at 11.00.am
6.	Provision of Preventive Maintenance and Support Services for KeRRA ICT Equipment at the Head Office and 47 Regional Offices	KeRRA/08/38/06/2024-2025	17th January, 2025	7th February, 2025 at 11.00.am
7.	Consultancy Services to Assess the Authority's Level of Digitization and Automation	KeRRA/08/40/03/2024-2025	17th January, 2025	7th February, 2025 at 11.00.am
8.	Upgrade of the Local Area Network (LAN) and Infrastructure for KeRRA's 47 Regional Offices	KeRRA/08/38/08/2024-2025	17th January, 2025	7th February, 2025 at 11.00.am
9.	Supply, Delivery, Installation, and Configuration of Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) Solution	KeRRA/08/38/09/2024-2025	17th January, 2025	7th February, 2025 at 11.00.am

Interested bidders are requested to download full details of the advertisement and Tender Documents, free of charge, from the Authority's website www.kerra.go.ke and PPIP Portal www.tenders.go.ke as from the date indicated in the table above.

Completed tender documents should be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes, clearly marked with the Tender Name, Tender Number and deposited in the Tender Box located on 3rd Floor, Barabara Plaza Block B, or be addressed and posted to the below address to reach us on or before as per dates and times indicated in the above table.

**The Director General,
Kenya Rural Roads Authority,
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INVITATION TO TENDERS AND REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS

Kiambere- Mwingi Water & Sanitation Company (Kimwasco) invites sealed bids from interested and eligible firms for tenders and registration of suppliers for supply and delivery of goods, works and services for the financial years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026

Interested and eligible candidates may examine and download the tenders and supplier registration document(s) free of charge from the Company's website: www.kimwasco.co.ke

Duly completed Tenders and Registration documents in plain sealed envelopes clearly indicating respective Tender title and Reference Number without identifying the Tenderer should be addressed to:

**The Ag. Managing Director,
Kiambere - Mwingi Water & Sanitation Company,
P.O BOX 656-90400 Mwingi**

OR deposited into the Tender Box located at the reception on or before **28th January, 2025 at 10:00 am**. Tenders and Registration documents will be opened immediately thereafter at the Company Boardroom in the presence of bidders or their representatives who wish to attend.




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Application for exemption from accreditation by KENAS shall be vide the Application of Exemption form available on www.kenas.go.ke.

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MICRO AND SMALL ENTERPRISES AUTHORITY

PROVISION OF DIGITAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP APTITUDE TEST (EAT)- FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

ASSIGNMENT TITLE:	Provision of Digital Entrepreneurship Aptitude Test (EAT)
REFERENCE NO.	MSEA/NYOTA/NCB/10/2024-2025

The Government's Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) places significant focus on the Micro, Small, and Enterprises (MSE) Sector by prioritizing financial inclusion for MSEs, adopting a value chain approach to MSE products, and promoting sustainable job creation through the sector.

In line with this agenda, The Government of Kenya (GOK), with the support of the World Bank, is implementing the National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement (NYOTA) Project. This significant initiative aims to establish a foundation and systems for the sustained creation of opportunities for employment, earnings, and savings to enhance economic empowerment among youth in all 47 counties. The Authority seeks to engage a service provider for the provision of the Digital Entrepreneurship Aptitude Test (EAT).

The Micro and Small Enterprises Authority now invites applications from interested and eligible bidders to provide the Digital Entrepreneurship Aptitude Test (EAT).

Tender documents can be downloaded at no cost from www.msea.go.ke. Completed tender documents must be submitted in a plain, sealed envelope, clearly marked with the tender number, and deposited in the tender box located on the Mezzanine Floor of Utalii House, along Utalii Lane.

Submissions must be addressed to:

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Micro and Small Enterprises Authority
P.O. BOX 48823-00100, Nairobi**

The deadline for submission is **28th January 2025 at 11:00 a.m.**

Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline. The opening will be public, and bidders' designated representatives who choose to attend are welcome. Late tenders will not be accepted.




REPUBLIC OF KENYA


County Government of Wajir
Department of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development

THE PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PREPARE LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

1. Bahati Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
2. Hadado Yarey A Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
3. ICF Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
4. Makaror A Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
5. Ahmed Liban A Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
6. Bulla Glacier Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan
7. Sunrise 1 (Shokaa) Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan

Pursuant to the provisions of section (47) of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019, NOTICE is hereby given that the County Government of Wajir intends to commence the preparation of the above Plans on the 22nd day of November 2024.

The purpose of the plans is to provide a framework to guide tenure regularization for the residents of the participating settlements.

The exercise will be undertaken under the Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2), a Government of Kenya project, whose aim is to improve access to basic services and land tenure security of the residents in participating urban informal settlements and strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in Kenya.

Comments on the proposed plans may be directed to:
**The County Executive Committee Member
Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development
P.O. Box 9-70200,
Wajir, Kenya.**

not later than



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DEVELOPMENT

President advances bottom-up agenda at the grassroots

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ELEGEYO MARAKWET COUNTY

454,480

Population of the county according to 2019 census.



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President William Ruto at Liter Girls Secondary School in Elgeyo Marakwet County.

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them to train over 20 students various ICT skills, including web design," James, a trainer at the ICT Lab at Kerio Valley TVET, told the President. At the facility, students are also doing online jobs including surveys where

they earn up to \$100 on a good day.

The Government has set up the digital labs dubbed Jitume in various Technical and Vocational Education and Training Institutions (TVETs) across the country targeting to create over a million jobs in five years. Through the digital skills enhancement programme, the Government has trained over 500,000 youths and 150,000 of them are already earning from online jobs, according to the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy.

This has helped to bridge the technological gap and enhanced the employability of the trained youth in a rapidly evolving job market, aligning with the Government's vision of fostering a knowledge-based economy and ensuring that young people are well equipped to compete in the global arena.

The establishment of the Kerio Valley KMTC campus is set to address the critical shortage of healthcare professionals in the

region and support the Government's quest to attain Universal Health Coverage (UHC), according to the Ministry of Health.

President Ruto during the launch of the campus announced plans for the construction of a 200-bed capacity hostel to bolster the institution's infrastructure and provide a conducive learning environment.

He said the Government would increase budgetary allocation to KMTC in the next financial year, including Sh600 million to employ 400 tutors.

"This will make sure that every part of Kenya, every constituency and every county, has such facilities, which are equipped and staffed with teachers and lecturers so that we can unlock the potential of health personnel training in various fields," he said.

He asked citizens to register with the Social Health Authority (SHA) to assist the Government in offering affordable and accessible healthcare to all Kenyans. President Ruto acknowledged the role of Community Health Promoters in making universal coverage a reality.

He pointed out that the officers had helped to push for increased registration in Taifa Care under SHA. According to the Ministry of Health, over 15 million Kenyans are registered under SHA, advancing the goal of a fully publicly financed primary healthcare system.

Similarly, the upgrading of the 30km Kipkundul-Kipyego-Kamelei Road will enhance connectivity and accessibility within the region, facilitating the movement of goods and people. The President noted that improved infrastructure is crucial for economic growth, as it attracts investment, boosts trade, and creates job opportunities.

The Chebor Last Mile Power Connectivity Project launched by the President in Uasin Gishu County is expected to enhance electricity to previously underserved areas, transforming the lives of residents.

"Our goal is to ensure that every household has electricity. We have sourced for up to Sh36 billion to ensure over 400,000 households are connected to power in Phase I across the country," he said. The President added that in the next three years, the Government would connect over a million citizens under the rural electricity programme.

Access to reliable power is essential for economic development, as it enables businesses to operate efficiently, supports education through improved learning environments, and enhances the overall quality of life.

The projects unveiled by the President are set to benefit over 1.5 million residents in Elgeyo Marakwet and Uasin Gishu counties, regions which are part of the country's breadbaskets. The counties are also known for producing top athletes and host key training facilities.

The commissioning of the projects is a testament to the Government's commitment to regional development under BETA. By addressing critical needs in education, the improvement of healthcare, infrastructure, and energy, these initiatives are set to uplift the lives of residents, fostering sustainable growth and prosperity in the region. ■

TELLING THE STORY

Kenya Yearbook documents President Ruto's North Rift development tour

Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) documented President William Ruto's recent development tour of the North Rift, highlighting the Government's initiatives in transforming the region.

KYEB was represented at the event by CEO Lilian Kimeto, who joined other top officials from both the National and County Governments in welcoming the President in Elgeyo Marakwet County where he started his tour.

During the visit, the President handed over title deeds to local

communities, commissioned the equipping of ICT Lab at Kerio Valley TVET and the construction of Kapcherop-Kipkundul-Kipyego-Kamelei Road.

He also visited and inspected key projects at Kapcherop (TTI) and the Kerio Valley Kenya Medical Training College (KMTC). KYEB is mandated to document Government initiatives and programmes, therefore, helping it to effectively communicate its policies, projects and agenda to the people of Kenya, enhancing awareness across the nation. ■



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President William Ruto (right) is welcomed to Elgeyo Marakwet County by KYEB CEO Lilian Kimeto and other officials.

Huduma Kenya champions inclusivity at KISE's graduation ceremony

Huduma Kenya participated in the 31st graduation ceremony of the Kenya Institute of Special Education (KISE) held recently. The event, attended by Principal Secretary, State Department for Social Protection and Senior Citizen Affairs Joseph Motari, celebrated both academic achievements and a shared commitment to fostering a more inclusive society.

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Chilumo attended the event, witnessing 1,439 students graduate. The ceremony underscored Huduma Kenya's partnership with KISE, dedicated to making Government services more accessible to Persons with Disabilities (PWDs). As part of this collaboration, the two organisations signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to create a more inclusive service environment.

KISE has trained Huduma Centre staff in sign language to improve communication with customers who are hard of hearing.

Additionally, service charters have been translated into braille, ensuring blind customers can easily access important information. ■



HUDUMA CORNER

Huduma Kenya's CEO Ben Kai Chilumo during KISE's recent graduation ceremony.



Mechanical and Automotive students at the Rift Valley Technical and Training Institute (RVTTI) in 2023. The institution is among those offering technical education. Education CS Julius Ong'oma (below) during the release of 2024 KCSE results.

HIGHER EDUCATION

State expands training opportunities for KCSE graduates

Students who sat 2024 KCSE have a chance to further their education at various levels, from technical and vocational institutions

The Government has expanded training opportunities for students across the country at all levels, from technical to vocational institutions, offering the students who sat KCSE in 2024 various pathways to furthering their education.

Some 962,512 candidates sat the examination in 2024, an increase from 899,453 candidates in 2023, the Cabinet Secretary for Education Julius Ong'oma said during the release of the exams last week.

Out of the 962,512 candidates, some 246,391 got direct university entry qualifications of C+ and above out of which 1,693 obtained an Grade A.

On the other hand, 111,717 students scored C plain, 118,781 C-, 128,885 D+ while 353,154 D and below, according to the Kenya National Examination Council.

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There are 2,786 TVET institutions across the country built and equipped by the Government offering a variety of practical skills that are in high demand, fostering entrepreneurship and self-employment.

According to *Economic Survey 2024*, the total enrolment in TVET institutions grew by 14.3 per cent from 562,499 in 2022 to 642,726 in 2023. Female students

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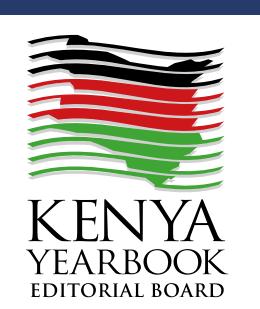
increased by 13.7 per cent to 295,391 while male students increased by 14.7 per cent to 347,335 in 2023.

The Government is keen on expanding TVET education because it offers practical skills and hands-on experience in various trades and professions that the country needs to achieve Vision 2030, the blueprint through which Kenya seeks to become industrialised and a middle-income country.

Another option for students are the over 70 Kenya Medical Training Colleges (KMTCs) and more than 32 Government teacher training facilities across the country. On Thursday last week, President William Ruto announced that the Government would use Sh600 million to employ 400 tutors in KMTCs, ensuring that every part of Kenya has access to quality healthcare training.

The colleges are crucial in supporting the Government's quest to attain Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

Additionally, the Government has set up digital labs, dubbed jumia, in various TVET institutions across the country with the aim of equipping learners with skills in ICT and creating over a million jobs in five years by providing students with essential digital skills. Through the digital skills enhancement programme, the Government has trained over 500,000 youths. ■

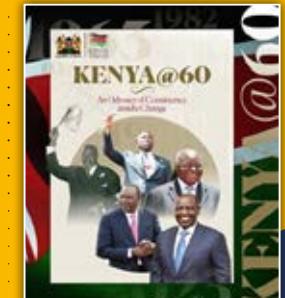
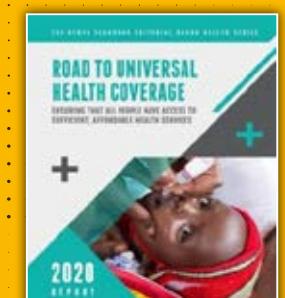
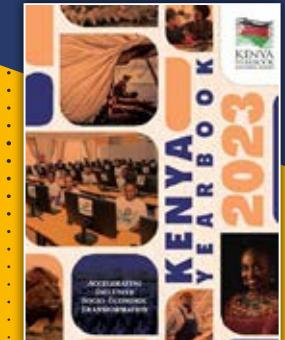


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Deputy President Kindiki Kithure inspects the Mukuru Affordable Housing Project, Nairobi City County.

INSET: Workers at Mukuru Affordable Housing Project, Nairobi City County. Phase one of the Project comprising 13,428 units is almost complete and ready for occupation.



The Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury Mr John Mbadi (second right) when he met the Chairman of the Kenya Revenue Authority Ndiritu Muriithi (second left), who paid him a courtesy call on. Mr Muriithi was accompanied by fellow board member Hadi Sheikh Abdullahi.



Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi when he chaired a meeting on improving ease of doing business. The meeting brought together Cabinet Secretaries, Principal Secretaries, and stakeholders from both the private sectors



Health CS Deborah Barasa during the East African Workshop on Harmonisation of Regulation for Healthcare Workers in Mombasa. Dr. Barasa emphasized the importance of standardised education and training for health professionals.

Contractors face stiff penalties for delayed water projects, warns CS

BY EKUWAM SYLVESTER AND ANN ADIPO, KNA

Water project contractors across the country have been warned against delays in project completion, as cases of extended project durations have become rampant.

The Cabinet Secretary (CS) for the Ministry of Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation, Eric Muriithi Muuga, stated that contractors who fail to adhere to contract terms will face consequences. Speaking at the Uasin Gishu County Headquarters in Eldoret City, the CS urged consultants responsible for supervising projects to ensure timely completion so that Kenyans receive value for their money. "The challenge we face with these contractors is that projects sometimes take too long to be completed, and as a ministry, we are saying this will no longer be tolerated," he emphasized.

The CS and his team inspected two sub-colonial dams—the Moi's Bridge Water Supply and the Matunda Water Supply Projects—costing approximately Sh1.9 billion. The contractor has already mo-



The Cabinet Secretary for the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Eric Muriithi Muuga (left), Uasin Gishu County Governor Dr. Jonathan Bii Cheilim (centre) and Elgeyo Marakwet Governor Wesley Rotich (right) speaking to the press at the County Headquarters, Eldoret City.

bilized some materials on-site for these projects.

Additionally, the Water CS highlighted ongoing irrigation projects in Uasin Gishu, West Pokot, Elgeyo-Marakwet, and Nandi counties, which are valued at approximately Sh1 billion. He noted that ministry officers would visit these sites to assess the progress being made.

Muriithi urged contractors to take their work seriously and adhere to project timelines, emphasizing that delays increase government expenditure on liquidated

damages and prevent citizens from enjoying the services within the intended timeframe.

"When a contract is extended there are other expenses that are incurred and this is what makes some of our contracts very expensive, so we are very keen on that and we are calling consultants to ensure the contractors complete their work on time and in case there is any issues let them come up as early as possible so that we address them on time as a team to ensure that people of Kenya get

value for their money," the CS said.

He said the government plans to start new water projects in the region like the Soy-Navilus Project which will be funded to a tune of Sh1.7 billion, and Kapsabet Sewerage System Project at a tune of approximately Sh1 billion in the next few months.

"We have gotten funding from African Development Bank (AfDB) to alleviate water connectivity in the region and ensure people have dignified sanitation services," CS Muuga noted.

Irrigation scheme boosts Turkana's food production, economic growth

BY PETER GITONGA, KNA

The Napuu Irrigation Scheme, located 16 kilometers east of Lodwar town, demonstrates how expert support can unlock Turkana County's food production potential, enabling it to produce enough food to sustain itself and supply other regions. For instance, the scheme's successful harvest of watermelons exceeded local demand in Lodwar, attracting markets in Kitale and Uganda.

Kerio Valley Development Authority (KVDA) Managing Director Sammy Naporos reports that the 150-acre farm currently supports 100 households. According to Naporos, the president has instructed KVDA to develop the first



EAC Affairs, Arid, and Semi-Arid Lands and Regional Development CS Beatrice Askul (in green dress) during a tour of the Napuu Irrigation Scheme in Lodwar.

52,000 hectares of land for irrigation, with the goal of producing food in Turkana and West Pokot counties. The farm produces various crops, such as sorghum, maize, watermelons, and more. During a visit to the farm, Cabinet Secretary

for EAC Affairs, Arid and Semi-Arid Lands, and Regional Development Beatrice Askul expressed her joy as she joined residents in marveling at the scheme's success. Accompanied by County Commissioner Julius Kavita, Askul an-

nounced plans to expand irrigation farming in the area, citing Loyapat and Todonyang as future sites for irrigation projects.

"I am proud of what KVDA is doing. We are going to expand irrigation farming, and this year we shall revive the Loyapat Irrigation Scheme, which had stalled due to conflict but has now been resolved," said Askul.

The CS emphasized that Turkana's arable land, coupled with expert guidance, could significantly reduce reliance on relief supplies.

A committee member of the scheme, Sospeter Munyes, noted that the farm has not only provided food for vulnerable populations, but has also become a source of livelihood for many farmers.

BRIEFS

Mandera's Garbakole dispensary to reduce referral burden

The Mandera County Department of Health has fully operationalized the Garbakole Dispensary to improve healthcare access for local residents. The facility is expected to reduce the burden of patient referrals and provide emergency treatment, especially during nighttime, when security challenges arise due to the region's proximity to the border.

Three technical staff members have been deployed to the dispensary to provide quality, integrated services, including immunization, nutrition, maternal and child health (MCH), family planning (FP) services, health education, treatment of minor ailments, and referrals for more complex cases, according to the County Executive Committee (CEC) Member for Health, Mumtaz Bishar.

With the capacity to serve over 6,000 residents and

neighboring nomadic communities, the dispensary is poised to transform healthcare access in the area. Garbakole village also benefits from a well-established and functional community health unit, which is expected to enhance health-seeking behaviour and strengthen referral networks.

Ms Bishar urged residents to fully utilize the dispensary to ensure its services reach as many people as possible.

She also encouraged the community to register with the State Health Authority (SHA), with registration services now available at the dispensary. Other health officials present during the facility's operationalization emphasized the county government's commitment to bringing services closer to residents.

By Adan Mohamed, KNA

Solar-powered fence to mitigate human/wildlife conflict in Chalaluma area

The Northern Range Land Trust (NRT) has collaborated with the Ibsa self-help group in Chalaluma village, Witu Ward in Lamu to erect a solar-powered electric fence around their 30-acre communal farm. This initiative, aimed at addressing human-wildlife conflict and bolstering food security, is located within the Hanshak Nyongoro Conservancy.

The wildlife mitigation project is supported by the Innocent Foundation, NRT and the Lamu County Government.

Speaking during the launch in Chalaluma, NRT project officer Mohammed Said emphasized the timeliness of the initiative, especially for the Orma community.

"The fence will help protect our communal farms from wildlife like hippos and buffaloes, which are rampant in this area near the Tana Delta," Said explained.

The fence not only aims to ward off wildlife, but it will also include provision of a water pump for the farm, sourced from the Tana River, thus ensuring that farming activities do

not conflict with wildlife water needs.

Said also mentioned the distribution of 10 more water pumps across the Ndera and Lower Tana Conservancy areas to support similar initiatives, thereby enhancing food security among pastoralist communities transitioning into farming.

The project's significance was further highlighted by Galgalo Jaffar, an overseer at the Ibsa self-help group's farm.

"This initiative comes at a crucial time given the adverse effects of climate change on our traditional pastoral lifestyle, leading to increased conflicts with wildlife," Galgalo stated.

He noted that the fence has already shown positive outcomes in terms of increased food production and income for the community.

NRT Lamu Director Hassan Yussuf Hassan further said the project is one among many initiatives that the organization has started in the area to mitigate the effects that climate change has had in the respective communities living within marginalized areas in Lamu.

By Adan Mohamed, KNA