**State to supply 4 million gas cylinders to poor households**

The LPG cylinder project, CS for Energy and Petroleum Davis Chirchir says, is spearheaded by the Ministry of Energy and Petroleum through NOCK which will issue 1.3m cylinders while private sector will issue 3.1 m cylinders.

**BY JOYCE LUTOMIA(PCO)**

The Government plans to distribute 4.4 million gas cylinders to low-income households nationwide over the next five years through a subsidized Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) project aimed at transitioning these households from traditional fuels to clean cooking alternatives.

During a national stakeholder workshop on the National LPG Policy, Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum, Mr. Davis Chirchir, stated that the government’s objective is to provide LPG cylinders to 4.4 million low-income households across the country, thus curbing carbon emissions from fossil fuels.

The workshop, themed “Enhancing LPG Growth as a Clean Energy Solution while Emphasizing Surveillance and Enforcement,” focused on strategies to promote the use of LPG as a cleaner fuel option.

Chirchir explained that the LPG cylinder project is led by the Ministry of Energy and Petroleum through the National Oil Corporation of Kenya Limited, which will distribute 1.3 million cylinders, with an additional 3.1 million cylinders to be provided by private sector players.

**Government orders crackdown on drug barons in Coastal Region**

**BY FATMA SAID(KNA)**

The Government will launch a crackdown on drug barons in the coastal region to rid the area of illicit hard drugs.

Speaking during the Coast Region Conference on illicit alcohol, narcotic drugs, and other psychotropic substances, Interior Cabinet Secretary Kithure Kindiki said the menace of illicit liquor, narcotic drugs, and psychotropic substances is a national security challenge, and posed a threat to the survival of the future generation.

Mombasa, Kwale, and Kilifi reportedly rank within the top five counties in the nation, collectively representing 43 per cent of individuals, engaged in the misuse of hard injectable drugs, alongside Nairobi and Kiambu.

Kindiki emphasized that the government considers producers, transporters, distributors, and vendors of illegal alcohol and narcotics as adversaries of the nation, warranting their classification alongside terrorists, bandits, and other perpetrators of sophisticated criminal acts.

“As a policy, security officers and administrators enabling the manufacture, sale, and use of killer brews and hard drugs, will not be transferred to other jurisdictions, they will be sacked immediately and prosecuted per the law,” Kindiki said.

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Kenya Meteorological Department urges vigilance ahead of long rainy season

BY ERASTUS GICHIOH (KNA)

The Kenya Meteorological Department has issued a call for heightened surveillance, preparedness, and swift interventions to mitigate fatalities and damages expected during the upcoming long rainy season.

According to the department’s 2023 forecast, increased rainfall is anticipated in counties within the Lake Victoria Basin, Rift Valley, Central, Nairobi, North-Eastern, and South-Eastern regions, along with occasional storms and high temperatures.

Dr. David Gikungu, the Director of KMD, emphasized that the elevated rainfall patterns, projected to peak in April across most regions, will have both positive and negative impacts on key sectors such as health, agriculture, and energy.

Dr. Gikungu stated that the forecasts will be disseminated to individual counties to guide localized interventions, cautioning that heavy rains may result in flooding, mudslides, erosion, swollen rivers, and displacement of people and animals.

The director urged relevant government authorities and development partners to enhance their intervention efforts and infrastructure to address any emerging issues during the season.

“As a department, we will continue to provide updates to the country on the rainfall weather forecast to facilitate appropriate preparations and interventions, ranging from farmers to government policy actions,” Dr. Gikungu affirmed.

Dr. Gikungu made these remarks while addressing stakeholders in Naivasha during the official release of the long rains forecast for the March to May season.

Dr. Ayub Manya from the Ministry of Health highlighted that while the long rains may alleviate malnutrition by improving food security, there is a need to intensify surveillance for potential disease outbreaks.

Additionally, Dr. Manya called for heightened preparedness to contain the emergence of waterborne diseases such as malaria, diarrhea, and typhoid by supporting community-based health centers and providing mosquito nets and medications.

He affirmed that the Ministry of Health continues to put in place measures and map out the most prone regions across the country such as densely populated and flood-prone areas to contain the emergence of diseases and epidemics.

“The Ministry of Health is rapidly evolving from disease-based curative care towards a preventive mode and has established a fully functional epidemiologic control center that collects data and produces reports to inform daily decisions,” said Dr. Manya.

According to Kenya Red Cross Representative Peter Murgor, the weather forecast on expected increased rainfall will enable the agency to do prior planning and deploy necessary interventions to reverse increased damages and losses.

Acknowledging that the rains will have a positive impact on food security and access to clean water, he noted that excess rains will lead to flooding, destruction, disease outbreaks, post-harvest losses, and displacement of people and animals.

Murgor said Redcross has established community-based early warning systems that enable the development of early warning messages and actions to help communities mitigate the effects of expected long rains.

The early weather forecasts on expected excess rains in the next three months are a wake-up call for both the national and county governments to institute and deploy much-needed interventions to cushion vulnerable communities from the negative impacts such as flooding, mudslides, displacements, and damages to critical infrastructure, he said.

We will continue to provide updates on the rainfall weather forecast to facilitate appropriate preparations - Gikungu

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PREPARE LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

**LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR NGUNYUMU INFORMAL SETTLEMENT RUARAKA SUB-COUNTY, NAIROBI COUNTY.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 47 of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act 2019, NOTICE is hereby given that the Government of Nairobi in conjunction with the Ministry of Land, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to commence preparation of Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan for Ngungumu Informal Settlement.

The plan preparation process will be carried out under Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP), a Government of Kenya project, aimed at improving living conditions in the informal settlements.

The purpose of the Plan is to facilitate enhancement of security of land tenure and improve access to basic services. The planning exercise will include establishment of the settlement’s boundaries, enumeration of residents, and socio-economic surveys as the basis for preparation of the Plan.

The objective of the Plan is to regularize the degree of land tenure and improvement of basic infrastructure within the settlements.

Comments on the proposed plan may be directed to: The Director, Urban Policy and Research P.O Box 3007-00100 Nairobi, not later than 21 days from the date of this notice.

Dated: 4th March 2024
S.G. Mwanjuma
County Executive Committee Member
Built Environment and Urban Development.

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The Kenya Meteorological Department Director Dr. David Gikungu addresses delegates during the official release of the weather forecast which indicates that most regions in the country will experience excess long rains covering the March–May season.

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**Project Area(s):** BULA BARAKA, SALA WARD, BANGALE SUB-COUNTY AND MWANGAZA, CHEWANI WARD, GALOLE SUB-COUNTY.

Notice is hereby given to all residents and stakeholders in Tana River County that, Pursuant to the 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, provisions of section (47) of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019, Physical Planners Registration Act and other enabling legislation;

NOTICE is hereby given that the County Government of Tana River in conjunction with the Ministry of Land, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, intends to commence preparation of the Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project on the 5th day of January 2024.

The purpose of the Plan 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 Plan are: establishment of the settlement’s boundaries, community mobilization; enumeration of residents and socio-economic surveys, as the basis for preparation of the plans. This Plan will form the basis for regularization of land tenure and improvement of basic infrastructure within the settlement.

Comments on the proposed plan may be directed to the County Secretary P.O. BOX 29 – 70011, Hola. Not later than 16th day of February 2024

Dated this 4th day of March 2024.

Mwanjuma Hirimba
County Executive Committee Member - Land, Agriculture, Fisheries, Livestock, Corporate Development and Veterinary Services
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Key aspects of the project include the development of essential LPG infrastructure to facilitate efficient importation, storage, and distribution of LPG nationwide. Chirchir emphasized the importance of collaboration between the government and private sector stakeholders to maximize the benefits of increased LPG usage for all Kenyans.

The overarching goal of the LPG growth strategy is to improve accessibility and affordability of LPG as a cleaner alternative to biomass and kerosene for cooking purposes. Over the next five years, the Government aims to distribute 3,920 cylinders to public schools and informal settlements in partnership with the Ministry of Education, which promotes LPG as a clean cooking solution. The initiative seeks to double LPG consumption in the country from 7.5kg to 15kg per capita annually and increase penetration from 24 percent to 70 percent by 2028, aligning with the Government’s Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) to enhance the quality of life for Kenyans.

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The tender closing/opening date will be on 16th April, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at Kenya National Highways Authority Headquarters, Supply Chain Management Office, Babaraza Plaza, Block C - 2nd Floor Board Room. All interested bidders are required to continuously check the Kenya National Highways Authority website: www.kenha.co.ke or www.tenders.go.ke for any tender addenda or clarifications that may arise before submission date.

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Equally, he noted that diligent and patriotic Secretaries and National Government Administration officers who unearth, thwart, and apprehend persons behind the trade in illicit alcohol and narcotic drugs will be recognized and appreciated through promotion and award of State honors.

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Kenya’s justice sector vows to intensify fight against graft, enhance efficiency

BY FATMA SAID (KNA)

The National Council on the Administration of Justice (NCAJ) has convened to strategize against corruption, enhance accountability, and ensure efficient service delivery in Kenya.

Speaking during the consultative meeting, Chief Justice Martha Koome said corruption has been persisting as a complex national challenge that undermines and erodes the economic growth of institutions and adversely affects the efforts to combat corruption.

“Corruption continues to compromise public institutions and adversely impact service delivery and economic growth of the country because it also undermines and erodes public trust,” the Chief Justice said.

She stated that work has been fully undertaken, including policy, legal, and administrative reforms in the fight against corruption and enhanced accountability, while appreciating that the justice sector plays a crucial role in preventing, investigating, prosecuting, and adjudicating corruption cases.

Koome reiterated the justice sector’s determination and ongoing dedication to intensifying efforts to address corruption and mitigate its negative effects on society.

The Chief Justice noted that despite a series of critical interventions undertaken to combat corruption over time, the vice is evolving, hence the need for new approaches to address it.

“We are committed to improving our diverse but collective institutional cooperation mechanisms to address corruption and upscale practice imperatives to embed accountability in all our operations and functions,” she emphasized.

Resolutions include promoting collective leadership in fighting corruption, prioritizing system examination in justice agencies, and taking remedial measures to prevent corruption opportunities.

She noted that they had come up with resolutions which included: galvanizing collective efforts to provide strategic and focused leadership boldly and decisively in the fight against corruption, prioritizing systems and processes examination in justice sector agencies to identify corruption risk areas, and take remedial measures to seal opportunities for corruption.

Resolutions include digitizing and automating processes, collaborating on traffic fine automation, and strengthening inter-agency collaboration to improve efficiency, accountability, and combat corruption.

The CJ emphasized the need to enhance NCAJ’s coordination, articulate, and fulfills its role in the fight against corruption.

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TEACHERS SERVICE COMMISSION

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 230 (2) (b) (iv) of the Constitution of Kenya (2010) and Section 5(2) of the Salaries and Remuneration Commission Act (2011), the Teachers Service Commission invites applications from suitably qualified persons to be nominated to represent TSC in the Salaries and Remuneration Commission.

1. A person shall qualify for nomination to this post if the person: -
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SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE
REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRM SELECTION)

ASSIGNMENT TITLE: STRENGTHENING ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM IN THE MANAGEMENT OF WATER SERVICES IN KENYA

CONTRACT REF: KE-WASREB-010204-C5-01B

The Water Services Regulatory Board (WASREB) is a regulatory state corporation established under Water 2016 with the main objective of protecting the rights and interests of consumers in the provision of water services. The main functions of WASREB include setting standards for water quality, customer service, and financial sustainability, monitoring the performance of water service providers, setting water and sewerage tariffs for water service providers, providing information and education to consumers about their water rights and promoting public participation in the water sector.

Towards this end, various regulatory tools as well as accountability instruments have been established to enhance consumer participation in service delivery. The tools rolled out to support this include public participation in policy making, tariff setting and licensing, service contract, service charts, governance guidelines, customer satisfaction surveys, consumer complaint mechanisms and right to information access.

Despite all these numerous instruments, accountability, transparency and better governance continues to be the weakest link in provision of water services. It is against this background that WASREB intends to undertake an in-depth review of accountability instruments in place to determine levels of adoption, effectiveness and incentives of different players involved in either enforcement or adherence to these instruments.

1. The main objective of the assignment is to improve/enhance accountability mechanisms in water services delivery. The specific objectives include,
   - i. Determine bottlenecks in adoption of accountability instrument in Water Services provision.
   - ii. Review existing accountability framework for water service provision.
   - iii. Recommend modalities for strengthening and revamping accountability framework for water service provision.
   - iv. To generate tools that will stimulate action among different stakeholders involved in Water Services.

2. The duration of the assignment is four (4) months.

3. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained at the address given on B below.

4. The consultancy is open to a firm. The consultant(s) should have,
   - i. An excellent understanding of institutional legal and policy set up in water services provision in Kenya.
   - ii. Demonstration of knowledge either at national or international level.
   - iii. Evidence of having undertaken a similar assignment in the past.
   - iv. Excellent understanding of incentive structures of actors involved in water services delivery.
   - v. Familiarity with transparency, accountability, governance and participation frameworks in water sector.

5. The expected deliverables from this assignment include:
   - i. Inception report clearly outlining the consultant’s understanding of the assignment, methodology for meeting the set objectives, including modalities of engaging with various state and non-state players and timelines for each agreed milestone.
   - ii. A comprehensive report on efficacy, adequacy and adoption of accountability instruments at different levels of governance.
   - iii. Precise report on human behavior activities promoting or undermining adoption of accountability instruments.
   - iv. A detailed power point presentation (PPT) with summarised findings, recommendations and roll out plans for strengthening current tools.
   - v. Four regional validation workshop reports.
   - vi. A finalized detailed report with WASREB, COG and stakeholders’ feedback.
   - vii. Simple consolidated tool that can be used by the regulator and county government to foster accountability.

6. The Water Services Regulatory Board (WASREB) now invites eligible consultants to express their interest in providing the services. Interested firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

7. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, i.e. 0900 to 1600 hours, from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400 hours) and public holidays.

8. Expressions of interest must be delivered in person or by mail to the address below, so as to reach by 22nd March 2024 at 1100hrs. The EDI may also be deposited in the Tender Box on 5th Floor NHIF Building and MUST be clearly marked “CONTRACT REF: NO. KE-WASREB-010204-C5-01B: CONSULTING SERVICES FOR: STRENGTHENING ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM IN THE MANAGEMENT OF WATER SERVICES IN KENYA addressed to:

Chief Executive Officer
Water Services Regulatory Board
P.O. Box 41421-00100, Nairobi
5th Floor, NHIF Building, EAT (Local Time). The bids should be clearly marked “Supply, Delivery and Installation of Vessel Monitoring and Management Application at Mombasa Centre: REF No. KE-MOMBEMA-003-2023-01B. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders’ representatives who choose to attend the address below on 23rd April, 2024 at 11.00 hrs. (Local Time). Electronic bids SMALL NOT be accepted.

2. The pre-bid meeting (Optional) for potential bidders will be held on 20th March, 2024 starting from 10:00hrs to 12:00hrs, at the Kenya Fisheries Service Office at Lusiari Area Opposite pedestrian floating Likoni Bridge Mombasa.

2. The State Department for Blue Economy and Fisheries now invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for Supply, Delivery and Installation of Vessel Monitoring and Management Application at Mombasa Centre; The Project requires that the VMS provider offers a platform that shall be able to work seamlessly with the current VMS transponders onboard licensed fishing vessels.

3. Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank’s Procurement Regulations for IFB Borrowers 2020 (“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 Email: info@kemfsed.org; Telephone: +254-020-271 6103; www.kemfsed.org from Monday to Friday excluding weekends and public holidays during office hours East Africa Time from 0800hours - 1700hours and inspect the bidding document during office hours at the address given below.

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8. All bids must be accompanied by bid security of, issued by a reputable Bank in Kenya shillings Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand (KES. 350,000.00) or an equivalent, in any easily convertible currency which must remain in full force and effect up to and including 28 days after the date of expiration of the Bid validity.

9. 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.

10. All interested bidders are required to continually check the Kenya Marine Fisheries Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED) website: www.kemfsed.org for any tender addenda and clarifications that may arise before the submission date.

11. The address (es) referred to above is (are):

Physical Address
The Principal Secretary Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs
State Department for Blue Economy and Fisheries
Rugati Road, NHIF Building 14th Floor
Website: https://www.mibema.go.ke,

Other addresses
The National Project Coordinator
Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED) Project
Ministry of Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs
State Department for Blue Economy & Fisheries
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Anti-drug and substance abuse clubs formed in schools in Marsabit

BY SEBASTIAN MERITI (MARASIBI)

The fight against drug trafficking in the border county of Marsabit has escalated to schools through the formation of anti-drug and substance abuse clubs. The spread of the menace among secondary school students and other learners has reached worrying levels amid calls that awareness campaigns against the vice be intensified.

During an anti-drug abuse and substance abuse campaign event organised by the National Authority for the Control of Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA), secondary schools in Saku Constituency held at the local Catholic Hall stakeholders noted that the problem is a threat to the current youth generation in Marsabit County.

Marsabit ACK Bishop Daniel Qampicha, calling on a collaborative effort in handling the menace observed that places of worship have also been adversely affected by the menace.

Bishop Qampicha said the number of youth faithful has been on the decline in different religious devotions while disruptive behavior was increasingly on the rise among the group.

The bishop asked stakeholders who hold non-governmental organizations to come up with strategic programs, saying the government should also consider declaring the drug and substance abuse in the country a national disaster.

“The divorce rate involving youth couples is alarming and the gender-based violence (GBV) is also worrying among members of this group,” he said, and pointed out that if the situation is not promptly arrested, it could rob the country a generation.

The event saw anti-drug and substance abuse clubs launched in 14 secondary schools within the constituency which the county commissioner Joseph Komora termed a deliberate move aimed at sustaining awareness about the problem not only among students but the youth at large.

Mr Komora said the government is concerned that the vice had penetrated learning institutions, adding that law enforcement agencies continue to devise methods of curtailting the trafficking in drugs and substances. The county commissioner urged parents to take a more active role in the character molding of their children wherein he said were reeling from the heavy peer pressure burdening external cultures.

He said the anti-drug and substance abuse clubs will be used to sensitize school communities on the dangers attached to the vice with the members expected to conduct civic education in the help of NACADA in the villages during holidays.


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Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tenders may be obtained from the Kenya Power website (www.kplc.co.ke) from the dates shown above.

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Makueni, ADS partner to invest Sh 11m in agricultural training

BY PATRICK NYAKUNDI AND JOHN MUTINDA (KNA)

The County Government of Makueni, in partnership with Angican Development Group (ADS) Eastern Region, has invested Sh 11 million to sponsor 480 trainees and equip them with agricultural skills at the Agricultural Training Centre (ATC) Kwa Kahoka.

Ms. Joyce Mutua, the Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation Executive Committee Member (ECM), stated that the training targets youth and women to equip them with horticulture, dairy, and poultry skills to enable them to contribute to food security in the county and support themselves.

Mutua made these remarks at Kwa Kahoka, where she released 60 trainees to undergo a 3-month industrial attachment to help them sharpen their skills on farms and apply practically what they have learned in the last three months.

“The funds will cover tuition fees, meals, and exams for the last three months of coursework. The total cost will be Sh 11 million, with the county government contributing 40 percent and ADS contributing 60 percent,” said Mutua.

“The first cohort of trainees comprises 60 youths and 420 women farmers who have undergone comprehensive training in horticulture, dairy, and poultry farming since November 2023,” added the ECM.

Consequently, she disclosed that women farmers have had extensive training through farmer field schools from 16 tutors involved in the programme while adding that both groups will graduate in May 2024 after undergoing the three months industrial attachment.

“The 420 farmers have benefitted from field school programme that has enabled them acquire agricultural education after they were visited at their homes by the ATC tutors at their homes,” she posited.

Mutua revealed that after the training, the trainees will write proposals in a bid to enable them benefit from the capital seed from the county government of Makueni.

“We expect the trainees to write proposals in order to benefit from the capital seed to enable them jump start their business,” the ECM added.

Private sector and TVETS urged to partner for dual training execution

BY SAMUEL MAINA (KNA)

The Principal Secretary, State Department for Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET), Dr. Esther Muoria, has urged the private sector to collaborate with TVET institutions nationwide to expedite the realization of dual training across both sectors.

Dr. Muoria emphasized that while the State Department has laid the foundation for the full implementation of the Competency-Based Education and Training (CBET) curriculum, which is anchored on the acquisition of practical skills, collaboration between TVET institutions and industries is essential to ensure learners have access to practical knowledge from the industries.

Industry and TVET must work together for two pertinent reasons; first, we need to cultivate pools of skilled young people because this is how Kenya will achieve industrialization. Once the world recognizes that Kenya has skilled individuals, they will invest, and our young people will find employment,” Dr. Muoria stated.

“The second reason for this collaboration is the global demand for labor. There is a shortage of young people available for work worldwide. Therefore, we need to collaborate to equip these young people with skills so they can enter the workplace,” Dr. Muoria added. Also known as work-integrated learning, dual training combines classroom instruction with practical work experience. The model was launched in June last year as a means of making vocational training less theoretical and more responsive to industry needs.

Under the model, 50-70 per cent of training takes place in the workplace while 30-50 per cent is taught in class.
TENDER ADVERTISEMENT

New Kenya Planters’ Co-operative Union (New KPCU) is an established State Corporation under the Ministry of Co-operatives and MSMEs and is mandated to mill, warehouse and market farmer’s coffee and administration of the Coffee Chamy Revolving fund.

The company invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified firms for the following Tenders.

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Interested and eligible tenderers may obtain further information, inspect and download the tender documents by visiting www.newkpcu.co.ke and tender.go.ke

Bids Should be deposited in the Tender Box situated in the Tender names addressed to:

The Managing Director
New Kenya Planters Cooperative Union
P.O. Box 15638-00200
NAIROBI

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

NB: Late Bids will NOT be accepted

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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE

INVITATION FOR COMMENTS TO THE DRAFT NATIONAL COFFEE POLICY 2023 AND THE DRAFT COFFEE DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING STRATEGY 2024-2029

The coffee sub sector in Kenya is one of the major contributors to the growth of agriculture sector in terms of foreign exchange earnings, family incomes, employment creation and food security. The subsector at its peak was estimated to generate 50% of employment opportunities in the agriculture sector. For many years, coffee was one of the main foreign exchange earners and it’s currently ranked fifth.

Despite its significance, the coffee sub sector continuously faces challenges such as inadequate production and productivity; high cost of production; inadequate research; inadequate extension services; low value addition; inadequate quality assurance, inadequate financing and legal and regulatory frameworks.

The Ministry has prioritized the development of the National Coffee Policy and the Coffee Development and Marketing Strategy 2024-2029 to revitalize the subsector.

The goal of the national coffee subsector policy is to guide and regulate activities of stakeholders along the value chain, for development and growth while protecting the property rights of the growers and other players.

The Coffee Development and Marketing Strategy 2023-2028 mission is to stimulate Kenya’s economic growth through increased foreign exchange earnings and improved livelihoods in the coffee subsector.

The public and all interested persons should submit written comments or memoranda on the National Coffee Policy and the Coffee Development and Marketing Strategy 2024-2029 using the prescribed public comments form, to reach the undersigned not later than fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this notice.

Soft copy of the draft the National Coffee Policy and the Coffee Development and Marketing Strategy 2024-2029 are available and can be accessed through Ministry’s website: www.kilimo.go.ke or www.afa.go.ke

There shall be a public forum for invited representatives of various stakeholders on Thursday, 7th March 2024 at the Kenya Agriculture and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) Loresho Nairobi from 8.30 am to 1.00 p.m. Daily filled comments/feedback forms may also be submitted back via the following address:

The Principal Secretary
State Department for Agriculture
Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development
Kilimo House, Cathedral Road
P. O. Box 30028
NAIROBI
Or by e-mail: info@afa.go.ke and copy to directorpolicy2021@gmail.com

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THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL

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TENDER NOTICE

The Kenya National Examinations Council (KNEC) is a State Corporation established under the Kenya National Examinations Council Act No. 29 of 2012. The Council is mandated to conduct national assessments and examinations at both basic and tertiary levels and certify learners.

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2.0 Interested eligible Bidders may obtain tender documents from the following websites:

www.knec.ac.ke or www.supplier.treasury.go.ke. or www.tender.go.ke

3.0 The closing date for submission is on 13th March, 2024 at 10.00am. Application is open to all interested bidders. Late bids will be rejected

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT STANDARDS (IMPORT CARGO CONSOLIDATION) REGULATIONS 2023, (HANDLING OF CONDITIONALLY RELEASED AND REJECTED (IMPORTS) REGULATIONS, 2023) AND (MARKET SURVEILLANCE) REGULATIONS, 2024

The Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) is a statutory body established under the Standards Act, Cap. 496, Laws of Kenya. KEBS is mandated to offer among other services, quality inspection of imports based on Kenya Standards or approved specifications. Additionally, KEBS carries out inspection of products in the Kenyan market based on Kenya Standards or Approved specifications in order to protect the health and safety of consumers, protect the environment and ensure a level playing field for economic operators.

KEBS wishes to inform the public, importers, consolidators, economic operators and other stakeholders that the following three draft regulations have been developed:

1. THE DRAFT STANDARDS (IMPORT CARGO CONSOLIDATION) REGULATIONS, 2023
2. THE DRAFT STANDARDS (HANDLING OF CONDITIONALLY RELEASED AND REJECTED IMPORTS) REGULATIONS, 2023
3. THE DRAFT STANDARDS (MARKET SURVEILLANCE) REGULATIONS, 2024

The three draft regulations are currently hosted on the Kenya Bureau of Standards website www.kebs.org.

In order to ensure wide consultation and public participation as stipulated in the Constitution of Kenya 2010, Kenya Bureau of Standards invites institutions, organizations and the public to submit their views and comments on the proposed Regulations.

The views and comments should either be addressed in writing to The Managing Director, Kenya Bureau of Standards, P.O Box 54974-00200 Nairobi or emailed to consolidators@kebs.org for views and comments on draft Consolidator Regulations or procurement@kebs.org for views and comments on draft Market Surveillance Regulations to be received on or before 22nd March 2024 to facilitate the review and finalization of the Regulations.

Further, members of the public and stakeholders are invited to attend public participation meetings (physical meetings) as per the Schedule below.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

This is the 11th report to be published annually in fulfillment of the Constitutional mandate pursuant to Articles 234(2) and (h). The Constitution requires the Commission to promote, evaluate, and report to the President and Parliament the extent to which the values and principles in Articles 10 and 232 have been complied with. It was the aspiration of Kenyans during the constitutional development process that observance of the values and principles would provide a mechanism for effective and efficient delivery of public services, where the citizens and taxpayers would have a say in the formulation of policies that affect them and a public service that embraces inclusivity, promotes peace, cohesion, most importantly upholds high standards of professional ethics and facilitates growth and prosperity.

Values and principles do not exist in a vacuum; they are implemented through government policies and programmes. The government through the public service has the obligation of facilitating achievement of shared prosperity. The current administration, building on the gains made by previous administrations has put in place programmes that promote the values in Articles 10 and 232 and in which the long term will see Kenya transform into ... a globally competitive and prosperous nation with a high-quality life by 2030, that aims to transform Kenya into a newly industrializing, middle-income country providing a high quality of life to all its citizens by 2030 in a clean and secure environment...” as envisioned in the Kenya Vision 2030.

The government’s Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BEATA) 2022-2027 focuses on areas that will lead to efficient and effective service delivery such as digital super highway, growth in the Micro Small and Medium Enterprise (MSMEs) through the provision of affordable funding, support to vulnerable groups and promotion of transparent and open governance by all state organs and agencies. This report provides an analysis of the status of the implementation of the programme in the Agenda among others.

The reporting coincides with the transition period from the fourth to the fifth government administration during which all public organizations under the purview of the Commission were evaluated. Pursuant to Section 16 of the Public Service (Values and Principles) Act, 2015, the report presents an evaluation of the measures taken, progress realized, and challenges faced in the implementation of national values and principles of governance and the values and principles of public service. The report also recommends corrective interventions towards the progressive realization of values and principles as well as enhancing compliance by public organizations.

The evaluation focused on the extent to which public organizations promoted and mainstreamed the national values and principles of governance and the values and principles of public service, in the 523 public organizations that were evaluated.

To facilitate evaluation, the values and principles were grouped into eight (8) thematic areas, namely: service delivery improvement; high standards of professional ethics; good governance, transparency, and accountability; performance management; equitable allocation of opportunities and resources; public participation in the policy-making process; efficiency, effectiveness and economic use of resources and sustainable development. The overall compliance index was 46.01%. This was a notable improvement of 4.31% compared to the 2021/22 FY.

The scope of evaluation was extended to tap into the voice and feedback of the citizen as the primary consumers of the public service. Face-to-face citizen satisfaction exit surveys were conducted at the pivot exit nodes that serve a substantial number of Kenyans such as Huduma Centers, NSIP, NTSA, and National Registration Bureau.

The Commission looks forward to working together with the President and Parliament to facilitate the implementation of the recommendations in this report.

Overview

The eleventh evaluation report for the financial year 2022/2023 on the Status of the Public Service Compliance with Values and Principles in Articles 10 and 232 of the Constitution highlights the annual obligation of the Public Service Commission, pursuant to Article 234(2) and (h), and in line with the Public Service (Values and Principles) Act, 2015. The Commission is required to promote, monitor, and report to the President and Parliament on the extent to which the values and principles mentioned in Articles 10 and 232 of the Constitution are complied with in the public service.

Since the promulgation of the Constitution of Kenya in the year 2010, the legal, policy, regulatory, and institutional frameworks have expanded thus widening the scope of coverage and evaluation. In addition, the number of organizations participating annually in the evaluation has risen from 133 reported in 2015/2016 to the current figure of 523. In executing this critical mandate, the Commission is required to review legislations, policies, regulations, and guidelines. These include: Public Service Commission Act, 2017; Leadership and Integrity Act, 2012; Public Officer Ethics Act, 2005; Public Finance Management Act, 2012; Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, 2015; Public Service Commission Regulations, 2020; Public Service Commission (Performance Management) Regulations, 2021; Human Resource Policies and Procedures Manual for the Public Service 2016; and the Framework for the Implementation of Values and Principles in the Public Service, 2015. These frameworks serve as a foundation, providing essential direction and support for the Commission’s efforts to realize and promote the values and principles outlined in the Constitution.

The public organizations evaluated were grouped into six service sectors, namely: Constitutional Commissions and Independent Offices (10); Ministries and State Departments (52); Public Universities (39); State Corporations and Semi-Autonomous Government Agencies (SAGAs) (210); Statutory Commissions and Authorities (8), as well as Technical and Vocational Education Training institutions (TVETIs) (204). For purposes of evaluation, the values and principles in Articles 10 and 232 were clustered into eight (8) thematic areas namely: service delivery improvement; high standards of professional ethics; good governance, transparency and accountability; performance management; equitable allocation of opportunities and resources; public participation in policy-making process; efficiency, effectiveness and economic use of resources and sustainable development.

The survey targeted 555 public organizations out of which 523 responded, translating into a response rate of 94.2%. This was an improvement of 3.3% compared to the 2021/2022 FY. The data on the status of compliance with values and principles by organizations was collected through an online survey instrument that was administered to all the targeted respondents. In addition, another specific questionnaire was administered to 37 oversight organizations whose data was meant to verify some of the data submitted by the respondents. A survey was administered to 2,950 officers who had been inducted during the evaluation period and was meant to verify the status of induction. In addition, the status of huddles, toll-free lines, emails, service charter and customization of websites for visually impaired and hearing-impaired persons was verified from all the 523 participating organizations. Further, the evaluation also involved conducting a number of pilot face-to-face and online surveys on the citizen satisfaction with the services offered by public organizations.
The National Values and Principles of Governance

The National Values and Principles of Governance are interrelated and interconnected. For instance, the implementation of the value of good governance; integrity; transparency and accountability; and the fourth and final category is sustainable development.

The values and principles in Articles 10 and 232 are foundational to the Republic of Kenya and form the basis for the existence of Kenya as a Republic (Article 4(2) of Constitution). The National Values and Principles of Governance are given effect by the National Values and Principles of Governance (Policy) (Sosial Paper Number 8 of 2013).

The values and principles in Articles 10 and 232 are in Article 232(1)(b) of the Constitution. The Act specifically mandates the Commission to develop strategies to promote values and principles and integrate the values and principles in its regulations, policies and procedures.

The Commission also undertook several activities which aided in the promotion and implementation of the values and principles. These activities included sensitization programmes for civil servants and the public, seminars, workshops, training programmes, and seminars with the public. The Commission also published and administered the Public Officer Code of Conduct and Ethics, 2016. It also published the Public Service Initial Education and Development Framework for Implementation of Values and Principles which was meant to celebrate public officers and citizens who upheld the values and principles.

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Compliance Index

The overall compliance index for all institutions evaluated for the seven thematic areas was 46.01%. This was a notable improvement of 4.31% compared to the 2021/22 survey. Devolution and decentralization of services as a thematic area was not considered in the computation of the compliance index as the indicators did not apply to all institutions across service sectors.

All the service sectors registered an improvement with Constitutional Commissions and Independent Offices registering the highest improvement with 53.62% from 45.1% followed by OIE organizations with 35.75% from 29.2%. Other State Corporations and SACAs gained 54.23% from 50.5%, Statutory Commissions and Authorities with 50.03% from 47.0%, Ministries and State Departments at 44.00% from 42.3%, and Public Universities with 55.3% from 54.5%. It is equally noted that Public Universities obtained the highest overall performance index as was the case in the 2021/2022 FY.

The Best performing institutions

The top 10 institutions in the compliance index were:
1. Kenya Accountants and Secretaries National Examination Board (KASNEB)
2. National Environmental Trust Fund (NETFUND)
3. Kilifi University
4. Capital Markets Authority (CMA)
5. Kenya Trade Network Agency (KENTRADE)
6. Mst Chuka University Teaching and Referral Hospital (MTRH)
7. Kenya Accreditation Service (KENAS)
8. Commissions Fund
9. Water Sector Trust Fund (WSTF)
10. Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)

Key findings by thematic areas

General Human Resource Practices

Regarding general human resource practices, findings revealed that:

i. 255 (80%) organizations had not undertaken workload analyses even though their structures were approved.
ii. There was an excess of 19,467 members of staff recorded in the staff registers against those reported in the approved filled vacancies.
iii. Only 21 (4%) organizations had developed comprehensive Human Resource Management and Development Plans, which are required to inform both recruitment plans and training.
iv. Majority (84.9%) of staff were serving on Permanent and Pensionable terms of service; staff serving on permanent terms without pension were at 534 (0.2%) while there were 9,838 casuals engaged in the public service.

v. Ministries, State Departments, and TVETIs had the recommended ratio of technical to non-technical staff. The other four sectors operated below the recommended ratio.
vi. 139,862 (54.3%) of officers were aged between 18 and 45 years with 29.6% being the youth. 91,932 (35.4%) were aged between 46-60 years, while the representation of officers above 60 years was 18.8%, which increased by 0.49 from the 1.3% reported in the FY 2021/22.

vii. 2,498 services offered by 324 organizations were yet to be migrated to the e-citizen platform.

viii. Seventy-six organizations fully migrated 631 (31.9%) services to the e-Citizen platform in line with the approved filled vacancies.
ix. Majority (84.9%) of staff were serving on Permanent and Pensionable terms of service; staff serving on permanent terms without pension were at 534 (0.2%) while there were 9,838 casuals engaged in the public service.

x. 389 (74.4%) organizations had dedicated helplines, 66 (12.6%) had toll-free lines, and 514 (98.3%) had translated their charters into Kiswahili.

xi. 456 (87.2%) organizations had their staff set performance targets. This was despite the fact that only 238 (47.2%) of the cases, administrative acts with 829 (19.8%), and land and environment with 838 (20%) constituting 63.2% of the cases.

xii. 38 (34.9%) organizations reported to have granted 143,563 (56.7%) officers annual leave, while 131 (25%) reported to have not undertaken workload analyses even though their structures were approved.

Performance Management

Regarding performance management, findings revealed that:

i. 31 (5.9%) out of the 523 responding organizations reported cases of corruption affecting 109 (0.04%) officers.

ii. With regard to professional certificates, 280 (53.5%) organizations reported to have authenticated 31,526 professional certificates out of which 24,596 (78%) were valid, 119 (0.4%) were forged and the status of 717 (2.2%) was not indicated.

iii. Out of the 109 public officers reported to have been involved in corruption, 4 (3.7%) were convicted, 12 (1.1%) were acquitted, 5 (4.8%) were discharged, 50 (45.9%) were ongoing and the status of cases affecting 38 (34.9%) officers was not provided.

iv. The total amount of money lost related to prosecuted cases was KSh.605.1M while the amount of money recovered was KSh.222.7M.

v. 295 (58.4%) organizations were involved in civil proceedings. The number of organizations increased by 24 (31.2%) from 271 in the 2020/21.

vi. The number of officers whose academic certificates were authenticated was 142,188 (56.1%), out of which 72,747 (32.5%) certificates found to have been forged.

vii. There were 20,125 (7.9%) officers of the 253,318 who were registered with 29 professional bodies in 426 sub-professions.

High Standards of Professional Ethics in the Public Service

Regarding high standards of professional ethics, findings revealed that:

i. There were 20,125 (79%) officers of the 253,318 who were registered with 29 professional bodies in 426 sub-professions.

ii. Majority of the officers, 11,729 (58.3%) in regulated professions did not undergo continuous professional development.

iii. The leading cause of complaints was "delay in service delivery or provision of facilities" at 62.9%.

iv. The major reason given for extended secondment was that the substantive holder of the office was on leave, at 0.7%.

v. 28.5% were on design, 4.9% were on plant while 30.7% were on utility.

vi. Ministries, State Departments, and TVETIs had the recommended ratio of technical to non-technical staff. The other four sectors operated below the recommended ratio.

vii. 31 (5.9%) out of the 523 responding organizations reported cases of corruption affecting 109 (0.04%) officers.

viii. The leading causes of litigation were labor disputes with 233 (33.3%) of the cases, administrative acts with 829 (19.8%), and land and environment with 838 (20%) constituting 63.2% of the cases.

ix. 601 (66.2%) organizations reported maintaining records on gifts received and declared by the officers.

x. 2,660 officers held acting positions out of which 966 (36.3%) had acted within the 6 months prescribed in the law while 1,694 (61.7%) acted beyond the six months. There were 247 (9.2%) officers who acted beyond 3 years.

xi. 32.5% of the cases, administrative acts with 829 (19.8%), and land and environment with 838 (20%) constituting 63.2% of the cases.

xii. 137 (33.3%) organizations had the correct format/templates for requesting information by clients.

xiii. 175 (35.3%) organizations maintained the request for information registers, 349 (66.9%) did not maintain registers.

xiv. 198 (37%) organizations prepared annual reports. There was an increase of organizations that had prepared and published their annual reports by 58 from the 137 in the 2021/2022 evaluation.

xv. 426 (90.6%) organizations had fully constituted Commissions, Boards or Councils as required by the Constitution and Legislation.

xvi. 703 (66.4%) of the organizations submitted final declaration returns for officers who exited the organizations.

xvii. 6,567 (67.4%) of the officers who exited service filed final declarations.

xviii. 65 (12.4%) organizations reported to have implemented conventions and treaties ratified by Kenya.

Performance Management

Regarding performance management, findings revealed that:

i. 176 (22.2%) organizations had developed the fifth-generation strategic plans

ii. 255 (48.4%) organizations had aligned their strategic plans to BETA.

iii. 345 (64.4%) organizations had signed performance contracts with the government.

iv. The total amount of money lost related to prosecuted cases was KSh.605.1M while the amount of money recovered was KSh.222.7M.

v. 2,660 officers held acting positions out of which 966 (36.3%) had acted within the 6 months prescribed in the law while 1,694 (61.7%) acted beyond the six months. There were 247 (9.2%) officers who acted beyond 3 years.

vi. Ministries, State Departments, and TVETIs had the recommended ratio of technical to non-technical staff. The other four sectors operated below the recommended ratio.

vii. Out of the total 253,318 staff in-post, 62,898 (24.8%) were appraised while 190,420 (75.2%) were not appraised.

viii. Out of the 4,070 officers inducted, only 503 (3.2%) were inducted within the stipulated three months of joining the service.
The Summit held a meeting on 11th February, 2023 and there were 25 resolutions arising from the said meeting. Regarding devolution and decentralization of public services, findings revealed that:

- Development, Efficiency, Effectiveness and Economic use of Resources and Sustainable Development
- 204 (50.1%) organizations had an approved procurement budget that amounted to KSh.460.13B.
- 433 (92.8%) organizations awarded tender projects to special groups.
- 51,226 Women, Youth and PWDs groups benefited from KSh.29B (20%) of the KSh. 259B, which ought to have been set aside from the procurement budget for them.
- 20,247 individuals and 5,082 groups benefited from both social empowerment and social protection programmes amounting to KSh. 2.6B.
- 25,383 Women empowered under the four social protection cash transfer programmes to 1.1 beneficiaries comprising 34.3% male and 65.7% female, spread across all the 47 counties.
- The National Government Affirmative Action Fund disbursed KSh.145M to support empowerment programmes to the 6.2% of special groups: women groups (46%), youth groups (33.7%), PWD groups (7%), newly elderly persons (1.6%), vulnerable and marginalized persons (1.5%) and parents of children with disabilities (9%).
- The National Government Affirmative Action Fund disbursed KSh.1,458M to 1,230 groups from 51 (66%) counties, which comprised of women, youth, PWDs, self-help groups and community-based organizations.
- The amounts disbursed by Youth Enterprise Development Fund to youth groups rose from KSh.178.5M in 2006/2007 to KSh.578.4M in 2020/2021 FY but depo to a low of KSh.143.4M in 2022/2023 FY.
- 58 (18.6%) TVET institutions did not receive capitation.

Public Participation in Policy Making Process
- 80 (11.5%) organizations had customized Public Service Commission Public Participation Guidelines, 2015.
- 137 organizations developed or reviewed 604 policies, legislations and plans and subjected them to public participation.
- The modes adopted for public engagement were physical meetings 350 (58%), virtual 233 (38.5%), online submissions 62 (10.2%), physical delivery of submissions 145 (24%), both physical and virtual 139 (23%).
- 218 (34.3%) draft policies were circulated to stakeholders for public participation, the final documents were 143 (65.7%) and 584 (30.9%) were fully completed.
- 343 (65.6%) organizations implemented programmes that support the realization of BETA.
- 20 (57.1%) organizations did not implement all the PAC recommendations while 18 (51.4%) partially implemented the recommendations.
- v. 120,508 (49%) officers were deployed in the decentralized offices in Regions, Counties, Sub-counties and Wards.

Key Recommendations

The report clusters are indicated in brown and includes:

1. **Recommendations on Human Resource Management and Development**
   - Public organizations to implement employee wellness programmes targeting all employees at the workplace.
   - 204 (50.1%) organizations had an approved procurement budget that amounted to KSh.460.13B.

Efficiency, Effectiveness and Economic use of Resources and Sustainable Development

Concerning efficiency, effectiveness and economic use of resources and sustainable development, findings revealed that:

- 894 (75.3%) organizations reported having collected revenue against 12 organizations designated by the National Treasury as receivers of revenue.
- 126 (32.1%) organizations surpassed their revenue targets.
- 166 TVETs generated KSh. 56,265.05M from various sources, including school fees, bursaries from GDF, NGOs/CEOs, County Governments, and individuals.
- 417 (80%) organizations received recruitment and development funds from the exchequer.
- 237 (55%) organizations did not comply with the 35.5% expenditure ratio on PE to GDP.
- 319 (78.6%) organizations did not comply with the 70:30 Recurrent to Development ratio.
- 50,427 stakeholders were engaged comprising 17,834 (36.6%) male, 12,598 (41.4%) female and 568 (1.9%) PWDs.
- The documents subjected to public participation, 8 (1.3%) were transcribed to Braille.

Devolution and Decentralization of Public Services

Regarding devolution and decentralization of public services, findings revealed that:

- The Summit held a meeting on 11th February, 2023 and there were 25 resolutions arising from the said meeting, which related to transfer of the functions and strengthening of the devolution organizational framework.
- 166 county assemblies were heard and determined by the Commission.
- 136 appeals were allowed, 79 were allowed while 4 were struck out.
- 143 (27%) organizations had decentralized their services by establishing Regional, County, Sub-County, and Ward offices in fulfillment of the constitutional provision.

The full report can be accessed on the Commission’s website [www.publicservice.go.ke](http://www.publicservice.go.ke)
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Government to tap Sh1.8 trillion opportunities in the Water Sector

BY BERNADINE MUTANU (MYGOV)

The Government is targeting the Sh1.8-trillion opportunity in the Water Sector to create millions of jobs in the sanitation and agriculture value chains in the country.

According to data from the Ministry of Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation, the sector has a funding gap of Sh1.8 trillion, a gap the Government aims to tap and create job opportunities through Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs).

Speaking during a press briefing which will act as a precursor to the three-day Water and Sanitation Investors Conference (WASIC), 2024 starting in Nairobi, Water Secretary Eng. Samuell Alima revealed that the Water and Sanitation sector has a combined funding gap of Sh659 billion, Water Resources Sh2.52 billion, while Irrigation and the construction of 100 dams has a total funding gap of Sh1933.55 billion.

Making his remarks during the event, the CS for Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Zachariah Njeru said despite the government having made strides in the provision of water and sanitation service in the country, and the expansion of irrigation agriculture, so much more can and needs to be done.

Njeru said while Kenya aspires to have a universal access to safe water and sanitation by 2030 according to the Sustainable Development Goal Six (SDG 6), the objective of the conference is to create an opportunity for investors to create businesses and jobs.

“It behoves us therefore, to accelerate investments in the Sector, to meet the needs of our people, ensuring better quality of life, inclusive growth, and sustainable development. This aligns well with the African Agenda 2063, Vision 2030, and the Bottom-up Transformative Agenda (BITA),” the CS said.

Njeru said through the Ministry, initiatives to achieve the desired goal have resulted in increased water coverage by 12.1 per cent from 59.9 per cent in 2017 to 72 per cent in 2023, while sewerage coverage in urban areas has increased by six per cent from 26.1 per cent in 2017 to 32 per cent in 2023 as compared to the 2023 Annual Status Report on Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation.

The impact report by the Water Services Regulatory Board (June 2023) also puts water coverage in regulated areas at 62 per cent, an improvement of two per cent (between 2021-2022) while sewered sanitation has remained the same at 16 per cent.

“The trend in overall on-site sanitation has been maintained, the trajectory will drive the sector towards attaining universal coverage by 2030,” Njeru said.

“Yet, we are not without challenges. Rapid urbanization, population growth, and the threat of climate change place immense strain on our water resources.

“The need for innovative solutions and strategic investment has never been greater,” said Water and Sanitation Principal Secretary Julius Korir.

Korir said Kenya is currently facing environmental challenges aggravated by the threat of climate change.

Amidst these challenges, the PS said, lies an opportunity – an opportunity to forge partnerships, to drive innovation, and to catalyze change.

“The Water and Sanitation Investors Conference was conceived by the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation as an avenue to showcase Kenya’s potential for water and sanitation related investments, encourage dialogue and business to business engagements, and increase collaboration between the public and private sector in delivering sector goals,” Korir said.

To achieve 100 per cent coverage in the water and sewer sector by 2030, Korir said the full implementation of the National Water and Sanitation Investment and Financing Plan (NAWASIP) will cost Sh995 billion whereby about 40 per cent (Sh395 billion) will be from government financing, 31 per cent (Sh313 billion) through PPPs, 11 per cent (Sh105 billion) from public contributions including national and county revenues, eight per cent (Sh57 billion) from donor grants and (Sh82 billion) from commercial financing.

Korir said the cumulative expense of all screened NAWASIP projects on water supply and sanitation is Sh882 billion and an additional Sh25 billion is needed to meet the 2030 universal access targets for certain counties.

“Innovative funding methods such as PPPs, commercial financing, national and county revenues, donor grants, and Official Development Assistance (ODA) will be used to bridge the financing gap,” the CS said.

During the conference, investors will not only target the water and sewerage value chains but will also be able to venture into irrigation and dam construction with the Ministry targeting 1,403,604 acres which are expected to generate an annual revenue of Sh225 billion and create employment for over seven million people.

According to the Ministry of Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation, the Conference is targeting more than 1,000 stakeholders who will provide an ideal environment for organizations to showcase their core initiatives and activities to draw on synergies and identity areas of collaboration with the government in financing, technological know-how, and other existing gaps.

KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY

Public Notice

Electronic Tax Invoicing for Non-VAT Registered Persons

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) wishes to remind the public that all persons carrying on business who are not registered for VAT are required to on-board the electronic Tax Invoice Management System (eTIMS) platform by 31st March 2024.

KRA has rolled out various electronic invoicing platforms to facilitate the non-VAT registered taxpayers to on-board eTIMS as follows:

1. eTIMS Lite - This can be accessed through eCitizen platforms via *222# for the USSD invoicing solution and ecitizen.kra.go.ke.
2. eTIMS Client Software – This is a downloadable software that can run on windows or android devices.
3. Online Portal – This solution enables invoicing on the eTIMS taxpayer portal eTIMS.kra.go.ke for taxpayers offering services only.
4. System to System Integration - This allows integration with businesses invoicing system or automated billing systems.

User guides for all the aforementioned solutions are available on the KRA website. The system integration requirements and the list of the approved third-party integrators are also available and can be accessed under the eTIMS tab and Publications tab respectively on the KRA website.

We reiterate that all eTIMS and TMS receipts that have been generated and transmitted to the KRA system are valid electronic tax invoices for purposes of compliance. These can be validated by scanning the QR code or using the invoicing checker on the (Tax Portal).

For further information please call our contact centre on Tel: (0) 20 4 999 999, 0711 099 999 or Email: callcentre@kra.go.ke

KRA encourages taxpayers to adhere to these guidelines for Servicing of Objections. For any queries or clarifications, please call our Contact Centre on telephone No: 033 4 999 999 or 0711 099 999 or Email: callcentre@kra.go.ke

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KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY

Public Notice

Service of Objection Notices

Kenya Revenue Authority informs taxpayers that all notices of objection lodged under section 51(2) of the Tax Procedures Act and the attendant documents (“a taxpayer who disputes a tax decision may lodge a notice of objection to the decision, in writing, with the Commissioner for Legal Services and Board Coordination of the Commissioner for Legal Services and Board Coordination”) shall be served to the Commissioner in charge of the relevant KRA office.

Documents that cannot be uploaded on tax for any reason shall be served to the Commissioner Legal Services and Board Coordination through the email LSCBOR@kra.go.ke or hand delivered to the Independent Review of Objections (IRO) offices in the following locations:

Northern Region:
- 8th Floor Kibera Mall, Nandi Road, Eldoret
- 7th Floor Kiptagich House, Uganda Road, Eldoret

Southern Region:
- 9th Floor Kibera Mall, Nandi Road, Eldoret
- 7th Floor Kiptagich House, Uganda Road, Eldoret

Central Region:
- 3rd Floor, Thika House, Kwek Kiamara Road, Thika

Western Region:
- 1st Floor, Lachin Bank Mall, Ol Kuswara Kiamara Highway, Kisumu

North Rift Region:
- 7th Floor, Kiptagich House, Uganda Road, Eldoret
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CS Kindiki unveils maize milling plant at Naivasha Maximum Prison

BY MABEL KEYA – SHIKUKU (KNA) AND MARTHA MUNYAMBU (PCO)

The Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Prof. Kithure Kindiki, has commissioned a maize milling plant at the Naivasha Maximum Prison in Nakuru County.

The commissioning of the plant, according to Prof. Kindiki, marks a significant milestone in the government’s commitment to equipping inmates with vocational skills, promoting self-sufficiency, skills development among inmates, and fostering economic empowerment and rehabilitation in the country’s penal institutions.

The CS noted that the maize milling plant will offer the inmates practical training and valuable expertise for their future endeavors.

“The maize milling plant, which has a daily production capacity of 32 tonnes of maize flour, is equipped with advanced technology that will go a long way in equipping the inmates with skills that will help them upon their release,” Prof. Kindiki said.

The plant, according to prison authorities, will not only meet internal consumption needs but also those of other prisons.

Speaking during the commissioning ceremony, Prof. Kindiki, who was accompanied by the Correctional Services State Department Principal, Dr. Salome Beacco, emphasized the importance of empowering inmates and supporting them as they serve their prison terms.

The CS also highlighted the government’s dedication to implementing holistic approaches to re-habilitation which prioritizes skills development, education, and reintegration into society.

“I am impressed to see the mill we have commissioned here today with a huge capacity of milling flour and other by-products. From this we want to extend that capacity and have similar facilities in other Correctional institutions,” stated the CS.

Regarding the Prison Enterprise, the CS said the government is working on modernizing the equipment to equip the inmates with the best skills.

On decongesting the penal institutions, Prof. Kindiki revealed that plans are underway to decongest Penal institutions by 50 per cent through the Power of Mercy by facilitating virtual court sessions and remodeling the Information Communication Technology (ICT) infrastructure in prisons countrywide to enable expeditious conclusion of pending matters.

To achieve this, the virtual courts will be enhanced by equipping the Correctional facilities with more laptops to enable more inmates access court sessions virtually.

CS Kindiki also announced the resumption of family visits to Correctional Institutions across the country to allow the inmates to bond with their families for effective re-integration.

The move would allow inmates to interact with their families since coronavirus, which led to the banning of visits, is no longer a threat.

The Government had imposed a ban on prison visits after the first case of coronavirus was confirmed in Kenya on March 13, 2020, where all institutions of learning were also closed for nearly a year.

The ban was initially meant to last for 30 days but was extended and had not been lifted until the CS made the pronouncement in Naivasha.

Prof. Kindiki noted that prisoners should have at least one day when their families could visit them but added that more communication would be made on the matter.

On her part, Dr Beacco emphasized the role of vocational training in reducing recidivism and promoting long-term rehabilitation of offenders.

“The milling plant will have a transformative impact of equipping the offenders with marketable skills as well as promoting sustainable practices within the Correctional institutions,” the PS said.

REMINDER NOTICE TO RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEMES

FILING OF SCHEME ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENT OF THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS LEVY

The Retirement Benefits Authority would like to bring to the attention of Trustees, scheme administrators and other service providers of retirement benefits schemes whose financial year ended on 31st December 2023, the following provisions of the Retirement Benefits Act, 1997 and the Regulations therein:

1. Section 34(4) of the Act requires every scheme to submit to the Authority audited financial statements within three (3) months after the end of the financial year. Penalties apply for failure to submit audited accounts within the prescribed timelines as provided under Section 34 (4) (4c).

2. Section 16 of the Act; Regulation 39 of the Retirement Benefits (Occupational Retirement Benefits Scheme) Regulations 2000; Regulation 32 of the Retirement Benefits (Individual Retirement Benefits Scheme) Regulations 2000 and Regulation 46 of the Retirement Benefits ( Umbrella Retirement Benefits Scheme) Regulations 2017 require each scheme to submit to the Authority the Retirement Benefits Levy within four (4) months after the end of financial year. Any default in the payment of the levy attracts a penalty of 5% per month on any amount outstanding.

In this regard, schemes whose financial year ended on 31st December 2023 should submit their financial statements by 31st March 2024 and pay the requisite levy by 30th April 2024.

All payments MUST be made online through the RBA Returns Portal via the e-Citizen account. For all payments, please provide the scheme details including the scheme registration number, scheme name and amount of levy paid to the Authority through the email address levy@rba.go.ke.

Retirement Benefits Authority is ISO 9001:2015 Certified.
Fund’s outreach drive to inform public on insurance claim procedures

BY CHARI SUCHE AND HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI (KNA)

The Policyholders’ Compensation Fund (PCF) has launched a new campaign to educate the masses on its mandate and functions, aiming to increase public confidence in the insurance sector.

The Fund was established primarily to provide compensation to claimants of insured persons chiefly from road traffic accidents but secondarily to maintain the public’s confidence in the insurance sector.

Speaking in Mombasa during the sensitization forum dubbed “PCF Mtaani,” Ms. Rosemary Kavili, the Head of Corporate Communications at PCF, stated that the forum’s aim is to educate the public on the Fund’s mandate and functions, thereby increasing confidence in the insurance sector. “The campaign targets members of the public to come forward and lodge claims with PCF, including those who had insured with Resolution Insurance Company Limited (under statutory management) and Standard Assurance Company (under liquidation),” she added. She noted that the fund launched compensation for policyholders of collapsed insurers on March 15, 2021, following an amendment to the Insurance Act in 2019.

A section of the Mombasa bodaboda riders’ association members taking part in a training forum by Policyholders Compensation Fund.

MOI TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITAL

TENDER INVITATION

MoI Teaching and Referral Hospital (MTRH) invites sealed bids from eligible candidates for the under listed tenders.

No. Tender No. Tender Description Eligibility Closing Date
1. MTRH/T/56/2023-2026 Tender for Supply and Delivery of Contracts (Framework Contract) Open Tender 28.3.2024
2. MTRH/T/61/2023-2024 Tender for Supply, Delivery and Installation of Kitchen Equipment Open Tender 28.3.2024
4. MTRH/T/63/2023-2024 Tender for Supply and Delivery of Dental Items Open Tender 28.3.2024
5. MTRH/T/64/2023-2024 Tender for Supply and Delivery of Mutton (Meat) (Framework Contract) Reserved 28.3.2024
6. MTRH/T/66/2023-2024 Tender for Supply and Delivery of Library Books Open Tender 28.3.2024
7. MTRH/T/67/2023-2024 Tender for Supply and Delivery of Radiology Equipment Items Open Tender 28.3.2024
8. MTRH/T/68/2023-2024 Tender for Supply and Delivery of Medical Appliances Open Tender 28.3.2024
9. MTRH/T/70/2023-2024 Tender for Supply, Delivery and Installation of Cath lab Lead Doors and Lead Glass Viewing Window at Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital Open Tender 28.3.2024
10. MTRH/T/74/2023-2024 Tender for Supply and Delivery of Accountable Goods Open Tender 28.3.2024
11. MTRH/T/75/2023-2024 Tender for Supply and Delivery of Generator Spare Parts Open Tender 28.3.2024
12. MTRH/T/77/2023-2024 Tender for Supply, Delivery, Installation and Commissioning of Medical Equipment Open Tender 28.3.2024
13. MTRH/T/78/2023-2024 Tender for Supply, Delivery, Installation and Commissioning of Medical Equipment Open Tender 28.3.2024
14. MTRH/T/80/2023-2024 Tender for Supply and Delivery of ICT Items Open Tender 28.3.2024
15. MTRH/T/81/2023-2024 Tender for Supply and Delivery of Airline (Artel and Safari) Open Tender 28.3.2024
16. MTRH/T/83/2023-2024 Tender for Supply, Delivery, Installation and Commissioning of Showafrica Kitchen Cold Rooms for Meat/ Milk and Related Items Open Tender 28.3.2024
17. MTRH/T/86/2023-2024 Tender for Provision of Medical Insurance Cover Open Tender 28.3.2024
18. MTRH/T/89/2023-2024 Tender for Supply, Delivery, Installation and Commissioning of Water Treatment Plant/Reverse Osmosis Open Tender 28.3.2024

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

19. MTRH/RFP/11/2023-2024 Tender for Provision of Hotel Accommodation and Conference Facilities Open Tender 28.3.2024
20. MTRH/RFP/12/2023-2024 Tender for Provision of Energy Audit in MoI Teaching and Referral Hospital Open Tender 28.3.2024

Completed tender documents in plain sealed envelopes should be deposited in tender box number “K” located at Ground Floor left wing of Chandaria Cancer and Chronic Diseases Centre (CCCD) Building of MoI/T (Eldest) or posted to:

Ag. Chief Executive Officer
MoI Teaching and Referral Hospital

P.O. Box 3-30100

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As so be received on or before 28th March, 2024 at 10.00 am Opening of the bidding documents will be conducted publicly immediately thereafter at a venue to be advised by tender Opening Committee.

Ag. Chief Executive Officer
MoI Teaching and Referral Hospital

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY CORPORATION

INVITATION TO TENDER

RfS No. Contract Name and Description Bid Security Opening & Closing date
1000001048 Tender for Upgrade of MS exchange server Annual Maintenance Services For ICT backup generator; fire suppression system, high capacity UPS and maintenance on server room network devices Lot 1: Kshs 620,000 Lot 2: Kshs 30,000 Lot 3: Kshs 16,000 Lot 4: Kshs 20,000 Lot 5: Kshs 18,000 4th April, 2024 @ 10.00am
1000001047 Tender for Supply, installation, configuration, and commissioning of a Network Detection and Response System (NDR), Network Monitoring tool and a helpdesk software (Retender) Lot 1: Kshs 660,000 Lot 2: Kshs 110,000 Lot 3: Kshs 66,000 4th April, 2024 @ 10.00am
1000001046 Tender for supply and delivery of laptops (Retender) Kshs: 440,000.00 4th April, 2024 @ 10.00am
1000001041 Tender for Supply, Installation, Configuration and Commissioning of Maintained/Leased Dark Fibre and Provision of a Secondary Internet Link at REREIC Office and Conference Facilities Open Tender 28.3.2024 Lot 1: Kshs 25,000 Lot 2: Kshs 100,000 4th April, 2024 @ 10.00am

2. Tendering will be conducted under open competitive method (National) using a standardized tender document. Tendering is open to all qualified and interested Tenderers.

3. Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours 8.00am - 12.45pm to 1.45pm-4.00pm Monday to Friday at Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation Offices situated in Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor.

4. A complete set of tender documents may be viewed and downloaded by interested tenderers free of charge electronically from the Website www.reerec.co.ke under tender documents or through the e-procurement portal using https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal and on the Public Procurement Information Portal https://tenders.gov.ke

5. Tenderers who are not yet registered with REREC must register their companies in order to participate in tendering. For more information on how to register visit www.rerec.co.ke Procurement-Supplier Application. Registration is free of charge.

6. Tenderers may be viewed and downloaded for free from the website www.reerec.co.ke

7. Tenders shall be quoted in Kenya Shillings and shall include all taxes. Tenders shall remain valid for 147 days from the date of opening of tenders.

8. All Tenders must be accompanied by a tender Security in form of a bank guarantee. Original Bid security shall be delivered to the tender Box (Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground Floor, Off Popo Road), on/before the tender closing date and time indicated above.

9. The Tenderer shall chronologically serialise all pages of the tender documents submitted.

10. Completed tenders must be delivered to Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation electronically through https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/portal on or before the tender closing date and time indicated above.

11. Online Electronic Tenders will be permitted.

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

13. Any addendum to this tender shall be uploaded to the Corporation’s website www.reerec.co.ke under tender documents.

14. Late tenders will be rejected.

15. The addresses referred to above are:

Address for obtaining further information on tender documents
Original Bid security delivered to the tender Box (Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground Floor, Off Popo Road), Conta Manager, Supply chain management, telephone number: 0709130000 and e-mail address: tenders@reerec.co.ke

Address for Submission of Tenders: Online Through https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/portal Address for Opening of Tenders: Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground Floor, online opening system
Name: Dr. Rose N. Mkalama,
Designation: Chief Executive Officer
Isemi County launches research initiative to tackle invasive ‘Mathenge Plant’

BY DAVID NDURO(KNA)

The Isemi County administration will conduct research on an invasive tree christened “Mathenge plant,” which has encroached on vast areas of the arid and semi-arid area for a long time. The County Government’s Livestock and Agriculture Department is collaborating with the VSF – Suisse organization and the University of Nairobi in a three-month initiative to research the invasive ‘Prosopis Juliflora,’ locally known as the Mathenge plant.

The research comes before the implementation of a three-year project for strengthening drought resilience of agro-pastoral (INNOPLA) communities in Isemi County. Among the areas to be covered are Mnarani and Korbesa areas in Merti Sub-County, where the residents and stakeholders will present advantages and disadvantages and any strategies related to the management of the invasive plant.

Speaking at the two target villages, Isemi Chief Officer for Livestock Production, Mr. Isaiah Epuru, said the project would help the county government in its effort to manage the Mathenge plant. He called for community cooperation during the research period so that the county could get favorable results.

He emphasized the importance of the research before the INNOPLA project’s implementation because it will guide the entire process.

The Chief Officer was accompanied by VSF officials and representatives and students from the University of Nairobi.

Students from the University of Nairobi will conduct studies on the nutritional value of Prosopis-based feeds.
Government spearheads economic revitalization in Homa Bay with key initiatives

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Managing Director,
Kenya Broadcasting Corporation,
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NAIROBI

Be deposited in the tender box at the Main Gate Broadcasting House on or before 19/3/2023 at 10.00am. Submitted bids will be opened immediately thereafter at the KBC Matanganzo office in the presence of bidders or representatives who wish to attend.

MANAGING DIRECTOR

Managing Director, Kenya Broadcasting Corporation, P.O. Box 30436-00100, NAIROBI

OR

Government Spokesman Isaac Mwaura (center) addressing the media in Homa Bay Pier. To his left is county commissioner Moses Lilian and to the right is Maj Gen Paul Otieno. PHOTO: DAISY MARCY

Engineers Board rolls out strategy to develop and strengthen compliance to engineering standards countrywide

The Kenya School of Economics (EBK) has rolled out a robust strategy to strengthen compliance to the Engineers Act 2011 to 100 per cent by developing and enforcing engineering standards in national and county governments.

Speaking during the World Engineers Day, EBK Chairman, Eng. Erastus Mwongera said that the Board is developing the capacity of the general practice of engineering by establishing the Kenya Academy of Engineering and Technology.

Similarly, Eng Mwongera said the Board will establish the Kenya School of Engineering and accede to international accords for accreditation of engineering education and mobility of professional engineers.

“This day helps us remind ourselves of the critical role engineering plays in social economic transformation. Engineers Board provides the enabling environment through the registration of engineers and firms, regulation of engineering professional services, setting of standards, development, and general practice of engineering,” the EBK Chairman said.

He pointed out that the celebration of World Engineering Day is an opportunity to promote engineering as a career and highlighting how engineering can change the world for the better.

“This is an opportunity to engage with government and industry to address the need for engineering capacity and the quality of engineers around the world and develop strategic frameworks and best practices for the implementation of engineering solutions for sustainable development,” Eng Mwongera.

He said that there is a great deal to be done specially to achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals in developing countries to ensure that everyone has access to clean water, sanitation, reliable energy, and other basic human needs.

In Kenya, Eng Mwongera noted that there is also a great deal to be done in a bid to deal with the impacts of climate change, environmental issues, our growing cities, and the challenges of emerging technologies including artificial intelligence.

Eng. Mwongera assured Kenyans of the Board’s commitment in ensuring quality engineering education is offered in Kenyan universities to ensure graduates attain attributes comparable to global standards.

Principal Secretary State Department for Roads Eng Joseph Mbugua observed that engineers’ skills are essential to address basic human needs, alleviate poverty, promote secure and sustainable development, respond to emergency situations, reconstruct infrastructure, bridge the knowledge divide, and promote intercultural cooperation.

"The social and economic importance of engineers, there is increasing concern that declining enrolment in engineering studies might have a negative impact on future development," said Eng Mbugua.

"Engineering plays a key role in achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as it utilizes the principles of science and mathematics to develop practical applications that enhance food security, water supply, reliable energy, the environment, sustainable cities, natural disaster resilience and other areas," said the PS.

Eng Mbugua called on engineers in Kenya to keep their skills and knowledge up to date by participating in continuous professional development programmes offered by the Board and its accredited service providers.

"Quality engineering education, structured professional training and effective regulation of professional engineering services all go to ensuring that Kenya meets her development goals," said the PS.

Eng Mbugua stated that the country is placing a high priority on activities that promote awareness of engineering as a career, as well as on those that demonstrate the importance of the youth studying science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

He urged county governments to work closely with the national government for mutual growth.

Maura said President William Ruto is committed to ensuring all parts of the country benefit from development projects.

Homa Bay County Commissioner Moses Lilian said the government had beared up surveillance to improve security within the blue economy.

He warned against trafficking of contraband goods in the lake saying those behind such activities will face the full force of the law.

Lilian said the ongoing affordable housing projects in the county had provided jobs for the locals and boosted the economy.

He commended the county government for rolling out the edible oils production and processing project noting that it will cut down on imports and save the country foreign exchange.

Otienu said Kenya Shipyards Limited was undertaking several projects along the lake that will promote blue economy and revive lake transport.

He said was one of the leading modes of inland transport in the 70s as it was the safest and used to carry bulky goods.

The agency is currently rehabilitating the first phase of Homa Bay Pier which is set to be completed within four months.

The work involves rehabilitating and upgrading the pier with modern facilities such as landing bays, fish landing bays, freezing containers, waiting bays, public swimming area, restaurants among other amenities.

"There will be an increase in leisure tourism, sports tourism, and a boom of human capital development that would be delivered through local universities and tertiary colleges after completion of the pier," Otiueno said.

At the same time, Homa Bay Governor Gladys Wanga urged the national government to cede more functions to the county governments to enhance development and national development.

She said the two levels of government must work closely together to foster development adding that there should be no room for fights over roles and resources.
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Kenya Civil Aviation Authority (KCAA) is responsible for providing regulatory oversight, air navigation services and aviation training in Kenya. The Authority is seeking to recruit thirty (30) qualified Kenyan citizens as Graduate Trainees – Aeronautical Information Management.

Qualifications:
- Bachelor’s degree in any of the following disciplines: Aviation Management, Geography, Geographical Information Systems (GIS), Survey, Electronic Engineering, Information Technology (IT), Computer Science with bias in Database Systems, Software Engineering or equivalent qualification from a recognized institution;
- Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) mean grade C+ (plus) with at least a C+ (plus) in English Language, Physics or Physical Science, Geography and Mathematics or equivalent qualification from a recognized institution; and
- Proficiency in Computer Applications.

Additionally, the candidates will be required to:
- Pass an aptitude test for Aeronautical Information Management.
- Be aged between 18 and 28 years.

Interested candidates are required to submit their application letters quoting the job reference number ANS/AIM/TIN/05/24 on the envelope & application letter and attaching copies of certificates, testimonials, national identity card and a detailed CV with full contact details of three professional referees to the address below. The applications should be received not later than 20th March 2024.

**Kenya Civil Aviation Authority** is an equal opportunity employer. Female candidates and persons with disabilities (PWDs) are encouraged to apply. Note that persons with disabilities will be considered.Any form of canvassing shall lead to automatic disqualification.

The Director General
Kenya Civil Aviation Authority
Aviation House - JKIA
P. O. Box 30163 – 00100
NAIROBI

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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**MAY 2024 INTAKE APPLICATION FOR SELF - SPONSORED PROGRAMMES COURSES (SSP)**

The Kenya Institute of Mass Communication, a Public Tertiary Media Training Institute, invites applications from qualified candidates for admission into various Self-Sponsored Programmes (SSP) in Media, Broadcast Journalism, Film/Television/Radio Programmes Production, Animation, Web Design & Public Relations in the following levels:

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**Application**

1. All applications are to be submitted through the e-citizen platform.
2. Please visit our website, www.kimc.ac.ke, for the following details:
   a) Courses on offer and their Cluster Subject Requirements
   b) Guidelines on how to apply through e-citizen.
3. The application deadline is Friday, March 22nd, 2024

**Note**

Regular Courses: Applications for ALL Regular Courses are currently open. Please apply via the KUCCPS student portal at https://students.kuccps.net.

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**WILDLIFE RESEARCH AND TRAINING INSTITUTE**

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Wildlife Research and Training Institute (WRTI) is a State Corporation established under Section 50 of the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, 2013 with the mandate to coordinate and undertake Wildlife Research and Training in Kenya. The Institute seeks to recruit dynamic, innovative and experienced individuals to fill the following vacant positions at its Headquarters in Naivasha:-

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Details of the overall responsibilities and requirements for the positions can be obtained from our website: www.wrти.go.ke - careers section.

Interested and qualified individuals should download the WRTI Application for Employment Form on the website, fill and forward the same enclosing copies of their academic and professional certificates, copy of ID card, detailed CV indicating work experience, current remuneration and employer, daytime telephone contact, both office and mobile, names, addresses and emails of three (3) referees to the address below not later than 19th March, 2024 at 4:30pm

**Director/CEO**
Wildlife Research and Training Institute
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Naivasha, Kenya
Email: recruitment@wrти.go.ke

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The details of the posts and mode of application can be accessed on the Public Service Commission website at www.publicservice.go.ke. Interested and qualified persons are encouraged to submit their applications directly to the institutions where they exist or to the Public Service Commission website at www.publicservice.go.ke. Successful candidates will be required to apply for licensing and registration by the TVET Authority.

SOMETHING NEW 2024

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The form may be downloaded from the Commission website: www.publicservice.go.ke.

The form must be submitted to the Commission no later than 15th March, 2024.
The Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (the Authority) is established under Section 8 of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, 2015 (the Act). In Section 9 (ra) of the Act, the Authority is charged with the function to develop, promote and support the training and capacity development of persons involved in procurement and asset disposal. It is in view of this that the Authority is pleased to announce its upcoming training program as follows:

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Tendering will be conducted under Open National Competitive Method using a standardized tender document. Tendering is open to all qualified and interested Tenderers. Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Document during Office hours 0800 to 1700 hours at the address given below.

The detailed training calendar that contains other pertinent information is available on https://ppra.go.ke/training-calendar2024/
**KIPPRA ADVERTISEMENT FOR VACANCIES**

Kenya Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis (KIPPRA) is a State Corporation established by an Act of Parliament – KIPPRA Act No. 15 of 2006, with a primary mandate of providing quality policy advice to the Government of Kenya, and other key stakeholders by conducting policy research and analysis and through capacity building, in order to contribute to the achievements of national long term development objectives.

The Kenya Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis invites applications from qualified candidates for the following Nineteen (19) positions:

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The public is notified of the following:

1. Detailed job descriptions, requirements, and how to apply are available on the website [https://recruitment.kippra.or.ke/](https://recruitment.kippra.or.ke/)
2. All applications MUST be received on or before 26th March 2024 by 5:00 pm.
3. KIPPRA is an equal-opportunity employer. Persons with disability, females, marginalized and minorities are encouraged to apply.
4. There are NO fees charged by KIPPRA for any application for these positions.
5. Canvassing for any of these positions will result in the disqualification of the candidate.
6. Leadership, Management and Supervisory Courses will be an added advantage.
7. ONLY shortlisted candidates will be contacted and will be required to present originals of the following documents during the interviews:
   b. Academic and Professional Certificates and transcripts.
   c. Any other supporting documents and testimonials.
   d. Memberships to relevant professional bodies and associations (where applicable).
   e. Evidence of publications where required.
   f. Recommendation letter (s).
8. The Successful candidates and will be required to avail the following documents:
   a. Clearance from Higher Education Loans Board.
   c. Printed Online Self-Declaration Application Acknowledgement Receipt or a self-Declaration Form duly stamped by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission.
   d. Clearance from Kenya Revenue Authority (Tax Compliance Certificate).
   e. Clearance from a Registered Credit Reference Bureau.

Applicants are requested to submit a cover letter, CV, copies of certificates & testimonials, and duly filled personal data form which can be downloaded from the Institute’s website. All applications should be sent through the recruitment portal (link provided in section 1 above).

Applications to be addressed to:

The Executive Director,
The Kenya Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis,
Upper Hill, Bishop Gardens Towers, 2nd Floor Bishop Road,
P.O. Box 56445, Nairobi, 00200 City Square, Tel: 2719953/4, Fax 2719951 Nairobi, Kenya.

Late applications will not be accepted, and ONLY shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Sh1.3b grants from World Bank, French Agency to upgrade Kisumu slums

Kisumu County KISIP2 Coordinator Tom Mbaya addressing the media at Bandani slums in Kisumu county.

**BY CHRIS MAHANDARA (KNA)**

Six informal settlements in Kisumu are earmarked for a major facelift after the county received Sh1.3 billion grants from the World Bank and French Development Agency (AFD).

The funds will be channelled through the Second Phase of the Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP-2) which covers Bandani, Manyatta A, Manyatta B, Migosi and Nyawita.

Mboya said the construction of Lot 1, which covers Bandani, Manyatta A, Manyatta B, Migosi and Nyawita kicked off on January 18th, 2024, was expected to be concluded by January 18th, 2025, with the contractor given one more year to check and rectify any defects.

Lot 2, which covers Muhoroni and Kibuye, was experiencing delays due to legislative issues at national and county levels but expressed optimism that the works would soon begin as scheduled.

“This is a five-year project which was supposed to kick off in 2020, but was delayed by the Covid-19 pandemic. We are therefore three years late, that is why the contractors have one year to complete the works and another year to check and rectify defects,” he said.
MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND WILDLIFE
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR WILDLIFE

INVITATION TO TENDER

PROCURING ENTITY: State Department for Wildlife,
P. O. Box 41394 -00100, Nairobi TEL: 0234-20-3724725/2724646

CONTRACT NAME: TENDER FOR SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ICT EQUIPMENTS AND ACCESSORIES

TENDER NUMBER: SDW/ONT/014/2023-2024

TENDER CLOSING DATE AND TIME: 19.03.2023 at 11.00 a.m.

1. The Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife, State Department for Wildlife invites sealed TENDER FOR SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ICT EQUIPMENTS AND ACCESSORIES

2. Tendering is Reserved for Women, Youth & PWD qualified and interested tenderers.

3. The tenders may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours (9.00 to 15.00 hours) at the address given below.

4. A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested tenderers electronically from the www.tenders.go.ke or www.tourism.go.ke and PPP portal.

5. Bidders will only apply ONE LOT.

6. Tenders shall be quoted in Kenya Shillings and shall include all taxes.

7. Tenders shall remain valid for (180) days from the date of opening of tenders.

8. The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the Tender documents submit (Mandatory in accordance with Section 74(1)(i) of the PPDA Act 2015).

9. Completed Tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before 10.00 am on 20th March 2024

10. Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any dead line date and time specified later.

11. Tenderers and tenderers representatives wishing to attend MUST produce introductory letters from the building firm.

12. Late Tenders will be rejected.

13. For LOT 2 bidders are to provide colour brochures to match the technical specifications provided in the tender document.

A. Addressor submission of Tenders

1) Name of Procuring Entity State Department for Wildlife

2) Physical address for the location (City, Street Name, Building, Floor Number and Room) Tender Box: 15th Floor

3) Postal Address P.O. Box 41394 -00100, Nairobi.

B. Addressor submission of Tenders

1) Name of Procuring Entity State Department for Wildlife

2) Physical address for the location (City, Street Name, Building, Floor Number and Room) Tender Box: NSFF Building Block A, 15th Floor

3) Postal Address P.O. Box 41394 -00100, Nairobi.

Managing Director/CEO
TENDER NOTICE

The State Department for Cooperatives invites sealed bids from eligible candidates for the following tenders:

**Tender No.**

**Description**

**Eligibility**

MOC/CMSE/SDCM/005/2023-2024

PROPOSED PARTITIONING WORKS FOR THE OFFICES OF THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR COOPERATIVES 24TH FLOOR, NSFS BUILDING.

Open

The Tender documents may be obtained from the Supply Chain Management Office, NSFS Building, 16th Floor, Eastern Wing, during working hours (8.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.), upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kenya Shillings One Thousand (Kshs.1000/=) per set of the Tender document, payable at the Cash Office, NSFS Building Block B, 10th floor or a banker’s cheque.

Interested bidders may also download tender documents free of charge from the following links http://ushirika.go.ke/ or the Public Procurement Information Portal at https://tenders.go.ke/ website and should register the same in our procurement office situated at NSFS Building, Block B Eastern Wing 16th Floor.

The evaluation criteria shall be as prescribed in the tender documents.

The State Department for Cooperatives invites sealed bids from eligible candidates for the following tender:

- Tender No. Name and number should be addressed and delivered to:

  **Required, will be as stated in the bid documents.**

  **Days from the tender opening date.**

  **Bid securities from reputable Banks and approved Insurance Firms, where required, will be as stated in the bid documents.**

  **The evaluation criteria shall be as prescribed in the tender documents.**

  **Prices quoted must include all relevant taxes, be expressed in Kenya Shillings and remain valid for a period of 126 days from the tender opening date. Bid securities from reputable banks and approved Insurance firms, where required, will be as stated in the bid documents.**

  **All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of not less than the indicated amount in the tender document.**

  **Completed and subsequently sealed bid, in plain sealed envelopes, without indication of the sender, clearly marked Tender name and number should be addressed and delivered to:**

  **The Principal secretary, State Department for Cooperatives P.O.Box 30497 – 00190, NAIROBI**

  Or be deposited in the Tender Box at NSFS Building, Block B Eastern Wing 16th Floor, at the main reception area (as to be received on or before 19th March, 2024 at 10.00am)

  **Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter, and bidders or their representatives who choose to attend. Late bids will not be accepted.**

  **HEAD OF SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT UNIT FOR: PRINCIPAL SECRETARY STATE DEPARTMENT FOR CO-OPERATIVES**

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**POSTAL CORPORATION OF KENYA**

**NATIONAL OPEN TENDER NOTICE**

The Postal Corporation of Kenya is a commercial State Enterprise operating under the PCK Act, 1995. The Corporation’s mandate includes provision of accessible, affordable and reliable Postal services to all parts of Kenya as a public Postal Licensee where communications through the Postal Office forms part of the basic human right as enshrined in the 1984 United Nations Charter. The Corporation’s mission is to provide the public and private sector with end-to-end, reliable seamless Universal Postal and Courier Services.

The Postal Corporation of Kenya invites sealed tenders from interested eligible bidders as below:

- Tender No. Reference Number
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Complete tender documents can be downloaded free of CHARGE from PCK website; www.posta.co.ke or from the Public Procurement Information Portal; www.tenders.go.ke

The completed tender documents in a plain sealed envelope indicating Tender Number and description as described in the tender document will be deposited in the Tender Box provided at Posta House, Mmezzanine Floor, Kenyatta Avenue, Nairobi and will be addressed to:

- The Postmaster General, Postal Corporation of Kenya, P. O. Box 14567. GPO, ONGOO, Nairobi.

So as to reach us on or before Tuesday 9th March 2024 at 11.00 A.M.

The bid documents will be opened immediately thereafter, and bidders or their representative who choose to attend will be welcome to witness the opening at the Posta House Boardroom 7th floor.

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**KENYA FORESTRY RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

**INVITATION TO TENDER**

The Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI) invites sealed bids from eligible candidates for the tenders listed below:

- **No** | **Tender Reference Number** | **Bid Security** | **Eligibility** | **Bid Closing & Opening Date** |
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Tender Documents may be viewed and downloaded free of charge from KEFRI website www.kefri.org or Public Procurement Information Portal www.tenders.go.ke. Interested firms who download the tender document and intend to submit a bid MUST forward their contacts/particulars immediately through: tenders@kefri.org for the purpose of facilitating clarification and/or addendum.

For further detailed requirements/information on the Tenders, interested firms are required to view/inspect the Tender Documents.

Completed Bid Documents must be submitted in a plain sealed envelope ("original" and "copy") all clearly marked with the Tender Number and Tender Name indicated as per instructions in the Tender Document and addressed to:

- The Director
  Kenya Forestry Research Institute
  P.O. Box 20412-0300 City Square
  Nairobi

and deposited in the tender box situated at the entrance of the Director’s office - KEFRI Headquarters, Murguga, so as to be received on or before the bid closing date of Tuesday 19th March 2024 at 11.30am.

The bid opening will be done immediately thereafter on Tuesday 19th March 2024 at 11.30am in the Auditorium Room - KEFRI Headquarters - Murguga in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend.

Late tenders will be rejected.

Ag. DIRECTOR - KEFRI
Border communities urged to embrace peaceful co-existence

BY DENSON MUTUTO AND STACY JEPCHUMBA (KNA)

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ommunities living along the porous borders of Kitui, Tana River, and Garissa Counties, have been urged to embrace peaceful coexistence as well as share available resources in the areas.

Speaking in a joint border security public baraza at Imuumba area in Kitui East Constituency, Kitui County Commissioner Kipchumba Rutto and his Tana River County counterpart Mr. David Koskeli, directed security officers from the three counties to jointly beef up security along the borders to ensure local communities coexist peacefully.

“Security committees from the three counties will continue to work together, especially in engaging in activities on building and maintaining peace aimed at ensuring peaceful coexistence between the porous border communities,” Rutto said.

The commissioner further noted that the national government is closely working with respective county governments to protect the lives and properties of all citizens living along the insecure porous borders.

The two county commissioners who were on a security tour of the border region, inspected ongoing construction works at three out of eight police stations which are under construction along the porous borders and funded by the Kitui County Government.

The two county bosses lauded the Kitui County Government for supporting the national government in beefing up security along the borders, and more so by funding the construction of the eight police stations aimed at ensuring security agents are deployed closer to affected residents.

Rutto said that his county will continue supporting and cooperating in all inter-county border security activities and support the Kitui County Government in its efforts to put up security structures to help beef up the security of these border communities,” Rutto said.

Rutto further underscored the importance of coexisting peacefully and appealed for cooperation between the local border communities, advising them to always refrain from acts of violence that may result in the destruction of properties or negatively affect their day-to-day activities including interruptions of classes in education institutions.

Speaking during the baraza, Kitui County Chief Officer for decentralized units Mr. Stephen Salee reiterated the county government’s commitment to avail funds for the construction and operationalization of the eight police stations along the border of Kitui and Tana River counties.

The move to construct the eight police stations aimed at realizing long-lasting peace and protection of the border residents.

The signing of the security partnership paved the way for the ongoing construction of the first five police stations in Endau, Malalani, Mutha, Nguni, and Ngomoni wards, with the construction of the other three police stations set to kick off.

The safety of our people has always been my top priority and this partnership will help the county strengthen its security delivery mechanisms within locations, wards, sub-counties, and county borders,” the county chief officer noted.

Most of the conflicts witnessed in the porous border area revolve around water and pasture, and livestock, advising communities grazing in protected areas, charcoal production, artisanal and small-scale mining, theft of livestock, and poaching.

The border feud between the three counties emanates from competition for meager pasture and water along the common porous borders.

The Ministry of Health invites sealed tenders for the purchase and delivery of therapeutic apheresis machine.

The tender will be opened and read aloud in the presence of Tenderers.

The Tender will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenders’ designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below.

Any canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification. Late tenders will not be accepted.

Director General
Kenyatta National Hospital
P.O. Box 30264-00100, Nairobi.

so as to be received on or before 19th March 2024 at 10:00am

Ministry of Health
Supply Chain Management Office, Aya House, 5th Floor, Room No.514 Nairobi.
P.O. Box 30016 – 00100 Nairobi
Email procurement@health.go.ke

Address for Opening of Tenders.
CT Boardroom, Aya House, Ground floor.

Name: Henry Kintamal, CRS
Designation: PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL SERVICES

1. The Ministry of Health invites sealed tenders for Therapeutic Apheresis Machine.
2. Tenders are to be submitted at Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) at https://treasury.go.ke and The Ministry website www.health.go.ke for free of charge before the closing date. Tenderers who download the tender document MUST forward their particulars immediately to procurement@health.go.ke to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.
3. All Tenders must be accompanied by a tender securing declaration form valid for a period of 210 days from the date of tender opening.
4. The Tenderer shall computerize scanned copies of all pages of the tender documents submitted.
5. Tenderers must be addressed to the address below on or before 28th March 2024 at 11.00 a.m.
6. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenders’ designated representatives who choose to attend at the address above.
7. Late tenders will be rejected.
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Principal Secretary, Ministry of Health, State Department of Medical Services
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CT Boardroom, Aya House, Ground floor.

REF: MOH/PROC/6/1/3
Date: 1st March 2024.

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STATE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL SERVICES

KENYA NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS

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No. TENDER NO. ITEM / SERVICE DESCRIPTION CLOSING DATE TARGETED GROUPS
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2. KNBS/ONT/15/2023-2024 Supply and Delivery of Tab- lets & Power Banks 19th March 2024 at 10:00 am Reserved for PWDs Category Only
3. KNBS/ONT/16/2023-2024 Supply and Delivery of 3GB Laptop & Docking Stations 19th March 2024 at 10:00 am Reserved for Youth Category Only
4. KNBS/ONT/17/2023-2024 Supply and Delivery of 16GB Laptop & Docking Stations 19th March 2024 at 10:00 am Reserved for PWDs Category Only
5. KNBS/ONT/18/2023-2024 Provision of Stat and SPSS Software Licenses 19th March 2024 at 10:00 am Reserved for Youth Category Only
6. KNBS/ONT/19/2023-2024 Supply and Delivery of Pads & Tablets 19th March 2024 at 10:00 am Reserved for Women Category Only

Eligible Tenderers may obtain further information and download the Tender Document free of charge from the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) at https://treasury.go.ke and for Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS) website, https://www.knbs.go.ke under “Tenders” portal. Those who download the load document must immediately forward their particulars therein (i.e. Name & Contacts of Applicant) to email: procurement@knbs.go.ke for purposes of registration.

Original and Completed Tender documents should be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes marked with tender reference number and be deposited in the tender box on 13th Floor, Real Towers addressed to:

Director General
Kenya National Bureau of Statistics
P. O. Box 30264-00100, Nairobi.

so as to be received on or before 19th March 2024 at 10:00am

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KENYA NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS

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DIRECTOR GENERAL
The agricultural sector, the backbone of Kenya economy and largest employer for youth along priority agricultural value chains. The PIU will be involved from the beginning of the consultancy. The PIU will support the consultant in the following aspects:

- To develop capacity building reference manuals and guiding notes for implementation of RGF. This will be as per the implementation framework for the RCA.
- Specific Objectives.
  i. To develop capacity building reference manuals and guiding notes for implementation of RGF.
  ii. To develop capacity building Financial Institutions(PFIs) credit/loan officers.
  iii. Develop guiding/reference manuals for the credit/loan officers on RGF implementation.
- Scope of Assignment.
   The consultant will cover the capacity building of credit/loan officers for implementation of the RCA/Risk Sharing Facility as outlined in the specific objectives.
   - The consultant will develop a curriculum and enable the officers to acquire knowledge to support implementation of the RCA.
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- Specific TORs for the assignment.
   In order to accomplish the assignment, the consultant will be expected to undertake the following:
   - i. Develop guiding/reference manuals for the credit/loan officers implementing the RCA.
   - ii. Capacity building of Participating Financial Institutions(PFIs)/credit/loan officers on RCA implementation.
- Deliverables.
   - i. An inception report provided two weeks after commencement of the assignment, outlining the plan of work and budget indicating the methodology for implementing the task.
   - ii. Capacity building guiding notes for RCA implementation.
   - iii. Report on capacity building the PFIs credit/loan officers.
- All reports to be submitted in both soft and hard copies.

7. Consultant’s qualifications and experience.
   The consultant should be able to demonstrate relevant experience in all aspects of the assignment. This should include:
   - Completion of similar assignments.
   - Experience in capacity building financial institutions on management of Risk Sharing Facility implementation.
   - Knowledge of agriculture, agribusiness sector and including agriculture financing.

Ⅲ. Background of Capacity Building on Participating Financial Institutions

The consultant is tasked with capacity building Participating Financial Institutions(PFIs)/credit/loan officers for youth along priority agricultural value chains and experience in developing agricultural based financial products.

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  ii. To develop capacity building Participating Financial Institutions(PFIs) credit/loan officers who will be implementing Risk Guarantee funds(RGF).
- Objectives of assignment
  Overall Objective.
  The consultant is tasked with capacity building Participating Financial Institutions(PFIs) credit/loan officers on RGF implementation.

Ⅳ. Assignment period
  The period of assignment will be 30 days from commencement of the contract.

Ⅴ. Responsibility for administration and coordination of the assignment process
  1. Obligation of the Program Implementing Unit(PIU)
   - The PIU will be involved from the beginning of the consultancy. The PIU will support the consultant in the following aspects:
     - i. Provide the consultant with information requested.
     - ii. Approve the reports submitted in Sission with ADB.
  2. Obligation of the consultant
   - The consultant will submit to the PIU the progress reports within the stated time period.
   - The consultant will submit an inception report outlining the plan of work and budget indicating the methodology.
   - The consultant will develop detailed reference manuals/guiding notes for efficient and seamless implementation Risk Sharing Facility.
   - The consultant will capacity build PFIs credit/loan officers on RCA implementation.
   - The consultant will submit PFIs credit/loan officers’ capacity building report on the RCA implementation.

Ⅵ. Reporting/ Coordination
  The consultant shall forward all the reports to the Program Coordinator. EFO.

Ⅶ. Qualification and Evaluation Criteria
  Preliminary Mandatory Requirements
  - a) Valid Tax compliance certificate from Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
  - b) Copy of Business Registration/Certificate of incorporation
  - c) Valid trading certificate
  - d) CR12 for limited companies, detailing the list of directors and shareholders and copies of identification card (ID) for the Board Directors.
  - e) Valid PFN Certificate.
  - f) Submission of the original tender document and one copy.
  - g) 5 years certified audited accounts, 2020,2021 and 2022.
  - h) Evidence of experience in managing Participating Financial Institutions(PFIs)/credit/loan officers and efficacy trial shall include curriculum vitae of the personnel and copies of academic Certificate.

Ⅷ. EOI Submission:
  Eligible firms are to submit their clearly labeled “EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTANCY FOR CAPACITY BUILDING PARTICIPATING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS(PFIS) CREDIT/LOAN OFFICERS” by hard copy to be deposited in the Tender Box situated on the Ground Floor, Kilimo House, Cathedral Road so as to be received not later than 11:00 a.m. East African Time on Tuesday 19th March, 2024.

The submission will be addressed to:

The Principal Secretary
State Department for Agriculture
Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock Development and Cooperatives
Kilimo House, Cathedral Road,
P.O.Box 50883-00100
NAIROBI

EOI Opening:
- The EOI documents will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of interested parties at Kilimo House, Cathedral Road, ASCU Boardroom UPPER FLOOR on 19th March, 2024 immediately after closing.
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Vihiga to embrace aquaculture

BY SAMMY MWIBANDA

Vihiga County Directorate of Fisheries is reclaiming wetlands to pave the way for fish farming. Governor Dr. Wilber Otieno stated that the County would like to increase fish production to provide raw material for the upcoming County Industrial and Aggregation Park (CIAP) at Luanda Sub-County, Vihiga County.

The Governor believes fish processing would spur industrial development in the County and raise revenue collection. He said this after a delegation from the International Fund for Agriculture Development (IFAD) and the State Department for Fisheries and Blue Economy paid him a courtesy call.

He added that the county is reviewing the Mwitu kok fish farming in Wemuli and Luanda Sub-County to provide adequate and affordable fish for the residents.

Ministry of Labour flags off 46 NYS graduands for Saudi Arabia jobs

BY JULIUS NDEGWA

An initial batch of 46 graduates from the National Youth Service have been flagged off by the Ministry of Labour for Saudi Arabia where the government has secured jobs for them.

The group is the first batch out of 273 graduates from the institute who will be travelling to the same destination for work in this month.

Principal Secretary for the State Department for Labour and Skills Development, Mr. Shadrack Mwadime flagged off the graduates at a colourful ceremony attended by the Acting NYS Director General Mr Ndambiri Nyagah and relatives.

The function was a result of a newborn partnership between the Ministry of Labour and Private Recruitment Agencies in sourcing employment opportunities in the diaspora for Kenyan youth.

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Mwadime said the country will now be focusing on the National Youth Service to provide labour for export due to its high quality of training.

He also revealed that the Ministry is working in conjunction with the Investment Authority of Kenya to develop a legal framework to safeguard remittances from migrant workers.

“The remittances you will send back to the country is an important investment and source of revenue that will play a critical role in the country’s economic development of the country and should therefore be safeguarded,” the PS said.

Last year, President William Ruto announced that the NYS will be an anchor institution for trainees destined for the international labour market.
PS lauds Community Health Promoters for role in driving healthcare access across Kenya

BY JUDY SHERI (PCO)

The Government has lauded the pivotal role played by the new cohort of Community Health Promoters (CHPs) in driving healthcare access which has reached millions of Kenyans with vital services across the country.

The Principal Secretary for Public Health and Professional Standards Ms Mary Muthoni Muriuki said the Ministry of Health, in pursuit of universal health coverage for Kenyans hired CHPs in 2023 to extend primary healthcare services to the grassroots.

This cohort of Community Health Promoters, Ms Muriuki said, focuses on preventive and promotive health measures which has made them vital linchpins in the nation’s healthcare strategy.

Backed by the newly enacted Primary Health Care Act 2023, Ms Muriuki said, the new CHPs will operate under established frameworks like Primary Healthcare Networks and Community Health Units to help Kenyans in the rural areas access basic preventive healthcare.

“The CHPs’ responsibilities range from health education to basic first aid and referrals, with each CHP entrusted with the well-being of 100 homes within their communities,” the PS said.

Ms Muriuki noted that since the launch of the CHPs Programme by President William Ruto on October 20th last year, in Kericho County, the Community Health Promoters Program has achieved remarkable milestones in community health service delivery in the country.

Speaking in her office, the PS confirmed that CHPs in 31 counties have already started using the digital tool for community health service delivery.

“Over 3 million households have been visited by CHPs who have reached 15 million Kenyans with essential health services and over 1.7 million Kenyans have been screened for blood pressure and 1.3 million screened for blood sugar, with 85,000 referred for facility-based health care due to high blood pressure and blood sugar while 1.3 million children under the age of five have been assessed,” the PS revealed.

Recognizing the pivotal role of CHPs in delivering primary healthcare services at the grassroots level, the PS added, the government has undertaken significant initiatives to strengthen the Programme and extend its reach to millions of Kenyans.

Recognizing the dedication of the CHPs, the Government has committed substantial resources, including over Sh3 billion annually for stipend payments to support 107,000 CHPs nationwide, she said.

Additionally, the PS added, the health workers are equipped with comprehensive kits containing medicines and supplies and are better equipped to deliver essential services effectively.

Additionally, Ms Muriuki said the government has provided comprehensive Community Health Promoter Kits to 100,000 CHPs, equipped with essential medicines and supplies to deliver preventive and promotive health services.

“These kits are instrumental in reducing the burden of diseases in communities and ensuring access to essential healthcare services,” the PS added.

With the support of the national government, 110,000 smartphones have been distributed to CHPs, enabling real-time data collection and improving health service delivery planning, and links individuals to healthcare facilities.

“With the support of the government’s strategic shift towards preventive and promotive health, the Primary Health Care Act, 2023 has provided a solid legal framework for the effective delivery and management of health services through Primary Healthcare Networks (PCNs) and Community Health Units (CHUs),” Ms Muriuki said.

Under this legislation, the PS added, CHPs have emerged as indispensable healthcare providers within their communities.
Natembeya to promote investors’ confidence

BY ISAIAH NAYIKA AND EMMANUEL KATASI (KNA)

Trans Nzoia County Governor George Nambebe (pictured) has pledged to accord all investors in the county the required environment to undertake their operations.

Speaking during the official opening of a five-storey business complex owned by businessman Ibrahim Ambwere, the governor said the county was committed to creating an enabling environment for all investors irrespective of tribe or race.

He added that to achieve this, Nambebe said he has rolled out strategies to ensure that key components essential for meaningful investment, namely roads and security are improved. “We are going to build all-weather roads to increase mobility and help transportation of farm produce to the market on time. We also aim to continue the development of the relevant arms of the national government to ensure security which we have had to continue to thrive,” he said.

The expansion of Kitale town, Nambebe revealed that he has placed a request to the national government to consider using Kitale Prison land for the purpose, instead of the affordable housing project which it is earmarked for.

He also took the chance to sound a word to grabbers of public land informing them that it is a game that is short-lived and the results are known.

Meanwhile, the Governor hailed Ambwere for creating a business empire that has supported thousands of small businesses across the Western region and created employment for many Kenyans.

Walking down memory lane, the Governor picked out Ambwere’s generosity, citing an instance in the 1980s when the tycoon used his investments worth Sh48 million to pay salaries to teachers across the country after the then government had failed to.

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MINISTRY OF LANDS, PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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

Country: Kenya

Name of Project: Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2)

Project No.: P167814

Credit No.: 6759-KE

Assignment Title: Consulting Services for Preparation and Implementation of Settlement Level Community Development Plans (COPs) in 8 No. Selected Informal Settlements in Mombasa, Kiambu and Uasin Gishu Counties.

Reference No.: KE-MOTI-390949-CS-DCBS

1. The Government of Kenya (GOK) has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

2. The consulting services (the Services) include: Implementing Settlement Level Community Development Plans in 8 (Eight) selected informal Selected Informal Settlements in Mombasa, Kiambu and Uasin Gishu Counties, Republic of Kenya. The assignment is expected to take Twelve (12) Calendar Months.

3. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.housingandurban.go.ke/tenders or can be obtained at the address given below.

4. The State Department of Housing and Urban Development (the Client) in the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, 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:

   1. Core business and years in business: The firm shall be registered/ incorporated as a Civil Society Organization for a period of at least fifteen (15) years.

   2. Relevant experience: The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed at least two (2) assignments of similar nature both in scope and complexity in similar operating environment in the last ten (10) years. Details of the assignment Name and address of the client, scope, value and period shall be provided in the submitted expression of interest (EoI).

   3. Technical and managerial capability of the firm: The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity including relevant equipment, tools, software etc. and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment in the tendered company.

   4. Documentation: The firm shall indicate as having the requisite qualifications and the experience to perform the assignment in the tendered company.

   5. Key Executives shall be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

7. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraph 3.1, 3.4.3, 3.5 and 3.7 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.

8. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

9. Expression of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below by 19th March 2024 at 1100 Hours EAT - using one of the following modalities: (i) deposit in the tender box located on 6th Floor, Ardhi House Boardroom, Nairobi, Kenya or (ii) send by email to: kisip2.procurement@housingandurban.go.ke and quote the Assignment Title and Contract No. in the subject line.

10. For expressions of interest that are delivered by email, the packages should be duly marked with Assignment title and reference/contract No. as above: Consulting Services for Preparation and Implementation of Settlement Level Community Development Plans (COPs) in 8 No. Selected Informal Settlements in Mombasa, Kiambu and Uasin Gishu Counties, Republic of Kenya Reference/ Contact No. KE-MOTI-390949-CS-DCBS

11. Further information may be obtained during the submission period by telephoning Mr. Issa Issa, on 1st Ngong Avenue, Nairobi, Kenya on telephone: +254-02-2729200.

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MINISTRY OF LANDS, PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT SELECTION)

Country: Kenya

Name of Project: Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2)

Credit No.: 6759-KE

Assignment Title: Consulting Services for Individual Land Surveying Consultant

Reference No.: KE-MOTI-402781-CS-INDV

1. This Request for Expression of Interest follows the General Procurement Notice for the project that appeared in Development Business; issue No. 1686 of 1st January 2021.

2. The Government of Kenya has received credit from the International Development Agency (IDA) towards financing of the Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2) and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this Credit to payments under this contract: Consulting Services for Individual Land Surveying Consultant: Ref: KE-MOTI-402781-CS-INDV

3. The tasks to be carried out under the assignment includes but not limited to:

   1. Assist in the preparation of the procurement documents for the activities related to land tenure regularization

   2. Offer technical support in the management of the consultancies related to land tenure regularization.

   3. Assist in undertaking due diligence on proposed settlements to reduce the chances of settlements that have prior commitments and disputes being taken up under tenure regularization. This will involve the consultant facilitating with the various registries and county councils to get up-to-date documentation regarding the settlement to enable the consultant make prior informed decisions on the settlements thus avoid project delays.

4. Assist in the review and quality control of survey technical reports and maps submitted by consultants under project.

   1. Minimum of a Bachelor's degree in land surveying or equivalent from a recognized university.

   2. Be a member of the Institution of Surveyors of Kenya (ISK) land surveyors' chapter with a good standing and valid practicing license.

   3. Minimum of ten (10) years with general experience as a Land surveyor with Five (5) years of which working with donor funded projects and/or government agencies implementing donor funded projects in informal settlements.

   4. Minimum of 5 Years’ specific experience in land surveying working with donor funded projects and/ or government agencies implementing donor funded projects in informal settlements.

5. The Consultancy Service Contract is expected to be for a period of Twelve (12) Calendar months.

6. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.housingandurban.go.ke/tenders or can be obtained at the address given below.

7. The Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, through the Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2) now invites eligible Consulting Services for Individual Land Surveying Consultant to express their interest in providing the services. Interested individuals must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (attach curriculum vitae (CV), copies of documentary evidence of academic qualifications, professional qualifications, and registration/ hosesing with professional bodies).

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9. An Individual Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultants Selection (ICS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

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KEMRI pilots unique research on infant mortality

BY JOSEPH OUMA AND MILLICENT ONYANGO (KNA)

The Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI) has successfully piloted unique research aimed at establishing the actual causes of death among children under five years in Kisumu and Siaya Counties.

The research, the first of its kind in Africa, focuses on mobile mortuary services to establish the causes of death in the respective areas as part of Child Mortality Studies.

The Acting Director General of KEMRI Prof. Elijah Song’ok and a leading researcher at the Kisumu site Dr. Richard Omoro took journalists through the intensive programme which has finally yielded positive results.

Prof. Song’ok revealed during a press briefing at KEMRI Kisumu that so far, the study has been funded to the tune of US$6 million (Sh 880 Million) by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation whose CEO Bill Gates and Melinda Gates Foundation (Sh 880 Million) by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation visited KEMRI in 2022 to review the progress of the unique and innovative study in the world.

“This unique mobile facility undertaking the Minimal Invasive Testing Sampling (MITs) procedure will be used to establish the prevention of Health and Mortality Prevention Surveillance (CHAMPS) study,” the Director General stated.

The study, he added, collects and shares evidence needed to design more effective and targeted interventions for the prevention of child mortality in regions where it is the highest like Siaya which has the highest prevalence of infectious diseases.

He noted with appreciation the support KEMRI has so far received from various partners and collaboration toward the unique study with Kenya and more specifically Kisumu site, saying they felt greatly honoured to be the inaugural research facility.

Prof. Song’ok said the concept was part of the effort to increase the performance of the study because with MITs, the samples are quickly obtained in the community within 24 hours and processed fast.

Previously, he explained, there were challenges in transporting bodies to the county mortuary facilities way after 24 hours due to logistical issues.

“Once the bodies are received, the samples are recorded, and verbal autopsies are quickly reviewed by a panel of experts called Deciding Course of Death (DECODE) team composed of pathologist, epidemiologist, physicians, paediatricians, and virologists who meet to decide the cause of death based on results from the laboratory.

The project is being implemented by KEMRI in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, the country health management team, Henry Jackson Foundation for the Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) with support from (CHAMPS) network program office based in Emory University (USA).

According to the project findings, the leading causes of death among infants and children in Kenya’s study site are malnutrition, HIV infection and diseases, congenital malformations (birth defects), pneumonia and sepsis. Other important reasons for death among children included sickle cell, low birth weight and diarrhoea, the don explained, who added that despite all, they are confident that at the end of the study, they shall have critical pointers to the actual cause of mortality for the under-five and prescribe better policies that prevent such deaths in future.

Dr. Richard Omoro, who’s the lead researcher at KEMRI Kisumu, said the initial preliminary results from the study supported by the MITs van and its accessories are estimated to cost US$ 70,000 (Sh10.5 million) to establish the actual causes of death among children under five years in Kisumu and Siaya.

Dr. Omoro revealed that the MIT van concept emanated from the challenges encountered in the process of recording community deaths such as the need for quick burials as witnessed during the coronavirus-related deaths as well as transportation of the bodies among other concerns.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The National Construction Authority (NCA) is a State Corporation mandated to regulate, streamline and build capacity in the construction industry for sustainable socio-economic development.

The Authority is seeking to recruit:

S/No Vacant Position and Job Grade Number of Posts Terms

1. General Manager, Construction Research, Business Development and Capacity Building - Grade C2 1 Contract
2. Manager, Construction Research and Business Development – Grade C3 1 Contract
3. Assistant Manager, Corporate Communications - Grade C4 1 Permanent
4. Senior Supply Chain Officer - Grade C5 1 Permanent
5. Senior Office Administrator - Grade C5 1 Permanent

Additional details on the vacant positions can be accessed from the Authority’s website, www.nca.go.ke.

HOW TO APPLY

If you meet the criteria for any of the above positions, you may submit your application, which should include the following:

- A detailed curriculum vitae that includes personal details, work experience.
- Academic certificates and professional qualifications.
- An application letter that outlines your interest in the position.
- Notarized copies of academic and professional certificates, testimonials, curriculum vitae, details of your current position and current remuneration as well as the email and telephone contacts of three (3) referees familiar with your qualifications and work experience.

To be considered, an application must be duly filled with the relevant attachments and addressed to:

The Executive Director
National Construction Authority
P.O Box 2104-00100
Nairobi.

Hardcopy applications should be dropped off at NCA Headquarters located on the 9th Floor of KCB Towers, Kenyatta Road, Upper Hill. Applications can also be submitted online using the following link: https://recruitment.nca.go.ke:10441/

Applicants should accurately indicate the position being applied for.

All applications should be received no later than 13th March 2024 by 23:59 hours.

Note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. Successful candidates will be required to satisfy the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya by submitting compliance certificates as follows: Certificate of Good Conduct, Certificate of Clearance from Higher Education Loans Board, Tax Compliance Certificate, Clearance from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission, Certificate from an approved Credit Reference Bureau and Clearance from The Office of Director of Public Prosecutions.

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Kisii County unveils committee to spearhead fight against child labour

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Kisii County unveils committee to spearhead fight against child labour

BY JANE NAITORE (KNA)

The International Labour Organisation (ILO) has revealed a troubling trend in global estimates of child labour which has increased for the first time in 20 years from 152 million in 2016 to 160 million in 2020. According to the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS), 8.5 per cent of Kenya’s children (1.3 million) are in child labour especially in the agricultural sector.

It is for this reason that Kisii County has unveiled a Child Labour Committee to spearhead activities to end child labour in critical value chains in the Coffee and Tea Sectors in the area.

This move is in line with ILO strategy dubbed “Accelerating action for elimination of child labour in supply chains in Africa (ACCEL Africa)”. Speaking during the first committee meeting in Kisii town, Kisii South Deputy County Commissioner Ms Grace Ouma said the team will assist in designing interventions and implementing the project.

Ms. Ouma noted that the multispectral committee will be in identified areas like Meru, Kirinyaga, and Kericho counties where child labour has been found to be rampant in the tea and coffee industries.

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ENGINEERS BOARD OF KENYA

TENDER NOTICE

The Engineers Board of Kenya invites interested and eligible bidders to submit sealed bids for the following:

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A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested bidders upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kshs 1000 in form of a banker’s cheque or deposited in EBK account at the National Bank of Kenya, Hill Plaza Branch Account Number, 01001031539000.

Alternatively the tender documents may be obtained free of charge by downloading from EBK website: www.ebk.go.ke or Public Procurement Information Portal: www.tenders.go.ke. Bidders who choose to download the tender documents MUST forward their company’s particulars to tenders@ebk.go.ke for recording and further addendum/clarifications if any.

Duly completed tender documents in plain sealed envelope clearly marked with the Tender Number and Name should be addressed to:

The Registrar/Chief Executive Officer
Engineers Board of Kenya
Fortis Suites, 9th Floor, Hospital Road, Upper Hill
P.O Box 30324-00100 Nairobi, Kenya

And deposited in the Tender Box situated at the Reception of Engineers Board of Kenya at Fortis Suites 9th Floor, Hospital Road, Upper Hill so as to be received on or before (the tender closing dates indicated on the above table). The submitted tenders shall be opened immediately thereafter at the EBK’s Boardroom in the presence of bidder’s representatives who choose to attend.

REGISTRAR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
ENGINEERS BOARD OF KENYA

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MINISTRY OF ROADS AND TRANSPORT
STATE DEPARTMENT OF ROADS
Kenya Institute of Highways and Building Technology

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)
INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)
OPEN NATIONAL ONE-ENVELOPE BIDDING PROCESS

The Kenyan Government has received financing from the World Bank towards the implementation of the East Africa Skills for Transformation and Integration Project (EASTRIP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the following:

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2. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPP Borrowers” of November 2020 (Procurement Regulations), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

3. Interested bidders may obtain further information from State Department of Roads, Head Supply Chain Management, Works Building, Ngong Road, Ground Floor, and Room 50 Nairobi, Kenya. E-mail: scms@roads.go.ke or Government of Kenya (GOK) tender’s portal: www.tenders.go.ke and inspect the bidding documents during office hours, 0900 to 1700 hours East African Time on Mondays to Fridays except during lunch break between 1300-1400 hours East African Time and public holidays at the address below.

4. Separate bidding documents for each activity, in English may be viewed and downloaded by interested Bidders from https://www.transport.go.ke or Government of Kenya (GOK) tender’s portal: www.tenders.go.ke free of charge from the websites. Bidders are encouraged to download the bid document immediately thereafter in the presence of the Bidders and/or designated representatives and anyone who chooses to at the Northern Corridor Boardroom, Transcom House 1st Floor, Ngong Road.

5. Bidders who wish to submit their bids MUST promptly submit their names and contact details as well as the specific tender (s) they are participating in to scms@roads.go.ke for communication of any clarification(s) and addenda during the bidding process.

6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before 10.30 am local time on 25th April 2024. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the Bidders and/or designated representatives and anyone who chooses to at the Northern Corridor Boardroom, Transcom House 1st Floor, Ngong Road.

7. All bids should be accompanied with a Bid security, in form of a bank guarantee or a bank draft issued by a reputable bank located in Kenya or Insurance from a reputable insurance firm approved by PPRA. The bid security is as indicated on the table above.

8. The tender address referred to above is:

The Principal Secretary,
Ministry of Roads and Transport,
State Department of Roads,
Works Building, Ngong Road, Ground floor
P.O. Box 30368-00100,
NAIROBI

9. Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder’s ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.

10. This advert cancels and replaces the previous one advertised in print media on 6th February 2024 on the same items.

Head, Supply Chain Management Services, State Department of Roads
EAC Customs Union, Common Market Protocol spurs Kenya’s trade

BY MATHEW CHEPKEWEL (MYGOV)

The Principal Secretary for the State Department of the East African Community Abdil Dubat has flagged the East African Community (EAC) Common Market Protocol as the leading facilitators of Kenya’s trade, with EAC partner states. These agreements, Dubat said, are designed to promote free trade and economic integration among member states and have enabled Kenya to enjoy monetary benefits in terms of reduced trade barriers, harmonized customs procedures, and increased market access.

Dubat, who was speaking in Nairobi, noted that courtesy of the EAC Customs Union and the Common Market Protocol, Kenya’s main exports to the EAC region which are mainly agricultural goods stand at 58 per cent followed by manufactured goods at 32 per cent. He said imports are mainly manufactured goods at 63 per cent and agricultural goods at 37 per cent. The shares of agricultural goods, fuels, and mining products.

The PS noted that by 2021, the largest export market for Kenyan products within Africa was 30 per cent to Uganda, 15 per cent to Tanzania, 8 per cent to Rwanda, 8 per cent to the DRC and seven per cent to Egypt.

“The most important agricultural products Kenya exports to the country are tea, coffee, horticultural products, animal and vegetable oils and in terms of imports, the leading countries are Tanzania (24 per cent), Egypt (21 per cent), South Africa (19 per cent) and Uganda (15 per cent),” Dubat noted.

He added that the most important products imported into Kenya are cereals, sugars, wood, mineral fuels, and paper. He said that the EAC Tariff Board report 2022 reported that Kenya’s trade with EAC partner states increased by 8.8 per cent from 1.65 billion dollars in 2021 to 1.79 billion dollars which was 32, per cent more compared to trade values between Kenya and the other regional blocs.

“Uganda and Tanzania are the main exporters to Kenya within the EAC region and Kenya imports unmanufactured tobacco, cane or beet sugar, leguminous vegetables, maize/corn, fowls and milk cream from Uganda while the main agricultural product imported from Tanzania is maize,” the PS revealed.

He said that Kenya’s main exports to the EAC region include construction materials (cement, iron and steel, paints and vanishes, paperboard), petroleum products, beer, salt, pharmaceutical products, edible oils, and detergents.

He said that according to the treaty on the establishment of EAC Chapter 18, Article 103 Section 2(a), the state partners are required to cooperate in the harmonization of policies and strategies to achieve a single market for agricultural production.

He added that in Section 2(g), the treaty advocates for the Partner States to co-operate in the marketing of food and the co-ordination of the export and import of agricultural commodities.

“The protocol on the common market establishment, too, proposes the harmonization of policies as one of the approaches of improving and easing trade in agricultural materials within and outside the EAC region and these documents have been ratified by all the partner states and leading to the establishing of the EAC market which the Kenyan traders should take advantage of,” Dubat said.

He said that the PS further said that the EAC Protocol on Competitive African Rice Initiative seeks to enhance both production and marketing of rice in the EAC region, adding that with local production of rice, there will be a reduction in importation of the product, hence saving the country the high cost desired foreign exchange.

On livestock production, the PS said, various initiatives including prevention and control of trans-boundary animal Diseases (TADs) and zoonotic diseases are being championed in the EAC partner states.

“One of the initiatives, the PS added, is the directive to have harmonized regulations in licensing and handling of farm inputs across the EAC member states. This initiative, Dubat said, aims at easing the cost of production and opening new markets for stakeholders by removing or harmonizing of farm inputs including pesticides and fertilizers.

“The directive by EAC Council of Ministers to harmonize food (plants and animal) handling measures and implement the Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) protocol and the proposed bill, will not only improve trading within EAC but even outside EAC region,” Dubat noted.

He added that the SPS protocol guidelines promote trading on safe and quality agricultural food materials.

The PS further said that the EAC Strategy on Competitive African Rice Initiative seeks to enhance both production and marketing of rice in the EAC region, adding that with local production of rice, there will be a reduction in importation of the product, hence saving the country the high cost desired foreign exchange.

He said that the EAC Food and Nutrition Security Strategic Framework 2018-2022, Dubat revealed, is the most current instrument for strengthening food security and promotion for adoption by the partner states.

He said awareness and knowledge building programmes targeting Kenyan traders, businesses and public sector trade facilitation institutions focusing on requirements for exports to targeted EAC market should also be scaled up.

The PS said in recognition of the complexity of food security challenges that the community have engaged in varied interventions.

Over the years the partner states have worked on laying down a strong foundation aligned to the key pillars of the EAC community transformation and developed key instruments for spearheading the regional food security agenda.

“These include Vision 2030 which contains a pillar on agriculture, the 6th EAC Development Strategy, EAC Agricultural and Livestock Development Policy (EAC-ARDP) and the multi-year, multi-sectoral EAC Agriculture and Rural Development Strategy (EAC-ARDS which provides the roadmap for partner states or other stakeholders in defining interventions that will lead to achievement of Vision 2030,” the PS noted.

The EAC Food and Nutrition Security Strategic Framework 2018-2022, Dubat revealed, is the most current instrument for strengthening food security and promotion for adoption by the partner states and it aims at enhancing food and nutrition security through national and states interventions to promote agricultural value chains. sector, the county boss indicated that priority would be given to the expansion and maintenance of rural roads through the “Imarisha Barabara” programme and development of digital superhighways in the county “Grading and graveling of 2,000 kilometres of rural road through the Imarisha Barabara programme and tarmacking of 66 kilometres of roads within urban centres are among the plans contained in the document,” Kiwia said.

Nakuru County unveils multi-billion growth blueprint for next five years

BY ANNE MWALE (KNA)

Nakuru County Government has unveiled its County Integrated Development Programme (CIDP) that will guide the implementation of development projects within the region and within the budget in the next five years.

The Sh171 billion CIDP is largely focused on achieving industrialization by transforming the region’s economic structure from subsistence farming to agriculturally-led industrialization.

Governor Susan Kihika indicated that the CIDP 2023-2027 would also guide her economic development agenda for the next five years. The third-generation CIDP is in line with the constitutional requirement that no government resources should be appropriated outside a planning framework. Speaking during the launch at Nyayo Gardens, Ms. Kihika said the document had been subjected to scrutiny by various stakeholders.

It is anticipated that the CIDP will be implemented by the CIDP Ms. Kihika pledged to promote sustainable agricultural practices and create value-addition opportunities to ensure food security and boost the agro-based economy.

In the infrastructure sector, the county boss indicated that priority would be given to the expansion and maintenance of rural roads through the “Imarisha Barabara” programme and development of digital superhighways in the county. “Grading and graveling of 2,000 kilometres of rural road through the Imarisha Barabara programme and tarmacking of 66 kilometres of roads within urban centres are among the plans contained in the document,” Kiwia said.

Fund’s outreach drive to inform public on insurance claim procedures

BY CHARI SUChE AND HUSSIEn KHALLAlI (KNA)

The Policymakers’ Compensation Fund (PCF) has launched a new campaign to educate the masses on its mandate and functions, aiming to increase public awareness in the insurance sector.

The Fund was established primarily to provide compensation to claimants of insurers placed under statutory management and secondarily to enhance the general public’s confidence in the insurance sector.

PCF will engage with special interest groups, including the media, insurance agents, boda boda/tuk tuk riders, matatu owners, and other stakeholders such as the District Commissioners (DCOs), Chiefs, Business Community, Kuppet, Knut, Young Women, Youth, Religious groups, and Co-operatives.

Speaking in Mombasa during the sensitization forum dubbed “PCF Mavini,” Ms. Rosemary Kavili, the Head of Corporate Communications at PCF, stated that the forum’s aim is to educate the public on the Fund’s mandate and functions, thereby increasing confidence in the insurance sector. “The campaign targets members of the public to come forward and lodge their claims with PCF, including those who had insured with Resolution Insurance Company Limited (under statutory management) and Standard Assurance Company (under liquidation),” Kavili said.

She noted that the fund launched compensation for claims of collapsed insurers on March 10, 2021, following an amendment to the Insurance Act in 2019.
Bridging the water divide using data

Taita Taveta county has installed a system that collects data on water use, enabling it to respond to challenges in real-time and know where there is need.

**WATER MANAGEMENT**

Data is the new gold, so they say, but for Taita Taveta County, it is more than gold; it is the provider of clean water and a better life for the thousands of residents.

And here is how. Data is at the centre of a project the county is implementing with various partners to provide clean water to the over 177,000 residents.

Dubbed Taita Taveta Water Point Data and Information System, and implemented with support from USAID, the web-based platform launched about a week ago is helping the county improve water governance through data-driven decision making.

“This system is key to ensuring access to clean water for all residents of the county,” said Governor Andrew Mwadime.

Mwadime, who chairs the Council of Governors’ Committee for Water, Forestry, and Natural Resources Management, said the county is banking on the system to provide clean and safe water to the 52 per cent of the population that had no access to the commodity.

The technology will help map 931 water points in the county, allowing for proper planning and management of the resource.

**ROBOTICS**

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Kenya-Colombia blend coffee lessons for higher production

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Students make robot that helps pick litter in school

For many schools across the country, the morning hours before classes start are set aside for cleaning and especially picking litter. It is an age-old practice that helps to instill a sense of responsibility in students and make the environment conscious. However, this task can be time-consuming and it is for this reason that students of Kilembwa Secondary in Mwala, Machakos County, are coming with a robot that will help pick litter so that they can focus on their studies.

The robot dubbed "lobster" is supported by Kenya Connect (KC), a local NGO in conjunction with Future Investment Initiative (FII), a global nonprofit foundation. The two organisations partnered to provide the learners with laptops and robotic kits that were used to innovate the robot.

Mr Michael Mathama, a teacher at the school, said the availability of Information, Communication and Technology infrastructure in the school has increased the students’ interest in technological innovation.

"The computer lab has changed the attitude of learners in school and during computer class, the students are very keen," said Mathama. He said despite the school being located in a remote place, the students have an opportunity to innovate through the help of KC and FII.

Mathama noted that the project will give the students vital ICT skills that will give them a competitive edge since they leave school.

Maxwell Karanja, a form two student who aspires to be an aeronautical engineer, hailed the project saying it had given him a chance to learn ICT. Karanja noted that once operational, the robot will save the students time spent on cleaning the school and instead focus on their studies. "When we come to school in the morning, we are supposed to clean the whole compound so the robot will help us clean as we focus on our studies," he noted.

He added that the robot will help reduce the risk of infection among students since they pick litter with their bare hands.

Karanja observed that the robot will have colour sensors which will be programmed using the computer and the robot will sense and pick the litters according to the colours programmed and dispose them to a dustbin.

The student further noted a computer will be programmed to monitor the robot’s movements around the compound as it senses and locates the litter. Kenya Connect is an NGO in Mwala Sub County whose aim is to engage and empower students and teachers to excel.
DP launches 53rd Huduma Centre

D eputy President Rigathi Gachagua yesterday inaugurated the Laikipia East Makutano Huduma Centre.

Rigathi said the facility, which is the 53rd centre across the country, will help to deepen access to government services in the area.

The Huduma Secretariat has been keen on ensuring that all citizens have access to government services.

The Makutano Laikipia East Huduma Centre has been in operation since February 1 as a trial and yesterday’s launch kicked off its official operation.

Kenya-Colombia blend lessons for increased coffee production

The opening of the 53rd Huduma Centre has been in operation since February 1 as a trial and yesterday’s launch kicked off its official operation. The event marks a crucial milestone in the expansion of accessible public services through the Huduma Centres channel to the sub-county level.

BY DIBO WILLIS-AMBETSA

K enya and Colombia are blending their experiences in coffee production in a partnership that is expected to give the global market the best beans from each of the two countries.

The two countries started the collaboration last September in what saw a delegation led by Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua visit the South American nation to pick lessons from their successes in coffee production.

Colombia is the third largest coffee producer in the world, after Brazil and Vietnam, making it a perfect partner for Kenya whose production has been on the decline.

The government further sent a number of farmers to the Café de Colombia Expo 2023 in October in Bogota for lessons on coffee marketing, value addition and farming.

And in return, Kenya last week hosted a delegation from the Colombia National Federation of Coffee Growers, who visited several coffee factories and farms to familiarise with the country’s coffee industry.

They later held meetings with Mr Gachagua who announced that the two nations would sign agreements to facilitate knowledge-exchange on coffee farming and research.

Acknowledging that Colombia is a top global producer of high quality and premium coffee, the DP said the two nations are preparing to strike a formula that will facilitate cooperation between Kenya’s Coffee Research Institute and its equivalent body in Colombia.

“The MoUs will create a framework for interventions that the government is deploying to restore the coffee sub-sector. Coffee farmers in Colombia are our big brothers. The MoUs will be signed in the next three months,” he said.

Mr Simon Chepseruk, the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Cooperatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Development, and Colombian Ambassador Pedro Leon Rui, said the visit cements the partnership between the two countries.

Mr Chegusai said through the partnership, Kenya is committed to increase its coffee production from the current 5,000 metric tonnes (MT) annually to 200,000 MT by 2027.

He said the government is keen to bring back the coffee glory that was in the 80s, when the cash crop was the leading foreign exchange earner. Production slumped from a peak of 130,000 MT in 1983/1984 to a low of 34,000 tonnes in 2020.

“This is an important milestone in cementing the relationship between Kenya and Colombia. We have been working together and our ties with Africa is a priority,” noted Mr Rui.

Among the places the Colombian delegation visited was the New Kenya Planters Coffee Union in Dandora, where they were taken through the process of milling, coffee cupping and cataloguing.

Mr Carlos Armando Uribe, the director of Colombian-based Asuntos Gremiales Company, advised local farmers to increase the number of coffee trees per hectare from the current 3,000.

“Commitment and transparency are also needed as well government support. You also need to look for new markets in places like China, India and the United Arab Emirates,” he said.

Further, he called for enhanced participation of growers in elections of the sectoral leaders to boost “coffee democracy.”

“We are a coffee-producing family. For our colleagues in Kenya, we can move together. The intention is for all of us to get better, and our families get better economically,” he stated.

Ms Wanjiku Wakogi, the Chief of Staff at the Office of the Deputy President, said the talks between the two nations are at the heart of Kenya’s economic development.

“We are embarking on this wonderful chapter of cooperation between Kenya and Colombia, focused on our coffee value chains. This collaboration is not just a diplomatic gesture; it signifies a strategic partnership aimed at leveraging each other’s strengths for the mutual benefit of our coffee industries,” said Ms Wakogi.
President William Ruto hosts the President of Somalia, Hassan Mohamud at State House, Nairobi.

PHOTOS: PCS

First Lady, Mama Rachel Ruto and Environment CS, Soipan Tuya, during the launch of the First Lady’s Landscape and Ecosystem Restoration Strategy and Implementation Plan to grow 500 million trees.

President William Ruto and Sports CS, Ababu Namwamba launch the Talanta Sports City Stadium in preparation for AFCON 2027.

Environment CS, Soipan Tuya giving her opening address during UNEA6 in Nairobi.
Regulator set to crack down on non-compliant water abstractors in Kenya

BY YOBIHSH ONWONG’A (MYGOV)

The Water Resources Authority (WRA) has issued a notice to non-compliant water abstractors permit holders after discovering that landowners and leaseholders are operating water abstraction works, primarily boreholes and wells, without permits from the Authority.

WRA CEO Mohamed Shurie emphasized that several permit holders, contractors, and borehole owners have violated regulations by failing to submit permit applications or renew documents and other required records to the WRA.

“The Authority emphasizes that non-compliance is an offense under the Water Act 2016, as outlined in section 147, which carries a fine not exceeding Shl,000,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or both,” Shurie said.

In response, the CEO urged permit holders to regularize their permits or without valid permits from the WRA to visit designated WRA offices in their areas to renew their permits and formalize their abstractions with the Authority. Failure to do so may result in disconnection of water works and prosecution without further notice.

It’s important to note that a permit is required for any water use purposes, including the extraction of water from both surface and groundwater sources, the drainage of swamps or other land, the discharge of pollutants into water resources, and any other purposes related to water resources as prescribed by regulations under the act,” Shurie emphasized.

He noted that as a result of the contravention, the government is losing millions of shillings due to the illegal connections from the unsanctioned landowners and leaseholders.

Similarly, the CEO disclosed that the Authority has upscaled control of water abstraction activities to cope with the increasing demand for domestic, irrigation and industrial uses while conning the catchments’ sustainability.

Maimuna Akida, a Lukoye village elder, said Ismael Masanga, a youth representative, said job opportunities had opened to the youth who would dissuade them from engaging in anti-social behavior like drug abuse.

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BY GEORGE KAIGA (KNA)

Resident of informal settlements in Kakamega and Mumias municipalities are upbeat as the government and development partners begin infrastructure upgrads for five slums.

The residents have welcomed the initiative being undertaken by the Kenya Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP), stating that it would guarantee them a dignified living.

The World Bank and the French Development Agency (AFD) are funding the project at a cost of Sh268 million, in collaboration with the national and county governments.

The project will involve the upgrading of three slums in Mumias municipality and two slums in Kakamega municipality. The first two identified for upgrade are Amalamba, Kambi Somali in Kakamega, and Mjini, Lukoye, and Shibale in Mumias municipalities, respectively.

Under the project, residents in the informal settlements will have access to improved basic infrastructure such as roads, stormwater drainage, waste management, and security through street lighting.

Maimuna Akida, a member of the Mjini setlement executive, hailed the project management for engaging with them for the start of the project and taking into consideration their priority needs.

“We used to draw water for use from a river about five kilometers away or a borehole which is not safe, but we are happy clean piped water will be provided to us,” she said.

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It’s important to note that a permit is required for any water use purposes, including the extraction of water from both surface and groundwater sources, the drainage of swamps or other land, the discharge of pollutants into water resources, and any other purposes related to water resources as prescribed by regulations under the act,” Shurie emphasized.

He noted that as a result of the contravention, the government is losing millions of shillings due to the illegal connections from the unsanctioned landowners and leaseholders.

Similarly, the CEO disclosed that the Authority has upscaled control of water abstraction activities to cope with the increasing demand for domestic, irrigation and industrial uses while conserving the catchments’ sustainability.

Maimuna Akida, a Lukoye village elder, said Ismael Masanga, a youth representative, said job opportunities had opened to the youth who would dissuade them from engaging in anti-social behavior like drug abuse.

Mariam Masanga, a forms two student who aspires to be an aeronautics engineer, hailed the project, saying it had given him a chance to learn ICT.

Karajan said that the robot will help reduce the risk of infection among the students since they pick litter with their bare hands.

Gov’t to commission modern rice milling machine in Kisumu

The Government is installing a modern rice milling machine at the Lake Victoria Basin Authority (LDBA) Rice Mill Complex in Kisumu to scale up capacity for paddy rice processing in the Lake region.

The East Africa Community and Regional Development Cabinet Secretary Ms Peninah Malonza said the installation of the state-of-the-art milling machine was expected to be completed in three weeks ahead of its commissioning by President Dr. William Ruto.

Malonza, who toured the facility to assess the ongoing works said the new milling machine has a capacity of processing four tons of rice per hour which would boost rice production in the area.

“The community has really suffered because the old machine which had a capacity of milling 3.5 tons per hour which had installed had reduced to an average of 0.8 tons per hour,” she said.

The CS added that with the milling machine in place, farmers are guaranteed enhanced paddy efficient, timely and clean processing. This, she said, would ensure farmers got high quality packaged rice to sell thus turning around the economy of the region.

“Our farmers in Ahero will now stop selling their produce at throw away prices and this is going to spur economic growth in the region,” she said.

She said the installation of the machine, which was to be delivered in two batches, was affected by the Covid-19 pandemic, adding that once fully operational, it would generate substantial revenue for the Authority.

The rice project was established in 1989 as a subsidiary of LDBA to undertake several business enterprises aimed at enhancing income generation for the Authority to reduce dependency on the national government.

The CS was accompanied by Regional Development Planning Unit (RDPU) Director General, Mr. Harmsa Kello, among others.

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