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1,000

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Global tech leaders to converge in Nairobi for continental summit

ICT Cabinet Secretary Eliud Owalo says the conference will provide an opportunity for African leaders and global tech companies to connect and develop a proactive plan of action to position themselves effectively in the operational environment

RACHAEL KILONZO (PCO) AND JOSEPH NG'ANG'A (KNA)

Preparations for the Connected Africa Summit 2024 are in full swing as Kenya eagerly anticipates hosting the five-day event.

Speaking during a briefing to the Senate Standing Committee on Information, Communication, and Technology in Mombasa, ICT Cabinet Secretary Eliud Owalo said the Summit presents African states with an opportunity to assess the operational environment, analyze emerging issues regarding policy, legal, and regulatory matters.

"Let me take this opportunity to welcome all the delegates to the



This is an opportunity for us to collectively consider developments in the ICT sector as an African family – Owalo

Connected Africa Summit 2024, which will be held in Nairobi from the 21st to the 25th of April. This is an opportunity for us to collectively consider developments in the ICT sector as an African family," CS Owalo said.

During the unveiling of the Summit, the CS highlighted policies such as the 30 percent local shareholding rule for foreign companies investing in Kenya's

ICT sector as a hindrance to foreign direct investment.

He said that the Connected Africa Summit 2024 will unite stakeholders from across the continent – including African Heads of State, Ministers of ICT, business leaders, academics, and innovators – to address the critical challenges and opportunities within Africa's ICT sector.

The CS further noted that the Summit will provide an opportunity for African leaders and global tech companies to connect and develop a proactive plan of action to position themselves effectively in the operational environment.

According to Mr. Owalo, outdated policies are limiting investment in the continent's ICT sector, adding, "In Kenya, for example, we have managed to waive the 30 percent local content requirements that previously mandated ICT companies to have 30 percent local ownership. What is the purpose of having a law that impedes foreign direct capital investment?"

He noted that as a leader in digital innovation and infrastructure development in Africa, Kenya stands at the forefront of the continent's digital transformation. Hosting the Summit, he said, aligns with the country's national goals to spearhead and shape conversations around technology and economic integration across Africa.

"That is the direction that we

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Ministry launches groundbreaking plan to monetize creative arts



BY DOUGLAS NAMUNANE (PCO)

The Ministry of Education has commenced a programme of monetizing creative arts, through which artists in primary, secondary, and tertiary institutions will start earning revenue from their drama, film, and music content.

Basic Education and Early Learning Principal Secretary Dr. Belio Kipsang announced that with the help of the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD), the content created by the three groups is now

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need to go as Africa, ensuring foreign direct capital investment while also protecting our own local interests. Africa must align all its activities and policies with the Africa Union’s (AU) Agenda 2063.”

“Africa can be transformed by leveraging technology into a continental digital marketplace, which is boundless once we have enabling policies, laws, and regulations that facilitate the database,” CS Owalo said.

He urged African ICT Ministers, policymakers, and stakeholders to institute policy reforms within Africa’s ICT sector to better harmonize ICT policies for the continent’s digital economy. According to the CS, the Connected Africa 2024 will be the biggest one yet. So far the organising committee has had confirmation of attendance from 21 Presidents, 7 Special Envoys, 8 Ministers, 1 Deputy Minister, 2 Principal Secretaries, and 18 Ambassadors from 21 Countries across the globe.

The Connected Africa Summit began in 2009 as a public sector forum whose objectives included nurturing innovative ideas and partnerships that would leverage technology to advance the



Cabinet Secretary for ICT and the Digital Economy poses with the Senate Committee on ICT and Knowledge Management during a retreat in Mombasa.

achievement of Africa’s development agenda 2063. The inaugural event had 500 participants, drawn mainly from the public sector.

Since then, the summit has been conducted for 12 consecutive years with an average of 10,000 participants from 15 Countries, 30 international ICT firms, and 50 local ICT firms.

This year’s Summit has attracted leading industry players including; Safaricom, Microsoft, Oracle, Dell Technologies, CISCO, Huawei, Airtel, Jamii Telcom, and Telkom Kenya.

State Department of ICT and Digital Economy Principal Secretary (PS) Eng. John Tanui said, “We are also encouraging more players to develop what we call digital platforms. These are new spaces that will ensure Kenya and Africa as a continent have

local and indigenous digital platforms that contribute to the Kenyan and African economy.”

According to Kenya’s ICT Authority, while African innovators continue to roll out new products and services, they struggle to scale and secure capital to expand beyond niche markets, a factor that has led many innovators to sell off their creations.

The ICT Authority CEO Stanley Kamanguya emphasized the importance of setting up policies that support and protect African innovators.

The Summit will serve as a platform for African leaders to shape the African technology agenda in preparation for the UN Summit of the Future in September 2024 and determine their role in green technology and the governance of generative AI for Africa.

Ministry launches Program to monetize creative arts

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being monetized to benefit the creators.

“We were directed by the President last year during the State Concert that we need to make this process to earn an income both for our children, their institutions, and for this country, and I am happy I can report today that through the KICD there has been a lot of development on the same, and we can tell you that our children have started earning through drama, music, and film,” the Principal Secretary pronounced.

Dr. Kipsang made the remarks during the official launch of the 62nd Kenya National Drama and Film Festival, jointly held at Kangaru School and Embu University in Embu County. Dubbed “Unlocking Opportunities for Social-Economic Transformation through Drama and Film”, the PS said the theme resonates with the government’s agenda of promoting creative arts through drama, film, music, and visual arts.

“These are not just forms of entertainment; they are powerful tools for cultural expression, social commentary, and economic growth,” noted Dr.

Kipsang. The Principal Secretary said the Government recognizes the immense potential of the creative sector and is committed to creating an enabling environment for artists, creators, and cultural entrepreneurs to thrive.

“To begin with, we are investing in state-of-the-art cultural infrastructure such as theaters, art galleries, and studios,” he reiterated.

At the school level, Dr. Kipsang said the Government has mapped out talent centers, which will be the anchors of theatre in the counties. He said, in order to constantly finance the creative industry, the Government has established funding mechanisms, grants, and subsidies to support artists and cultural organizations.

“These financial resources are vital in enabling artists to produce high-quality work, develop their skills, and sustain their livelihoods,” added the PS.

Before the launch of the festival, Dr. Kipsang, who was accompanied by Embu Governor Cecily Mbarire, led other government officials in a tree-planting exercise, where they were able to plant 8,000 trees.

KENYA RAILWAYS TENDER NOTICE

Kenya Railway (KR) invites application from interested and eligible Firms for the below tenders:-

NO	TENDER NUMBER	ITEM DESCRIPTION	TENDER COST	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE/TIME
1.	KR/SCM/099/2023-2024	Provision of Security Guarding Services for Standard Gauge Railway (SGR Phase 1&2A) Stations and Corridor	1,000	OPEN	29 th April, 2024 10.00 a.m.
2.	KR/SCM/100/2023-2024	Provision of Staff Medical Insurance Service	1,000	OPEN	29 th April, 2024 2.00 p.m.
3.	KR/SCM/101/2023-2024	Consultancy Services for the Upgrade of Railway Training Institute Workshop and Sport facility	1,000	OPEN	30 th April, 2024 10.00 a.m.
4.	KR/SCM/102/2023-2024	Reconditioning of Steel Sleepers	1,000	OPEN	30 th April, 2024 2.00 p.m.
5.	KR/SCM/103/2023-2024	Provision of Maintenance of Service for SGR Generators	1,000	OPEN	2 nd May, 2024 10.00 a.m.
6.	KR/SCM/104/2023-2024	Provision of Maintenance of Service for SGR Air Conditioners	1,000	OPEN	2 nd May, 2024 2.00 p.m.
7.	KR/SCM/105/2023-2024	Procurement of Spare Parts for Maintenance of Rail Cars and Rail Cranes	1,000	OPEN	3 rd May, 2024 10.00 a.m.
8.	KR/SCM/108/2023-2024	Supply and Delivery of Engine Oil for SGR Locomotive and other Equipment	1,000	OPEN	6 th May, 2024 10.00 a.m.
FRAMEWORK CONTRACT					
1.	KR/SCM/FRC/007/2023-2024	Provision of Workplace Hygiene and Environmental Monitoring Services (Framework Contract)	1,000	OPEN	6 th May, 2024 2.00 p.m.

Candidates are encouraged to peruse the Tender Document from KR Website: www.krc.co.ke, and PPIP Website: www.tender.go.ke or from the office of the General Manager- SCM, Kenya Railways Headquarters Block B, Ground floor, Nairobi prior to purchase.

Interested bidders may obtain the Tender Documents from the office of the General Manager – SCM, Kenya Railways Headquarters, Block B, Ground Floor upon payment of non-refundable fee of Kshs.1,000.00 or download the document from KR and PPIP website at **NO CHARGE**. Bidders who download the Tender Document must register their interest immediately by sending an email to procure@krc.co.ke stating their names, email, postal & telephone address and tender details.

Completed Tender Documents (accompanied by a Tender Security in the amount and form specified in the tender document) in plain sealed envelopes must be clearly marked with the “**Tender No.** and the **Description of the Tender**”: and shall be addressed to:-

The Managing Director
Kenya Railways
P.O. Box 30121-00100
NAIROBI.

and be deposited in the Tender Box situated at the Reception Area, Ground Floor, Kenya Railways Headquarters, Block C on or before the closing date and time. Tenders will be opened in the presence of the tenderers’ representatives who choose to attend at the Kenya Railways Headquarters.

MANAGING DIRECTOR



KENYA RAILWAYS

PUBLIC NOTICE

PROPERTY LEASES AND LICENSES

The Corporation would like to bring to the attention of all Tenants/Licensees of Kenya Railways Assets to ensure that rent payment is up to date.

Evidence of payment should be presented to the nearest KR office in Nairobi, Nakuru, Mombasa, Kisumu and Eldoret and a receipt issued.

Take note that the Corporation will take appropriate action as provided for in the Tenancy Agreement on failure to regularize the accounts.

Payments should be made via the E-citizen platform as below:

- Dial USSD Code *222#
- Select Make Payments Option
- Enter KRC123 as the service code.
- Enter serial number (say xxxx) as the KRC Real Estate Reference. (Confirm individual serial number from Kenya Railways offices)
- Enter amount then select option 1 to confirm.
- Enter your MPESA pin.

ENCROACHMENT ON RAILWAY LAND

In addition, the Corporation has noted instances of encroachment whereby members of the public have settled or set up business units on our railway operational corridor. We hereby notify members of the public that encroachment on the railway operational corridor is an offence punishable by law. Our operational corridor lies along the Mombasa to Suswa Standard Gauge Railway line corridor, Mombasa– Kisumu – Malaba Meter Gauge railway corridor, with branch lines to Nakuru – Kisumu, Voi – Taveta, Nairobi – Nanyuki, Gilgil – Nyahururu, Kisumu – Butere, Eldoret – Kitale, Konza – Magadi and railway sidings.

For further information/clarification, reach us through the contacts below:

The Managing Director
Kenya Railways
P. O. Box 30121-00100
Nairobi

For more information, please contact:



Government launches major overhaul of regulatory agencies to boost efficiency

BY FATMA SAID(KNA)

The government has initiated a comprehensive rejuvenation of state regulatory agencies to streamline service delivery, enhance standards, and curb wastage.

Speaking during a conference to assess the status of the campaign to revitalize and re-energize regulatory authorities and agencies, Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi said regulatory authorities play a vital role in ensuring the proper functioning of state agencies.

Mudavadi said overlapping functions have rendered many agencies redundant, adding that the situation could be salvaged if proper policy interventions to consolidate their functions were put in place.

“In the financial sector, for example, there exists an overlap of functions in regulatory bodies like the Capital Markets Authority

and Insurance Regulatory Authority, whose consolidation under one framework would enhance the collective impact to streamline regulatory processes,” Mudavadi said.

Mudavadi added that the Chief of Staff and Head of Public Service, Felix Koskei, identified the entire regulatory sector in our economy as an area that needs special attention to facilitate efficiency, safe delivery of service, cost-effectiveness, and protection of the lives of Kenyans.

He added that Koskei took the initiative to convene a comprehensive

“In the financial sector, there exists an overlap of functions in regulatory bodies—Mudavadi

sive gathering involving all regulatory authorities and agencies in the country, totaling approximately 78 institutions.

Mudavadi said the strategic move underscores the imperative for regulators to adopt and facilitate transactions by the public rather than their role being one of obstruction.

The PCS emphasised that regulators could play a pivotal role in fostering an environment conducive to growth and innovation, thereby enabling businesses and various activities to thrive within the confines of a regulatory framework.

“A regulator is very important to make sure we get clean fertilizer, a regulator is also important to make sure we get correct medicine, and so on,” the PCS noted.

He said that they had focused on shedding light and educating stakeholders on why businesses



Prime Cabinet Secretary (CS) Musalia Mudavadi gives a keynote address during the conference to assess the status of the ongoing campaign to revitalise and re-energise regulatory authorities and agencies at Kenya School of Government (KSG), Mombasa.

must comply with obligations to county governments, NEMA, and other regulatory bodies.

Businesses need to understand the significance of adhering to regulatory requirements set forth by those entities to ensure environmental sustainability, public health, and safety standards are met.

“Our regulatory authorities and agencies are faced with several challenges that impede the execution of their mandates. These range from

bureaucratic inefficiencies to resource constraints, from regulatory capture to technological disruptions. The hurdles are enormous. The rapid pace of change in technology, finance, and healthcare sectors poses unique regulatory dilemmas that demand innovative solutions,” Mudavadi said.

In addition, he noted that lack of coordination and coherence among regulatory bodies sometimes leads to duplicity of efforts and wastage of re-

sources.

The Head of Public Service on his part said crucial institutions are those that have been mandated to regulate sectors in government and the country.

He noted that it is important to encourage these institutions and support them in running their affairs within the legal frameworks that have been given to them as well as adhere to the policies they have generated and within their delegated powers.

“I am very happy to note that for the last year, there has been a lot of improvement in various sectors despite the many challenges, especially the build environment, NEMA is now taking full charge and NTSA taking full charge on the roads and many other regulators to mention a few,” Koskei noted.

He urged regulatory bodies to implement their work under fewer instructions and read the laws and authority that give them the power to oversee the respective sectors so that there is equity, fairness, accountability, and objectivity when it comes to service delivery.



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PA-K wishes to recruit qualified, experienced and competent persons to the following position;

No.	Job Reference	Designation	Job Grade	Vacant Positions
1.	PAK-CEO/1/2024	Chief Executive Officer.	PAK 1	1 post

How to apply:

Interested persons who meet the requirements must complete the online job application form via this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/8uVuvbBqkC?origin=iprLink> and ensure the required documents stated below are submitted via: recruit@presidentsaward.or.ke

Alternatively, applications can be submitted via the Post Office, email, or by hand delivery. Applicants who choose the alternative process must clearly indicate the position and job reference number on both the cover letter, envelope, and email applications. Alongside the application, candidates should include PA-K Job Application form, a detailed CV, copies of academic certificates, national identity card, names and telephone contacts of three referees, so as to reach PA-K Offices by **Monday, 6th May, 2024** on or before **5:00pm** to:

**CHAIRPERSON
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THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD- KENYA,
15 ELGON ROAD, UPPERHILL,
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- PA-K is an equal opportunity employer committed to diversity and gender equality. Women and persons with disability are encouraged to apply.
- Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.
- Upon offer of employment, the successful candidate MUST present and satisfy the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 by providing copies of the following documents:
 - A valid tax Compliance Certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA);
 - A valid Clearance of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI);
 - A valid Clearance Certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB);
 - A valid Clearance Certificate from an approved Credit Reference Bureau (CRB); and
 - A valid Clearance form from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC).
- Any form of canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

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THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD- KENYA**





TVET CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT, ASSESSMENT AND CERTIFICATION COUNCIL
(TVET CDACC)

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR VACANCIES

The TVET Curriculum Development Assessment and Certification Council is a state Corporation establishment under the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Act No. 29 of 2013, Article 44 (1). The mandate of the Council is to undertake design and development of Curricula for the training institutions' examinations, assessment and competence certification.

Applications are invited from qualified individuals for the positions shown below. Interested candidates are requested to make their applications online through the Council's website www.tvetcdacc.go.ke Job descriptions, specifications and application procedures are provided in the Council's website www.tvetcdacc.go.ke Applications should reach the Council on or before **7th May, 2024 by 5.00 p.m. (East African Time)**.

NO.	POSITION	VACANCY NO.	JOB GRADE	NUMBER OF POST
1.	Director Technical Services	V NO. 1/4/2024	2	1
2.	Deputy Director, Assessment and Certification	V NO. 2/4/2024	3	1
3.	Senior Accounts Officer	V NO. 3/4/2014	5	1
4.	Curriculum Development Officer	V NO. 4/4/2024	6	1
5.	Assessment and Certification Officer	V NO. 5/4/ 024	6	1
6.	Human Resource Officer	V NO. 6/4/2024	6	1
7.	Auditor	V NO. 7/4/2024	6	1
8.	Legal Assistant officer	V NO. 8/4/2024	7	1

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

The TVET Curriculum Development Assessment and Certification Council (TVET CDACC) is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Women and People Living with Disability (PWD) are encouraged to apply.



**KENYA URBAN
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TENDER NOTICE

This is to bring to the attention of the general public that an invitation for several roadwork tenders funded by the Road Maintenance Levy Fund and the GOK Development Fund has been uploaded on the **PUBLIC PROCUREMENT INFORMATION PORTAL and KENYA URBAN ROADS AUTHORITY'S WEBSITE.**

Interested bidders are requested to visit KURA's Website at www.kura.go.ke/tenders or www.tenders.go.ke for more information.

Deputy Director – (SCM)
For: DIRECTOR GENERAL

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Global animal feeds firm to set up factory in Athi River, Machakos

BY ROSELYNE KAVOO(KNA)

A global animal feeds company, De Heus Animal Nutrition Limited, will construct a Sh3-billion live-stock feed plant in Athi River, Machakos County, to provide high-quality and affordable animal feeds to farmers across the country.

De Heus Animal Nutrition Limited Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Koen De Heus said construction of the plant would take at least one year and was expected to be operational in the first quarter of the 2025/2026 fiscal year.

The factory will produce an estimated 200,000 metric tonnes of animal feed for live-stock, poultry, pigs, and aqua in the region and create over 250 direct and 1,000 indirect jobs for Machakos residents and the neighboring communities.

Speaking during the ground-breaking ceremony of the plant



Machakos Governor Wavinya Ndeti (L), De Heus Animal Nutrition Limited Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Koen De Heus (C) and Livestock Production PS Jonathan Mueke(right) at Athiriver during the groundbreaking ceremony of the animal feed factory.

in Athi River, Heus said the feed company ventured into Kenya due to the country's potential in the livestock sector and the need for nutritional animal feeds.

Speaking at the same event, the Principal Secretary for Live-stock Development Jonathan Mueke hailed the animal feed company for investing in the plant saying it would plug the supply gap for affordable and quality feeds for livestock farmers in the country.

Also present was Machakos Governor Wavinya Ndeti.



VACANCIES

The National Gender and Equality Commission (NGEC) is a Constitutional Commission established by the National Gender and Equality Commission Act No. 15 of 2011 pursuant to Article 59 (4) & (5) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010. The Commission's mandate is to promote gender equality and freedom from discrimination for all people in Kenya with a focus on special interest groups, which include women, children, youth, persons with disabilities (PWDs), older members of society, minorities and marginalized groups.

The Commission is seeking to recruit a highly motivated, visionary, dynamic and results-oriented candidate to fill the following position: -

S/ No.	Position	Job Ref	Grade	No. of Post	Duty Station	Terms of Service
1	Commission Secretary/ CEO	REF: NGEC/HR/1/1/ 2024	NGEC 1	1	Nairobi	Contract

HOW TO APPLY

Interested candidates who meet the minimum requirements should submit their applications together with;

1. A detailed Curriculum Vitae;
2. A copy of the National Identity Card;
3. Certified copies of Academic and Professional Certificates;
4. A copy of latest letter of appointment indicating current post and salary; and
5. Three (3) names of referees, their mobile telephone and e-mail contacts.

Please Note that:

- i) The National Gender and Equality Commission is an equal-opportunity employer. **Persons with Disability, Youth, Women and People from Minority and Marginalized communities are encouraged to apply.**
- ii) The Commission does not ask for any money nor ask applicants to undergo any medical examination.
- iii) Only shortlisted candidates will be notified.
- iv) Only successful candidate will be required to provide clearance certificates from KRA, DCI (**Police Clearance**), EACC, HELB and CRB.
- v) It is a criminal offence for any applicant to provide false information and documents in the job application.
- vi) Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

All applications **MUST BE SUBMITTED IN HARD COPY ONLY**, addressed to

Chairperson
The National Gender and Equality Commission
Solution Tech Place, Longonot Road, Upper Hill
P.O Box 27512-00506
NAIROBI

Posted or Hand delivered applications should reach the Commission Chairperson on or before **7th May, 2024** before 5.00pm. A detailed Job Description is found on www.ngeckenyia.org





NATIONAL COHESION AND INTEGRATION COMMISSION

INVITATION TO TENDER

PROVISION OF STAFF HOUSING MORTGAGE SCHEME ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

TENDER NUMBER: NCIC/OT/HR/002/2024

1. The National cohesion & Integration Commission(NCIC) invites sealed tenders for the Provision of Staff Housing Mortgage Scheme Administration Services for a period of Five (5) year renewable for a further Five(5) years subject to satisfactory performance

TENDER NO	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE
NCIC/OT/HR/002/2024	PROVISION OF STAFF HOUSING MORTGAGE SCHEME ADMINISTRATION SERVICES	OPEN	Friday May 3 rd , 2024 at 12:00 Noon

2. Tendering will be conducted under open competitive tendering method as prescribed under section 96 of Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, 2015 and Regulations 85 of Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Regulations 2020.
3. Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours from 8:00AM to 5:00PM at the address given below.
4. A complete set of tender documents may be viewed and downloaded **FREE of charge** from the website www.cohesion.go.ke or www.tenders.go.ke.Tenderers who download the tender document must forward their particulars immediately to tenders@cohesion.go.ke or 17th FLOOR, BRITAM TOWERS, HOSPITAL ROAD, UPPERHILL P.O BOX 7055-00100 NAIROBI, KENYA to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.
5. Duly Completed Tender documents shall be enclosed in plain sealed envelope clearly marked with the tender number as stated in the tender documents and be deposited in the Tender box provided at the office HQs, Britam Towers, 17th Floor, Hospital Road, Upper hill, Nairobi or addressed to:

The Ag. Commission Secretary/CEO,
National Cohesion & Integration Commission
17th FLOOR, BRITAM TOWERS, HOSPITAL ROAD, UPPERHILL
P.O BOX 7055-00100 NAIROBI, KENYA
0702777 000/ 020 258 5701/2
Email: tenders@cohesion.go.ke

so as to be received on or before **Friday May 3rd, 2024 at 12:00 Noon**

- 6. The applications will be opened immediately thereafter, at the NCIC's Boardroom on 17th Floor Britam Towers, Upper hill, Nairobi in the presence of bidders or their representatives who choose to attend.

The commission reserves the right to reject any tender application in whole or part.

- 7. Late tenders will be rejected.

Commission Secretary/CEO



Boon for Nakuru farmers as pyrethrum sector revival start

BY ANNE SABUNI (KNA)

White dazzling petals, with yellow anthers sunken in the middle, brightened by the cool climatic conditions of Kenyan highlands that they bask in, the pyrethrum flowers may pass for your ordinary bush flower, until their anthers assume a bulging middle.

The land on which the cool green leaves supporting the flowers rest is clean and free from pests, a sign that the flowers are not your ordinary flowers that would attract insects to aid in the pollination process. They are ‘deadly on the duds, but gentle on you’. Despite the small portions of land under the pyrethrum crop, the recently revived sector is turning tables for farmers in Nakuru County, both



Caroline Koech, the Product Development Manager at Pyrethrum Processing Company of Kenya (PPCK) in Nakuru displays some of the products the company has developed for use in homes, industries and on farms./Anne Sabun

for those planting the crop and those seeking organic solutions for perennial infestation by worms and pests for other crops as well as livestock.

“I have increased my portions of land under pyrethrum to two and a half acres which I harvest every two weeks translating to about 60 kilograms of dry

flowers for every acre,” notes Joseph Sirma, a farmer at Sirikwa location in Molo Sub County.

Sirma is glad that unlike other crops that are expensive to manage, pyrethrum only demands weeding and periodic harvesting to ensure the quality of the flowers is maintained for the best returns.



TENDER NOTICE

The Kenya Broadcasting Corporation invites interested and eligible tenderers to participate in the following tender:

TENDER NO.12/KBC/2023-24	PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES ON ISO RECERTIFICATION
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A complete set of tender documents may be downloaded by interested candidates from the Corporation website, www.kbc.co.ke, tenders.go.ke (PPIP) or obtain hard copy from Procurement Manager's Office at Broadcasting House Harry Thuku Road. Interested candidates will be required to register by paying non refundable fees of Ksh 1,000 in cash or bankers Cheque payable to Kenya Broadcasting Corporation cashier situated on Harry Thuku Road before the deadline of returning the completed document. (Kshs.1000/= not applicable to youth, women and PWD), Bidders downloading the tender document from the website are not required to pay but immediately forward their particulars for records and for the purposes of receiving any further tender clarifications and/or addendums to **KBC Procurement Office** or procurement@kbc.co.ke.

Completed tender documents must be submitted in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with respective tender numbers and addressed to:-

**Managing Director,
Kenya Broadcasting Corporation,
P.O. Box 30456-00100, NAIROBI**

OR

Be deposited in the tender box at the Main Gate Broadcasting House on or before **30th April 2024 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



PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Our Vision
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“To reform and transform the public service for efficient and effective service delivery”

VACANT POSITIONS IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

V/NO.	POST	GRADE	NUMBER OF VACANCIES
139/2024	Director, Human Resource Management and Development	PSC 2	1
140/2024	Senior Deputy Director, Human Resource Management and Development - Human Resource Development and PSIP	PSC 3	1
141/2024	Senior Deputy Director, Human Resource Management and Development - Discipline and Employee Wellness	PSC 3	1
142/2024	Director, Recruitment and Selection	PSC 2	1
143/2024	Senior Deputy Director, Human Resource Management and Development - Human Resource Planning	PSC 3	1
144/2024	Director, Compliance and Performance Management	PSC 2	1
145/2024	Director, Organization Design and Career Management	PSC 2	1
146/2024	Senior Deputy Director, Organization Design and Career Management - Career and Advisory Services	PSC 3	1
147/2024	Director, Legal Services	PSC 2	1
148/2024	Senior Deputy Director- Board Secretariat	PSC 3	1
149/2024	Senior Deputy Director, Management Information Systems	PSC 3	1
150/2024	Senior Deputy Director, Research, Policy Analysis and Analytics	PSC 3	1

The details of the posts can be accessed on the Commission's website.

Interested and qualified persons are requested to make their applications **ONLINE** through the Commission website: www.publicservice.go.ke or jobs portal: www.pscjobs.go.ke

The Public Service Commission is committed to implementing the provisions of the Constitution - Article 232 (1) on fair competition and merit, representation of Kenya's diverse communities and affording equal employment opportunities to men and women, members of all ethnic groups and persons with disabilities. **THEREFORE, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, THE MARGINALIZED AND THE MINORITIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.**

Applications should reach the Commission on or before **6th May 2024 latest 5.00 pm** (East African Time).

**AG. SECRETARY/CEO
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



MINISTRY OF INVESTMENTS, TRADE AND INDUSTRY

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR TRADE

TENDER NOTICE

TENDER	Supply, Installation, Testing And Commissioning Of Internet Services
ISSUED ON:	16th April 2024
TENDER REFERENCE NO.	MITI/SDT /OT/05 /2023-2024
CLOSING ON:	24th April 2024

- The Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry, State Department for Trade invites sealed tenders for the Provision of Internet Services i.e. Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of an Efficient, Manageable and cost effective Internet Services for effective communication at the State Department located in Nairobi at Telposta Towers for a period of Two Year – renewable.
- Bidding will be conducted through Open Competitive Procurement method. Tenders must be submitted using the Standard Tender Document, whose format and instructions must be strictly observed.
- Interested eligible Candidates may obtain further information from the State Department for Trade and inspect the bidding document during office hours Monday to Friday 8. 00a.m to 4. 00p.m (East African time).
- The tender document is available for inspection and download free of any charges at the State Department for Trade's website: <https://www.trade.go.ke> and at the Public Procurement Information Portal website: <https://tender.go.ke>. Additionally, any candidate who wishes to get a hard copy of the tender document can obtain it from State Department for Trade, Supply Chain Management office 17th floor Room 1704 at a cost of kshs 1,000. Only.
- Bids must be delivered and be placed in the tender box at the 17th Floor, Telposta Towers, Kenyatta Avenue, Nairobi.
- The Tenders shall close and be opened on **24th April 2024 at 10:00a.m. (East African Time)**. Late bids will be rejected and be returned unopened.
- Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of bidders or their designated representatives who choose to attend at the Boardroom situated at the 18th Floor, Telposta Towers.
- Tenderers must provide a tender security/bond in the amount and format provided in the Tender Document.
- A pre-arranged pre-tender visit of the site of the works will be held on **19th April 2024 at 11.00 a.m.** at TELEPOSTA TOWERS 14TH FLOOR.

PRINCIPAL SECRETARY



National Museums turns 120 year old missionary building into cultural hub for Tana's Ngao village

BY EMMANUEL MASHA
(KNA)

Ngao village in Tana River County is poised to receive a community museum, thanks to rehabilitation works being undertaken by the National Museums of Kenya on a missionary building that is over 120 years old within the village.

The NMK has secured a Sh2.7 million grant from Greece-based Heritage International and has embarked on renovation works on the building that was constructed between 1900 and 1902 by German missionaries. The building served as a launching pad for evangelistic work among the Pokomo of Tana River after an earlier attempt to evangelize the Galla (Orma) failed.

NMK's Assistant Director of Museums and Monuments in charge of the Coast region, Mr. Athman Hussein, toured the building situated in the newly created Tarasaa Sub-County early this week to assess the progress of ongoing works. He announced that the building would be converted into a small museum and made part of a tourism circuit that includes three first world war monuments in Garsen and the nearby Methodist Church.

Mr. Hussein also toured the abandoned Methodist Church building (constructed between 1903 and 1906), which is in a great state of disrepair,



ABOVE: The 120-year-old missionary house in Ngao village within the newly created Tarasaa Sub County, Tana River County, that is being rehabilitated by the National Museums of Kenya. The building that used to house German Methodist Missionaries will be converted into a community museum.



The abandoned Ngao Methodist Church that was constructed by German Missionaries between the years 1903 and 1906. The National Museums of Kenya will rehabilitate it and use it as a tourist attraction in the sleepy Christian village of Ngao, Tana River County.

and announced that the NMK would embark on its rehabilitation after works on the missionary house are complete.

"Our objective is to renovate the entire building (the missionary house) and convert it into a small museum that will attract tourists to this sleepy village," he said, adding that

this was in line with the government's policy of Utalii Mashinani (grass-roots tourism).

Mr. Hussein said the NMK would gazette the more than 100 years historical relics (the missionary house and the church) in partnership with the Methodist Church in Kenya so that they can

continue receiving attention from Government and other partners.

"We believe that by renovating these two buildings, we will open Ngao, Tarasaa and even Garsen which is renowned for hosting World War I mon-

uments. All these will be connected to each other so that we form a tourism circuit," he said.

Mr. Philip Jimbi Katana, a heritage consultant, said the two buildings were significant because of their history, the unique architecture, and their connection with the church.

"This building (the missionary house) will be the first museum in Tana River and will be one of the very few community museums in the country," Mr. Jimbi, a retired Chief Curator at the Fort Jesus Museum in Mombasa said.

The project coordinator, Mr. William Muta Saka, who is also the curator of Jumba National Monument in Mombasa said NMK received 19,500 Euros from Heritage International for the rehabilitation works which he said would be completed by June this year.

Mr. Edward Yesse, an administrator and author from Ngao village said the community was elated by the ongoing works saying the history of Ngao as a Christian village will be preserved through the opening of the museum.

"It took us seven

All around the world tourism plays an key role in the preservation and promotion of culture," CS



National Museums of Kenya Assistant Director of Museums and Monuments in charge of the Coast Region Athman Hussein addresses journalists outside an old missionary house that is set to be converted into a community museum.

PHOTOS: EMMANUEL MASHA

years to bring in the National Museums of Kenya. It is not easy to get funding, especially now.

The whole community is ready for the museum, and I know that the church will also be rehabilitated so that it can be used by members of the community," he said.

Mr. Yesse narrated the history of evangelism in the area, which he said was conducted by the German missionaries who initially targeted the Galla (Orma community) but later turned to the Pokomo, leading to the construction of the missionary house between 1900 to 1902 and the church from 1903 to 1906.

Amref donates bicycles to Kwale Health Promoters to access rural communities

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI(KNA)

Community Health Promoters in Kwale County have received bicycles from a non-governmental organization to ease mobility and reach the doorstep of remote rural communities.

County Secretary Ms. Sylvia Chidodo says a total of 100 bicycles, courtesy of the African Medical and Research Foundation (AMREF), were issued to the CHPs as a pilot initiative in the coastal county to enable swift mobility of the health workers as they discharge their duties.

Ms. Chidodo said bicycles increase healthcare access in rural communities where the lack of efficient and reliable transportation affects socio-economic development. CHPs identify potential health issues early enough and keep an eye on them

to connect communities with primary healthcare facilities.

The bicycles were issued under the World Bicycle Relief Community Health Promoters Mobility Program at the County Headquarters in Kwale town. Ms. Chidodo, accompanied by County Health Executive Dr. Francis Gwama, said Kwale has 1,670 CHPs divided into 168 Community Health Units (CHUs).

She said the bicycles would help the community health promoters to promote preventive and promotive health at the community level, reach many people, and increase access to health services.

Ms Chidodo said they trained members of the community who work as a link between the community and formal health facilities and are responsible for

providing basic health services such as health education, disease prevention, and treatment.

She expressed her gratitude for the donation saying, "Health is on our agenda, and we appreciate the support for bicycles to improve access to health. In collaboration with partners from AMREF and World Bicycle Relief, we will seek to have all 1,670 CHPs provided with bicycles," she said.

She went on, "The move is aimed at ensuring that critical healthcare services are taken further down to household levels".

She said the county under the leadership of area Governor Fatuma Achani has made strides in making sure health services are enhanced at the grassroots level.

Chidodo termed the grassroots health promoters as an



Kwale County Secretary Sylvia Chidodo flagging-off ceremony of the AMREF- World Bicycle Relief Community Health Promoters Mobility Program at the County Headquarters in Kwale.

essential element of primary healthcare in remote and far-flung areas.

Ms. Kalenyio said the World Bicycle Relief East Africa is collaborating with the coastal county to achieve overall primary healthcare in all the corners of Kwale and improve service delivery in the health sector.

Aloise Gikunda, who repre-

sented AMREF at the launch lauded the project, noting that it will improve health and contribute to the county's development.

"AMREF has a new strategy that focuses on Primary Health Care. This strategy aims to support counties and communities in improving the lives of populations," Gikunda said.

National Skills Inventory to bridge job opportunities at home and abroad

BY EKUWAM SILVESTER
AND KIPTANUI
CHERONO(KNA)

The Government will develop a National Skills Inventory that will help match available job opportunities abroad with those in the country to address unemployment.

The State Department for Labour and Skills Development Principal Secretary Shadrack Mwadime noted that the action is a presidential directive to match the job opportunities that are opening abroad with local skills.

Mwadime noted that employers have been complaining that the kind of graduates produced in educational institutions do not match their expectations and that they want to see where the gaps are to inform the change of the curriculum.

"We want to know the kind of skills our young people have currently and then do an analysis of the labour market both internationally and the market within. We can only do that analysis if we have taken an inventory of the skills obtained currently so that we get to know their gaps and that will inform a change of the curriculum," the PS noted.

Mwadime who was speaking during a familiarization tour of duty in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County noted that the un-



The Principal Secretary, State Department for Labour and Skills Development Shadrack Mwadime accompanied by County Commissioner Dr. Eddyson Nyale (R) during a press briefing outside the National Employment (NEA) offices, Eldoret, Uasin Gishu.

employment rate in the country is very high and declared that the government is deliberate in ensuring it is substantially reduced through creating a conducive environment within the economy where investors can invest their resources and gradually also increase the number of the employees that they bring on board as the economy grows.

The PS revealed that there were job opportunities which were opening in the Western European countries due to an ageing population currently which would offer great opportunities for our young people from Kenya to work there.

"In the statistics, those below 35 years in accordance with the latest population census the population of the young is about 65 per cent. Every

year we produce about one million graduates right from primary secondary and at tertiary level and only about 200,000 can get employed by our economy as they manage to get self-employed through seed capital from platforms like the Youth Enterprise Fund, Hustlers Fund, and others to cater for their daily needs," the PS said.

Mwadime debunked the claims of brain drain that the young skilled people would go to settle permanently in the outside countries, terming them fallacies as he reiterated that they do not want our people to go and settle there but on short term contracts of three to five years and then come back home and invest that which they have been able to accrue during the period.



PHARMACY AND POISONS BOARD

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE FOR THE MAY 2024 PROFESSIONAL EXAMS

The Pharmacy and Poisons Board will conduct the above Pre-registration Exams (Stage I & II) and Pre-Enrolment exams (Level I & II) from 27th to 31st May 2024.

The exams will be administered **online**, in the respective **examination centers**.

Each candidate should:

- Make an application in the **PPB online services portal**. The application deadline will be **10th May 2024**.
- Select their preferred examination center. The exam centers are subject to change and candidates must regularly check the portal prior to the exam for any changes.
- Obtain a suitable computer device with internet access, fully charged, and which can store power to run for at least 3 hours.

There will be mock exams to test and familiarize with the **PPB online examinations portal**. The dates for the mock exams will be communicated in due course. The mock exams will be done at home.

Candidates with a disability or health issue that may affect their ability to sit for **online exams** must immediately notify the Board in writing, together with supporting medical evidence.

Any feedback or queries can be sent by e-mail to training@pharmacyboardkenya.org.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



KENYA REINSURANCE CORPORATION LTD

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Kenya Reinsurance Corporation Limited (Kenya Re), is a leading reinsurer and is listed at the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE). It is ISO 9001:2015 Certified and ISO 27001:2013 Certified. It is also rated B by A.M Best and AA+ by the Global Credit Rating Company (GCR). Kenya Re now seeks to recruit and fill the following position for its Head Office in Nairobi, Kenya: -

1.0 RISK SURVEYOR & LOSS ADJUSTER (GRADE KRC3B) REF NO: KRC/HR/2024/004

Reports to: General Manager Reinsurance

Job Purpose.

The job holder will be responsible for conducting investigations into insurance claims to ensure their validity, inspect and assess the damage and loss to insured properties and business, estimate insurance costs and inspect insured properties to evaluate conditions affecting underwriting standards and developing risk management strategies. This position offers an excellent opportunity to further experience in insurance risk surveys, work closely with the business development, reinsurance underwriting and claims teams. The person will also be expected to supervise contracted risk surveyors and loss adjusters across the Group including works in the subsidiaries.

Primary Responsibilities

Duties and responsibilities at this level will entail: -

- Undertake onsite valuations, surveys and risk management assessments.
- Use templates to record assessments and collect photographic evidence.
- Research, collate and assess risk information relating to buildings, property, employees or clients.
- Prepare detailed valuation and risk survey reports and presentations for underwriters in order to identify and reduce risk.
- Make recommendations to underwriters about risk quality, rating and classification, and prepare a schedule of risk improvement measures.
- Advise clients on-site and discuss opportunities and requirements to reduce the risk of future insurance claims.
- Allocate quality grades once improvements have been completed.
- Accompany underwriters on site visits to help them understand the practicalities of the site.
- Work collaboratively with other teams and professionals such as underwriters, brokers, clients' representatives, inspectors of health and safety, and fire officers.
- Handle technical referrals from brokers, clients and other colleagues.
- Work with the risk control team and other departments to maintain technical knowledge and standards within the business.
- Share knowledge and expertise across the business, including providing training on risk management.
- Keep up to date with technical aspects affecting risks, such as trade processes, health and safety legislation, codes of practice and industry standards.
- Develop the business and maintain the professional reputation of the Corporation with cedants, brokers and clients.

Requirement/Person Specifications

Academic Qualifications

- Degree in BSC Engineering, LLB, Bcom Insurance/Risk Management/Economics
- Diploma in Insurance or ACII or AIK or progress in completion/ Diploma in Risk Management. Post Graduate Diploma in related fields will be an added advantage
- CILA qualification or any other undergraduate

Professional Qualifications

- Must be a member of a relevant professional body from a recognized institution and in good standing.
- Professional Risk Surveyor from a recognized body will be an added advantage
- Engineering experience in plant/industrial, mechatronics, electrical or structural will also be an added advantage
- Meets the requirements of Chapter six of the Constitution
- CILA qualification will be an added advantage

Experience

- At least 5 years post degree insurance industry/underwriting work experience
- Proven work experience as a Risk Surveyor
- Proven experience properly in loss adjusting

Other Requirements

- Good interpersonal skills, Commercial awareness
- Diplomacy and negotiation skills
- Strong time management skills
- The ability to work effectively under pressure
- Excellent IT skills
- Organisational skills
- Problem-solving skills
- Teamwork as well as the ability to work independently.
- Communication skills to explain complex ideas to people from a variety of backgrounds.
- Attention to detail.
- Risk management and analytical skills

Specialist knowledge in these areas will be added advantage;

- Accidents and public liability - looking at possible risks to employees, visitors and customers
- Burglary and theft - checking business premises for security and storage methods
- Engineering insurance - covering mechanical and industrial plants
- Fire - including plans, construction and fire protection systems.

Applicants should indicate on the CV their current/last salary and whether they are persons living with disability. They should post or email as attachments their CV and cover letter quoting the relevant Job Ref No. outlining how they meet requirements for the position to: -

The Human Resource Manager

Kenya Reinsurance Corporation Limited

P. O Box 30271, 00100 GPO NAIROBI

E-mail: hr@kenyare.co.ke Closing Date: TBA

Closing Date: **Tuesday, 30th April 2024.**

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2,000 new tutors to be employed as government allocates TVETs Sh29b

BY ROLEX OMONDI (KNA)

The Government has committed to spending over Sh29 billion to support the growth and development of Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET) in the country. Education Cabinet Secretary Ezekiel Machogu said the Ministry has developed the National TVET Blueprint (2020-2030) to provide a strategic orientation for the sector and foster youth empowerment and employment in the country.

“In this financial year, we shall employ 2,000 more tutors, bringing the total number to 4,000 since we assumed office,” Machogu said. He was speaking when he presided over the 10th graduation of 4,203 graduates at Kisumu National Polytechnic.

They comprised artisans, craftspeople, diploma holders, and higher national diploma holders. Out of the 770 Engineering graduates (18 percent of the total), 207 were girls, representing 4.9 percent.

Over the last 10 years, 414 females have graduated in the course. Machogu said plans were underway to equip 70 TVET centers with state-of-the-art equipment and technology in collabora-



Education CS Ezekiel Machogu during the Kisumu National Polytechnic graduation
PHOTO: ROLEX OMONDI/KNA

tion with the Government of China. The move will

see several students acquire the much-needed practical skills and be market-ready and competitive.

He reiterated the rollout of the Competency Based Education Training (CBET) will mainstream industrial linkages and positive skills to the students through the dual training approach. The Kenya School of TVET, he said, will play a key role in ensuring that tutors are retooled to deliver the CBET, with a strong focus on practical skills for students.

The programs will enable tutors in TVETs to produce graduates with usable and market-ready skills. “The Education reform agenda is premised on the recommendations of the Presidential Working Party on Education Reforms, which have articulated a clear agenda on the TVET institutions,” he said. The government, he said, will continue to invest and expand the TVET space which now includes 24 National Polytechnics (13 recently upgraded), and over 200 technical vocational colleges spread across the country.



INVITATION TO OPEN NATIONAL TENDER

The Public Service Superannuation Fund is established under the Public Service Superannuation Scheme Act, No. 8 of 2012 to provide retirement benefits to Civil Servants, Teachers employed by the Teachers Service Commission and Disciplined Services Personnel (Kenya Police Service, Kenya Prisons Service and National Youth Service).

The object and purpose of the Scheme is to—

- Pay retirement benefits to members of the Scheme.
- Ensure that every member of the Scheme receives his retirement benefits as and when they become due.
- Assist to improve the social security of members of the Scheme by ensuring that the members save in order to cater for their livelihood during their retirement.
- Establish a uniform set of rules, regulations and standards for the administration and payment of retirement benefits for members of the Scheme.

PSSF invites interested and eligible firms/tenderers to bid for the following tenders for the public service superannuation fund.

S/ NO	TENDER NO	TENDER DESCRIPTION	BID SECURITY	CATEGORY	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1.	PSSF/RFP/001/2023-2024	PROVISION OF LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE AUDIT CONSULTANCY SERVICES		OPEN NATIONAL TENDER	WEDNESDAY 24 TH APRIL 2024 AT 10.00AM
2.	PSSF/T/017/2023-2024	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ASSORTED OFFICE EQUIPMENT	Duly Filled,- Signed and Stamped Tender Securing Declaration Form	OPEN NATIONAL TENDER (RESERVED FOR AGPO GROUPS-YOUTH, WOMEN AND PWD)	WEDNESDAY 24 TH APRIL 2024 AT 10.00AM
3.	PSSF/T/018/2023-2024	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ASSORTED GENERAL OFFICE SUPPLIES AND ACCESSORIES	Duly Filled,- Signed and Stamped Tender Securing Declaration Form	OPEN NATIONAL TENDER (RESERVED FOR AGPO GROUPS-YOUTH, WOMEN AND PWD)	WEDNESDAY 24 TH APRIL 2024 AT 10.00AM
4.	PSSF/T/019/2023-2024	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF GENERAL OFFICE STATIONERY FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS FRAMEWORK CONTRACT	Duly Filled,- Signed and Stamped Tender Securing Declaration Form	OPEN NATIONAL TENDER (RESERVED FOR AGPO PWD)	WEDNESDAY 24 TH APRIL 2024 AT 10.00AM

- All Interested and Eligible bidders may download free of charge the Tender documents from the PSSF Website: www.Psss.go.ke OR www.tenders.go.ke and forward their particulars for records to: procurement@psss.go.ke. The Particulars should include Name and address of the Firm, Tender Name and Number.
- Completed bid documents in plain sealed envelope clearly marked with Tender Name and Tender Number should be addressed to:
**The Chief Executive Officer
THE PUBLIC SERVICE SUPERANNUATION FUND
Bima House, Harambee Avenue
P. O. Box 3561-200, NAIROBI.**

And be deposited in the Tender Box located at the Public Service Superannuation Fund (PSSF) on the 6th floor, BIMA HOUSE, Harambee Avenue, so as to be received on or before **WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL 2024 AT 10.00AM (EAST AFRICA TIME)**

- The Tender will be opened at the same venue, on the same day and time in the presence of ONLY ONE (1) bidder representative from each firm who will be allowed to witness the tender opening exercise. Opening Minutes may be circulated to tenderers upon request in writing.

The Chief Executive Officer



INVITATION TO TENDER

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY CORPORATION

- CONTRACT NAME AND DESCRIPTION;**

Rfx No.	Contract name and Description	Bid Security	Opening & Closing date
1000001078	Provision of Cleaning Services for the Financial year 24/25-25/26	Kshs; 250,000.00	8 th May, 2024 @ 10.00am
1000001079	Tender for Provision of Air Ticketing Services for a Period of Three Years Through a Framework Agreement	Kshs; 50,000.00	10 th May, 2024 @ 10.00am
- Tendering will be conducted under open competitive method (National) 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 Documents during office hours **8.00am - 12.45pm to 1.45pm-4.00pm Monday to Friday** in Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation Offices situated in Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor.
- A complete set of tender documents may be viewed and downloaded by interested tenderers free of charge electronically from the Website www.rerec.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.go.ke>

Tenderers who are not yet registered with REREC must register their companies in order to participate in the tender using link below that can be found from the website www.rerec.co.ke Procurement-Supplier registration: [https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44200/supportal\(bd1lbizjPTUwMCZkPW1pbg==\)/bspw-dapplication.do#VIEW_ANCHOR-ROS_TOP](https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44200/supportal(bd1lbizjPTUwMCZkPW1pbg==)/bspw-dapplication.do#VIEW_ANCHOR-ROS_TOP)
- Tender documents may be viewed and downloaded for free from the website www.rerec.co.ke
- 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.
- 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
- The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the tender documents submitted.
- Completed tenders must be delivered to Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation electronically through <https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal> on or before **the tender closing date and time indicated above**
- Only Electronic Tenders will be permitted.
- 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.
- Any addendum to this tender shall be uploaded to the Corporation's website www.rerec.co.ke under tender documents.
- Late tenders will be rejected.
- 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.). Contact Manager, Supply chain management, telephone number: 0709193000 and e-mail address: tenders@rerec.co.ke

Address for Submission of Tenders: Online Through <https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal>

Address for Opening of Tenders. Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor, online opening system

Chief Executive Officer

Kenya Yearbook commits to support road safety initiative

BY MIKE ORIEDO
(KYEB)

The Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) will deploy its publications to strengthen public awareness of road safety in the country, supplementing government efforts to curb road carnage on Kenyan roads.

The Chief Executive Officer, Ms. Lilian Kimeto, said enhancing road safety awareness is an important and urgent national

goal, especially at this time when the number of road accidents has soared throughout the country.

“We will help the public appreciate the importance of road safety so that we keep our roads safe,” Ms. Kimeto said during a training session in which National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA) officials sensitized staff on road safety management.

Ms. Kimeto observed that the rise in



Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board CEO, Ms Lilian Kimeto (centre), with staff during productivity mainstreaming training in Naivasha.

road accidents has instilled fear in Kenyans, as most of them develop fear when using the road, a development that may affect economic growth in the country.

“It is our social responsibility to become road safety ambassadors and help NTSA make people aware of why they must keep our roads safe,” Ms. Kimeto said.

According to NTSA, at least 4,500 people die every year on the roads, with fatalities

among the highest globally.

NTSA is poised to launch the country’s National Road Safety Action Plan on April 17, 2024, a blueprint expected to strengthen road safety management across the country.

Sammy Mwangi, an NTSA official, welcomed KYEB’s support, noting that road safety is a collective responsibility.

In addition to road safety management, KYEB staff were

trained as part of the 20th cycle Performance Contracting on productivity mainstreaming by the National Productivity and Competitiveness Centre.

Ms Kimeto reaffirmed KYEB’s commitment to comply with the public complaints framework.

“As an organisation, we will be the CAJ ambassador by highlighting the roles and successes of the Commission through storytelling in our publications,” she said.



TENDER NOTICE

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

KDC’s mandate is to promote sustainable economic development by providing development finance, infrastructure finance, business support and advisory services to medium and large-scale industries, infrastructure projects and commercial undertakings in target sectors in Kenya and elsewhere.

The Corporation invites sealed bids from eligible candidates to tender for the provision of the following services:

Ref. Number	Tender Name	Tender Security (KSH.)
1. ONT/KDC/001/23-24	Provision of Medical Insurance Services for Board of Directors and Staff	200,000.00
2. ONT/KDC/002/23-24	Provision of General Insurance Services	200,000.00
3. ONT/KDC/003/23-24	Provision of Group Life Insurance Services	100,000.00
4. RFP/KDC/004/23-24	Provision of Property Management Services for Uchumi, Utalii and Finance Houses	200,000.00
5. ONT/KDC/005/23-24	Provision for Maintenance and Repair Services for Air Conditioners	50,000.00
6. FA/KDC/006/23-24	Framework Agreement for Provision of Debt Collection Services	100,000.00
7. ONT/KDC/007/23-24	Provision of Security Services for Uchumi, Utalii and Finance Houses and Eldoret	100,000.00
8. ONT/KDC/008/23-24	Provision of Cleaning, Fumigation, Sanitary Bin and Garbage Collection for Uchumi, Utalii and Finance Houses (Reserved for AGPO) Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference/ Site Visit meeting: Wednesday 24th April, 2024 at 10:00 AM on 20th Floor, Gym Area, Uchumi House	Not Applicable
9. ONT/KDC/009/23-24	Provision for Maintenance and Repair Services for Generators	50,000.00
10. ONT/KDC/010/23-24	ICT Infrastructure Repair, Maintenance and Support	50,000.00
11. ONT/KDC/011/23-24	Network Access Storage Unit (Reserved for AGPO)	Not Applicable
12. ONT/KDC/012/23-24	Telephony System Upgrade Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference/ Site Visit meeting: Tuesday 23rd April, 2024 at 10:00 AM on 20th Floor, Gym Area, Uchumi House	100,000.00
13. ONT/KDC/013/23-24	Staff Credit Insurance Cover for Loans and Mortgages	100,000.00

Interested eligible candidates may obtain the tender documents at the Supply Chain Office located at Uchumi House, Aga Khan Walk, 17th Floor during normal working hours upon payment of a non-refundable tender fee of **Ksh. 1,000.00** per set or downloaded free of charge from our Website www.kdc.go.ke or the Public Procurement Information Portal at <https://tenders.go.ke/>. All the candidates who download the tender document must register with the Supply Chain Office by sending an email to: supplychain@kdc.go.ke to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.

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

Completed documents shall be deposited in the Tender box located at the reception area on **17th Floor, Uchumi House Aga Khan Walk, Nairobi**, so as to be received on or before **10.00 a.m. on Friday 3rd May 2024**. Bid documents will be opened immediately thereafter in the boardroom in the presence of tenderers or their representatives who wish to witness.

**DIRECTOR GENERAL
KENYA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED**



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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3.	Deputy Director Supply Chain Management, KDIC Grade 3	V/No. 03/2024	1
4.	Deputy Director, Legal Services, KDIC Grade 3	V/No. 04/2024	1
5.	Assistant Director Investigations, KDIC Grade 4	V/No. 05/2024	1
6.	Assistant Director Bank Resolution, KDIC Grade 4	V/No. 06/2024	1
7.	Assistant Director Deposit Insurance and Bank Surveillance, KDIC Grade 4	V/No. 07/2024	1
8.	Assistant Director, Risk and Bank Examination, KDIC Grade 4	V/No. 08/2024	1
9.	Assistant Director Legal Services, KDIC Grade 4	V/No. 09/2024	1
10.	Assistant Director, Research & Innovation, KDIC Grade 4	V/No. 10/2024	1
11.	Assistant Director, Internal Audit, KDIC 4	V/No. 11/2024	1
12.	Principal Bank Resolution Officer, KDIC Grade 5	V/No. 12/2024	1
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Gov't to build 100 mega dams for water and sanitation-Njeru

BY MABEL KEYA-SHIKUKU (KNA)

The Government will construct 100 mega-dams to improve water, sanitation, and food security in the country.

The Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation Cabinet Secretary, Zachary Mwangi Njeru, said out of the 100 proposed mega-dams, 34 of them have already been earmarked for development.

He added that the funding for the projects will be done through public-private partnerships (PPPs), and the Government will engage various private organizations to help fund the projects.

"These are major projects which require mega funding, and the Government is therefore seeking to engage our development partners in the projects," Njeru said.

The CS said the ministry is working closely with other government ministries to implement the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA). He cited the on-



CS Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Zachary Mwangi Njeru addressing the press in Naivasha

going affordable housing project in the Ministry of Lands and Settlement, which he said requires water and sanitation infrastructure without which the project cannot succeed.

He was speaking during a meeting with water sector heads from his ministry in Naivasha.

"Two weeks ago, the President launched the Medium-Term Plan 4 (MTP4) and therefore we are meeting with heads of departments and Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) of water works development authorities to see to it that the projects align to the MTP4," Njeru said.

The CS noted that the Government is committed to see works on the stalled Itare Dam in Nakuru commence again, adding that negotiations on the matter is progressing well.

"This dam holds the solution to the water challenges facing Nakuru residents and its environs and we are keen to see it revived," he said.

The construction of the mega dam stalled in September 2018 after a firm which won the tender went under.

The Italian firm, CMC Di Ravenna, the main contractor which won the tender in 2014 filed for bankruptcy causing the multibillion-shilling dam project to stall indefinitely.

Community irrigation project in Murang'a gets water pipes worth Sh10 million

BY BERNARD MUNYAO(KNA)

The Government, through the Ministry of Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation, has provided water pipes worth Sh10 million to the Kiarutara/Mwago Irrigation Project in Gatanga Sub-County, Murang'a County.

These pipes will facilitate the distribution of water to twelve villages in the upper parts of Gatanga Sub-County, promoting irrigation farming.

During a visit to the project over the weekend, Irrigation Principal Secretary Eng. Ephantus Kimotho commended the project, which was established in 2010, stating that it has boosted food security in the area.

He noted that the water pipes would replace those that are dilapidated and extend the area covered by the project. Kimotho urged the project's leadership to install water meters to ensure prudent water usage for the in-



Installation of new water line from Ndakaini to Kirogo water treatment area going on.

tended purpose.

"It is a commendable project that has overcome numerous challenges, and the government is committed to supporting such initiatives across the country to enhance irrigation farming," Kimotho said during his visit to Ragia village.

"I urge the leaders of this project to consider installing meters to impose reasonable charges, ensuring that farmers use water judiciously and allowing the project to generate revenue to cover

production costs."

The project spans an 11.5 square-kilometer area with a population of 11,000 people. Water metering dictates charges of Sh250 for 0-5 cubic meters and an additional Sh30 per cubic meter. Currently, the project produces 1,300 cubic meters per day.

In 2019, sedimentation affected the water flow, and with the government's support, project members received pipes to upgrade the infrastructure downstream.



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TENDER NOTICE

The Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS) is a Semi-Autonomous Government Agency established under the Statistics Act, 2006 to collect, compile, analyze, and disseminate socio-economic statistics needed for planning and policy formulation in Kenya. KNBS invites sealed open National tender as below:-

NO	TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	CLOSING DATE	TARGETED GROUP
1	KNBS/ONT/21/2023-2024	Provision of air ticketing services on "As and When Required"-basis (Framework Agreement)	30 th April 2024 at 10:00 am	Open

Eligible Tenderers may obtain further information and download the Tender Document free of charge from the Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS) supplier portal (<https://supplier.treasury.go.ke>) and /or Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS) website; www.knbs.or.ke under "Tenders" portal. Those who download the document must immediately forward their particulars (i.e. Name & Contacts of Applicant) to email; procurement@knbs.or.ke for purposes of registration.

Original and Completed Tender document 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 30266-00100,
NAIROBI.

so as to be received on or before 30th April, 2024 at 10:00am

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the Candidates or their representatives who choose to attend at the **KNBS Board Room- Real Towers, 13th Floor.**

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

DIRECTOR GENERAL
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DP assures Kenyan diaspora of country's economic recovery

BY JOSEPH WANGUI (DPCS)
Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua has assured Kenyans working and living abroad that the country is secure, and the economy has recovered. Addressing over 400 members of the Diaspora Community in Kigali, Rwanda, the Deputy President urged Kenyans living abroad to invest in Kenya and purchase the government's affordable houses. He stated that there is political stability in the country. He was in Rwanda representing President William Ruto during the 30th Commemoration of the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi ethnic community. "Kenya's security is high. Interior Cabinet Secretary Prof Kithure Kindiki has helped restore security in North Rift and Lamu. It will continue so that the government can create the right atmosphere to

attract investment and tourism. Kenya is great again, we have political stability, everybody is busy, and we are back on the right trajectory in terms of economic development," Mr. Gachagua said. "Invest back in home and especially in the housing program. The houses are affordable, and the mortgage is manageable and payable for the long term. You won't even feel it," he continued. Urging the Diaspora Community to invest in the affordable housing project, the Deputy President described the initiative as a safe investment for the future and business. The Government plans to build over 500,000 housing units by the year 2027, with the intention of transforming the lives of Kenyans. Housing projects are one of the pillars of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).



Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua

Deputy President Gachagua added that the Government upholds democracy, adding "We have tolerance, we are democratic, and we run an open system where the government and the President are ready to be criticized in any manner. We don't want dictatorship, we want to be held to account," DP Gachagua stated. On Kenya's economic situation, the Deputy President said the economy is showing visible and greater signs of recovery. He said President Ruto has also contained the cost of living.

Mr Gachagua highlighted appreciation of the Kenyan shilling against the dollar, hiring of 56,000 teachers to bridge the teacher-student ratio and development programs of the government. "We are on the right trajectory in the economy and policies put by the President are bearing fruits," DP Gachagua said. During the Diaspora Engagement Forum, the Deputy President also apprised the group on the implementation of various government's development agenda such as the affordable housing and enhancement of the diaspora affairs. Principal Secretary State Department for Diaspora Affairs Roseline Njogu, the Kenya High Commissioner to Rwanda Amb. Janet Mwawasi Oben, Members of Parliament and two Kenya university student leaders were also present at the event.

Pastoral communities in Laikipia reap windfall from carbon credits

BY MUTURI MWANGI (KNA)
Pastoral communities in Laikipia have benefited from more than Sh370 million in carbon credits, thanks to their rangeland conservation efforts. The funds, expected to benefit about 14 community conservancies across Isiolo, Samburu, Marsabit, and Laikipia counties, will be utilized for infrastructural development, bursaries, and improving access to water through borehole sinking in these four counties. This move aims to bolster economic sustainability through environmental conservation. During the launch of the Third Round of the Community Carbon Fund by the Northern Rangelands Trust (NRT) at a Nanyuki hotel, Laikipia Governor Joshua Irungu praised the communities in the four counties, highlighting the benefits of their continued conservation efforts in the region. "We appreciate receiving money through carbon credits, and residents should understand that by conserving our environment, we will continue to reap benefits," Irungu said.

He noted that out of the total Sh379 million, the county had received over Sh12 million from NRT, which will be used to initiate water projects in Laikipia North Sub-County. NRT, Rangelands and Carbon Program Director Mohamed Shibia said that Kenya produced the least carbon pollution globally adding that communities are committed to rangeland conservation through rotational grazing. "This is a pastoral-gear project to improve their grazing fields and carbon sequestration as a modern way of rangeland conservation. Carbon in the air is what contributes to climate change and that is what we are committed to addressing," Shibia said. He revealed that, Northern Kenya Rangelands Carbon Project, which is the world's largest soil carbon removal project, is estimated to remove more than 50 billion tons of carbon dioxide in 30 years and generate funds for rangeland communities. He revealed that the carbon credit fund had helped them improve their lives through community-led projects.



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Tender Number	Tender Description	Tender closing date	Eligibility
HELB/RFP/06/ 2023-2024	Provision of Vulnerability Assessment and Penetration Testing Consultancy Services	Thursday 2 nd May 2024 11.00am	Open
HELB/OT/08/2023-2024	Supply of Branded Laptops and Computers	Thursday 2 nd May 2024 11.00am	Open

Interested and eligible firms may obtain further information and inspect the tender documents at the Procurement office on 18th floor of Anniversary Towers, University Way, Nairobi, during normal working hours or view and download the respective **detailed tender advert** and **tender document** from our website www.helb.co.ke/procurement/ or <https://tenders.go.ke>.

All bidders interested in participating in the tender must notify HELB of their participation in the tender by emailing their contact details to procurement@helb.co.ke in case of any further tender addendum.

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1.	KP1/9A.3/OT/40/23-24	Supply of Materials for Fabrication of MCB Boxes, Ovens and Cranes/Chain Blocks	Tuesday 16.04.2024	Tuesday 07.05.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
2.	KP1/9A.2/OT/100/ICT/23-24	Supply, Installation and Configuration of Servers	Thursday 18.04.2024	Thursday 02.05.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
3.	KP1/9A.2/OT/105/ICT/23-24	Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of GBE and DWDM for KPLC Broadband Solution	Friday 19.04.2024	Friday 03.05.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
4.	KP1/9A.2/FA/001/ICT/23-24	Procurement of Fiber Optic Cable (Local Manufacturers)	Friday 19.04.2024	Friday 03.05.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
5.	KP1/9A.2/FA/002/ICT/23-24	Procurement of Fiber Optic Fittings and Accessories	Friday 19.04.2024	Friday 03.05.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
6.	KP1/9A.2/FA/003/ICT/23-24	Procurement of GPON Equipment and Accessories	Friday 19.04.2024	Friday 03.05.2024 at 10.00 a.m.

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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MINISTRY OF LAND, PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

THE REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON:- THE DRAFT AFFORDABLE HOUSING REGULATIONS 2024

1. A Statement of the objectives of the proposed Affordable Housing Regulations, 2024

The Proposed draft Affordable Housing Regulations 2024 seek to facilitate full operationalization of the Affordable Housing Act in the development of affordable housing, institutional housing and associated social and physical infrastructure across the country. The main objective and reason for the proposed Affordable Housing Regulations, 2024 is to operationalize Affordable Housing Act, 2024 and provide clarity on its implementation.

Specifically, the Regulations seek to:-

- Provide for eligibility, application, validity and revocation of exemptions from imposition of the Levy under section 6 of the Act
- provide the criteria for application for allocation and re-allocation in case of default of an affordable housing unit under section 48
- prescribe the requisite deposit for affordable housing unit under section 49(2)(a)
- Provide for inclusivity, and diversity within affordable housing schemes pursuant to Section 59(2) (i) of the Act
- Provide for the criteria for change of affordable housing unit under Section 59(2);
- Provide for loan interest rate or administration fee under section 51 of the Act
- Provide for procedure relating to off-take of affordable housing units;
- Provide for the eligibility criteria to enter into an agreement to develop institutional housing
- Provide for the application procedure for approval to develop institutional housing through implementing agencies
- Provide for eligibility to enter into agreement to finance off-take, application for approval
- Provide for application for approval to offer off take
- Provide clarity on development of associated physical and social infrastructure
- Provide for conduct of Public participation by the Board
- Provide for notice of affordable housing on settlement
- Provide for withdrawal of voluntary savings under Section 52;
- Provide for rural affordable housing unit
- Provide for restrictions on disposal of affordable housing unit.

(2) The effect of the proposed Affordable Housing Regulations 2024 include the following:

- The proposed regulations will provide guidance on the implementation of the provisions of the Affordable Housing Act 2024.
- The implementation of the Regulations will ensure achievement of the Government housing commitment which is to turn housing challenge into an economic opportunity; and ensure housing production to create quality jobs for the 100,000 or so young people graduating from TVETs every year directly in the construction sector and indirectly through the production of building products.
- These Regulations will facilitate achievement of the economic and social rights guaranteed in Article 43(1)(b) of the constitution through:
 - increasing the supply of housing to 250,000 per annum; increasing the supply of affordable homes from 2 per cent to 50 per cent;
 - structuring affordable long-term housing finance schemes;
 - growing the number of mortgages from 30,000 to 1,000,000 by enabling low-cost mortgages;
 - strengthening Jua Kali industry capacity to produce high quality construction productions and materials; and
 - Providing for collaborations and partnerships with developers to participate in the affordable housing program
- The enactment and implementation of these regulations will open up affordable home financing for development of sustainable fully serviced affordable housing schemes with integrated communities and households with all the requisite social and physical infrastructure.
- These Regulations will cushion Kenyans against high rentals; high lending rates by financial institutions therefore promoting home ownership across the Country.
- The Regulations will further provide for charging of an affordable and sustainable home financing on loans to cushion the vulnerable from largely inaccessible lending
- The Regulations will guard against market distortions by ensuring that envisaged partnerships with the Fund, are not exclusive or preferential and do not confer market advantage to any partners over competitors.
- The implementation of the Regulations will enable the Government to enhance economic participation of special interest groups and micro, small and medium enterprise in the creation of jobs and general economic development.
- Further, the Regulations will promote economic growth by linking MSMEs and Jua Kali sector to the affordable housing projects.

(3) Possible alternative and practicable means of achieving the foregoing objectives, including other regulatory as well as non-regulatory options:

The Affordable Housing Act under Section 59 gives powers to the Cabinet Secretary in consultation with the Board to prepare and table the regulations within 30 days of commencement of the Act. The preparations and submission of the Affordable Housing regulations 2024 to parliament is therefore a legal requirement under the Act and thus does no other option is available.

(4) Assessment of the costs and benefits of the proposed Affordable Housing Regulations, 2024 and of any other practicable means of achieving the same objectives;

The implementation provides a framework for the delivery of Affordable Housing and Institutional Housing. The implementation of the proposed Affordable Housing Regulations, 2024 may have some potential challenges. The resultant effect may include an increase in the cost of business that may adversely impact businesses that are financially weak.

It will also however create employment opportunities for businesses in the Real Estate sector or businesses supporting the Real Estate sector owing to increased opportunities. Further the lack of adequate capacity by some of Kenyans to acquire and be allocated affordable housing units due to lack of income to support the repayments of the allocated unit may result in (i) default by unit purchasers that may affect the Fund and subsequent repossession of the units where it is impractically possible for a unit buyer to remedy the situation; (ii) Non-performance by the implementing agencies who have been entrusted to implement the affordable projects under the Affordable Housing Act, 2024; and the risk of inadequate affordable housing units in the initial period of the program.

However, enactment of the proposed regulations will not occasion any additional costs towards implementation, as it seeks to further provide clarity on the implementation of the various provisions within the Affordable Housing Act, 2024. The proposed Regulations seek to provide a robust implementation mechanism for provisions identified under Section 59 (2) and further enable better implementation of the Act. The development of the proposed regulations therefore will create a positive impact in the achievement of the intended objective of the Affordable Housing Act, 2024.

(5) Any other matter specified by the Regulations

The proposed Regulations provides the basis for effective and structured way of undertaking development of affordable housing and provision of affordable homes to Kenyans. The regulations provides a well coordinated approach and application for off take thus incorporating the private sector in provision of the affordable housing. The regulations also provides flexibility for innovation and eligibility across income levels as well as provisions for voluntary savings towards home ownership. Lastly, the regulations also encourage participation of implementing agencies from National and County Governments.

(6) Draft copy of the proposed statutory rule.

A draft copy of the proposed Affordable Housing Regulations, 2024 is posted on the website of the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, State Department for Housing & urban Development at www.housingandurban.go.ke. The comments or inputs or memoranda on the Regulations may be forwarded, in the prescribed format, to the Principal Secretary, State Department for Housing and Urban Development, P.O. Box 30119-00100, Nairobi; hand delivered to the Office of the Principal Secretary, Ardhi House on 6th Floor, Nairobi; or soft copy emailed to ahp@housingandurban.go.ke to be received by **Monday, April 29th, 2024 at 5.00 pm.**

HON. ALICE M. WAHOME
CABINET SECRETARY LANDS, PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPEMENT

Kenya Ports Authority reports record growth in cargo throughput



KPA General Manager for Corporate Services Edward Kamau (left) presents a tour golf bag to Nyanza Golf Club's David Odhiambo who won the KPA sponsored western circuit golf tournament in Kisumu.

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA(KNA)

The Port of Mombasa has defied a global economic crunch to post improved performance over the last twelve months by growing cargo throughput at the port by an impressive 6.2 per cent, reaching 35.98 metric tonnes.

The growth is attributed to a substantial increase in containerized cargo, which registered a remarkable 14.8 per cent rise, accounting for over half of the cargo handled at the Port.

Kenya Ports Authority (KPA) Managing Director, Captain William Ruto, said the port also registered double-digit growth of 11.9 per cent in container traffic, reaching a total of 1.62 million twenty-foot units.

This, he said, reflects the port's efficiency and economic resilience in the region, driving demand for imports and exports.

Ruto attributed the growth to improved vessel turnaround times, container vessel productiv-

ity, and truck turnaround times, which have shown marked improvement.

KPA, he said, will continue to improve operational efficiency through capacity expansion and modernization efforts to meet the growing demand for trade.

This, he said, will ensure that the Port of Mombasa is well-positioned to maintain its status as a key player in the global trade landscape.

"As we move forward, we remain committed to enhancing trade facilitation and economic development in Kenya and the broader East Africa region," he said. In a speech read on his behalf by KPA General Manager for Corporate Services Edward Kamau during a golf tournament in Kisumu, Ruto said the transit market segment has also grown by 11.5 per cent.

Construction of the Homa Bay pier, he said, is ongoing with others slated to begin later in the year.

First Lady supports 7,000 learners with porridge flour for improved nutrition

BY MUTURI MWANGI(KNA)

More than 7,000 learners in Laikipia County have benefited from porridge flour to improve nutrition courtesy of the Office of the First Lady Rachel Ruto.

Laikipia County Deputy Governor Rubeen Kamuri, speaking in Nanyuki during the official flagging off of the food aid consignment, said that the 250 bales of flour would address malnutrition among the school learners in the county.

"We are glad to receive this food aid that is expected to benefit our learners across the county. We have received 250 bales of porridge flour and will benefit over 7,000 students," Kamuri said. He pointed out that the porridge would ensure pupils do not miss

out on school due to hunger and, at the same time, lauded the initiative, noting it was timely.

The Office of the First Lady, Mercy Works Secretary Edward Ngaira, said that the government is committed to alleviating hunger in the county among the learners aimed at boosting education.

"The First Lady is committed to reaching out to the families and children with no food, and I call upon other partners to join us in making such children-geared initiatives successful in a bid to keep them in school," Ngaira said.

Additionally, he said Laikipia has arable land and fertile soil suitable for farming and urged stakeholders for collaboration to increase the food basket through agriculture as a lasting solution to hunger in the county.

Kenya Forest Service initiates fencing project for Menengai Forest regeneration



Chief Conservator of Forest Alex Lemarkoko waters a tree he planted at the Menengai Forest Station in Nakuru, during the launch of the fencing off of Menengai Forest on the outskirts of Nakuru City, to allow for regeneration.

PHOTO: ANNE SABUNI

BY ANNE SABUNI
(KNA)

The Kenya Forest Service (KFS) will commence fencing of the Menengai Forest, on the outskirts of Nakuru City, to pave the way for its regeneration and position it as an eco-tourism site.

The Chief Conservator of Forests, Mr. Alex Lemarkoko, noted that the regeneration of the 6,200-hectare forest will allow conducive clean air for the growing urban population in the city, while securing its boundaries against encroachers and land grabbers.

"This forest has suffered degradation of its vegetation owing to the poor population that surrounds it, which relies on it for grazing, firewood, and building materials.

"Securing its boundary will allow it to naturally regenerate, attracting birds and other animals that will position it as an ecotourism destination," Lemarkoko noted.

He said the 55-kilometer fence will be funded at a cost of Sh156 million through an African Development Bank loan, extended through the Green Zones Project.

"We are creating an environment that will allow the residents of Nakuru to enjoy nature-based recreational activities, while opening it up for the community forest association members to also benefit given the user rights that they have, for farming, beekeeping, fishing, and other economic activities as they allow for conservation," the Chief Conservator added.

Lemarkoko regretted that the forest had, in the past, been used as a criminal's hideout, with people being killed elsewhere and dumped in it. Menengai crater and the viewpoint have also witnessed scores of suicide cases owing to its sharp cliff.

"We are now going to witness a turnaround in the security of this forest. Like Karura, which is now secure and revitalized, we will enjoy increased security and have a place where everyone wants to visit," Lemarkoko added.

The conservator cautioned against any encroachment, noting that the beacons and GPS coordinates will be utilized to drive out anyone sitting on forest land.



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FRAUDULENT ACTIVITIES BY KEBS IMPERSONATORS

It has come to the attention of the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) that certain individuals, working for a private company going by the name **Multi-Works and Rights Enforcements Co. Ltd** which identifies as a **consumer rights/protection organisation and purports to be affiliated with KEBS**, are defrauding Kenyans under the guise of conducting product inspections in retail outlets that, allegedly, are in breach of the Standards Act and enabling legislation.

KEBS has received numerous complaints raised against the afore-mentioned organisation by retailers across the country. These complaints range from invasion of business premises, seizure of goods, on-the-spot fines, solicitation of bribes, to arrests and detention of the individuals in charge of the retail premises for the sake of extorting ransom money from them.

As the government premier conformity assessment body in the country, KEBS places high premium on its reputation, security and trust of its stakeholders, including the business community. We therefore advise the public as follows:

1. When KEBS staff are out of station in the execution of its legal mandate, which includes conducting market surveillance, they **officially identify themselves** and, where applicable, produce the Certificates of Appointments and KEBS Staff Identification Cards confirming authenticity of the assignment. This identification can be further confirmed by sending an **SMS with HR#Staff Number to 20023**.
2. KEBS routinely conducts market surveillance as per its approved workplans, where goods available for retail in markets are sampled for analysis, and conducts entry, search and seizure activities pursuant to the Standards Act, **KEBS does not impose on-the-spot penalties/fines, neither does its Inspectors possess arresting powers**. In addition, during a market surveillance field inspection activity, and in line with the provisions of the Fair Administrative Action Act, KEBS Inspectors issue Sample Collection Forms and Seizure Notification Forms to culprits and give them sufficient timelines to respond to KEBS findings.
3. KEBS is not affiliated with **Multi-Works and Rights Enforcements Co. Ltd** and persons purporting to be employed **by the organisation**, who have gone around the country impersonating KEBS Inspectors and conducting illegal activities in the name of KEBS ranging from invasion of business premises, illegal seizure of goods, illegal on-the-spot fines, solicitation of bribes, to arrests and detention of the individuals in charge of the retail premises for the sake of extortion. **KEBS is consequently engaging with the relevant authorities with the aim of instituting criminal proceedings against the organisation, its members and its enablers.**
4. Economic operators confronted by individuals claiming to work for KEBS, who fail to identify themselves and their assignment as described here in above, and who conduct illegal invasion of business premises, illegal seizure of goods, illegal on-the-spot fines, solicitation of bribes, and illegal arrests and detention of the individuals with the aim of extortion, should immediately report the matter to **KEBS during working hours from 8.00 AM - 1.00 PM and 2.00 PM - 5.00 PM, Monday to Friday through Toll-Free Line 1545 and the DCI through Toll-Free Line 0800 722 203**.
5. Please note that payments for KEBS services are made **ONLY** via the E-Citizen platform, using the pay bill number 222222. **Do not send money to individual mobile phone numbers.**

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KEBS implements an Anti-bribery Management Policy accessible through KEBS Website www.kebs.org

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Petroleum Department launches nationwide LPG program in schools

BY FATMA SAID AND JOYCE LUTOMIA(PCO)

The State Department for Petroleum will introduce Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) programs in schools nationwide to transition the institutions from the use of firewood to LPG.

The program, according to the Principal Secretary for Petroleum, Mohamed Liban, is premised on a growth strategy for the use of LPG in learning institutions, which in the long run will transition all learning institutions to green energy to combat environmental degradation.

Liban noted that the State Department has already advertised LPG use in approximately 20 schools nationwide in the past week as part of a pilot project to assess the feasibility of transitioning schools currently reliant on firewood to LPG usage.

This strategic initiative,

the PS said, aligns with efforts to promote cleaner and more sustainable energy sources, thereby reducing the environmental impact and improving health and safety standards within educational institutions and their surroundings.

Speaking at a Mombasa hotel, where he spearheaded a three-week training on Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Remote Sensing Workshop for the Department's Technical Staff, Liban said that from the analysis of about 7,000 schools, about 97 percent of them are

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using firewood, which encourages tree cutting and degradation, contrary to Climate Environmental Safety principles.

The workshop focused on capacity building to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the department's operations.

By equipping the staff members with advanced skills in GIS and Remote Sensing, the initiative aims to empower them to leverage cutting-edge technology for improved decision-making processes and streamlined operations within the Petroleum sector.

"As a State Department, GIS and Remote sensing is very crucial to our operations.

The training you are going through will be critical in supporting our cross-sector interactions towards creating an understanding of the relative importance of various elements even as we seek



The Principal Secretary for the State Department for Petroleum, Mohammed Liban giving his keynote address during the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Remote Sensing Training Workshop for the Department's Technical Staff, held in Mombasa.

to optimize the use of our natural resources." Liban said.

He emphasized that the department, overseen by its Human Resource Manager, organizes comprehensive training programs across all cadres to ensure no gaps in their service delivery and that their skills are refreshed and sharpened.

He added that the department's visibility is in great progress as he highlighted that the Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) remains engaged in finalizing the Department's Field Development

Plan.

Upon completion, the PS said that the report will undergo review by the CS within a one-month timeframe before its submission to Parliament for ratification.

Once it is approved, the department will proceed with a one-year Final Investment Decision (FID) phase, followed by the commencement of production activities.

"We are on the right track that we are fully prepared in terms of capacity building because we are working to ensure that our staff are well trained

and well-focused so that when we go to production we will be able to meet our objectives as a team." He added.

He noted that he expects the facilitators to explore the staff with the complexities of applying the use of GIS in Asset management, terrain stability assessment, automation for mapping and visualization as well as cost efficiency in optimizing GIS in their operations.

More so, he said that vast knowledge of the use of GIS will put the department in a vantage position to handle a huge amount of spatial data and information in the exploration, production, and transportation of petroleum as well as natural resource management.

Liban added that the application of Remote Sensing in combination with GIS will propel their operations towards sustainable exploitation of natural resources for social economic development and conservation.

The PS said that GIS and Remote Sensing are very crucial to identifying the filling station because according to EPRA, there are 136 licensed filling stations.



PUBLIC NOTICE

ROLL OUT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ARCMS)

The Public Procurement Administrative Review Board (the Review Board) is established under Section 27 of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, 2015(the Act). The Review Board is mandated under Section 28 of the Act to review, hear and determine tendering and asset disposal disputes.

In order to effectively discharge the above function, the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (the Authority) is required to provide administrative and secretariat services to the Review Board. To this end the Authority has developed an online Administrative Review Case Management System (ARCMS) to be adopted and used by the public in filing of Procurement and Asset Disposal Reviews. The system which is a self-service portal gives the complainant a platform to submit, query and manage Requests filed, view status of Requests before the Board, file other documents that may become necessary before or during the handling of the Request for Review and obtain Decision of the Board on the Matter. The information captured in the portal will be secured with utmost level of confidentiality and will be purely used for purposes of Requests for Review.

The Review Board and the Authority brings to the attention of the general public and all stakeholders that effective **Tuesday, 16th April, 2024** all Requests for Review will be filled through the ARCMS. The ARCMS is accessible online from the internet through the link <https://arcms.ppra.go.ke>

Stakeholders can access the User Manual from the Authority's Website on the link <https://ppra.go.ke>

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LAPSET CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY



INVITATION TO TENDER

The LAPSET Corridor Development Authority (LCDA) invites sealed tenders from eligible tenderers for the following tender: -

S/No	Tender No.	Tender Description	Closing Date
1	LCDA/ONT/01/2023-2024	LAPSET Lamu Special Economic Zone Phase 1- Graveling of Roads within Lamu Special Economic Zone, Tender No. LCDA/ONT/01/2023-24	Friday 3 rd May 2024 at 10.00am

Interested firms can download the tender document from the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) www.tenders.go.ke or from the LAPSET Corridor Development Authority website www.lapset.go.ke free of charge.

Tenderers who have downloaded the tender document must forward their particulars immediately to the email procurement@lapset.go.ke for the purpose of further communication and issuance of addendum if any.

Hard copies of completed tender documents shall be submitted in two **"ORIGINAL" and "COPY"** and placed inside a plain sealed envelope clearly marked with the tender number and name addressed to:-

**Director General / CEO
LAPSET Corridor Development Authority
P.O Box 45008- 00100
NAIROBI**

Tender documents shall be deposited in the tender box provided at the LAPSET offices located at Chester House Second Floor, Koinange Street, Nairobi so as to be received on or before **Friday 3rd May 2024 at 10.00am**

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend at the boardroom located at Chester House Second Floor, Koinange Street, Nairobi.

DIRECTOR GENERAL /CEO



Treasury now sets July 1st, 2024 as transition date to Accrual Accounting

BY MUTISO MBITHI (MYGOV)

The Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB), in collaboration with the National Treasury, has announced that the effective date for the transition from cash to accrual accounting is July 1st, 2024, in line with the approved Cabinet memo.

As the Board and National Treasury lay the foundation for the gazetement of the date, public sector entities are encouraged to commence the transition. According to Ms. Georgina Muchai, the CEO of the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board, with the accrual accounting system, public sector entities will have better management and accounting for their financial and non-financial assets, which will now be part of the elements reported in the financial statements.

Ms. Muchai noted that the shift will enhance transparency, especially by making it easy to discern from the financial statements the amount of assets owned by a particular public sector entity. “Cash-based accounting records revenues and expenses when cash is received or paid out, whereas accrual accounting records revenue when it is generated and records expenditures when they are incurred regardless of when cash is received or paid,” the CEO added.



Public Sector Accounting Standards Board Acting Chief Executive Officer Georgina Muchai addressing stakeholders during a past event.

Ms. Muchai revealed that public entities already reporting under accrual accounting include state and county government corporations, level 4 and 5 hospitals, cities and municipalities, water companies, public universities, teacher training colleges, and Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVETs). The rest,

ties will also be an element of financial statements to be reported in the balance sheet. This will ensure the current pending bills will no longer be a disclosure item as a memorandum in the accounts but part of the balance sheet,” said the PSASB Acting Chief Executive Officer. To facilitate a smooth transition to accrual accounting, the CEO said, PSASB has already prepared Accrual Financial Reporting Templates for public sector entities in readiness for the complete shift next year.



National Transport and Safety Authority
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IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FORUMS AND SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDUM

THE DRAFT NTSA (OPERATION OF COMMERCIAL SERVICE VEHICLE) REGULATIONS 2024 AND TRAFFIC (SCHOOL TRANSPORT) RULES 2024

The National Transport and Safety Authority in consultation with the Ministry of Roads and Transport is mandated with the responsibility of regulating the road transport subsector.

Pursuant to Section 119(g) and 119 (1)(na) of the Traffic Act Revised, Cap 403, 2012, the following statutory instruments have been formulated to support effective road safety management in Kenya. The instruments are the;

- Draft NTSA (Operation of Commercial Service Vehicle) Regulations 2024
- Draft Traffic (School Transport) Rules 2024

In the spirit of public participation as envisaged in the Constitution and the statutory instruments Act, the Authority hereby invites members of the public to submit their Memorandum on the draft regulations and to participate in the following public forums;

No	Region	Counties to be Covered	Venue	Date
1	Garissa	Garissa, Kitui, Mandera and Wajir Counties	Kitui ATC Hall	22 nd April 2024
2	Meru	Meru, Tharaka Nithi, Marsabit and Isiolo Counties	Meru National Polytechnic	22 nd April 2024
3	Embu	Embu, Muranga and Kirinyaga Counties	Kenya Agricultural & Livestock Research Organization (KALRO)	23 rd April 2024
4	Nyeri	Nyeri and Laikipia Counties	Dekut Enterprises	24 th April 2024
5	Nairobi	Nairobi, Machakos, and Kiambu Counties	Utalii College	26 th April 2024
6	Uasin Gishu	West pokot, Turkana, Uasin Gishu, Trans nzoia, Nandi and Elgeyo Marakwet counties	Eldoret National Polytechnic	29 th April 2024
7	Kakamega	Bungoma, Kakamega, Busia and Vihiga Counties	Kakamega Golf Club Hall	30 th April 2024
8	Kisumu	Kisumu, Siaya and Homabay Counties	Maseno University Kisumu campus	2 nd May 2024
9	Kisii	Kisii, Nyamira and Migori Counties	Zonic Hotel, Kisii	3 rd May 2024
10	Kericho	Kericho, Kajiado and Bomet Counties	Anglican Church of Kenya	6 th May 2024
11	Nakuru	Nakuru, Nyandarua, Baringo Samburu and Narok Counties	The Alps Hotel, Nakuru	7 th May 2024
12	Makueni	Makueni County	Jambo Africa Gateway Resort	9 th May 2024
13	Taita Taveta	Taita Taveta County	Coast Institute of Technology	10 th May 2024
14	Kilifi	Kilifi, Lamu and Tana River Counties	Pine Court Hotel	13 th May 2024
15	Mombasa	Mombasa and Kwale Counties	Kenya School of Government	14 th May 2024

The public may view and download the draft regulations from the NTSA website (www.ntsago.ke). Stakeholders should address their memorandum to the Director General NTSA, hand deliver it to any NTSA Regional office or submit through memoranda@ntsago.ke. The deadline for submission of memorandum is **10th May 2024**.

For enquiries and details on the public participation forums and the draft regulations, kindly visit the nearest NTSA office or NTSA Huduma Centre Help Desk.

DIRECTOR GENERAL



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TEACHERS SERVICE COMMISSION

INVITATION TO TENDER

The Teachers Service Commission was established under Article 237 of the Constitution 2010 as a Constitutional Independent Commission with the mandate to register trained teachers, recruit and employ registered teachers, promote and transfer teachers, assign teachers employed by the Commission for teaching services in public schools, exercise disciplinary control over employed teachers.

To achieve its constitutional mandate through effective and efficient service delivery, the Commission invites interested and eligible bidders/tenderers to bid for the tenders listed below:

S/ NO	TENDER NO	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TENDER SECURITY	PRE BID / SITE VISIT	CATEGORY	CLOSING / OPENING DATE
1.	TSC/T/045/2023 -2024	Maintenance of Electronic Document Management System and Scanners Three Year Framework Contract	20,000	Tuesday 23 rd April, 2024 at 10.00am.	Open Tender	Thursday, 2 nd May, 2024 at 9.00 a.m.
2.	TSC/T/054/2023 -2024	Leasing of Professional Electronic Document Management System Scanners At Teachers Service Commission Headquarters for a Period of Six Months	20,000	Wednesday 24 th April, 2024 at 10.00am	Open Tender	Thursday, 2 nd May, 2024 at 9.00 a.m
3.	TSC/T/056/2023 -2024	Leasing of Kodak Capture Pro Software Licenses For Electronic Document Management System at Teachers Service Commission Headquarters for a Period of Six Months	20,000	Monday 22 nd April, 2024 at 10.00am	Open Tender	Thursday, 2 nd May, 2024 at 9.00 a.m
4.	TSC/T/57/2023 - 2024	Supply, Delivery and Installation of Electronic Document Management System Scanners With Kodak Capture Pro License and Laptops at Teachers Service Commission Headquarters	80,000	N/A	Open Tender	Thursday, 2 nd May, 2024 at 9.00 a.m.

Detailed Tender documents may be obtained from Supply Chain Management Services Division, at the TSC House 2nd floor Podium Wing, Kilimanjaro Road, Upper hill during normal working hours upon payment of non-refundable fee of **Kshs.1,000** (One Thousand Shillings) payable to **Teachers Service Commission at National Bank of Kenya Account No. 01001000905000, Harambee Avenue Branch** or Bankers Cheque and present the bank slip to TSC Cash office for official receipt.

Interested bidders may also access the tender documents from TSC website: www.tscgo.ke or the Public Procurement Information Portal (PIIP) www.tendersgo.ke free of charge. Bidders are required to register and forward their particulars to SCMS through email to ddprocurement@tscgo.ke. The particulars should include: Name of the firm, address, Tender Name, Telephone number and email address.

Complete bid documents (**as per the instructions provided in the tender documents**) must be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes and clearly marked with the Tender Number and tender description should be addressed to:

The Secretary, Teachers Service Commission, TSC House, Upper Hill, Kilimanjaro Road, Private Bag, 00100, NAIROBI and deposited in the Tender Box located at TSC Headquarters, TSC House, Podium Wing, ground floor to be received on or before Thursday 2nd May 2024 at 9.00a.m.

Bulky documents shall be delivered and registered at the office of the Head of Procurement, Supply Chain Management Services on 2nd Floor, Podium Wing, TSC House. Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter at TSC House 3rd Floor Podium Wing in the presence of tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend.

The Tender submission date will be on **Thursday 2nd May 2024 at 9.00a.m. Late tenders will be rejected.**

All enquiries and clarifications should be sent via email to: ddprocurement@tscgo.ke.

COMMISSION SECRETARY/ CHIEF EXECUTIVE



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Counties applauded for advancing ICT for improved governance, better service delivery

BY RACHAEL KILONZO (PCO)

The Council of Governors (COG) has lauded county governments for employing new Information, Communications, and Technology (ICT) in their functions across all sectors to foster good governance and improve service delivery.

Mr. Wisely Rotich, the Chair of the COG ICT and Knowledge Management Committee, who was accompanied by the Chair of the Parliamentary ICT Standing Committee, Mr. Allan Chesang, noted that counties have utilized cutting-edge technologies in various sectors, including finance, health, education, agriculture, and trade, which has enhanced service delivery and efficiency.

Rotich, who is the Governor for Elgeyo Marakwet County, was speaking during a Senate Standing

Committee on ICT retreat in Mombasa, which was also attended by the Information, Communications, and Digital Economy CS, Eliud Owalo, ICT and Digital Economy PS, Eng. John Tanui, ICT committee members, and heads of parastatals within the ministry. The theme of the retreat was “Strengthening ICT sector policies and legal frameworks in Kenya.”

“In line with the President’s Agenda on the Digital Superhighway and in recognition of the enormous potential of ICT to enhance

“All around the world tourism plays an key role in the preservation and promotion of culture,” CS

service delivery, county governments have made commendable progress in integrating ICTs and new cutting-edge technologies in county functions across all sectors. I will highlight the successes, the gaps, and areas of partnership between the two levels of government and other stakeholders,” said Rotich.

In the finance and revenue collection systems, the CoG Chair noted that in the last five years, there has been efforts from the two levels of government to develop a unified revenue collection management system.

“So far, 34 counties have a collection system. This has enhanced transparency and security in financial transactions and we therefore need to go further by developing mobile apps for tax collection and payment of government services,



Mr. Wisely Rotich, the Chair of the COG ICT and Knowledge Management Committee

It is also envisaged by the CoG, Rotich added that County Governments will integrate financial management systems with e-government services to streamline budgeting, procurement, and financial reporting processes,” said Rotich.

The Governor further pointed out that county governments continue to deploy telemedicine platforms to extend health-care services to remote areas and implement electronic health records to improve patient care. Additionally, the Chair noted that counties have integrated health information systems with national health databases to ensure seamless data flow and support health policy planning adding that in the education sector,

counties have partnered with EIDU, a private sector institution that focuses on e-learning in Early Childhood Development Education (ECDE) where nine counties have benefitted from this programme with over 250,000 learners utilizing this platform. “Additionally, counties have partnered with Mastered Card Foundation to support Vocational Training Centers to support e-access to quality education resources, introduce digital literacy programs, and support innovations in schools,” he added.

Rotich however reiterated that there is need to link County Educational ICT tools with national education databases for tracking student performance and improving curriculum development.

On urban Planning and use of GIS for Resource Planning, he noted, counties continue to endeavor to utilize Geographic Information Systems (GIS) to manage county resources effectively, plan development projects, and address environmental concerns.

“In this regard the Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) has partnered with the Council of Governors to ensure that counties are fitted with well-equipped GIS labs. So far, 37 Counties have been supported with specialized equipment and all the 47 Counties will be trained on usage of GIS for urban planning. Currently, the CoG chair noted, all the 47 County Governments have GIS labs though they are at different levels. Vihiga and county continues to stand out on matters GIS on all sectors.

He noted that counties continue to partner with the Ministry of Agriculture in the usage of the Kenya Integrated Agriculture Management Information System (KIAMIS) which focuses on Farmer Data, e-voucher for seed and fertilizer subsidy programme and e-extension program and aims to transform the Agriculture sector and enhance crop yield predictions.



KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY

Tulipe Ushuru, Tujitegemeel

Public Notice

Fringe Benefit Tax and Deemed Interest Rate

FRINGE BENEFIT TAX

For the purposes of Section 12B of the Income Tax Act, the **Market Interest Rate is 16%**. This rate shall be applicable for the three months of **April, May, and June 2024**.

DEEMED INTEREST RATE

For purposes of section 16(2)(ja) of the Income Tax Act, the **prescribed rate of interest is 16%**. This rate is applicable for the months of **April, May, and June 2024**.

Withholding tax rate of 15% on the deemed interest shall be deducted and paid to the Commissioner by the 20th day of the month following the month of computation.

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Government to support gender-responsive interventions to climate change

BY IRENE GALGALO (PCO) AND JAMES ODERO (PCO)

The Government has underlined its commitment to support gender-responsive approaches to mitigate the effects of climate change among men, women and children.

To achieve this, the Governments wants to design appropriate interventions which highlight the differential impact of climate change on different genders through their varied interactions with the environment.

Speaking while officially opening the Pre-SB 60 Strategy meeting to chart the continent’s Unified Climate Action Agenda, Gender and Affirmative Action Principal Secretary, Ms Anne Wang’ombe said the Government recognizes that climate change does not affect everyone equally and any meaningful climate action must prioritize gender-responsive approaches to ensure inclusivity and equity.

“Climate change disproportionately impacts

women and girls, particularly those in marginalized and vulnerable communities.

We have the daunting task of addressing the climate crisis while striving for gender equality and social justice. I am confident that together we can overcome these challenges,” said Ms Wang’ombe.

The PS lauded the meeting’s convener, the African Group of Negotiators Expert Support (AGNES), for successfully completing the first National Gender and Climate Change vulnerabilities hotspot mapping exercise which highlights how the effects of climate change are often shaped by aspects such as socio-economic status, access to resources and gender inequalities.

“We believe that the conclusions and recommendations of this mapping exercise will go a long way in informing appropriate interventions in the target sectors of Water, Energy and Agriculture, with a hope to

extend the same to other sectors in future.

The findings will further be very useful to our upcoming National Gender and Climate Change Action Plan that ought to be informed by current data from across sectors,” said the PS.

Ms Wang’ombe called for unified efforts and forging of a common agenda in confronting the climate crisis and to amplify the voices of women and other vulnerable groups so as to integrate gender perspectives into our climate policies and actions.

The Africa Group of Negotiators Experts Support (AGNES) strategy meeting is meant to deliberate and formulate a unified position of the African climate agenda based on the outcomes of COP28 which underscored the need to address gender, health, agriculture, water security among other components, ahead of the sixtieth session of the Subsidiary Bodies (SB 60) to be held in Germany in June this year.

State pushes for value-added mining Sh5.8 billion gold refinery in Kakamega

BY WAGEMA MWANGI
(PCO)

The government is on the verge of sealing a Ksh 5.8-billion mining investment deal to pave the way for the establishment of Kenya's first modern gold refinery in the Lidambitsa area of Ikolomani, Kakamega County.

The gold refinery will primarily provide a certain and reliable market for thousands of artisanal and small-scale miners in Kenya's gold sub-sector from gold-mining counties of Migori, Kakamega, Narok, Kisumu, Nandi, West Pokot, and Isiolo.

Other counties with substantial gold deposits that will benefit include Turkana, Siaya, and Marsabit. The Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy, and Maritime Affairs, Salim Mvurya, said the Kakamega Gold Refinery is a game-changer for the gold sub-sector in Kenya. He stated that such value-addition facilities hold the key to accelerating growth and introducing innovation in the mining sector as part of promoting socioeconomic development for artisanal gold miners across Kenya.

The CS further disclosed that the government is aggressively seeking more strategic investors to undertake capital-intensive investment ventures in the mining sector that prioritize value addition and enrichment of minerals, including copper, clinker, diatomite, and manganese. "The establishment



Kakamega County Executive Committee Member for Finance Livingstone Imbayi (3rd right) meeting the gold refinery investors and officials from the mining department in his office.



A team from the State Department for Mining during an inspection tour of the land in Kakamega County where the gold facility will be located.

of this gold refinery is in tandem with the vision and commitment that we hold dear on creating value addition centers to increase the value and prices for our minerals," the CS said. Significant strides have already been made towards the operationalization of this multi-billion-shilling plant.

The state has already acquired a 14-acre land parcel and processed land ownership documents for the facility's site. Additional approvals by the National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) on environmental compliance and a no-objection letter by the Kakamega County gov-

ernment have also been granted.

The local community has also been brought on board as key stakeholders in the process. The penultimate step before the investor moves to the site will be key negotiations with the government over the state's stake in this lucrative investment. According to the Mining Act 2016, the state is mandated to acquire a 10 percent Free Carried Interest stake for large-scale mineral operations.

The Principal Secretary of the State Department for Mining, Elijah Mwangi, says the relentless drive for the establishment of mineral value addition centers in Kenya is at the heart of the envisaged reforms in the mining sector. He states that the artisanal miners who occupy the lowest echelons in the mining ecosystem must get their rightful dues through enhanced profits from dealing in processed gold.

He predicts that the refinery will not only create job opportunities for thousands but will also attract more development in the region. "Our firm resolve has been to have artisanal miners get proper value for their products. This will be possible through promoting investments that will process minerals leading to better prices for their minerals and the creation of jobs. This is the positive ripple effect of value addition facilities in the mineral sector," he explained.

The Kakamega Gold Refinery becomes another major mining investment deal by the government after the February signing of the Sh4.8 billion contract by Soy-Fujax

“The local community has also been brought on board as key stakeholders in the process,” PS

Limited for the revival of Fluorspar Mining at Kimwarer area in Elgeyo Marakwet County.

According to the 2022 Economic Survey, Kenya's annual average gold production from 2017 to 2021 was 360 kilograms.

The bulk of this production was by the artisanal miners whose number is estimated to be more than two hundred thousand. However, the absence of good market and perpetual exploitation by unscrupulous brokers has confined the artisanal miners to a life of penury.

It is this cycle that the government wants to break and introduce profitability in their trade.

The joint investment by the investor, China's Heng Nuo Rongchang Trading Company and H. Nuo Kenya Company Trading Limited, will see the construction of a smelter and a mineral laboratory at the site.

To promote operational sustainability, the investor plans to enter partnerships with gold miners' marketing cooperatives to extend technical support for equipment for increase in daily productivity.

During a meeting with the investors at his office, Kakamega's County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Finance and Planning Livingstone Imbayi said the gold refinery project is a major boost for efforts by the county to spur development and create employment opportunities for youth in the region.

The importance of exemption permits for abnormal loads

BY MARY NJENGA

Imagine a recent journey of a truck, affectionately nicknamed "Mnyama," traversing Kenyan highways, carrying a significant cargo from Mombasa port to Jinja in Uganda without incident. Kenyans avidly tracked Mnyama's progress, as it successfully transported a boat by road.

Filled with curiosity, many speculated about the cargo's contents, overlooking compliance requirements, safety measures, and road conditions. The smooth operation was attributed to Mnyama's transporters disclosing the cargo's actual size to the Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA).

KeNHA, established by the Kenya Roads Act 2007, is mandated with managing, developing, rehabilitating, and

maintaining National Trunk Roads. Under Section 4 (2) (d) of the Kenya Roads Act No.2 of 2007, KeNHA ensures compliance with rules outlined in the guidelines on Axle Load Control prescribed under the Traffic Act (Cap 403) and its regulations.

Furthermore, KeNHA enforces Axle Load Compliance through the East African Community Vehicle Load Control Act, 2016, and accompanying regulations where applicable. According to Traffic Act CAP 403 Section 57, KeNHA may grant exemption permits, subject to specified conditions, for vehicles exceeding maximum weight or dimensions provided for by rules under this Act.

Therefore, KeNHA requires transporters carrying loads exceeding legal limits to obtain special permits. Abnormal

loads, exceeding authorized dimensions, necessitate special transportation arrangements. The height and width of such loads determine road suitability.

The East African Community Act, 2016, permits maximum heights and projections, beyond which exemption permits are required. This regional Act applies across EAC Partner States: Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, South Sudan, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), and Somalia.

As most bridges along Kenyan highways have a height of 5.5 meters, trucks exceeding 4.3 meters must follow designated routes, avoiding low-clearance structures to ensure safe passage.

Failure to adhere to regulations can lead to incidents like a

recent crash in Kiambu County, where a truck transporting new motor vehicles collided with an overpass, resulting in vehicle and bridge damage, financial losses, and time delays.

Obtaining exemption permits for abnormal loads is crucial for legal compliance and route planning. This process considers road dimensions, traffic flow, carriageway, and structures. Abnormal loads may necessitate dedicated traffic management, such as lane closures and escort vehicles, to minimize disruptions and ensure safety.

Excess weight from abnormal loads strains road infrastructure, requiring routes capable of accommodating such weights without damage or accidents. Restrictions on routes with long bridges and overpasses protect road structures, as these fea-

tures have weight limits designed for structural safety.

These requirements apply not only to road transport but also air and sea transport, each with specific safeguards. Internationally, a recent bridge collapse in Baltimore, USA, resulted from a massive container ship exceeding height limits, emphasizing the importance of compliance to prevent destruction and loss of life.

Transporters with valid permits are better equipped to handle accidents, as insurance policies typically require them for coverage. Compliance is not a revenue-generating avenue for KeNHA but a necessary measure to protect transporters, road users, and infrastructure, with permit costs as low as Sh10,000.

Medicines, drugs regulator appointed to lead first African Continental Medicines Registration Forum

BY JUDY SHERI (PCO)

The Pharmacy and Poisons Board (PPB) has been appointed to chair the first Continental Heads of Medicines Registration and Marketing Authorization Forum by the African Union Development Agency-NEPAD's African Medicines Regulatory Harmonization (AMRH).

The newly appointed

leadership of the African Development Agency-NEPAD African Medicines Regulatory Harmonization (AMRH) includes Dr. Kariuki Gachoki from the Kenya Pharmacy and Poisons Board as the Chairperson, Dr. Chantel Noufionso from Benin as Vice Chairperson, and Senegal's Mbagnick Diof, Nazalia Macuwele from Mozam-

bique, and Bathusi Kgo-sietsile from Botswana serving as Rapporteurs.

The leadership panel was elected during the historic Continental Forum for Heads of Registration and Marketing Authorization convened on April 11th 2024, in Nairobi, Kenya.

This forum will play a crucial role in facilitating the implementation

of scientific recommendations put forth by the Evaluation of Medicinal Products Technical Committee (EMP-TC) for human medicinal products at the continental level.

Dr. Gachoki, who is the Deputy Director of the Department of Product Evaluation and Registration at PPB, accepted his appointment and expressed gratitude,

pledging to prioritize the well-being of African citizens and acknowledging the importance of listening to forum members' contributions.

This leadership team will facilitate the adoption and translation of continental scientific recommendations into national registration and marketing authorization processes.

The forum aims to foster

collaboration among National Regulatory Authorities, promote information exchange, and advocate for continental recommendations to enhance Africa's regulatory framework efficiency.

Streamlining medicinal product approval processes will contribute to the efficiency and functionality of the African regulatory system.



LAKE VICTORIA NORTH WATER WORKS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Website : www.lvnwwda.go.ke
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Phone: 056 2030795, 056 2031552 and 020 7608130
P.O Box 673-50100, KAKAMEGA

INVITATION TO TENDER

Lake Victoria North Water Works Development Agency (LVNWWDA) invites tenders from interested bidders for the following:

No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Category	Closing Date
1.	LVN/FA/2023-2025/01	Two Years Framework Agreement For Provision Of Travel and Air Ticketing Services	Youth, Women and Persons with Disabilities only	8th May 2024
2.	LVN/FA/2023-2025/02	Two Years Supply Of Communication Materials	Youth, Women & and Persons with Disabilities only	
3.	LVN/FA/2023-2025/03	Supply Of Stationery (Two Years Framework Agreement)	Youth, Women and Persons with Disabilities only	
4.	LVN/FA/2023-2025/04	Two (2) Years Framework Agreement For The Supply Of Motor Vehicle Fuel, Oil Lubricants And Related Services	Open	Open
5.	LVN/FA/2023-2025/05	Two (2)Years Framework Agreement For Provision Of Hotel Accommodation, Conference Facility And Outside Catering services	Open	
6.	LVN/FA/2023-2025/06	Two Years Framework Agreement For Maintenance and Repairs Of Agency's Motor Vehicles	Open	
7.	LVN/FA/2023-2025/08	Drilling/ Capping Of Boreholes Within LVN-WWDA Area Of Jurisdiction On A Framework Agreement Of Two (2)Years	Open	Open
8.	LVN/FA/FY/2023-2025/09	Equipping of boreholes Of Boreholes Within LVNWWDA Area Of Jurisdiction On A Framework Agreement Of Two (2)Years	Open	
9.	LVN/FA/FY/2023 - 2025/10	Two (2)Years Framework Agreement For Supply and Delivery Of ICT Equipment	Youth, Women and Persons with Disabilities only	
10.	LVN/MV-INS/2023 - 2025/10	Provision of Motor Vehicle Insurance for a period of two years	Open	Open
11.	LVN/FA/FY/2023-2025/11	Installation of Steel Tanks within the Agency Area of jurisdiction Two Years Framework Agreement	Open	

Interested eligible contractors may obtain tender documents from the Supply Chain Management Office situated at the address below upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **Ksh. 1,000 per tender** document OR view and download the tender document from LVNWWDA website (www.lvnwwda.go.ke) or the Government Tender Portal website www.tenders.go.ke free of charge. Upon downloading, bidders **MUST** immediately send/email their names and contact details (including physical address) to the following email address for recording and issuance of any clarification or addenda: procurement@lvnwwda.go.ke

Addenda/ clarifications will also be posted in the LVNWWDA website immediately they become available.

Completed tender documents in plain sealed envelope clearly marked with the **"Tender Number and Tender Description"** as more particularly described in the tender document should be addressed and posted to:

The Chief Executive Officer
Lake Victoria North Water Works Development Agency
Kefinco Hse, off Kakamega-Kisumu Road
Email: info@lvnwwda.go.ke, procurement@lvnwwda.go.ke
Phone: 056 2030795, 056 2031552 and 020 7608130
P.O Box 673-50100, KAKAMEGA

OR be deposited in the tender box at the address above so as to be received on or before **8th May, 2024 at 1200hrs**

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers representatives who choose to attend the opening in Main Boardroom. **Late tenders will not be accepted**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Water Resources Authority (WRA)



PUBLIC NOTICE

ON-BOARDING INTO E-CITIZEN PLATFORM OF WRA CLIENT FACING SERVICES

Following the Government directive on digitization of Government services, Water Resources Authority (WRA) onboarded into the E-Citizen Platform its Citizen - facing services in September 2023. Subsequently, WRA closed all its previous MPESA paybills and all payments for services offered are required to be channeled through the ECitizen Platform.

The Authority's Citizen facing services include:

1. Application for Water Permits (i.e. Issuance of Authorization to Construct Works) and payment of applicable fees.
2. Application for Water Permits (i.e. Issuance of Water Use Permits) and payment of applicable fees.
3. Application for Extension of Authorization to Construct Works and payment of applicable fees.
4. Application for Renewal of Water Permits and payment of applicable fees.
5. Application for Variation of Water Permits and payment of applicable fees.
6. Application for Transfer of Water Permits and payment of applicable fees.
7. Application for Easement and payment of applicable fees.
8. Application for Search of Water Permit and payment of applicable fees.
9. Supplement to Authorization/Supplementary permit and payment of applicable fees.
10. Re issuance of or alteration to Authorizations, Permits and Licenses.
11. Request for Water Resources Data and payment of applicable fees.
12. Payment of Water Use Charges
13. Booking for Laboratory Water Quality Testing and Payment of applicable charges.
14. Enquiring Permit Status.
15. Assessments.

WRA customers are therefore hereby notified that **ALL** payments to WRA must be channeled through E-Citizen platform paybill no 222222 or any other payment gateway provided in the E-Citizen platform. Customers can access WRA Services through the E-Citizen Platform using the following steps:

User Guide: Accessing WRA Services in E-Citizen

- 1. Login to E-Citizen Home**
Search for **"ecitizen home"** on any browser and select the first option. This will redirect you to the correct ecitizen landing page.
- 2. Locate Water Resources Authority**
Once you are logged in, go to the "Agencies" section and click **"View all"** after which you will navigate to **"Water Resources Authority"**. Follow the **"Log in"** or **"Register"** instructions.
- 3. Registration (If it's your first time)**
If this is your first time accessing WRA service, click on the **"Register"** button to initiate the registration process and follow the instructions provided on the right side of the registration page to complete your registration
- 4. Access Application Instructions**
Upon Registration or Login, locate your desired service under the "All WRA Services" section on the left column where you will find the following categories:
 - (i) Permit Application (Issuance of Authorizations to construct Works; Water Use Permits issuance; Permits renewals applications; Permits variations applications; Application for transfer of water permits; Easement; search of Water Permits; Supplement to Authorization / Supplementary permit; Reissuance of or alteration to Authorizations, Permits and Licenses; Enquiring of Permit status).
 - (ii) Other Services (Data sales & Laboratory services)
 - (iii) Bills (Water use charges)
- 5. Fill in Required Information**
Upon clicking on the desired services, follow the necessary instructions, submit any required documents and ensure that you review the information to ensure accuracy before final submission. Follow the prompts to make the required payment for your application.

For more information contact the WRA's customer support for help.

Mr. Mohamed M. Shurie, OGW, MBS
The Chief Executive Officer,
Water Resources Authority,
NHIF Building, Wing B, 9th Floor
P. O. Box 45250 - 00100, Ngong Road, Nairobi- Kenya
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Email: wra@wra.go.ke, info@wra.go.ke, Website: www.wra.go.ke

Kenya Coast Guard Services to step up efforts to safeguard Kenya’s territorial waters

BY SADIK HASSAN (KNA)

In the wake of illegal fishing and the resurgence of piracy in the Red Sea, the Kenya Coast Guard Service (KCGS) is banking on its robust modernization plan to bolster surveillance in the country’s territorial and inland waters.

KCGS Director General Bruno Shioso says the organisation was in the process of acquiring a modern vessel that could carry out patrols in the open seas and complement KCGS flagship vessel christened Doria.

DG Shioso says the MV KSGS Doria is robust and always at sea doing patrols to make sure no illegalities are happening in Kenya’s territorial sea.

The vessel, he said, has had many successful stories, a recent one being the rescue of four fishermen who went missing after their out-board engine boat malfunctioned and they were hit by a rogue wave while on a fishing expedition.

Three were rescued, but unfortunately, one of the fishermen was believed to have lost his life after drowning.

The rescued fishermen were stranded at sea for 22 days before a Chinese fishing vessel Lui Quing Yuan U 108 came to their rescue and handed them over to KCGS.

“Right now, we are in the process of trying to acquire other vessels. We have had dialogues with some vendors from abroad. We have visited two of them in France and the Netherlands,” said DG Shioso.

“We are still trying to see which areas we should be able to collaborate and look for appropriate resources from the government and be able to buy more vessels,” he added.

Also, as part of the modernization drive and to expand their reach on the Coast and in the inland waters, KCGS is building new office facilities including housing for staff.

“We have three major projects, one in Baringo;

building a state-of-the-art service station for officers over there, it is around 95 per cent complete,” he said, adding, that more are ongoing in Mbita and Lake Victoria.

Shioso noted that illegal, unreported, unregulated fishing remained a major threat but since the formation of the Coast Guard, the threat has been subdued.

“As a government, we are moving towards the Blue Economy. One of the key and readily available value chains is around fishing.

The Kenya Fisheries Service (KeFS) has the key mandate on issues of fisheries, but we are coming in as an enabler of enforcement,” Shioso said.

KCSGS is collaborating with KeFS to carry out frequent operations on the coastal and inland waters that have been successful.

“Right now, there are no major violations in our Kenyan territorial waters, but we are still a step ahead.

We are trying to invest in our surveillance capabilities and technologies so that we can be able to know what is happening or who is infringing on our waters,” Shioso said, adding that the coming of more equipment would enhance surveillance.

The DG was speaking in a dialogue organized by the Media Council of Kenya (MCK) with stakeholders on Blue Economy – reporting on maritime security in Mombasa.

On his part, MCK Director of Media Training and Development Victor Bwire said the dialogues provided a platform for journalists to get access to sources.

“The Blue Economy is a major thing, a huge potential for the country. We have a whole ministry, almost all the county governments have departments for Blue Economy. We need to see more in-depth, focused reporting on Blue Economy and Circular Economy,” Bwire said.



MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT State Department for Livestock Development

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES YEAR 2024

Applications are invited for Diploma and Certificate courses offered at Training Institutes in the State Department for Livestock Development. The application letter should be addressed to the Principal of the preferred institute to reach them by 24th May, 2024. Application requirements are as follows: A money order or bankers’ cheque of Kshs. 1,000 (non- refundable), your telephone contact and e-mail address, copies of your academic certificates, your national ID, secondary school leaving certificate and two recent passport size photographs. Applications for meat inspection course can be done throughout the year.

DIPLOMA COURSES				
S/N	COURSE	INSTITUTE(S)	MINIMUM REQUIREMENT	DURATION AND FEES
1	Diploma in Animal Health and Production	AHITI -Kabete AHITI -Ndomba AHITI -Nyahururu	A) i) KCSE Mean Grade C ii) Biology or Biological Sciences C iii) Chemistry or Physical Sciences C- iv) Mathematics or Agriculture C- B) Certificate in Animal Health and Production OR Credit Certificate in 2 years DST/Agriculture/Range Management /Wildlife Health/Animal Production/Animal Husbandry For (B) above an applicant must possess at least D in Biology in KCSE	2 1/2 years (5 Semesters) Kshs 210,300
2	Upgrading course to Diploma in Animal Health and Production	AHITI-Nyahururu Livestock Training Institute (Wajir)	2 years Certificate in Animal Health and Production OR Animal Health and Range Management from an institution recognized by KVB	1 year (3 Semesters) Kshs 111,300
3	Diploma in Animal Health and Range Management	AHITI-Kabete LTI - WAJIR	A) i) KCSE Mean Grade C ii) Biology or Biological Sciences C iii) Chemistry or Physical Science C- iv) Mathematics or Agriculture C- B) Certificate in Animal Health and Production OR Credit Certificate in 2 years DST/Agriculture/Range Management /Wildlife Health/Animal at least D in Production/Animal Husbandry For (B) above an applicant must possess at Biology in KCSE	2 1/2 years (5 Semesters) Kshs 210,300
4	Diploma in Leather Technology	AHITI-Kabete	A) (i) KCSE Mean Grade ii) Chemistry C- iii) Any other one science subject C- B) Certificate in Leather Technology C-	2 ½ years (5 Semesters) Ksh 211,450
5	Diploma in Dairy Production and Processing	Dairy Training Institute Naivasha	A) i) KCSE Mean Grade C- ii) Biology C- iii) Any other one science subject C- B) Certificate in DST or CDM or DPM or DTM or Agriculture - Credit and above	2 ½ years (5 Semesters) Kshs 203,550
CERTIFICATE COURSES				
1.	Certificate in Animal Health and Production	AHITI-Ndomba AHITI-Kabete AHITI-Nyahururu	A) i) KCSE Mean Grade C- ii) Biology C- OR B) Credit in 1-year Certificate in: Agriculture/Dairy Production Management/ Range Management/Wildlife Health/Animal Science/Animal Husbandry/ Animal Production/Leather Technology For (B) above an applicant must possess at least D in Biology in KCSE	2 years Kshs 136,700 (4 Semesters)
2	Certificate in Animal Health and Range Management	Livestock Training Institute Wajir AHITI-Kabete	A) i) KCSE Mean Grade C- ii) Biology C- OR B) Credit in 1-year Certificate in: Agriculture/Dairy Production Management/ Range Mgt/Wildlife Health/Animal Science/Animal Husbandry/Animal Production/Leather Technology For (B) above an applicant must possess at least D in Biology in KCSE	2 years Kshs 136,700 (4 Semesters)
3	Upgrading Certificate course in Animal Health	AHITI-Kabete	i) Certificate, Diploma or BSc. in Animal Husbandry, Range management or Wildlife Health ii) An applicant must possess at least D+ in Biology in KCSE	1 Year (2 semesters) Kshs 84,300
4	Certificate in Dairy Production and Management	Dairy Training Institute Naivasha	i) KCSE Mean Grade D+ ii) Biology D	1 Year Kshs 76,300 (2 semesters)
5	Certificate in Dairy Technology & Management	Dairy Training Institute Naivasha	KCSE Mean Grade D+ Biology D	1 Year Kshs 76,300 (2 semesters)
6	Meat Inspection Course	Meat Training Institute Athi River	BSc. Or Diploma or Certificate in Animal Health and Production or Animal Health Range Management	6 months Kshs 77,500 January & July intakes
7	Abattoir Instructors Course	Meat Training Institute Athi River	Meat Inspection Certificate	10 weeks Kshs 45,000
8	Meat Grading Course	Meat Training Institute Athi River	Abattoir Instructors Course	20 weeks, 45,000
9	Certificate in Footwear Design & Technology	AHITI-Kabete	KCSE Mean Grade D+ Chemistry D+	1 Year Kshs 93,950 (2 semesters)
ARTISAN COURSES				
1	Artisan Course in Dairy Farm Management	Dairy Training Institute Naivasha	KCSE or KCE certificate	6 Months Kshs 47,800
2	Artisan Course in Dairy Plant Management	Dairy Training Institute Naivasha	KCSE or KCE certificate	6 Months Kshs 47,800
1. AHITI KABETE P.O. BOX 29040-00625 KANGEMI Tel: 0769702555 ahitikabete@gmail.com 2. AHITI NDOMBA P.O. BOX 32-10300 KERUGOYA TEL: 0202096540 ahitindomba@kilimo.go.ke or ahitindomba@gmail.com Website: ndomba.ahiti.go.ke 3. AHITI NYAHURURU P.O. BOX 1-20300 NYAHURURU Tel: 0701821444 principalnyahururu@kilimo.go.ke or nyahururuahiti@gmail.com 4. DAIRY TRAINING INSTITUTE P.O. BOX 449 NAIVASHA Tel: 050-50176 0726 933 410 dtinaivasha@yahoo.com or dtinaivasha@gmail.com 5. MEAT TRAINING INSTITUTE P. O. BOX 55-00204 ATHIRIVER Tel: 0739934687 www.meattraininginstitute.com principalmti@gmail.com 6. LIVESTOCK TRAINING INSTITUTE - WAJIR P.O. BOX 339-70200 Tel: 0715408010 0720854369 ltiwajir@gmail.com				

Upgrading informal settlements crucial in propelling country achieve goal 11 of the SDGs

BY GEORGE ARWA(NATIONAL COORDINATOR, KISSIP II)

Post-independent Kenya has witnessed unprecedented increase in urban population over the past sixty years. This scenario, as opined by urban planners, has posed a great challenge to urban economies, which have been unable to cope with the increasing demand for essential services such as sustainable housing.

By 2020 alone, Kenya had witnessed close to 7.6 million proportion of urban population living in informal settlements while in Sub-Saharan Africa, estimates indicate that more than 230 million urban population live in these settlements, particularly known as slums.

Unplanned informal settlements pose a serious challenge to the socio-economic development mainly caused by rapid urbanization as witnessed in the country.

The locus of global poverty is moving to the cities, a process now recognized as the ‘Urbanization of Poverty’. This is why, without concerted action, the challenges facing residents living in informal settlements are likely to increase.

To address the emerging phenomenon of “urban poverty”, the Government of Kenya with the financial support from the World Bank and Agence Française de Développement (AFD) are currently implementing a key project – the Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP 2).

Domiciled under the State Department for Housing and Urban Development, KISIP 2 is poised to be a panacea to the myriad of problems facing these residents by enabling dignifying living.

The project development objective 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 and enabling residents benefit by having access to basic infrastructure services, as advocated by Goal Number 11 of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)”.

The goal advocates for strategies to make our cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, re-



silient and sustainable.

Kenya is faced with rapid deterioration of living conditions in human settlements in the urban areas, a situation that has been worsened by high population growth rates, widespread poverty, escalating costs of housing provision and socio-economic reforms.

KISIP 2 is also a key contributor to the goals of Kenya Vision 2030, whose objective for urban areas is to achieve “a well housed population living in environmentally secure urban environment”.

According to a 2006 report published by UN-Habitat, titled “State of the World’s Cities,” informal settlements are consolidating, and many countries are beginning to provide residents with access to land tenure and services.

KISIP’s move to enhance land tenure security in these settlements will give residents confidence to invest in housing development, contribute to high land value, guaranteed bargaining power where communities can be sensitized and supported to form cooperatives and leverage on construction of social housing units.

This will further boost investments in housing development by creating improved housing conditions through planned neighborhoods. Already, a number of interventions have enabled hundreds of residents across the selected urban informal settlements access titles.

Secondly, enhanced infrastructure services such as roads, drainage, pedestrian walkways, water connection and high mast lights, will

improve quality of housing, give open accessibility to the settlements, increase security and improve health condition through provision of clean water and sanitation.

Good infrastructure will also enable residents take part in business activities by working late hours, improve education quality by enabling children using lighting to do their homework, reduction of criminal activities, increased accessibility for fire engines in case of fire outbreak and reduction of threats caused by flooding because of improved drainage. The Project is already rolling-out a number of infrastructural interventions in some counties.

Thirdly, by linking beneficiaries to socio-economic opportunities, KISIP 2 will also facilitate identification of needs and opportunities for residents such as Jua Kali artisans, youth, women and Persons Living with Disabilities (PLWDs) with an aim of strengthening and improving their livelihoods.

KENYA RAILWAYS

EXCELLENT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Kenya Railways (KR) is a State Corporation in the Ministry of Roads and Transport. The corporation was established in 1978 under the Kenya Railways Corporation Act (Cap 397) of the laws of Kenya to take over the railways section in Kenya after the collapse of the East Africa Community in 1977 which managed the East African Railways and Harbors Corporation. The railway system in Kenya consists of both the Meter Gauge Railway (MGR) and the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR). The MGR extends from Mombasa to Malaba with Branch Lines to Nanyuki and Kisumu while SGR Extends from Mombasa to Naivasha.

The core mandate of the Corporation is to provide efficient and effective rail and inland waterways transport.

The Corporation seeks to recruit qualified and competent staff to fill the following vacant positions.

SN	Positions / Designation	Grade	No	Job Ref
1.	Technical Audit Manager	RG3	1	KRBR148
2.	Principal Corporate Audit Officer	RG4	1	KRBR149
3.	Principal Technical Audit Officer	RG4	1	KRBR150

APPLICATION PROCESS

Interested and qualified candidates **MUST** complete the Kenya Railways application form **KR/HR/08** that is available on the **Kenya Railways website**, **attach their testimonials, certified copies of certificates, National Identification Card (ID) and Curriculum Vitae (CV) by 5:00pm Monday 29th April 2024, East Africa Time (EAT)**

The details of duties, responsibilities and qualifications for each position are available on the Kenya Railways website; **www.krc.co.ke**.

When applying, quote the Job reference number on the envelope and the application letter.

Applicants **MUST** provide the following documents on application;

- A Signed application letter;
- A detailed Curriculum Vitae indicating:
current and previous employers, positions held, level of education, current and expected salary, notice period required to take up appointment and names of at least three professional referees;
- Certified Copies of academic and professional certificates
- Certified Copy of National Identification Card or Passport

Successful candidate MUST present and satisfy the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 by providing the following clearance certificates:-

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

Applications to be addressed to the:
Managing Director,
Kenya Railways,
P.O. Box 30121-00100,
NAIROBI.

The Corporation is committed to implementing the provisions of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 – Chapter 232 (1) on fair competition and merit, representation of Kenya’s diverse communities and affording equal employment opportunities to men and women, members of all ethnic groups and persons with disabilities. **THEREFORE, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, THE MARGINALIZED AND THE MINORITIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.**

Canvassing in any form or failure to attach any of the stipulated documents shall lead to automatic disqualification.

Water Sector Trust Fund

OPEN TENDER ADVERTISEMENT

Team and Team International Kenya is implementing a Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) project which is co-financed by Turkana County Government in Kakuma refugee camp, Turkana West Sub-County, Turkana County dubbed “Sustainable Management and Access to Water and Sanitation in the ASALs (SWASAP) Programme” supported by the Royal Embassy of Denmark through DANIDA. The Programme is aimed at Increasing community resilience and adaptation to climate change through sustainable, peaceful use of natural resources including improved access to water and sanitation services in the target ASAL Counties.

Team and Team International Kenya hereby invites interested, experienced, reputable and licensed contractors to submit sealed bids for the following tender with closing/opening dates of **26th April 2024 12:00 Noon**. Late offers will not be considered.

TENDER NO.	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY
T&T/KK-INSPIRE/TSP/01/24	Borehole equipping electromechanical works, Elevated Steel tank installation, Pipe laying and associated civil works as scope of works in the Bill of Quantities.	Open to all qualified and interested bidders.

A complete set of tender documents may be downloaded from Team and Team International website <https://www.teamandteamint.org/downloads> and Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP)

For further information tenderers must provide their particular details by sending email to nairobi@teamandteamint.org quoting the tender reference no. as the subject for any clarifications.

Completed Tender documents in plain sealed envelopes should be submitted in two copies- Original and copy clearly marked **“DO NOT OPEN BEFORE 26th APRIL, 2024, 12 :00 Noon** showing the Tender Ref No delivered to the Team and Team International Kenya Tender Box at Mountain View N. Market, Thiong’o road addressed to;

**Country Director,
Team and Team International,
Mountain View N. Market off Waiyaki way
P.O. Box 25225-06003, Lavington
Nairobi, Kenya**

Bidders will also be required to register their details as they drop their bids. Tenders will be opened in the presence of bidders or representatives who wish to witness the opening process.

Parliamentary Committee applauds State Department for Lands and Physical Planning for a job well done

BY CATHERINE MUINDI (PCO)

The National Assembly Departmental Committee on Lands has commended the Lands Cabinet Secretary and Principal Secretary for steering the ministry well.

The committee, led by South Mugirango Member of Parliament Joash Nyamoko said that the

CS, Alice Wahome and PS Nixon Korir are steering the ministry towards the right direction and urges them to continue in the same spirit.

The committee said this on Friday when the CS and PS appeared before them to give clarifications on several questions including on the proposed land laws amendments.

Cabinet Secretary for Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development Hon. Alice Wahome gave details on some of the clauses proposed to be amended including Clause 34 on the Land Board, 43 subsection (1) of section 79 on the powers of the Chief Land Registrar to make correction on the land register among others.

“We are committed as

a Ministry, to see that all Land records are digitized across the country and that we meet the Bottom Up Economic Transformation Agenda,” said CS Wahome adding that together with her PS, they’ll work together to serve Kenyans.

The committee led by South Mugirango MP Joash Nyamoko held its sitting in Mombasa.

While responding to a question asked by Kirinyaga Central MP Hon. Joseph Gitari, Lands and Physical Planning Principal Secretary Generali Nixon Korir, told the MPs that 99 percent of land parcels in Murang’a County were already georeferenced.

“Digitization process is progressing on well with 99 percent of land parcels (approximately 290000 of land parcels) in Murang’a having been georeferenced, while work on the remaining 1 percent (approximately 5100 land parcels) is being finalized,” Lands PS told the committee.

PS Korir also confirmed to the Committee that the exercise going on in Murang’a Lands Registry is mainly data cleaning to ensure data capturing was done perfectly.



RECRUITMENT OF RANGERS – APRIL, 2024

CHANGE OF RECRUITMENT CENTRE

Further to the earlier advertisement for recruitment of rangers dated 19th March 2024, the Service wishes to bring to the attention of the General Public the change in recruitment centre for Nairobi County as indicated below:-

Date	County Code	County	Previous Centre	New Recruitment Centre
Friday 19 th April, 2024	047	Nairobi	Nyayo Stadium	Kenya Utalii College (Sports Ground)

All other details contained in the earlier advert remain unchanged.

**Director General
Kenya Wildlife Service
P. O. Box 40241 – 00100
NAIROBI, KENYA.
Email: recruitment@kws.go.ke**





LAKE VICTORIA NORTH WATER WORKS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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CANCELLATION OF INVITATION TO TENDER

1. We refer to the below tender that appeared in MyGov issue of 9th April, 2024.

#	Tender name & Number	Pre-bid Meeting and Site visit	Bid Bond amount from Bank	Closing Date
	Tender No. LVNWWDA/GK/BGM/CHESIK-REHAB/2023-2026/01 Tender Name : Rehabilitation And Augmentation Works for Chesikaki Water Supply Project	On 16 April 2024 at the office of the Assistant County Commissioner, Cheptais	Ksh 6 Million	2 nd May 2024 at 1200HRS

2. We regret to inform you that the tender has been **CANCELLED**.

3. We apologize for any inconveniences caused.

**Chief Executive Officer
Lake Victoria North Water Works Development Agency
KEFINCO Offices, Off Kakamega-Kisumu Road
P.O. BOX 673 – 50100 KAKAMEGA Telephone: 056– 203079, 2031552
Email address: info@lvnwwda.go.ke, procurement@lvnwwda.go.ke**





TENDER AND SUPPLIER REGISTRATION NOTICE

Murang'a Water and Sanitation Company Limited invites interested and eligible bidders for the tenders and application for Supplier Registration Described below:

TENDER NO	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY
MUWASCO/FC/001/24/25/26	Supply and Delivery of Cold Water Meters	Open
MUWASCO/FC/002/24/25/26	Supply and Delivery of Pipes (GI, UPVC, PPR, HDPE)	Open
MUWASCO/FC/003/24/25/26	Supply and Delivery of Pipe fittings and accessories	Open
MUWASCO/FC/004/24/25/26	Supply and Delivery of Water Treatment Chemicals, Reagents & Laboratory Equipment	Open
MUWASCO/FC/005/24/25/26	Supply and delivery of construction materials, paints and General hardware	Reserved for women
MUWASCO/FC/006/24/25/26	Supply and Delivery of Stationery, Computers and accessories	Reserved for Youth
MUWASCO/FC/007/24/25/26	Framework contract for Supply and Delivery of Cleaning materials	Reserved for PLWD
MUWASCO/FC/008/24/25/26	Supply and Delivery of Protective Equipment /Games, Sportswear, and Related Equipment.	Reserved for WOMEN

PROVISION OF SERVICES

MUWASCO/OT/01/24/25/26	Provision of Insurance Services: General Insurance	Open
MUWASCO/OT/02/24/25/26	Provision of Staff Medical Insurance Cover	Open
MUWASCO/OT/03/24/25/26	Provision of Security Services	Open

PROVISION OF GOODS

MUWASCO/OT/04/24/25/26	Supply and delivery of butt fusion machine	Open
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REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS

CATEGORY NO	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY
MUWASCO/R/01/24/25/26	Supply and delivery of Motor vehicle and Motor Cycle Fuels, Oils & Lubricants	Open
MUWASCO/R/02/24/25/26	Motor Vehicles Spare parts, Repair, and maintenance.	Open
MUWASCO/R/03/24/25/26	Motor Cycles Spare parts, Repair, and maintenance.	Open
MUWASCO/R/04/24/25/26	Printing and publication of newsletters, brochures, diaries, calendars and books of accounts, etc.	Reserved for YOUTH
MUWASCO/R/05/24/25/26	Repair, maintenance, and servicing of Computers and other ICT equipment	Reserved for PLWD
MUWASCO/R/06/24/25/26	Supply and delivery of Plastic water bottles (various sizes)	Open

Documents containing detailed instructions and requirements may be obtained from our office during normal working hours (Monday-Friday) 8:00 am to 5:00 pm upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Ksh 1000 for each category applied for or download the same from our company website www.muwasco.co.ke or www.tenders.go.ke for free. Tenderers who download the tender and registration documents shall email their particulars to procurementmanager@muwasco.co.ke for records and any further clarification.

Completed tenders and registration documents in plain sealed envelope clearly marked with Tender Number and Tender description shall be deposited in the Tender Box located at our main office at customer care office or sent by post addressed to.

**The Managing Director,
Murang'a Water and Sanitation Company Ltd.
P.O BOX 1050-10200,
MURANG'A.**

So as to reach him not later than **2nd May, 2024 at 10.00 AM**. The various Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter at Company's Boardroom in the presence of the bidders or their representatives who choose to attend.





REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF LAND, PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

DRAFT AFFORDABLE HOUSING REGULATIONS 2024

The Ministry of Land, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development has finalized preparing the Affordable Housing Regulations, 2024. These regulations have been posted to the State Department for Housing and Urban Development website www.housingandurban.go.ke.

Pursuant to Sections 4 (a) and 5 (3) (a) and (b) of the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013, the Ministry of Land, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development invites interested members of the general public to submit written comments and or inputs/memoranda on the draft Affordable Housing Regulations, 2024 in the format provided on the website.

The comments or inputs or memoranda may be forwarded to the Principal Secretary, State Department for Housing and Urban Development, P.O. Box 30119-00100, Nairobi; hand delivered to the Office of the Principal Secretary, Ardhi House on 6th Floor, Nairobi; or soft copy emailed to ahp@housingandurban.go.ke, to be received by **Monday, April 29th, 2024 at 5.00 pm.**

Further, the Ministry of Land, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development invites interested members of the public to attend public consultations from 9:00am which shall be held at the venues as per the schedule set out below:

S/No	County	Date	Venue
1.	Machakos County	23rd April, 2024	Machakos Social Hall, Machakos Town
2.	Embu County	23rd April, 2024	Talent Academy Hall, Embu Town
3.	Nakuru County	23rd April, 2024	Regional Commissioner's Plenary Hall
4.	Makueni County	23rd April, 2024	Green Park, Wote Town
5.	Baringo County	23rd April, 2024	Vocational Rehabilitation School, Kabarnet
6.	Lamu County	23rd April, 2024	White House, Mokowe Town
7.	Tharaka Nithi County	23rd April, 2024	County Social Hall, Kathwana
8.	Narok County	23rd April, 2024	Narok County Commission Offices
9.	Kisumu County	23rd April, 2024	Kisumu County Commission Offices
10.	Busia County	23rd April, 2024	Busia County Commission Offices
11.	Kajiado County	24th April, 2024	Kajiado County Commission Offices
12.	Kirinyaga County	24th April, 2024	Kirinyaga County Commission Offices
13.	Nyandarua County	24th April, 2024	NG-CDF Hall, Ol Kalou
14.	Kitui County	24th April, 2024	Kitui County Commission Boardroom
15.	Uasin Gishu County	24th April, 2024	Uasin Gishu County Commission Offices
16.	Mombasa County	24th April, 2024	Ronald Ngala Social Hall, Mombasa Town
17.	Bomet County	24th April, 2024	St.Bakhita Hall, Bomet Town
18.	Siaya County	24th April, 2024	IEBC Hall, Siaya Town
19.	Meru County	24th April, 2024	North Imenti NG-CDF Hall
20.	Bungoma County	24th April, 2024	County Commissioner's Boardroom, Bungoma Town
21.	Kiambu County	25th April, 2024	Community Hall, Kiambu Town
22.	Nyeri County	25th April, 2024	NG-CDF Hall, Ruringu
23.	Samburu County	25th April, 2024	Samburu County Commission Offices
24.	Garissa County	25th April, 2024	Garissa County Commission Offices
25.	Elgeyo Marakwet County	25th April, 2024	County Commissioner's compound, Iten
26.	Kilifi County	25th April, 2024	Kibaoni Social Hall, Kilifi Town
27.	Nyamira County	25th April, 2024	Nyamira County Commission Offices
28.	Isiolo County	25th April, 2024	Isiolo County Commission Offices
29.	Kakamega County	25th April, 2024	Magharibi Hall, Kakamega Town
30.	Wajir County	26th April, 2024	NMDA Hall, Wajir Town
31.	Tana River County	26th April, 2024	Tana River County Commission Offices
32.	Kwale County	26th April, 2024	Kwale County Commission Offices
33.	Homabay County	26th April, 2024	Kabunde NG-CDF Social Hall, Homa Town
34.	Vihiga County	26th April, 2024	Vihiga County Commission Offices
35.	Laikipia County	27th April, 2024	Laikipia County Commission Offices
36.	Turkana County	27th April, 2024	Turkana County Commission Offices
37.	Trans Nzoia County	27th April, 2024	Trans Nzoia County Commission Offices
38.	Taita Taveta County	27th April, 2024	Taita Taveta County Commissioner's Hall, Mwatate
39.	Kericho County	27th April, 2024	County Commissioner's Boardroom
40.	Migori County	27th April, 2024	Migori TTC, Migori Town
41.	Nandi County	27th April, 2024	Nandi County Commission Offices
42.	Marsabit County	27th April, 2024	County Commissioner's Boardroom, Marsabit
43.	Nairobi City County	29th April, 2024	Utalii Hotel
44.	Muranga County	29th April, 2024	Technology Primary School, Muranga Town
45.	Mandera County	29th April, 2024	Mandera County Commission Offices
46.	West Pokot County	29th April, 2024	West Pokot County Commission Offices
47.	Kisii County	29th April, 2024	Kisii Culture Hall, Kisii Town

Hon. Alice M. Wahome, EGH
CABINET SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF LANDS, PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT



REPUBLIC OF KENYA



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MINISTRY OF MINING, BLUE ECONOMY AND MARITIME AFFAIRS STATE DEPARTMENT FOR BLUE ECONOMY AND FISHERIES

AQUACULTURE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME(ABDP)

IFAD Loan No. 2000002052

ADDENDUM

Country	Kenya
Name of Project	Aquaculture Business Development Programme
Contract Title	Supply and Delivery of Fish Fingerlings for ABDP Programme
NCB Reference No	KEN-2000001132-0187-G-NCB

The above Tender was advertised in MyGov published through The Star newspaper of 19th March 2024.

Kindly note the following amendments to some sections of the bid document that have been made as follows:

- Eligibility for Category II has been amended to remove the requirement for AGPO registration. Instead, bidders are required to have a one-year experience and one previous contract.
- Limit for award for Category II is capped at a maximum of Kes. 5,000,000.00
- The submission deadline has been extended to 30th April 2024 at 11.00 am.

Full details of these amendments have been uploaded in the Programme Website, <https://www.abdpcu.org/tenders>

PROGRAMME COORDINATOR
AQUACULTURE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME





REPUBLIC OF KENYA



KAA Kenya Airports Authority



KENYA VISION 2030

TENDER ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE

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

Reference Number	Tender Description	Pre-Bid Meeting / Site Visit	Closing/ Opening Date
KAA/OT/WAP/0208/2023-2024	Provision of Pest Control Services at Wilson Airport (Eligibility is reserved for Duly Registered Women and Persons Living with Disability (PWD)	Pre-bid/Site visit shall be held on 24/4/2024 at 10.00 a.m. (Assembly Hall) at Wilson Airport.	2/5/2024 at 11.00 a.m.
KAA/OT/WAP/0209/2023-2024	Provision of Garbage Collection Services at Wilson Airport (Eligibility is reserved for Duly Registered Youth)	Pre-bid/Site visit shall be held on 24/4/2024 at 10.00 a.m. (Assembly Hall) at Wilson Airport.	2/5/2024 at 11.00 a.m.
KAA/OT/HRD/0214/2023-2024	Framework Agreement for the Provision of Staff Uniform for Kenya Airports Authority	Pre-bid/Site visit shall be held on 24/4/2024 at 10.00 a.m. at (KAA HQs - Fire Training school opposite Airport Sacco Offices) at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.	2/5/2024 at 11.00 a.m.
KAA/OT/MIA&JKIA/ 0217/ 2023-2024	Re-tender for Bidding Document for Procurement of; i. Supply and Delivery of Two Electric Vehicles at Moi International Airport (MIA) and Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA); and ii. Supply, Delivery and Installation of Four Fixed Electric Charging Points at MIA and JKIA.	Pre-bid/Site visit shall be held on 24/4/2024 at 2.00 p.m. at (KAA HQs - Fire Training school opposite Airport Sacco Offices) at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.	2/5/2024 at 11.00 a.m.

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

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

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

MANAGING DIRECTOR/CEO

NG-CDF drafts a five year Strategic Plan

BY ROSELYNE KAVOO (KNA)

The National Government Constituency Development Fund(NG-CDF) is in the process of developing a five year strategic plan that will steer the implementation of the fund.

NG-CDF Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Yusuf Mbuno (*in red tie*) said the

strategic plan which is currently at the drafting stage will align with the government’s Bottom Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) and vision 2030.

Speaking yesterday in Machakos during a stakeholder engagement forum Mbuno hailed the fund as one of the initiatives unveiled by the government

to roll down development to the grass root level.

“The government is very keen on ensuring that development starts from the bottom,as all other agencies we pick direction from the government and the strategic plan will be in line with the government’s long and short term goals,”he said.

The CEO said after the



stakeholder engagement the draft strategic plan will be presented to the board of directors of the fund

after which it will be finalised and launched.

“We will also engage parliamentarians and get

their get their input before formally launching the document,”said Mbuno.

He also called on constituencies to develop their own strategic plans to guide the operations and implementation of the fund.

“Al constituencies are being guided to take the cue and roll out their own strategic plans,”noted the CEO.

The 2023-2027 strategic plan will inform resource allocation for the fund to ensure equitable social economic development across the country.

Young Minds venture into robotics training in Voi, Taita Taveta

BY ARNOLD LINGA MASILA (KNA)

A group of students from various schools in Taita Taveta County have decided to utilize their holiday to gain more skills in robotics and technology.

A cohort of 26 students have converged at P.C.E.A. St. Stephen’s Academy in Voi to embark on an extraordinary journey into the world of robotics.

Among them is Emmanuel Mcharo, a student from Mwatate Junior Academy who is driven by a keen interest in robotics.

His curiosity led him to delve into the complicated world of robotics, where he discovered the endless possibilities of LED lights, buzzers, and programming.

“We’ve learnt a lot about robotics and programming. We’ve learned about LED lights, buzzers,

and their applications, for instance, in security systems, household appliances, communication devices, among others,” Mcharo said.

Emmanuel Shungula, from Citadel Junior Academy in Voi, shares his fascination with the diverse types of robots, from battery-powered to electric ones.

His insights extend beyond mere fascination as he ponders the broader implications of robotics in governmental surveillance.

Enid Gombe, a visionary student from Sironga Girls High School, dreams of becoming a robotic engineer and opening her own company to manufacture robots.

“My dream is to become a robotic engineer. I want to continue with this in my higher education to gain

more skills, which will enable me to open a company to manufacture robots in the future that will help me earn a living,” Gombe said.

Her aspiration reflects the potential of robotics not only as a career path but also as a means of socio-economic empowerment.

Meanwhile, Lovenia Mwakio from Happy Land Preparatory School in Nairobi finds joy in exploring the creative aspects of robotics, from crafting different sounds with buzzers to understanding their practical applications in daily life.

“From learning to make buzzers sing at different speeds, to understanding how robots improve our daily lives, this journey is just the beginning. With each step, we are not just learning, we’re crafting a future where robotics isn’t just a hobby but a livelihood,” Mwakio noted.



MINISTRY OF HEALTH

State Department of Public Health & Professional Standards

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE DRAFT GRAPHIC HEALTH WARNINGS FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS

The Tobacco Control Act, 2007 controls the production, manufacture, sale, labeling, advertising, promotion, and sponsorship of tobacco products in Kenya. Section 21 of the Act provides that tobacco products manufactured, imported, distributed, and sold in Kenya should contain both Text and Graphic Health Warnings (GHWs).

IT IS NOTIFIED for information of the general public that the Cabinet Secretary for Health, in consultation with the Tobacco Control Board, has developed draft Graphic Health Warnings.

The objectives of the Graphic Health Warnings are;

- a) To increase knowledge about risks associated with tobacco use.
- b) To deter initiation to tobacco.
- c) To reduce tobacco consumption and persuade tobacco users to quit.
- d) To break the challenges of languages and the inability to read text-only messages.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Article 10 of the Constitution and the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013, interested members of the public, stakeholders, and organizations are invited to submit any comments, views, or representations regarding the draft Graphic Health Warnings through public hearings. The purpose of the hearings shall be to get oral submissions on the draft graphic health warnings to ensure that people likely to be affected by the statutory instruments have adequate opportunity to give their views on the instruments.

The draft Graphic Health Warnings can be obtained at: - <https://www.health.go.ke>. We therefore invite all stakeholders and members of the public for Public Participation meetings which shall be held as follows:

REGION(CLUSTERED COUNTIES)	MEETING VENUE	DATE	TIME
LOWER EASTERN REGION Machakos,Kajiado,Nairobi,Kitui,Makueni	National Industrial Training Authorit - Machakos	8 th May 2024	9.00 am -12.00 pm
RIFT VALLEY REGION Nakuru,Uasin-Gishu,Elgeyo-Marakwet, Samburu,Nandi,Turkana,Transzoia,West Pokot,Baringo,Laikipia,Kericho,Bomet,Narok	Rift Valley Technical Training Institute - Eldoret	6 th May 2024	9.00 am -12.00 pm
COAST REGION Mombasa,Taita Taveta,Kwale,Kilifi,Tana River,Lamu	Technical University Of Mombasa - Mombasa	6 th May 2024	9.00 am -12.00 pm
NYANZA REGION Siaya,Kisumu,Homa Bay,Kisii,Migori,Nyamira	Tom Mboya Labor College - Kisumu	2 nd May 2024	9.00 am -12.00 pm
WESTERN REGION Kakamega,Vihiga,Bungoma,Busia	Masinde Muliro University - Kakamega	3 rd May 2024	9.00 am -12.00 pm
CENTRAL REGION Nyandarua,Nyeri,Kirinyaga,Muranga,Kiambu	Kenya Medical Training College - Nyeri	2 nd May 2024	9.00 am -12.00 pm
UPPER EASTERN REGION & NORTH EASTERN REGION Embu,Marsabit,Isiolo,Meru,Tharaka Nithi, Garissa,Wajir,Mandera	Kenya School Of Government - Embu	3 rd May 2024	9.00 am -12.00 pm

The Ministry of health further invites members of the public to send comments, views, representation, and any written memoranda on the draft graphic health warnings which may be hand-delivered to the Office of the **Principal Secretary, State Department of Public Health & Professional Standards** in Afya House 6th Floor, Nairobi; between 8:00 am -5:00 pm or emailed to tcb@health.go.ke; to be received on or before, **30th April, 2024, at 5:00 pm**

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KENYA MEDICAL SUPPLIES AUTHORITY (KEMSA)

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) NOTICE

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

No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Tender Closing Date & Time
1.	KEMSA/ONT 28/2023-2024	Provision of Insurance Policies	25 th April,2024, 10:00am
2.	KEMSA/ONT 29-2023/2025	Provision of Courier Service for Small Loads Medical Commodities and DDA Items to Various Health Facilities Countrywide	30 th April ,2024 10:00am

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



KEMSA: YOUR PARTNER IN HEALTHCARE



AGRICULTURE

‘We have fertiliser for all farmers’

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President William Ruto (centre) at the Eldoret National Cereals and Produce Board depot.

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ENTERPRISE

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COUNTY SPOTLIGHT



MOMBASA
Population
Second-largest city, with a population of about 1.4 million



State’s cost-cutting measures to curb wastage

FULL STORY ON PAGE 3



President William Ruto at the Eldoret National Cereals and Produce Board depot. INSET TOP: President Ruto assists workers on his farm during planting. Below: Fertiliser bags at NCPB depot.

PLANTING SEASON

President asks cereals' board to hasten distribution of fertiliser to farmers as rains intensify

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Over 6.42 million farmers are registered under system as part of the government's efforts to boost food production.

The registration has come in handy in the implementation of not only the NFSP, but also other subsidies like seeds, lime, animal and chicken feeds, crops and livestock

INFOBOX

Quality Fertiliser

- It adheres to high-quality standards, containing vital nutrients such as Nitrogen (N), Phosphorous (P), Potassium (K), and micronutrients like Boron (B), Zinc (Zn), Manganese (Mn), Iron (Fe), Copper (Cu) and Chlorine (Cl).
- Fake fertiliser typically presents as non-granulated and clumpy, with visible foreign materials, indicating inferior quality.
- Use of counterfeit fertilisers can lead to poor crop growth, soil pollution, and toxicity, affecting fertility and microbial activity.

insurance. To get the farm input, one needs to appear in person at the nearest NCPB depot with their original Identity Card and a message from the Ministry of Agriculture detailing the number of bags they should access.

Once the message has been confirmed and approved by NCPB officials, the farmer makes payment through a mobile money Till Number. Cash payments are not accepted.

One cannot buy more than what they have been allocated per their acreages. However, it is not a must they buy all at once as long as they do not exceed the limit.

President Ruto asked the NCPB to accelerate the distribution so that farmers can take advantage of the ongoing rains.

"The government is committed to ensuring that there is enough food production to support more livelihoods. We are reducing the cost of farm inputs so that we can tackle hunger," he said.

The President said the government would push for the reduction of fertiliser prices to

make farming more profitable. "And we do not want to confine this to maize cultivation. We are broadening our range of crops so that our earnings can go up," he said.

Adding, "It is possible for agriculture to drive our industrialisation and spur our exports." Since the commencement of NFSP in September 2022, the government has supported at least a million farmers, distributing over six million bags of fertiliser, according to the Ministry of Agriculture.

The programme's effectiveness was evident in 2023 as the country harvested 44 million 90kg bags of maize, an increase from 34 million in the previous year.

Despite these gains, the rise in agricultural productivity has attracted the attention of dishonest traders, who have been distributing substandard fertiliser.

President Ruto said those behind the sale of the fake fertilisers will face the full force of the law.

The government is keen on boosting food security through the fertiliser subsidy programme and adoption of new knowledge to enhance food production.

His administration is also improving access to water for irrigation through the construction of dams and water pans.

To avoid fake fertiliser, farmers are advised to check certifications on the bags and purchase the inputs from reputable sources. ■

In case of suspicion, they are advised to authorities including National Cereals and Produce Board on 0722205756/072 2251573/0733333159 or Kenya Bureau of Standards on toll-free number 1545.

ENTERPRISE

Joy as Homa Bay Woman rep unveils modern market

The National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAAF) is making strides in Homa Bay County, where the Woman Representative, Dr Joyce Bensouda, officially launched the Ramba Modern Market in Kabondo West Ward, Kabondo Kasipul Constituency on April 9.

The project aims to provide better facilities for traders and residents and, therefore, uplift the economy of the region. The Fund, which is under the Ministry of Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs, is a government



Traders were allocated stalls, alongside an apron and a plastic chair, to facilitate their business operations.



Governor Gladys Wanga (left) and Woman Rep, Dr Joyce Bensouda at the launch.

initiative that seeks to enhance access to finances for socio-economic empowerment among women, youth, persons with disabilities, needy children and elderly persons.

The Affirmative Action Fund

was created through Legal Notice No. 24 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, and is a product of the Constitution in support of the government's commitment to putting in place measures to address past disadvantages among certain segments of the population.

The newly inaugurated Ramba Modern Market is a testament to the

government's commitment to fostering self-reliance and promoting enterprise. The market has essential amenities such as water tanks and bathrooms, as well as free Wi-Fi significantly enhancing its functionality.

Dr Osogo said the traders were

allocated stalls, alongside an apron and a plastic chair, to facilitate their business operations.

Further, traders from neighbouring Lida, Ringa and Misambi markets were provided with tents and chairs as part of their socio-economic support.

The building of the market by NGAAF, through the patronage of Dr Osogo, is part of efforts to lift the Homa Bay's economy, a county that is home to over 1.2 million people and hosts the biggest part of Lake Victoria, with fishing and tourism being some of the major economic activities.

The event was graced by Governor Gladys Wanga, area MCAs and representatives from the banking sector.

Ramba Market, with its rich history dating back to 1930s, has evolved from a recreational playground to a thriving business hub. ■

New Huduma Digital Centre a game-changer



The construction of the first Huduma Digital Centre in Runyenjes, Embu County, is expected to transform the delivery of government services to the public.

The Cabinet Secretary for Public Service, Performance and Delivery Management Moses Kuria broke ground for the centre in a significant step that is expected not only to enhance public service delivery but also empower the youth.

The innovative Centre that is being constructed in Runyenjes will combine the functionalities of a Huduma Centre and a digital hub, creating a dynamic space where citizens can access essential

government services as well as the youth gain valuable skills that will help them access opportunities in the digital space.

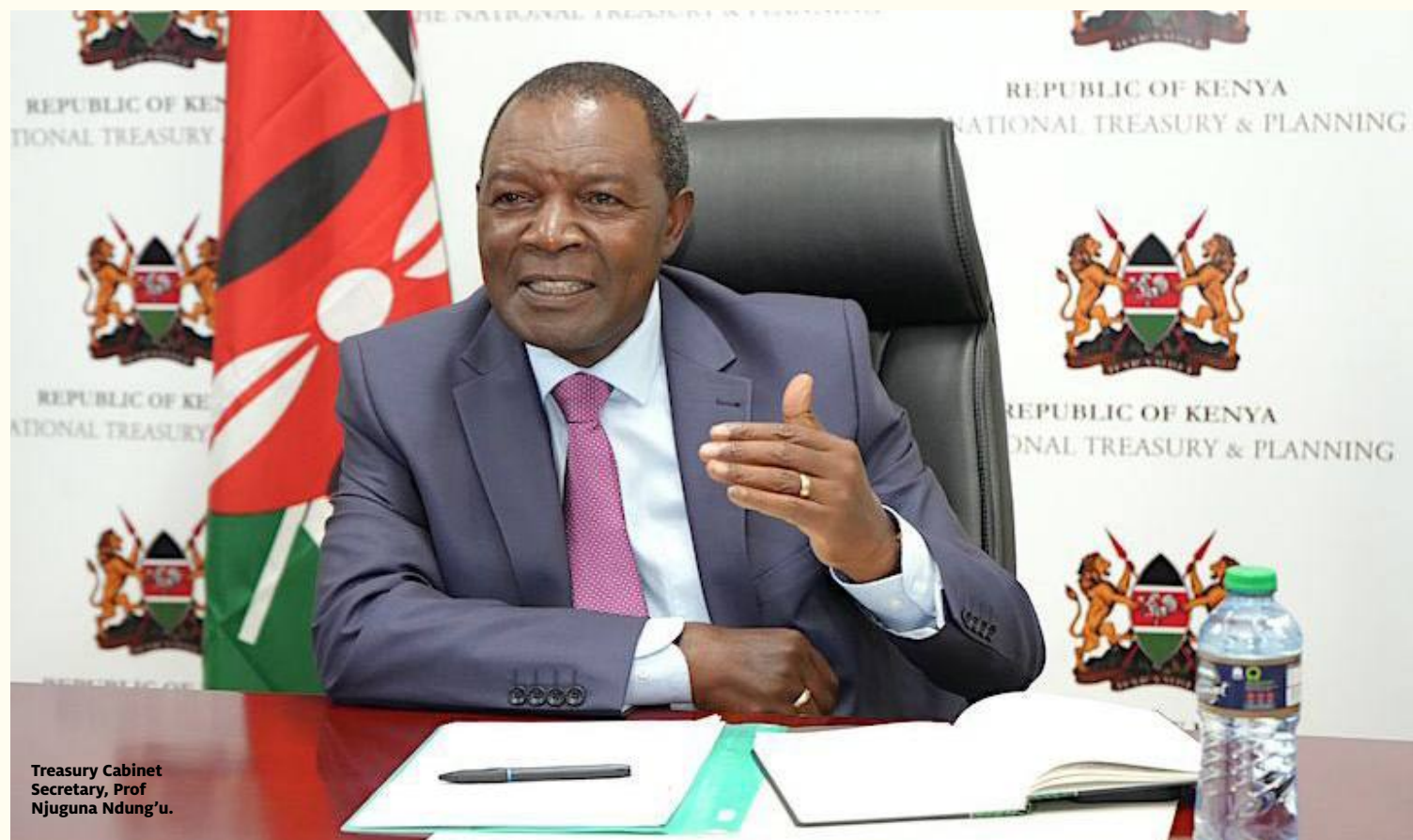
The facility will enhance access to public services for residents of Kagaari South, Kagaari North, Gaturi North, Runyenjes Central, Kyeni South and Kyeni North.

Currently, residents travel long distances – 24.5km to Embu and 57.5km to Kirinyaga – to access public services.

By establishing the Runyenjes facility, Huduma Kenya, which has 53 Centres nationwide, will decongest Embu and Chuka facilities that served the county that has a population of over 700,000. ■

HUDUMA CORNER

Cabinet Secretary for Public Service, Performance and Delivery Management Moses Kuria (second left) and Huduma Kenya Acting CEO Mugambi Njeru (left) during ground breaking ceremony for the facility in Embu.



Treasury Cabinet Secretary, Prof Njuguna Ndung'u.

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State's cost-cutting measures to curb wastage

The fiscal reforms are to enable the country to live within its means

BY DIBO WILLIS-AMBETSA

In a decisive move aimed at enhancing fiscal responsibility, the government has reduced the budget for the 2024/25 financial year from Sh4.23 trillion to Sh3.7 trillion.

This action, as announced by President William Ruto, marks a Sh530 billion cut in an effort to adhere to the government's budgetary constraints while pushing forward the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) and mitigating the cost of living for the populace.

Had the budget remained at Sh4.23 trillion, it would have necessitated additional financial resources, prompting increased revenue collection efforts through taxation and borrowing.

"Managing our expenditure is crucial," President Ruto remarked during his State visit to Ghana. He highlighted discussions



CEOs and Board Chairpersons of State Corporations during a recent meeting at State House with President William Ruto.

with government parastatals on reducing expenditures as a strategic move to "cut the cloth to the right size," emphasizing the need to eliminate unnecessary spending to ensure fiscal prudence.

This budgetary contraction was preceded by President Ruto's directive to all State corporation leaders to reduce their budgets by at least 30 per cent, insisting on strict compliance and promising guidance on

managing the remaining funds.

The government is reviewing spending to ensure optimal value for public funds, and has issued a stern warning to parastatal bosses to start generating additional revenue to support the national budget within three years, or face closure.

The agencies will be required to remit 80 per cent of all revenue generated to the National Treasury, with regulatory bodies

expected to submit 90 per cent of their surplus funds. Chapter 12 of the Constitution as well as the Public Finance Management Act of 2012 provide framework for prudent management of public finances.

"Public money shall be used in a prudent and responsible way," Section 201 - the Principles of Public Finance reads.

Prof Njuguna Ndung'u, the National Treasury and Economic Planning Cabinet Secretary, has echoed the President's call for fiscal discipline, urging all government departments and State corporations to exercise judicious use of public resources.

He mandated a reassessment of the recurrent expenditure for the 2024/2025 fiscal year to not exceed 70 per cent of the previous year's approved budget.

Among the austerity measures is the immediate halt of procurement, production and distribution of corporate merchandise such as T-shirts, umbrellas and diaries by State corporations.

These steps are projected to significantly reduce government expenditure, fostering greater self-reliance among State agencies through increased revenue generation.

Additionally, the government has introduced the Treasury Single Account (TSA) system, consolidating all accounts into one at the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), a move approved by the Cabinet earlier this year.

This system aims to streamline government banking, enhance fiscal discipline and support Kenya's commitment to governance and economic growth reforms.

President Ruto has also endorsed the implementation of the Electronic Government Procurement (e-GP) system, aimed at promoting fairness, transparency and efficiency in public procurement, aligning with the BETA's digital transformation objectives. ■



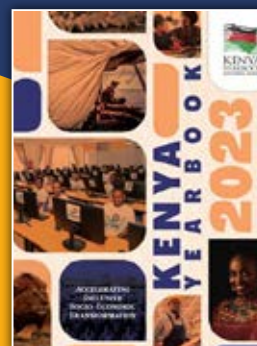
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ICT PS John Tanui (left) and ICTA CEO Stanley Kamanguya (right) during the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy meeting with the media on the upcoming Connected Africa Summit 2024 in Nairobi yesterday.

INSET: Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board CEO, Ms Lilian Kimeto (left), and other CEOs from agencies in the Ministry during the meeting.

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Prime CS and Foreign Affairs Minister Musalia Mudavadi (centre), Head of Public Service Felix Koskei (right) and Mombasa Governor Abdullswamad Nassir at a conference to revitalise regulatory authorities and agencies at KSG Mombasa.



Ms Veronica Nduva, the PS State Department for Performance and Delivery Management, at the Salary and Remuneration Commission conference on wage bill at the Bomas of Kenya in Nairobi yesterday. She said the government will sustain financial sector reforms to curb an increase in the wage bill.

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Environment Cabinet Secretary Soipan Tuya and PS Festus Ng'eno during a meeting with USAID Kenya delegation led by the Director of Environment Office Roopa Karia in Nairobi yesterday. Ms Tuya said the ministry will open up the forestry sector value chains for wealth and employment creation, livelihood support and food and nutritional security in line with the BETA goals.

New KEPHIS lab to accelerate crop development, boost farmer incomes

BY WANGARI NDIRANGU(KNA)

Farmers in the country will benefit from clean planting materials to enhance agricultural productivity and farm incomes, thanks to the establishment of a Sh260 million laboratory facility designed to expedite the testing and release of new crop varieties.

The processing of new planting materials under the state-of-the-art facility is expected to take less than five years compared to between 10 and 13 years under conventional procedures. Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service (KEPHIS) Managing Director Prof. Theophilus Mutui said they are partnering with the International Potato Centre (CIP) and the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA), and that the new lab will be launched in the next two weeks.

"The Roots, Tubers, and Bananas-East Africa Germplasm Exchange Laboratory (RTB-EAGEL) aims at revolutionizing roots, tubers, and bananas agricultural practices in East Africa to preserve and enhance the genetic diversity of crops essential for food security and sustainable agricultural development," Prof Mutui added.

He also mentioned that the laboratory will enable the



(From left) -Dr. Morag Ferguson, Project manager from IITA, (KEPHIS) Managing Director Prof. Theophilus Mutui and Elly Otieno, a scientist from the CIP during the media brief on the upcoming launch of the Root, Tubers and Bananas laboratory



Root and tuber crops.

exchange of RTB germplasm such as sweet potato, potato, cassava, yams, and bananas between CGIAR breeding programmes and regional national agricultural research and extension systems (NARES) partners for evaluation. "This lab will enhance our capacity and

collaboration with partners to be able to enhance the capacity to do tissue culture leading to faster multiplication of the planting materials and cleaning," he said.

He noted that the three main interventions being targeted through the EAGEL lab to contribute to increased productivity is the testing and release of new varieties in different countries, managing pests and disease as well as providing nucleus quality seed to the seed system.

"This lab will be offering services such as receiving Germplasm from breeding programs, internationally accredited diagnostics, pathogen elimination, genotyping, and also regional distribution," he said.

The DG appreciated the

support from the Kenyan government and the sponsor GIZ for donating some money for the construction of the RTB-EAGEL lab under the Crops to End Hunger (CtEH) program.

"KEPHIS is willing and will support the project. The brand-new lab with new equipment will not only enhance our capacity both the infrastructure and equipment but also will see training of personnel to be able to execute their mandate," Prof Mutui said.

Dr. Morag Ferguson from IITA and the project manager said the lab main aim will be to facilitate the movement of roots, tubers, and bananas, to prevent pests and diseases in their planting material and facilitate the movement regionally to different countries, different programs equivalent to KALRO in the region and Sub-Saharan Africa.

This will enable breeders to get new and better varieties out to farmers quicker than they normally do.

"More often than not, there are bottlenecks in terms of moving new varieties from where they are bred out to other countries. We want to facilitate this and make it happen much more quickly and fasten the process on how farmers receive the materials," she said.

BRIEFS

State to build new markets in Narok at a cost of Sh1.3b

The State Department of Housing and Urban Development, through the Economic Stimulus Program (ESP), is poised to construct eight markets in various trading centers in Narok County at a cost of Sh1.3 billion.

Narok Governor Patrick Ntutu commissioned the projects at Ololulunga and Ntulele trading centers, which are among the towns benefiting from the modern markets.

Ntutu said the program is among the mega-projects being undertaken by the government to uplift the livelihood of the people at the grassroots level, as thousands of traders will benefit from the program. The Governor directed the contractors to employ local residents for the construction work to create employment opportunities for the many jobless youths in the county. "The vision of the government is to create job opportunities for the many jobless youths.

The building of these markets will create that opportunity as hundreds of local people will be employed

in the construction work," he said. Ntutu added that women who used to work under the sun while selling their goods will now be accommodated in a modern market.

The governor committed to put a concrete fence around the markets to enhance security for the traders and their goods as the market will be running for six days a week.

The county government, he said, has set aside Sh2 million to build a dumping site at Ololulunga trading center for proper sanitation in the town.

Ntutu asked the markets committees to ensure that the people who benefit from the markets are the local traders, who have been doing business there. On his part, Emurua Dik-irr Member of Parliament Johana Ngeno who had accompanied the governor said the construction will be completed within four months and will be equipped with internet connection so that young people can do business digitally.

By Ann Salaton (KNA)

Kericho college students benefit from Sh 6m grant

One thousand needy students from Kericho Township Technical and Vocational College (KERITTVC) have benefited from a bursary grant worth Shs 6 million from the Ainamoi NG-CDF bursary kitty.

The students, undertaking both certificate and diploma courses in Hospitality, Agriculture, Building, Electrical Engineering, Information Communication Technology, and Liberal studies at the Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET) institution, are drawn from Ainamoi sub-county within Kericho County.

The funds released cover the 2023-2024 financial year. Speaking during the presentation of the cheque at KERITTVC grounds, area MP Benjamin Langat urged youths to engage in practical knowledge and hands-on skills that enable them to become self-reliant and create employment.

Langat emphasized that TVET provides hands-on skills training required not only by industries but also by students to create their

own businesses and employ others.

"The future belongs to you and the future of Kenya is in practical solutions. We want youths who can help us make products that we can sell outside the country. Focus on excelling in your studies and the technical skills you have acquired will assist you to become self employed," said Mr. Langat.

He said today's rapidly changing and fast paced world, traditional education alone was no longer sufficient but a student equipped with hands on skills will attract employability opportunities and excel in their chosen careers. The Legislator who is credited with the founding of the KERITTVC said he desired to see the institution expand and cater for more students from the other five sub-counties in Kericho.

"As leaders from this area we have to sit together with all stakeholders to ensure this TVET institution get more land for putting up additional infrastructure." By Sarah Njagi(KNA)

Kisumu County unveils modern hospital to handle road accident emergencies

BY ROBERT OJWANG(KNA)

Kisumu County has constructed a modern specialized trauma and general hospital to handle accident victims and other emergencies in Nyakach Sub-County at a cost of Sh56 million.

During a tour of the facility, Deputy Governor Mathews Owili stated that the increasing number of road accidents witnessed along the busy Homa Bay - Katito town road informed the decision to establish the Pap Onditi Sub-County Hospital.

"By operationalizing this hospital, all emergency cases involving accident victims from the region will



A sectional view of the Pap Onditi Sub-County Hospital in Nyakach Sub County constructed by the Kisumu County Government to treat accident victims and other emergencies.

be treated here, thereby decongesting Jaramogi Oginga Odinga Teaching and Referral Hospital (JOOTRH) and Kisumu County Referral

Hospital (KCRH), where the majority of such cases are currently being referred to," Dr. Owili stated. County Chief Officer of Medical Ser-

vices, Public Health, and Sanitation, Dr. Lusi Ojwang, announced that the Level 4 hospital is currently 98 percent complete and is scheduled to open its doors to the public in June 2024.

The hospital is equipped with two ultra-modern theatres with the capacity to handle emergency cases such as accident victims and another for maternal care services. "The Maternity Wing theatre will significantly contribute to the reduction of maternal mortality, while the newborn unit will enhance neonatal care in a move towards improving healthcare services for mothers and infants in the area," Dr Lusi observed.