

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What is a CDS Account?

A CDS (Central Depository System) account is where your shares are held electronically after buying or selling on the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE).

To trade shares, you must open a CDS account through a Capital Markets Authority (CMA)-licensed stockbroker such as **AIB-AXYS Africa**.

2. How do I open a CDS / Share Trading Account?

You can open an account in two ways:

a) Online (Recommended)

- Download the **AIB DigiTrader App** from Google Play, Apple App Store, or Windows Store
- Or visit www.aib-axysafrica.com and click *Open New Trading Account*
- No document uploads required
- You'll receive your CDS number instantly

b) In-Person

Visit our offices with:

- Copy of National ID
- Copy of KRA PIN
- Two passport photos
- Bank details (statement or ATM card)

3. What are the charges for buying and selling shares?

Via AIB DigiTrader

- Annual fee: **KES 200**
- Total trading fee: **1.64%**

Paper-based Accounts

- Annual maintenance fee: **KES 1,000**
- Trading fee:
 - **2.1%** for trades below KES 100,000

- **1.8%** for trades above KES 100,000
(Stamp duty excluded)

4. What is the minimum amount I need to start investing?

- Minimum initial deposit: **KES 3,000**
- This is **not a fee**, but your investment capital
- No minimum for future deposits

5. What is the minimum number of shares I can buy?

You can buy **as little as one share**.

- Less than 100 shares → **Odd Lot**
- 100 shares and above → **Normal Lot**

6. How do I deposit money into my trading account?

MPESA

- Paybill: **548800**
- Account Number: Your **CDSC number** (omit leading zeros)

Bank Deposit

- Deposit into our bank account
- Email proof of payment to info@aib-axysafrica.com

You can also fund your account **directly through the DigiTrader platform**.

7. How do I choose which shares to invest in?

- Weekly stock recommendations by our **Research Team** (Value & Speculative)
- Available on our website under **Research → Stock Recommendations**
- Join our **WhatsApp & Telegram investor communities**
- Access free **Friday investor trainings**
- Watch simplified investment videos on our **YouTube Channel**

8. Can I buy and sell shares on the same day?

Yes. This is called **Intraday Trading**.

If the order doesn't execute within the trading session, it automatically converts to **T+3 settlement**.

9. How soon can I withdraw money after selling shares?

- NSE settlement period is **T+3 working days**
- You can withdraw funds on the **4th day**
- Unused funds cannot be withdrawn due to AML regulations

10. How do dividends work?

You qualify for dividends if you **own shares before the register closure date**.

Dividends can be paid via:

- Bank transfer
- Cheque
- MPESA (available for select registrars)

11. How long before my account becomes dormant?

Your account is considered **dormant after 12 months** with no trading activity.

12. How do I transfer shares from another broker?

Request a **share transfer form** from your current broker or bank and submit it to **AIB-AXYS Africa** for processing.

13. What is share immobilization?

Immobilization is the process of converting **physical share certificates** into electronic form.

Required documents:

- Original share certificate
- CDS2 form
- Copy of ID
- Bank statement
- Dividend notice

14. What is share transmission?

Transmission is the transfer of shares from a **deceased shareholder** to their beneficiaries.

Requirements include:

- Death certificate
- Share certificate
- IDs of beneficiaries
- Letter of Administration

The process may take **up to 6 months**.

15. Can I get a loan using my shares?

Yes. This is known as a **lien**.

- Shares are frozen as collateral
- Processing fee: **KES 1,000**
- Loan value depends on the worth of your shares

16. Can I invest using Bonga Points?

Yes!

Steps:

1. Dial *126#
2. Select *Lipa na Bonga*
3. Enter Paybill **548800**
4. Use your CDSC number (omit zeros)
5. Confirm amount

Conversion rate:

5 Bonga Points = KES 1

Kenya Pipeline Company (KPC) IPO – Investor FAQs

1. What is the offer price and what does it mean for investors?

The offer price for the KPC IPO is **KES 9.00 per share**.

This is the price investors will pay to acquire one ordinary share of Kenya Pipeline Company during the IPO period. Once listed, the share price will be determined by market demand and supply on the NSE.

2. What is the par value of a KPC share?

The **par value** is **KES 0.02 per share**.

3. How many shares is KPC offering to the public?

KPC is offering **11,812,644,350 ordinary shares** to investors.

This represents the portion of the company being made available to the public as part of the listing.

4. How many shares does KPC have in total?

Before the IPO, KPC has **18,173,299,600 issued ordinary shares**.

Issued shares represent the total number of shares currently owned by shareholders.

5. What is KPC's authorised share capital?

The company's authorised share capital is **KES 387,391,600**.

This is the **maximum value of shares** the company is legally allowed to issue, even if not all shares are currently in circulation.

6. What were KPC's earnings in the last financial year?

For the 12 months ended **30 June 2025**, KPC recorded:

- **Earnings Per Share (EPS): KES 0.4122 (post share split)**

EPS shows how much profit the company generated **per share**, and is a key indicator of profitability.

7. Did KPC pay dividends?

Yes. KPC paid a **Dividend Per Share (DPS) of KES 0.3247** for FY2025.

This means shareholders received **KES 0.3247 in cash for every share held**, reflecting KPC's strong cash generation and dividend-paying history.

8. How attractive is the IPO valuation?

At the offer price, KPC is valued at an **implied EV/EBITDA multiple of 8.1x**.

This metric compares the company's value to its operating earnings and is commonly used to assess whether an IPO is fairly valued relative to peers in capital-intensive infrastructure businesses.

9. When does the KPC IPO open and close?

- **Offer Opens:** 19 January 2026
- **Offer Closes:** 19 February 2026

The offer period may be **extended or shortened**, subject to approval by the Capital Markets Authority (CMA).

10. When will investors know if their application was successful?

Allocation results will be announced on **4 March 2026**.

Successful applicants will receive shares, while unsuccessful or partially successful applicants will receive refunds.

11. When will shares be credited to CDS accounts?

Shares will be **electronically credited to investors' CDS accounts on 6 March 2026**, enabling investors to view and trade their holdings.

12. When will refunds be processed?

Refunds will be processed on **6 March 2026**, at the same time shares are credited to successful applicants.

13. When will KPC shares start trading on the NSE?

Trading of KPC shares on the Nairobi Securities Exchange will commence on **9 March 2026**.

From this date, investors can buy or sell KPC shares on the open market.

14. Are the IPO dates final?

The dates provided are **subject to approval by the Capital Markets Authority (CMA)**.

Any changes will be publicly announced through official channels.

How Do I Participate in the KPC IPO?

1. Do I need a CDS Account?

Yes. Before you can apply for KPC shares, you **must have a valid CDS (Central Depository System) account** this is the electronic account where your shares will be held once allotted. If you don't have one, open it through a **licensed stockbroker** before applying.

2. What Are My Ways to Apply?

You can apply for KPC shares in **two convenient ways**:

a) Via USSD (Mobile)

- Dial ***483*816#** on your Kenyan mobile number.
- Read and accept the IPO terms and conditions.
- Choose "*New Application*" and follow the prompts.
- Enter your **CDS account number** and complete payment.
- You'll receive a confirmation via **SMS or email** once your application is received.

This method is simple and ideal for **individual investors** with a Kenyan mobile number and CDS account.

b) Online via the Official IPO Portal

- Visit the **KPC IPO portal**: <https://kpcipo.e-offer.app/>
- Click *Apply for Shares* or *New Application*.
- Enter your **CDS account number**, investor type and contact details.
- Complete the application form and **make payment** (e.g., bank transfer or mobile money).
- Upload proof of payment if required — you'll be notified of your application status by **email or SMS**.

3. Is There a Minimum Amount to Apply?

Yes. The minimum application is **100 shares**, which at an offer price of **KES 9.00 per share** means you can start investing for as little as **KES 900**.

4. What Do I Need for Payment?

Payments via **mobile money or bank transfer** are typically accepted, just follow the instructions on the portal or USSD.

5. Can Anyone Participate?

The offer is open to:

- Kenyan retail investors
- Institutional investors
- East African investors
- International investors
- Oil marketing companies
- Eligible KPC employees

(Participation may be subject to regulatory limits and eligibility requirements approved by the Capital Markets Authority.)

6. When Is the Offer Period?

- **Offer Opens:** 19 January 2026 at 9:00 AM
- **Offer Closes:** 19 February 2026 at 5:00 PM

Make sure your application and payment are submitted **before the close date** to be eligible.