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Relief as public debt decreases

BY JOAN OGOLLA, KNA

The gross public debt has continued to decrease as Kenya's economy demonstrates resilience despite facing both domestic and external shocks

Treasury Cabinet Secretary John Mbadi noted that the gross public debt-to-GDP ratio declined from 71.9 percent in June 2022 to 66.7 percent in June 2024.

He attributed this achievement to a combination of tax policy adjustments, spending cuts, and efforts to stimulate economic activity across various sectors. The CS added that the improved performance is a result of sound and deliberate government policies and the country's diversified economic structure

"The present value of the debtto-GDP ratio dropped from 68.7 percent in 2023 to 63.0 percent in 2024, thanks to exchange rate appreciation and fiscal consolidation efforts," Mbadi stated.

He further noted that macroeconomic indicators continue to highlight the economy's re-



From left to right, PS Dr Chris Kiptoo, National Treasury CS John Mbadi (M) and PS State Department for Economic Planning James Muhati during a media briefing at The National Treasury building in Nairobi.

silience, particularly in the external sector and foreign exchange stability. Additionally, he mentioned that the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) has eased monetary policy in response to inflation trends.

"The Central Bank

Rate (CBR) was reduced from 13 percent in August 2024 to 11.25 percent in December 2024 and further to

10.75 percent in February 2025," he stated. He added that the Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) was lowered by 100 ba-

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sis points to 3.25 percent in February 2025 to boost credit growth in the private sector.

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The Week In numbers

1,000

Households in Mutithi Ward in Kirinyaga that will benefit from the Kerugoya-Kutus Bulk Water Project

3,500

Young people in Garissa County who have benefitted from a week-long training program on character building

2025

The year Government will release BT maize variety to farmers after the conclusion of national field trials.

820

Number of students who will be accommodated in two new blocks being built at Alupe

Sh1b

Amount of money Kenya Power has set aside to expand electricity infrastructure in Western Kenya region.

Kenya Power invests Sh 1b to boost electricity supply in Western Kenya

BY ROBERT OJWANG,' KNA

Renya Power has allocated approximately Sh1 billion to expand electricity infrastructure in the Western Kenya region.

The company's Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Dr. Joseph Siror, stated that this substantial investment is part of efforts to enhance electricity connectivity and reliability for domestic and industrial

consumers in the region.

Dr. Siror made the announcement during the Nyanza International Investment Conference in Kisumu County.

The investment covers both completed and ongoing projects across 11 counties, including Kisumu, Homa Bay, Migori, Kisii, Nyamira, Siaya, Vihiga, Busia, Kericho, Bomet, and Kakamega.

Kenya Power, he added, is committed to providing quality and

reliable electricity to drive the country's economic growth.

"Our purpose is to supply adequate and reliable electricity to positively transform lives, as well as support trade and manufacturing, which play a crucial role in our country's socio-economic development," he stated.

The CEO further noted, "In this regard, we are investing close to Sh1

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Kenya Power CEO, Dr Joseph Siror visits the exhibition booth during the just concluded Nyanza International Investment Conference in Kisumu County.

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power lines in the Western Kenya region. We believe these projects will significantly improve electricity reliability."

Among the completed projects is the Narok-Bomet 132kV link, which was set up at a cost of Sh700 million and is expected to enhance power reliability in the South Nyanza and Western regions.

Additionally, the ongoing construction of the Kibos-Miwani-Ahero and Kisian-Luanda 33kV link, valued at Sh189 million, is expected to improve power reliability and capacity in Kisumu South, covering Ahero, Miwani, Awasi, and Katito towns, as well as parts of Vihiga and Siaya counties.

Another key project is the construc-

tion of the 132kV line from Ndhiwa substation to Thur Dibuoro, which will facilitate power evacuation from Sondu Miriu to South Nyanza and significantly enhance power stability in the region. This project is expected to be completed by June this year.

The statement reinforces Energy Cabinet Secretary James Wandayi's recent announcement regarding the government's plans to launch major electricity projects in Nyanza and Western Kenya to enhance power supply.

During his recent tour of the region, CS Wandayi expressed optimism that these initiatives will help address the frequent power outages affecting the Western Kenya region.

Kenya's public debt now decreases through better fiscal management

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Furthermore, he reiterated that interest rates have declined in alignment with monetary policy easing, with the interbank rate dropping from 13.7 percent in January 2024 to 11.2 percent by January 2025, remaining within the prescribed range around the CBR.

"Treasury bill rates also declined significantly, with the 91-day rate falling to 9.11 percent in February 2025 from 16.1 percent a year earlier, the 182-day rate decreasing to 9.85 percent from 16.2 percent, and the 364-day rate dropping below 11 percent from 16.4 percent," the CS said.

CS Mbadi emphasized that the easing of monetary policy has contributed to a recovery in private-sector credit, with commercial banks lowering interest rates.

"Several major banks have already reduced their base lending rates, including Cooperative Bank from 16.5 percent to 14.5 percent, KCB from 15.6 percent to 14.6 percent, and Equity Bank from 17.3 per-



Treasury Cabinet Secretary John Mbadi

cent to 14.3 percent, with others such as ABSA and NCBA expected to follow," he stated.

The CS acknowledged that inflation has significantly declined due to government interventions in food and energy prices, dropping from 9.6 percent in October 2022 to 3.3 percent in January 2025. He also highlighted that tax law amendments introduced at the end of 2024

have eased the financial burden on Kenyan households, ensuring that economic liquidity benefits all citizens.

"Addressing the persistent issue of pending bills remains a priority, as delayed payments have adversely affected businesses, particularly Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), and impacted public confidence in government fi-

nancial management," he noted. He assured that the government remains committed to ensuring economic gains translate into tangible benefits for all Kenyans.

"The administration acknowledges the financial realities citizens face and continues to implement policies aimed at fostering economic stability and prosperity," the CS affirmed.

Principal Secretary for the National Treasury, Dr. Chris Kiptoo, reiterated that Kenya's diversified economy and resilience have enabled its GDP to remain among the highest globally.

While the global growth rate is around three percent, and sub-Saharan Africa's at 3.7 percent, Kenya's GDP stands at approximately five percent.

"So, assuming we do not face any additional shocks soon, we believe we will continue performing well. We seek the support of Kenyans in our journey toward maintaining a stable economy that creates jobs and opportunities," Dr. Kiptoo said.



TENDER NOTICE

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

No	Tender Reference No	Description of Tender	Eligibility	Tender Closing Date & Time
1	EBK/OP/007/2024-2025	Framework Agreement for Supply and Delivery of Various Printer Toners for a Period of Two (2) Years	AGPO - Youth	11 th March, 2025 at 11.00am
2	EBK/OP/008/2024-2025	Supply and Delivery of a Duplex Retransfer Card Printer and Accessories (Re-Advertisement)	Open to all bidders	12 th March, 2025 at 11.00am
3	EBK/OP/010/2024-2025	Supply and Delivery of Card Management Software (Re-Advertisement)	Open to all bidders	13 th March, 2025 at 11.00am
4	EBK/DIS/OP/009/ 2024-2025	Disposal Of Obsolete Assets	Open to all bidders	4 th March, 2025 at 11.00am

A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested bidders upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **Kshs 1000** in form of a banker's cheque or deposited in EBK account at the **National Bank of Kenya, Hill Plaza Branch Account Number, 01001031539000.** Alternatively the tender documents may be obtained free of charge by downloading from EBK website: www.ebk.go.ke or Public Procurement Information Portal: www.tenders.go.ke. Bidders who choose to download the tender documents **MUST** forward their company's particulars to tenders@ebk.go.ke for recording and further addendum/clarifications if any.

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

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

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

REGISTRAR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ENGINEERS BOARD OF KENYA





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INVITATION TO TENDER

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NO.	TENDER REFERENCE & DESCRIPTION	VIEWING (Prospective bidders to view the items "as is where is basis")	CLOSING DATE
1.	KPC/PU/OT - 099/ STORES/NBI/2024-25	03/03/2025 -06/03/2025.	11-03-2025
	Tender for Disposal of Unserviceable Stores and Equipment	Time: 09.00 hours to 15.45 hours	
2.	KPC/PU/OT - 098/ STORES/NBI/2024-25	03/03/2025 - 06/03/2025.	11-03-2025
	Tender for Disposal of Used Motor Vehicles.	Time: 09.00 hours to 15.45 hours	

The Tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from the website www.kpc.co.ke (Tenders) and https://tenders.go.ke at no cost. Bidders will be required to register their companies on KPC Supplier Relationship Management (SRM) portal and send ONLY queries to stores@kpc.co.ke. In addition, all addenda will be posted to the website and to those bidders who indicate their intention to participate through the SRM portal.

other email addresses.

All bidders will be required to submit the tenders online via SRM Portal https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal and all documents **MUST** be uploaded to the **COLLABORATION FOLDER.** Bidders shall not attach their documents at any other tab of the portal. To be received on or before 11th March 2025 at 10.00 a.m.

(NO BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED IN THE TENDER BOX EXCEPT FOR THE ORIGINAL BANKERS CHEQUE FOR THE DEPOSIT) "with the correct Tender Ref. No, Tender name and correct closing date" Opening of the tenders will take place at 10.30 a.m.

GENERAL MANAGER (SUPPLY CHAIN)
FOR: MANAGING DIRECTOR



State to rehabilitate abandoned mining sites across the country

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA, KNA

Government he plans to rehabilitate abandoned mining sites across the country, transforming them into valuable resources or putting them to productive

According to State Department for Mining Principal Secretary (PS) Elijah Mwangi, many of these abandoned sites pose a danger to the public. To address this, the department has launched a nationwide mapping exercise to assess their locations and conditions in preparation for rehabilitation.

The PS stated that, in collaboration with other government agencies, the sites will be repurposed some converted into aquaculture hubs, while others will be refilled and used for agriculture.

"This initiative aims to revitalize areas affected by mining activities, provid-

ing a sustainable solution to environmental degradation while creating new economic opportunities for local communities," he said.

The government is working with the Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute (KMFRI) to explore how some of these sites, particularly those now filled with water, can support aquaculture. Meanwhile, other sites will be reclaimed for agriculture, reforestation, and tourism.

Speaking on the sidelines of the Nyanza International Investment Conference in Kisumu, the PS reaffirmed the government's commitment to restoring these sites to their former productive potential, thereby enhancing food security, creating jobs, and promoting environmental sustainability."The rehabilitation of the mining sites will create new aquaculture ven-



State Department for Mining Principal Secretary (PS) Elijah Mwangi addressing the media on the sidelines of the Nyanza International Investment Conference in Kisumu.

tures, which are expected to boost local fish production, while refilled sites will provide fertile ground for agricultural activities, supporting farmers with additional productive land," he said.

Mwangi said artisanal miners were being organised into cooperatives to ensure that they access

big markets for their minerals and credit to procure equipment.

The goal, he said, is to ensure they have the right equipment and gear to curb deaths in the mines.

"In this region alone, we have established 52 marketing cooperatives. We are now capacity- building them and linking them to financial institutions to access credit," he said. The government has employed additional mining engineers and geologists to support the artisanal miners in the regions, the PS said.

Speaking during the same occasion, Kenva Commercial Bank Director of Cooperative Banking John Okulo said the bank has established a facility to support artisanal miner to acquire modern equipment.

"Once they are organised into groups, they can access loans of up to Sh250 million from KCB to purchase equipment and expand their ventures,' he said.





REMINDER NOTICE TO RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEMES

FILING OF SCHEME ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENT OF THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS LEVY

The Retirement Benefits Authority would like to bring to the attention of **<u>Trustees</u>**, **scheme administrators** and other service providers of retirement benefits schemes whose financial year ended on 31st December 2024, the following provisions of the Retirement Benefits Act, 1997 and the Regulations therein:

- Section 34(4) of the Act requires every scheme to submit to the Authority audited financial statements within three (3) months after the end of the financial year. Penalties apply for failure to submit audited accounts within the prescribed timelines as provided under Section 34 (4) (4c)
- Section 16 of the Act; Regulation 39 of the Retirement Benefits (Occupational Retirement Benefits Scheme) Regulations 2000; Regulation 32 of the Retirement Benefits (Individual Retirement Benefits Scheme) Regulations 2000 and **Regulation 46** of the Retirement Benefits (Umbrella Retirement Benefits Scheme) Regulations 2017 require each scheme to submit to the Authority the Retirement Benefits Levy within four (4) months after the end of financial year. Any default in the payment of the levy attracts a penalty of 5% per month on any amount outstanding.

In this regard, schemes whose financial year ended on 31st December 2024 should submit their financial statements by 31st March 2025 and pay the requisite levy by 30th April 2025.

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

> **RETIREMENT BENEFITS AUTHORITY** Rahimtulla Tower, 13th Floor, Upper Hill Road P.O. Box 57733-00200 Nairobi Tel: 2809000 Mobile: 0726 600001-5 or 0735 339132, Email: info@rba.go.ke

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INVITATION TO TENDER

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

NO.	TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	TENDER COMMENCE- MENT DATE	PRE-BID MEETING	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1.	KP6/9A/OT/ 01/24-25	Proposed Electricity House – Mombasa External Painting and Associated Renova- tion Works	Tuesday 18.02.2025	Thursday 27.02.2025 at 10.00 a.m. (Demonstration Center Electricity House Mombasa)	Thursday 13.03.2025 at 10.00 a.m.
2.	KP1/9A.3/OT/ 21/24-25	Procurement of Procurement of Live Line Rubber Goods	Wednesday 19.02.2025	N/A	Thursday 13.03.2025 at 10.00 a.m.
3.	KP1/9A.2/OT/ 022/LS/24-25	Provision of Legal & Governance Audit Services	Wednesday 19.02.2025	N/A	Wednesday 05.03.2025 at 10.30 a.m.
4.	KP1/9A.2/OT/ 026/CS/24-25	Procurement of Static and Digital Billboards to Drive Customer Education on our Digital Products and Fraud	Thursday 20.02.2025	Thursday 27.02.2025 at 10.00 a.m 12.00 p.m. (Stima Plaza, Auditorium)	Thursday 13.03.2025 at 11.00 a.m.
5.	KP1/9A.2/OT/ 029/CS/24-25	Provision of Debt Collection Services	Friday 21.02.2025	Tuesday 04.03.2025 at 10.00 a.m. (Stima Plaza, Auditorium)	Friday 14.03.2025 at 10.30 a.m.

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

GENERAL MANAGER SUPPLY CHAIN & LOGISTICS

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PS urges radio stations to be catalysts for climate change awareness and sustainability

BY ANITA OMWENGA, KNA

adio remains one of the most power-Iful and accessible platforms for informing, educating, and mobilizing communities, playing a critical role in addressing global challenges such as climate change.

The Principal Secretary for the State Department of Broadcasting and Telecommunications, Edward Kisiangani, has stated that the government wants radio to play a major role in environmental advocacy by educating listeners and promoting practical, sustainable solutions to climate change.

Speaking during the 2025 World Radio Day $celebrations - organize \dot{d} \\$ by the Media Council of Kenya in collaboration with the Kenya National Commission for UNESCO at Aga Khan University, Nairobi-the PS emphasized the government's appreciation for radio's enduring ability to connect communities and promote environmental sustainability.

'Radio plays a significant role as a medium for informing the masses about climate change issues," Prof. Kisiangani



Media Council of Kenya CEO David Omwoyo speaking during this year's World Radio Day celebrations at Aga Khan University in Nairobi.

said, adding that it effectively ensures information reaches even the most remote areas, making it a vital tool for national development.

The PS noted that this year's World Radio Day theme, "Radio and Climate Change," aligns with the sixth pillar-Environment and Climate Change-of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

He said the discourses radio stations command on climate change issues must be discussions that promote transformation change

The PS urged journalists and radio presenters to go beyond reporting on disasters and focus on advocating for long term solutions in addressing climate change issues.

"We must use radio as a platform to educate people about the dangers of pollution, deforestation and poor waste disposal," he said, adding that climate change is no longer an abstract concept but a lived reality.

Media Council of Kenya Chief Executive Officer David Omwoyo urged radio stations to uphold professionalism and embrace solution driven reporting particularly on climate change coverage.

'We have a duty to ensure that information transmitted across the airwaves is accurate and informative," he said,



Telecommunications Prof Edward Kisiangani speaking during this year's World Radio Day celebrations at Aga Khan University Graduate School of Media and Communication in Nairobi.

adding that it is an ethical challenge to retain the sanctity of radio as a space for true and verified information.

He encouraged media practitioners to highlight climate change issues through impactful storytelling and focusing on humanising climate change through lived experiences, adaptation strategies, and policy interventions.

appreci-Omwoyo ated the legacy left by renowned journalists, the late Leonard Mambo Mbotela and urged media practitioners to emulate his example while carrying out professional duties.

Deputy Director of Multimedia Services at Communication Authority of Kenya Alfred Ambani said the Authority recognises the primary role that radio plays as a tool for communication as a source of news, education and entertainment.

'Radio is a key source of information and media enables this information including climate change issues to be disseminated through this medium," he said.

Ambani said Kenya has over 300 radio stations, which broadcast in both foreign and international languages and a variety of local vernacular languages in the country.

He observed that the reason why radio is very popular is that most people would want to listen to information, news and entertainment in their own vernacular language.





National Environment Management Authority

PUBLIC NOTICE

CANCELLATION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR DESIGNATION OF VEHICULAR EMISSION TESTING CENTRES

This is to inform the public that the Expression of Interest (EOI) process for Designation of Motor Vehicle Emission Testing Centres posted on the My Government on the 14th of February 2023, has been cancelled.

The Authority sincerely appreciates the companies which responded to the notice for investing time in preparing

Director General National Environment Management Authority P.O. Box 67839 - 00200 Eland House, Popo Road, South C, off Mombasa Road, Nairobi.

> Email: info@nema.go.ke www.nema.go.ke



















NOTICE FOR PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION

The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) is established by the Political Parties Act, Cap 7D (PPA) as a State Office within the meaning of Article 260 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010. The mandate of ORPP is to; register and regulate political parties as well as administer the Political Parties Fund.

In line with Section 5 (2) (a) of PPA, the Registrar of Political Parties is in the process of provisionally registering the following proposed political party:

Name	Party Colours	Party Symbol	Slogan	Founder Members
National Transformation Party (NTP)	Green, yellow and black	NTP Power button	Transformation with integrity	Brian Tonny Ogola Agnes Momanyi Ferdinand Ogumah Maurice Mulinge Pauline Kariuki

Particulars of the above-listed proposed political party have been provided on the ORPP website www.orpp.or.ke

Any objections may be presented in writing or in person within seven (7) days to:

Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) Lion Place, Fourth Floor off Waiyaki way at Karuna close P O Box 1131-00606 Nairobi Email: registrar@orpp.or.ke

Ann N. Nderitu, CBS **Registrar of Political Parties**







Ministry allocates Sh620 million for Last Mile Power Connectivity in Nyamira

BY DEBORAH BOCHERE, KNA

The The Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Energy and Petroleum, Opiyo Wandayi, has commissioned rural electrification projects worth Sh620 million in Nyamira County.

Wandayi noted that rural electrification in Nyamira County had lagged behind, leaving many households, businesses, and shopping centers in rural areas without electricity. This, he said, was the reason he prioritized its commissioning.

"A large portion of Nyamira County's residents live in rural areas and have not been able to enjoy the benefits of electrification," he stated.

"As a Ministry, we have developed strategies and put mechanisms in place to supply power to all remote parts of the country.

"We will fulfill this mandate without favoring particular areas or individuals, ensuring that all Kenyans—especially those in ru-



Energy and Petroleum CS, Opiyo Wandayi (in spectacles) switching on light at a home in Girigiri village in West Mugirango.

ral areas—experience improved living conditions," the CS said. He confirmed that his Ministry

He confirmed that his Ministry had allocated a budget of Sh620 million exclusively for Nyamira County to ensure that homes, shopping centers, schools, tea-buying centers, and other business premises are connected to electricity through the Last Mile Connectivity Project, implemented by the Rural Electri-

fication and Renewable Energy Corporation (REREC).

"We promise to support farmers, students, and traders in the rural areas in our country because they greatly contribute to the development of our country and stability of our country's Gross Domestic Product GDP). The public space must be adequately lit to provide a safe and conducive operating environment for everyone in our country," he said.

Legislators Joash Nyamoko (Nyamira North), Stephen Mogaka (West Mugirango) and Clive Gisairo (Kitutu Masaba) promised to closely collaborate with the Ministry to ensure that the electricity connectivity project is fully complete.

Other leaders included the board chairman of Geothermal Development Company, Walter Nyambati, Nyamira County Senator, Okong'o Omogeni, nominated MP Irene Mayaka among others.



Agro-Chemical and Food Company Limited

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Agro-Chemical and Food company Limited is a leading manufacturer and supplier of Spirits, Bakers' yeast and CO2 located in Muhoroni in Kisumu County. We are looking for qualified, experienced, and self-driven Kenyans with excellent interpersonal, communication and ICT skills to fill the following vacant positions:

S/N	POSITION	REFERENCE NO.	POSTS
1.	General Manager, Factory	ACFC/02/2025/001	1
2.	General Manager, Human Resource & Administration	ACFC/02/2025/002	1
3.	General Manager, Sales & Marketing	ACFC/02/2025/003	1
4.	Manager, Engineering	ACFC/02/2025/004	1
5.	Manager, Supply Chain Management	ACFC/02/2025/005	1
6.	Manager, Human Resource & Development	ACFC/02/2025/006	1
7.	Manager, Administration	ACFC/02/2025/007	1

Interested and eligible candidates may obtain detailed information on job responsibilities and specification by visiting our website: www.acfc.co.ke under careers. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND PETROLEUM

State Department For Petroleum

TENDER NOTICE

OPEN NATIONAL TENDER

The Ministry of Energy and Petroleum - State Department for Petroleum invites Expression of Interest from eligible interested firms for the following:

TENDER NO.	TENDER NAME	BID BOND	CLOSING DATE	REMARKS
MOEP/SDP/ ONT/02/2024- 2025	Request for Expressions of Interest(EOI) for Reset- tlement and Livelihood Restoration Framework	NONE	04TH March, 2025 at 11.00. am East African time.	

OBJECTIVE

The objective of this project is to develop a Resettlement and Livelihood Restoration Framework for the oil and gas sector to be applied in upstream and midstream (crude oil pipeline) sectors. The Framework will set out the principles and procedures to be followed where any works in upstream and midstream (crude pipeline) are expected to result in physical or economic displacement due to land acquisition or restrictions to access of use of natural resources.

ELIGIBLE FIRMS

Eligible and interested contractors/firms are requested to submit their expression of interest by providing information that includes and not limited to the following:

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i. Copy of Certificate of Incorporation/Registration of Company.

 Brief description of the Firm(s) profile(s) indicating suitability to carry out this specific assignment, technical capabilities and available resources.

iii. List of assignments of a similar nature successfully completed indicating client and year.

Interested candidates may obtain the *Terms of Reference (T.O.R) documents* from the State Department for Petroleum website, **www.petroleum.go.ke** or the Government tender portal, **www.tenders.go.ke** *free of charge* or any other information from **Supply Chain Management Office, Room 7-04, Ministry of Energy and Petroleum-State Department for Petroleum on the 7th floor, KASNEB TOWERS II during normal working hours (8.00 am to 5.00 pm, Monday-Friday, (excluding any public holiday or gazette holiday).**

Complete Expression of Interest documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with tender Name, Reference Number and addressed to:

Principal Secretary
Ministry of Energy and Petroleum
State Department for Petroleum
P.O. Box 51614- 00100 NAIROBI
TEL: +2543310112, Email: ps@petroleum.go.ke

The Expression of Interest documents should be deposited in the Tender Box marked MOEP- SDP located at Ministry of Energy and Petroleum, State Department for Petroleum KASNEB TOWERS II, 7th floor so as to be received on or before 04th March 2025 at 10.30 am East African time.

Expression of Interest will be opened immediately thereafter at Ministry of Energy and Petroleum, State Department for Petroleum, **KASNEB TOWERS II, 11th floor Boardroom** in the presence of candidates or their representatives who choose to attend.

Large documents that cannot fit in the Tender Box shall be received and registered at Supply Chain Management services office at KASNEB TOWERS II. 7th floor Room 7-09.

DIRECTOR/ SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SERVICES For: PRINCIPAL SECRETARY



JARAMOGI OGINGA ODINGA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (JOOUST)

INVITATION TO TENDER

Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology, situated along Bondo Usenge Road, in Bondo invites interested and eligible firms for The Supply, Delivery, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of the under-listed:

No	TENDER NO	TENDER DESCRIPTION	BID SECURITY	RESER- VATIONS	CLOSING DATE
1	JOOUST/VLIR/ONT/ 1/24-25	Supply, Delivery, Installation, testing and Commissioning of Data Centre Establish- ment	100,000/=	Open	Wednesday, February 26 th , 2025 at 10.00 am
2	JOOUST/VLIR/ONT/ 2/24-25	Supply, Delivery, Installation, testing and Commissioning of Satellite Internet, LAN and IP Telephones at Miyandhe Campus	100,000/=	Open	Wednesday, February 26 th , 2025 at 10.00 am
3	JOOUST/VLIR/ONT/ 3/24-25	Supply, Delivery, Installation, testing and Commissioning Wireless LAN Hotspots at Main Campus.	100,000/=	Open	Wednesday, February 26 th , 2025 at 10.00 am
4	JOOUST/VLIR/ONT/ 4/24-25	Supply, Delivery, Installation, testing and Commissioning of Last Mile Fibre Optic Connection from JOOUST Main Campus to Bondo town	100,000/=	Open	Wednesday, February 26 th , 2025 at 10.00 am
5	JOOUST/VLIR/ONT/ 5/24-25	Supply, Delivery, Installation, testing and Commissioning Power Surge Solutions	100,000/=	Open	Wednesday, February 26 th , 2025 at 10.00 am
6	JOOUST/VLIR/ONT/ 6/24-25	Supply and Delivery of Multimedia Studio, Internet and End User Access Devices	100,000/=	Open	Wednesday, February 26 th , 2025 at 10.00 am

Tender documents containing detailed specifications can be downloaded free of charge at JOOUST website www.jooust.ac.ke. Tenderers who download the tender document and intend to submit bids are required to submit their particulars to JOOUST through Email: proc@jooust.ac.ke for the purpose of receiving any further clarification and/or addendum.

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CS calls for coordinated development projects in ASAL counties

BY IAN CHEPKUTO, KNA

The Government is
developing a mechanism to enhance
ollective collaboration

collective collaboration and build strong synergy among development partners implementing various critical programs and projects in ASAL counties.

Cabinet Secretary for East African Community (EAC), ASALs, and Regional Development, Beatrice Moe, emphasized the importance of engaging experts and partners from various organizations operating in the country to align their efforts with the government's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

The CS, along with the Principal Secretary for ASALs and Regional Development, Kello Harsama, held a consultative meeting with development partners at a Nairobi hotel to discuss ways to harmonize their activities, eliminate project duplications, improve planning, align with government priorities, and redistribute development initiatives in ASAL areas to ensure that vulnerable communities benefit.

"The purpose of today's consultation is to focus on activities that add value to the people, ensuring we don't duplicate efforts but instead harmonize our activities. We aim to work on the government's priorities while addressing the needs of the people and redistributing development in ASAL areas.

This will ensure a positive impact on women and children, climate change, agriculture and food security, livestock development, and cross-border issues, ultimately enhancing the value and appreciation of what partners are doing," Moe explained.

The CS stated that her Ministry is committed to closely working with development partners to keep track of every activity being implemented in ASAL counties to ensure effective coordination and eliminate duplication of efforts.

Moe commended donors and partners for their immense contribution to the development in ASALs and the country at large, saying they have significantly improved the livelihoods of millions of people.

The CS said, "The role our donors and partners play in the development of the ASALs cannot be overstated. They have greatly improved education, health, water access, infrastructure, and livelihoods for millions of people."

While acknowledging their efforts, the CS said, "I call upon you to continue supporting collaboration initiatives, humanitarian efforts, resilience-building, and development projects in ASALs and Regional Development Authorities to cushion affected commu-



Cabinet Secretary for East African Community (EAC), ASALs, and Regional Development, Beatrice Moe, speaking during a consultative meeting with development partners in Nairobi

nities and enhance sustainable socio-economic development." The CS acknowledged the crucial role played by the National Drought Management Authority and Regional Development Authorities in strengthening resilience and promoting sustainable development in ASAL regions.

She appreciated their efforts in coordinating drought response, implementing early warning systems, developing risk reduction strategies, and promoting adaptive measures to address climate-related challenges.

"We recognize the importance of strengthening these institutions' capacity and deepening collaboration with donors and development partners to enhance their effectiveness," she remarked.

Moe stated that her Ministry has achieved its vision of 'sustainable ASALs and integrated basin-based development for improved livelihoods' by focusing on key priority areas, including coordination of ASALs and basin-based development, climate change mitigation, resilience building, accelerating socio-economic and infrastructure development, peacebuilding and socio-cultural integration, scaling up relief and humanitarian responses to save lives, knowledge management, and institutional capacity development.



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Government steps up efforts to combat emerging infectious diseases

BY CLINTON NG'IELA AND EMMANUEL MBUTHIA, KNA

The Government remains committed to maintaining essential health services while responding to emerging

Health Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Deborah Barasa highlighted Kenya's proactive approach to addressing evolving global health challenges and financial shifts that impact healthcare access and sustainability.

Dr. Barasa emphasized that the government has implemented measures to counter the threats posed by emerging infectious diseases, including the Mpox outbreak in Kenya, the Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) in Uganda, and the Marburg Virus Disease (MVD) outbreak in

She noted that Kenya, given its dynamic regional environment, faces heightened exposure to cross-border disease threats.

"We recognize that global health security begins at home. Our preparedness strategy prioritizes rapid surveillance, border screening, response coordination, and collaboration with global partners to safeguard the health of our people," Dr. Barasa said.

The CS further disclosed that the pursuit of Universal Health Coverage (UHC) has led to the establishment of the Benefits Package and Tariffs Advisory Panel (BPTAP), housed at the Centre for Epidemiological Modelling and Analysis (CEMA) at the University of

The panel will serve as a critical advisory body to guide decisions around the Social Health Insurance (SHA) program.

The panel brings together experts in health economics, epidemiology, actuarial science, and health sciences, and their mandate will be to review and recommend health benefit packages to ensure comprehensive care, advising on fair pricing and tariffs for health services, and monitoring the program's impact for continuous improvement," she announced.

Dr. Barasa explained that through conducting rigorous Health Technology Assessments (HTAs), BPTAP will help prioritize cost-effective and high-impact interven-

This approach will guide resource allocation to ensure Kenyans receive quality care without compromising financial sustaina-



Following the recent Ebola outbreak in Uganda, with its epicenter in Kampala, Kenya remains on high alert due to potential cross-border health risks," Dr. Amoth

bility," she added.

Additionally, the CS stated that the Ministry is fostering strong partnerships across government, academia, private sectors and civil society to ensure transparency, accountability and diverse stakeholder input which will enhance quality and accessibility of healthcare services.

"The BPTAP's work will be a significant step towards making healthcare more inclusive and responsive to the needs of Kenyans," the CS reiterated, adding that a financially sustainable SHA program that adapts to emerging healthcare challenges and strengthened collaboration with key stakeholders, will advance healthcare reforms

Speaking at the event, Health Director General (DG) Dr. Patrick Amoth said the Government remains committed to maintaining essential health services, including programs for HIV, TB, malaria, and other critical conditions, despite shifting global health landscapes.

"Recent funding uncertainties and international policy changes particularly from the United States (US) government present challenges but Kenya is proactively engaging with internal and external stakeholders to develop strategies that safeguard service continuity and promote sustainable healthcare financing," the DG assured.

Dr. Amoth announced that the Public Health Emergency Operations Centre (PHEOC) has been activated, and the existing Mpox task force re-purposed to manage Ebola, with both national and county emergency operations centres (EOCs) alert.

"Following the recent Ebola outbreak in Uganda, with its epicenter in Kampala, Kenya remains on high alert due to potential cross-border health risks," he said, disclosing that Uganda has so far reported nine confirmed cases, and 265 contacts under quarantine.

The DG added that rapid response teams and surge teams, including 85 trained personnel from the Africa Volunteer Health Corps, are on standby for immediate deploy-

In addition, Dr. Amoth revealed that stringent screening measures have been established at critical border points including Busia, Malaba, Suam and Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) with special arrival zones being designated for travelers from Uganda to minimize potential exposure risks.

He also pointed out that laboratory systems have been activated to ensure the swift diagnosis of suspected cases, maintaining that Kenya remains resolute in protecting public health and containing potential threats.

On the current burden of cervical cancer in Kenya, the DG emphasized that prevention remains one of the most powerful tools in combating cervical cancer through MoH, the National Immunization and Vaccine Program (NVIP) and the National Cancer Control Program (NCCP), which have taken significant steps toward improving access to HPV vaccination.

"We have transitioned to a single-dose HPV vaccination regime, which offers effective protection against cervical cancer. We therefore urge parents and caregivers to ensure that eligible girls aged 10 to 15 years receive this life-saving vaccine," he said.

Dr. Amoth stressed that the fight against cervical cancer requires a united front with informed advocacy and collaboration which can significantly reduce cervical cancer cases and save lives.



Health Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Deborah Barasa addressing the media at the Ministry of Health (MOH) headquarters in Nairobi.



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Kericho launches coffee agroforestry program to boost farmers' incomes

BY KIPYEGON MUTAI AND HAPPINESS TANUI, KNA

ericho County has launched a transformative coffee agroforestry program to promote sustainable agriculture while enhancing farmers' incomes.

In partnership with the Cereal Growers Association (CGA), farmers will be allowed to integrate coffee trees into their farms, providing economic benefits and contributing to climate change mitigation.

The signing ceremony was led by CGA Chairman Dr. Moses Mwenje and Agriculture County Executive Committee Member (CECM) Juliet Chirchir, with Governor Dr. Eric Mutai authorizing the agreement on behalf of Kericho County.

The partnership grants CGA unrestricted operation in Kericho to support farmers in adopting sustainable agroforestry practices. CGA has already established operations in

three key coffee-growing wards-Kunyak, Chilchila, and Kamasian-where farmers are encouraged to plant coffee trees alongside other crops.

Governor Mutai expressed optimism about the program's potential to transform agriculture in the county.

"This program is very beneficial to our farmers here in Kericho, it helps them earn money through coffee planting while also playing a crucial role in forest conservation, soil replenishment, and climate change mitigation,' Governor Mutai explained.

He added that nearly 2,500 farmers in Kipkelion Ward have benefited from CGA's support and called for expansion to all 15 coffee-growing wards in Kericho.

Beyond coffee production, CGA is introducing farmers to the financial potential of carbon credit. Farmers who integrate trees into their farms can

earn income from carbon removal units, a system where carbon stored in trees is measured and sold as carbon credits.

"Using an app, we measure the number of trees on a farmer's land and calculate their carbon storage over five years, each ton of carbon stored qualifies for carbon credits, which recently traded at 46 euros per unit." Dr. Mwenje reiterated.

This means farmers can earn passive income simply by maintaining trees on their land, making agroforestry a dual-benefit practice. Trees not only improve soil fertility and provide shade for coffee crops but also help offset carbon emissions, aligning with global efforts to combat climate change.

"We want to incorporate trees into tea and coffee farming, not only for fuel and firewood but also for their ability to store carbon," Dr. Mwenje added.

Kericho farmers have



Kericho County Governor Dr. Erick Mutai shakes hands with CGA chairman Dr. Moses Mwenje shortly after the agreement signing.

welcomed the initiative, viewing it as a gamechanger for their livelihoods.

"We are very pleased with our governor for bringing this program to us. It is beneficial to farmers, and we know it will be effective. Thank you to CGA for this thoughtful initiative. We are happy that Kericho is contributing to climate change mitigation," Thomas Martin, a local resident said.

With plans to expand the program across all 15 coffee-growing wards, Kericho is setting an example for other agricultural counties in Kenya. By blending coffee production with tree planting, the initiative not only boosts farmers' earnings but also improves soil health, conserves biodiversity, and strengthens resilience against climate change.

The Kericho County Government and CGA remain committed to supporting farmers through training and resources, ensuring the long-term sustainability of coffee agroforestry. If successful, this program could serve as a model for other regions looking to balance agricultural productivity with environmental con-

Pwani Varsity, MADCA ink deal to preserve Mijikenda culture

KNA BY EMMANUEL MASHA

Pwani University has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Malindi District Cultural Association (MADCA) to collaborate on researching and doc-umenting the Mijikenda cultural heritage for future generations.

The Mijikenda culture, increasingly threatened by the influence of Western religion and modernization, faces the risk of extinction. This collaboration marks a significant step toward reversing this trend and preserving the progressive cultural practices of the Mijikenda people. Speaking at the signing ceremony at the MADCA Centre in Sabaki, Malindi Sub-County, MADCA founding chairman Stan Kiraga emphasized the importance of the partnership, stating that it aligns with the vision of Africa's founding fathers.

"This is the clarion call made by Africa's first presidents, such as Kwame Nkrumah, Julius Nyerere, and Jomo Kenyatta, who advocated for education that benefits African communities," he said.

"Today, we are integrating education and culture because that is the foundation of development," he added.

MADCA Secretary General Joseph Karisa Mwarandu underscored the partnership's role in helping current and future generations appreciate the Mijikenda cultural heritage and reconnect with their roots.

"The signing of this MoU demonstrates that educationists and elders can work together. Educationists possess knowledge, while elders carry wisdom. When knowledge and wisdom are combined, they can drive tremendous progress in our societies," he said. Dr. Nancy Ngowa, t

Chairperson of the Department of Languages and Linguistics at Pwani University, expressed the university's commitment to the collaboration, which she said would enable the Kilifi-based institution to impact on the community. "We are documenting the culture of the Mijikenda community to preserve it for future generations. This MoU is unique as it allows the university to have a direct impact on the community," she said.

She added that preserving indigenous knowledge would benefit not only the community but also the university as an institu-

Dr. Tsomunga Chidongo, a senior lecturer at Pwani University and the initiator of the collaboration, noted that his vision was to ensure Pwani University had similar collaborations with cultural institutions in Kwale, Tana River, Lamu, and Taita Taveta Counties.

"This is the beginning of a unique period for Pwani University. We hope to collaborate with other cultural centers in Kwale, Tana River, Lamu, and Taita Taveta to document our communities' cultural heritage," he said.

Dr. Chidogo hinted that in the future, Pwani University might establish a centre for African culture studies to ensure that the rich African cultural heritage is properly documented and archived.



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CU/OPNT/07/2024 - 2025	Supply and delivery of Printers	-	20,000.00
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> The Vice-Chancellor, Chuka University, P.O. BOX 109 - 60400, CHUKA.

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Chuka UniversityInspiring Environmental Sustainable for Better Life

AG urges County Assemblies to enhance oversight on public resources

BY SAMUEL WAITITU, KNA

The The Office of the Auditor-General has commenced discussions with county assemblies to empower them to fulfill their oversight role more effectively.

Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu stated that county assemblies, comprising elected members at the grassroots level, are well positioned to ensure the prudent use and management of public resources across the country.

She noted that members of county assemblies (MCAs) are familiar with the projects they have approved, the budgets they have allocated, and the progress of implementation on the ground.

"We want to agree on how they can be the first to review the reports, provide recommendations, and ensure that the executive and other entities implement them to maintain continuous service delivery," she said.

Speaking in Embu after a meeting with the Embu

consultancy services.

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Description shall be addressed to: -

State Department for Irrigation

Tender No.



Auditor General Nancy Gathungu speaking to the press in Embu County after a meeting with the County Assembly leadership.

County Assembly leadership, Gathungu said OAG aims to see county assemblies play their oversight role more strongly.

She posited that the Senate should concentrate more on higher matters of policy and legislative issues concerning devolution. "We would wish to have operational issues be handled at the county assembly level because they are also required by the constitution to play their oversight role," she said.

At the same time, the AG said OAG has noted several issues concerning effective use of public resources across the coun-

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The Ministry's Website: www.water.go.ke

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ing date will be on 28th February, 2025 at 11.00 a.m.

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ties occasioned by what counties have said was because of huge inherited pending bills.

Counties have argued that they are concentrating more on paying pending bills at the expense of development projects.

"We have agreed with counties that, if possible, they handle these arrears concurrently with development projects," she said.

She also advised counties to cut back on too many projects so that ongoing projects can be completed before conceiving and implementing new ones.

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (Consulting Services – Firms Selection)

Country	Kenya
Project Name	Horn of Africa Gateway Development Project
Credit No	P161305
Assignment Title	Consultancy Services for Design and Construction Supervision of the proposed Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) Trade Facilitation Centre (TFC) Offices at Isiolo, Modogashe and Wajir

Tender No. KeNHA/2832/2025

- The Government of the Republic of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Horn of Africa Gateway Development Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for Consulting Services.
- The Consulting Services ("the Services") include Design and Construction Supervision of the proposed Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) Trade Facilitation Centre (TFC) Offices at Isiolo, Modogashe and Wajir.
- 3. The period of the services is 24 months comprising: 5 months for Site Studies, Detailed Design and procurement assistance to the Client, 12 months for Construction Supervision and 6 months defects liability period plus 1-month closeout period. The estimated number of person-months of key professional personnel for both lump sum (design) and time based (supervision) Contracts is 224.05 comprising: 26.35 person months for design phase, and 65.9 person months for Construction Supervision of the proposed KRA Trade Facilitation Centre (TFC) Offices at Isiolo , 65.9 person months for Construction Supervision of the proposed KRA Trade Facilitation Centre (TFC) Offices at Modogashe and 65.9 person months for Construction Supervision of the proposed KRA Trade Facilitation Centre (TFC) Offices at Wajir.
 - The Detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.kenha.co.ke
- 4. The Kenya National Highways Authority, a State Corporation under the Ministry of Roads and Transport established under the Kenya Roads Act, 2007, now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:
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- 5. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank's Procurement Regulation for IPF Borrowers, First Published July 2016 and Revised in September 2023 (5th Edition) ("Procurement Regulations") setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
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- A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations.
- 8. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, Mondays to Fridays from 0900 to 1600 hours (East Africa Time), excluding public holidays.
- The Expressions of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person, or by mail, or by email clearly marked CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION OF THE PROPOSED KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY (KRA) TRADE FACILITATION CENTRE (TFC) OFFICES AT ISIOLO, MODOGASHE AND WAJIR, TENDER NO.: KeNHA/2832/2025, by Wednesday, 5th March 2025 at 1100hrs (East Africa Time). Expressions of Interest delivered in person shall be deposited in the tender box at Barabara Plaza, Block C, 2nd Floor.

There shall be no public opening of the Expressions of Interest.

Attention: Director, Development

Street Address: Kenya National Highways Authority

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(for seeking information/clarifications): (1) directordevelopment@kenha.co.ke (2) procurement@kenha.co.ke

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KENYA RAILWAYS

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Country	REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Name of Project	KENYA URBAN MOBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (KUMIP)
Credit No.	V4940
Assignment Title	CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE FEASIBILITY STUDY, PRELIMINARY DESIGN (FEED/BASIC ENGINEERING) AND PREPARATION OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS FOR UPGRADING OF THE NAIROBI COMMUTER RAIL NETWORK
Reference	KE-KRC-372079-CS-QCBS
Tender Number	KR/SCM/WB/070/2024-2025

- 1. The Government of Kenya (GOK) has applied for financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Kenya Urban Mobility Improvement Project (KUMIP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
- 2. The consulting services (the Services) include;
 - (i) Undertaking a FEL-2 Feasibility Study including Preliminary Engineering to assess technical, social, environmental, financial and economic viability for the upgrading and/or rehabilitation of the Nairobi Commuter Rail (NCR) network as well as development of Transit Oriented Development (TOD) facilities and access roads to commuter stations.
 - (ii) Completing the FEL-3 Project Definition / FEED (Basic Engineering) to 85% cost accuracy for the entire commuter NCR network including access facilities to commuter stations, and TOD-related infrastructure facilities for selected stations along Thika line.
 - (iii) Preparation of the Engineering Requirement for Design & Build bidding documents for contracting under the FIDIC Yellow Book form of contract for the entire commuter NCR network, access facilities to commuter stations, and TOD-related infrastructure facilities for selected stations along Thika line.

The expected start date for the services is **April 21**, **2025** and the duration of the assignment is **twenty-four (24)** calendar months. The estimated staffing man months for staffing is 400 staff- months.

- 3. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following websites: Kenya Railways portal www.krc.co.ke or Public Procurement Information portal www.tenders.go.ke.
- 4. Kenya Railways (the Client), now invites eligible consulting firms (Consultants) to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services. The shortlisting criteria is:
 - (i) Core business and years in business: The firm shall be registered/incorporated as a consulting firm with core business in railway engineering, transportation engineering, or related fields for at least fifteen (15) years
 - (ii) Relevant experience: The firm shall demonstrate as having executed and completed at least three number assignments of similar nature and scope in similar operating environments in the last ten (10) years.
 - (iii) Capacity building: Must demonstrate the ability of building capacity for the employer (s) // client staff through a well-documented work methodology including bench marking with similar systems in both developed and developing countries.
- (iv) Technical and managerial capability of the firm: The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity including relevant equipment, tools, software, etc., and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment. Key experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.
- 5. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank's Procurement Regulation for IPF Borrowers, dated July 2016 and revised September 2023 (5th Edition): ("Procurement Regulations") setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- 6. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
- 7. A Consultant firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.
- 8. Further information can be obtained at the address below from Monday to Friday excluding weekends and public holidays from 9.00AM to 5.00PM East African Time (EAT).

Managing Director, Kenya Railways,
Attention: General Manager-Supply Chain Management,
Kenya Railways Headquarters Office,
Workshops Road off Haile Selassie Avenue,
Opposite Technical University of Kenya,
P. O. Box 30121-00100,
Nairobi, Kenya.
Email: procure@krc.co.ke
Tel. No: +254 709 907 000, +254 709 907 114

Expressions of interest must be submitted in written form to the address below in person, or by mail or by e-mail on or before March 5, 2025 at 11:00AM, East African Time (EAT).

> Tender Box at Block C, Main Reception Kenya Railways Headquarters Office, Workshops Road, off Haile Selassie Avenue, Opposite Technical University of Kenya, P. O. Box 30121-00100, Nairobi, Kenya. Email: procure@krc.co.ke

10. All submissions should be clearly marked "Consultancy Services for the Feasibility Study, Preliminary Design (FEED/Basic Engineering) and Preparation of Bidding Documents for Upgrading of the Nairobi Commuter Rail Network." For email submissions: Assignment Title and Contract Number should be quoted in the subject row.

The Managing Director Kenya Railways





Government to construct second modern market in Lugari Sub-County



Housing Secretary Polycarp Onyango speaks during the site handover event of the modern Panpaper Scheme market project to the contractor.

BY MELECHEZEDECK EJAKAIT, KNA

ugari Sub-County in Kakamega County is set to benefit from the construction of a second modern market, estimated to cost Sh50 million.

The market, to be built at Panpaper Trading Centre in Lugari Ward, will be funded under the government's Economic Stimulus Program.

This will be the second modern market in the sub-county, following the foundation stone laid by President William Ruto last year for the construction of the first one at Chekalini Market in Chekalini Ward

Speaking during the launch, the Secretary of the State Department of Housing and Urban Planning, Polycarp Onyango, stated that the multi-story market, which will occupy one acre of land, will accommodate approximately 200 traders upon completion.

While handing over the site to Intellect Contractors, Onyango said, "Today, I am here to hand over the site for the Panpaper Scheme market to the contractor so that construction work can begin immediately. We expect it to be completed within six months."

Onyango added, "The market is designed to have 200 stalls at the ground floor although the number may go up to 600 on a designated market day. Besides the stalls, the market will also have an information, communication and technology hub for the youth to access internet services, a breastfeeding room for young female traders, a refrigeration center for perishable goods to guard traders from losses, and a boardroom for meetings."

He further explained, "Additionally the market will have an ablution block, and water will be drilled within it. Onyango also said plans are under way to construct another modern market at Lwandeti market in Lwandeti Ward, a modern hostel to accommodate about 1,000 students at Chevaywa Technical Institute and a 300-student dormitory at Kivaywa Secondary School all in Chevaywa Ward.

Lugari Member of Parliament, Nabii Nabwera, lauded President William Ruto Soon we shall have a modern market here in Panpaper and next to it there will be a tarmacked road. This will make it easily accessible to traders from the neighboring counties like Bungoma and Uasin Gishu hence bolstering trade and transforming our economy," Nabii Nabwera

for facilitating construction of the three modern markets in the constituency, a dormitory at Kivaywa Secondary School, a hostel at Chevaywa Technical Institute and the upgrading to bitumen standards of the Turbo-Sikhendu Road.

"Soon we shall have a modern market here in Panpaper and next to it there will be a tarmacked road. This will make it easily accessible to traders from the neighboring counties like Bungoma and Uasin Gishu hence bolstering trade and transforming our economy," he stated. Kakamega County Chief Officer for

Kakamega County Chief Officer for Trade, Faith Gitira, said the county government's contribution to the project is the land where the market will sit and asked the market management committee to register all the current traders operating in the trading centre so that they are prioritized once the construction of the modern market is complete.

Gitira urged Panpaper traders to take advantage of cheap interest loans her department is giving out to traders to bolster their businesses.

Also present during the occasion included Lugari Sub-County Administrator, Mary Mukatia, area Assistant County Commissioner Wambua Mbinya, and her Lumakanda counterpart Christine Cheboi.

Kirinyaga expands bulk water project to 1,000 more households

BY DAVID WANDETO, KNA

he Kirinyaga County Government will extend the Kerugoya-Kutus Bulk Water Project to serve an additional 1,000 households in Mutithi Ward.

Speaking while distributing 164 high-density water pipes for the Kinyaga Water Project, Governor Anne Waiguru stated that the increased capacity will enable the county to supply more

families with clean water.

Currently, about 400,000 residents of Kirinyaga County are benefiting from a steady supply of clean water through the new bulk water project.

"The Kinyaga Water Project will help ensure that residents, key institutions, and markets such as Kagio and Kandongu have a reliable water supply," she explained.

Speaking at Kiangogu village in Mwea West, Waiguru noted that the pipes will facilitate water distribution from the Rwamuthambi River.

The project will benefit residents of Rwang'ondu, Kiamaciri, Kiunga, Gatwara, and Kiambati villages.

"This project is part of our equitable development plan aimed at uplifting the living standards of our people across the county," she said.

Governor Waiguru also distributed learning materials, furniture and free uniforms for ECDE leaners in Mutithi Ward.

A total of 1,012 ECDE pupils -496 girls and 516 boys will receive the uniforms, while centres such as Kagio, Kandongu, Rwang'ongu and Mugaa have benefited from new classroom furniture and storage units.



KAGRC official engaging with goat farmers during an open day at Ahit Domba Mwea constituency Kirinyaga.





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INVITATION TO SENSITIZATION FORUMS FOR AGPO CATEGORY (YOUTH, WOMEN & PERSONS WITH DISABILITY) AND LOCAL-LOCAL SUPPLIERS' ON ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT **OPPORTUNITIES.**

Kenya Electricity Generating Company Plc (KenGen) is a State Corporation whose main mandate is to develop, manage and operate power generation plants to supply electric energy to the Kenyan market and the Eastern Africa region. KenGen is the leading power generation company, producing 70 percent of electricity consumed in the country.

As a leader of electricity generation in Kenya, and in alignment with the Government of Kenya's policy aimed at enabling the Youth, Women and Persons living with disabilities to access a minimum of 30% of government procurement opportunities, KenGen is taking proactive steps to organize sensitization workshops. These workshops aim to empower these special groups and onboard suppliers from KenGen installations under the "Local-Local Suppliers" initiative across all regions.

The primary objective of these workshops is to achieve the following:

- Enhance awareness among potential suppliers.
- Build capacity among the Youth, Women, Persons with Disabilities, and Local-Local Suppliers'.
- Promote competition in government procurement processes.

The scope of these workshops will encompass various critical aspects, including but not limited to:

- SRM/eProcurement, emphasizing the use of modern procurement systems.
- AGPO awareness, focusing on the Access to Government Procurement Opportunities program.
- Local-Local supplier awareness, promoting Local Suppliers' participation.
- Compliance with the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act (PPADA), 2015, and the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Regulations (PPADR), 2020 and other subsequent
- Financial aspects such as LPO financing and tax amendments to facilitate the participation of these special groups and local suppliers in government procurement.

We believe that the sensitization workshop will significantly contribute to fostering an inclusive and competitive environment in government procurement, aligning with the Government of Kenya's vision for empowerment and equal access to opportunities

The forum will be held on Friday, 21st February, 2025, starting at 8:30 a.m.

The awareness session will be conducted via Webex using the following link: https://kengen.webex.com/kengen/j.php?MTID=mb53172ec2f6e6505a5360792be590a60

Meeting number: 2377 897 3342 Password: Sensitization

Interested participants are requested to register through the link below by giving the following details:

- Name of the Company,
- Name of the company's representative,
- Telephone Contact of the Company,
- Email of the Company

Registration can be completed via the Google Form link; https://forms.gle/dC1q7JK7fhQgHiT36 or by scanning the QR Code;



Register in advance for this meeting. After registering, you will receive a confirmation for attending

For any enquiries call Tel: 0711036000 or email tenders@kengen.co.ke; For more details keep checking our website: www.kengen.co.ke

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INVITATION TO TENDER AND PRE-QUALIFICATION OF SUPPLIERS

Kirinyaga University, a full-fledged Public University under the Ministry of Education, invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified Bidders for the following tenders;

TENDER REFERENCE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF TENDER	ELIGIBILITY/ TARGET GROUP	TENDER CLOSING DATE AND TIME
KyU/TN/F2/TAPA/001/2025	Tender for the Proposed Construc- tion of Kirinyaga University Athlet- ics Track, Ablution Block, Perimeter Fence and Associated Civil Works	Open Tender	Tuesday 11 th March 2025 at 10.00 A.M.
KyU/TN/CCS/001/2025	Tender for the Provision of Com- prehensive Cleaning Services, Sanitary Services, Garbage Collec- tion and Fumigation Services	Open Tender	Wednesday 12 th March 2025 at 10.00 A.M.
Various	Pre-qualification of suppliers and contractors for various categories of goods, services and works (Financial years 2025/2026 and 2026/2027)	Specific Target Group per Category is Indicated In The Prequalification Documents provided	Wednesday 12 th March 2025 at 12.00 Noon.
KyU/D/001/2025	Disposal of idle and obsolete assorted assets	Open	Wednesday 12 th March 2025 at 2.00 P.M.

The University has organized a sensitization forum for Youth, Women and Persons with Disabilities on Access to Government Procurement Opportunities (AGPO), to be held at the University on 4th March 2025 at 11.00 a.m.

Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information and inspect the Bidding and Prequalification Documents with detailed requirements at the address below;

The Procurement Officer Kirinyaga University, Along Kutus Kerugoya Junction P.O.BOX 143-10300 Kerugoya Email: procurement@kyu.ac.ke Website: www.kyu.ac.ke Tel.: +254 0789 938 241 / +254 0728 499 650

For more details please visit the University Website: www.kyu.ac.ke and the Public Procurement Information Portal https://tenders.go.ke

Important Notice

Kirinyaga University invites all form four leavers for the 5th Annual Career Day on Saturday, 8th March 2025, from 8:30 AM at the university grounds.

Theme: "Reinforcing STEM Uptake Through Mathematics and Robotics Competitions." Entry is free.

Students who were placed by the KUCCPS in 2024 intake and were not able to report are informed that their slots are still available and they may report in **September**, **2025**.

Applications for May 2025 intake are ongoing for the following on-Campus and Virtual courses;

- PhD and Master courses in Business, IT and Data Analytic, Mathematics, Forensic Sciences and Clinical Medicine, Fashion Design, Textile Technology, Renewable Energy and Construction Management

- agement
 All Undergraduate programmes
 Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
 Proficiency Certificate course in Senior Management Skills, and Strategic Management and Leader



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New breeding technology promises higher yields for Kenyan goat farmers



Kenya Animal and Genetic Resource Centre that is in-charge of artificial insemination for goats. Photo: Courtsey.

BY DAVID WANDETO, KNA

The Kenya Animal Genetic Resources Centre (KAGRC) is taking a bold step toward transforming the country's dairy and meat production by introducing Artificial Insemination (AI) technology for goats.

In an effort to boost productivity and enhance food security, KAGRC is working closely with farmers to implement selective breeding techniques that will improve both the quality and quantity of milk and meat production in the country.

Speaking at an open day event for goat dairy farmers at the Kutus Ahiti Domba Centre in Kirinyaga County, KAGRC Managing Director Bernadette Misoi emphasized the importance of AI in modern farming, describing it as a groundbreaking technology that will help farmers maximize their yields.

The event, which attracted a large number of farmers, provided a platform for interaction, knowledge-sharing, and preparation for the official commissioning of a new breeding center in the next two months.

"Today is a great day for us as we engage with goat dairy farmers, a key segment of livestock farming. AI in goats is a new technology that we are introducing to farmers, with the main objective of increasing productivity.

Through selective breeding, we are producing the best semen from our top breeds to ensure higher milk production and bet-

tions, which are used to produce a critical aspect of high-quality semen for artificial insemination.

The focus is on both dairy and meat breeds, ensuring that farmers have access to superior genetic material that will enhance their herds.

Misoi expressed her delight at ing that the interaction was vital she added. KAGRC the large turnout of farmers, notin equipping them with essential information about the new tech-

nology.

"We are happy to see farmers showing great interest in this initiative. Information is power, and we want to continue passing it on to ensure that farmers make informed decisions. KAGRC works with a network of agents, distributors, universities, and suppliers who provide the necessary chemicals and equipment for our laboratories. It is a collaborative effort that will drive this sector

forward," she said.

The Kenyan government, through the Ministry of Agriculture, has outlined ambitious goals to enhance food security and promote livestock breeding as a key intervention.

Currently, Kenya produces ap proximately 5 billion litres of milk annually, but the government aims to double this to 10 billion litres by 2027. The introduction of AI technology in goat farming is expected to play a crucial role in achieving this target.

Misoi highlighted the broader impact of the initiative, stating that increased milk and meat production will not only improve food security but also create employment opportunities and boost farmers' incomes.

She reaffirmed KAGRC's commitment to ensuring that farmers

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"The main role of KAGRC is to provide farmers with the best genetic material to enhance production. Breeding is a critical aspect of livestock farming, and by improving the quality of our breeds, we can help farmers achieve better yields and higher profits," she added.

As Kenya moves toward modernizing its agricultural sector, AI technology in goat farming is expected to be a game-changer. By embracing innovative breeding techniques, farmers will be better positioned to meet the rising demand for dairy and meat products while contributing to the country's economic growth.

The upcoming commissioning of the breeding centre will mark a significant milestone in this journey, further cementing Kenya's position as a leader in livestock genetics and sustainable farming.

"We are doing selective breeding, producing, preserving, and conserving animal genetic material; semen, embryo, tissue, and live animals while reading breeding sires for the provision of high-quality, disease-free semen for the national and export market," said Dr. Misoi.

Dr. Misoi added that the centre has also been on the front line to give cow breeds that are the best for both milk and meat, where they give semen for Frisian, Avrshire, Guernsey, Jersey, Sahiwal, and Boran, as well as Magic 50, adding that the number of bulls per breed is demand-driven by

James Murimi Gichovi, a goat farmer from Kirinyaga, has said the open day has been of help, saving he has been using traditional methods to serve his goats, but from the open day he will change to AI technology since he has been enlightened about its

"I have been struggling to get the male goats to serve my goat, but I am proud to say I will be among those who will embrace this new technology throughout my goat farming. I have been able to learn the more you improve your goat breeds, even when selling kids, the price will increase since it is of the best quality," says Murimi.

Murami added that the five hundred shillings' charges for the AI service are pocket-friendly compared to arguing for the service to be brought closer to where farmers are.

"The open day has made me learn there is salt and vitamin made for goats only, which I will carry home today and give to my two goats since I have been using the one used by my cows," said Murimi.

Murimi has called other farmers, especially the goat farmers, to attend the agricultural open days and other such events, saying they have more benefit since they enlighten farmers on the new changes in animal farming.





PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS BOARD

TENDER NOTICE

The Pest Control Products Board is a statutory organization of Kenya Government established under the Pest Control Product Act, Cap 346 of 1982 Laws of Kenya to regulate the importation, exportation, manufacture, distribution, use and disposal of Pest Control Products. The organization invites sealed bids for supply, delivery, installation and commissioning of Laboratory equipment at PCPB HQ.

Interested and eligible bidders may obtain further information from PCPB website: www.pcpb.go.ke and Supplier.treasury. go.ke/ppip portal. The completed tender documents should be received at PCPB Headquarters, Loresho Nairobi on or before 4th March, 2025 at 11.30 am.

The applications should be addressed to:-

Chief Executive Officer/Secretary PO BOX13794-00800 NAIROBI





KILIFI - MARIAKANI WATER

TENDER NOTICE

Kimawasco invites sealed bids from eligible tenderers for the tenders listed below. Interested candidates may view / obtain the tender document by downloading it from Kimawasco's website: www.kimawasco.co.ke or the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) website: www.tenders.go.ke

No.	Tender Description	Tender No.
1	PROVISION OF SECURITY AND ALARM RESPONSE SER- VICES TO KIMAWASCO	KMWSC/OT/S/012/2024-2025/26
2	TENDER FOR SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF COMPUTERS	KMWSC/OT/G/013/2024-2025
3	TENDER FOR PROVISION OF WIBA/GPA FOR STAFF OF KIMAWASCO	KMWSC/OT/S/014/2024-2025

Completed tender documents should be clearly marked and be deposited in the tender box situated at the Customer Care Office Building security gate, to

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend on an open ground.

MANAGING DIRECTOR

BT maize set for release this year as **NBA** concludes field trials

BY ANNE KANGERO AND MOSES WEKESA (KNA)

he Government will release the BT maize variety to farmers this year following the completion of national field trials.

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

Farmers have been encouraged to prepare for the adoption of this variety, which has been developed using GMO technology, once it becomes

According to Josephat Muchiri, Acting Director for Biosafety Research and Compliance at the NBA, the Biosafety Act and the Constitution require public consultations before a final decision is made on BT maize.

"NBA is an oversight body that regulates all activities involving GMOs, and part of our mandate is to engage the public regularly to gather their views on new and emerging technologies," said Muchiri at the Machakos Agricultural Training

Muchiri further urged Kenyans and farmers to dismiss misconceptions on GMO as the government will ensure the safety of the maize before its release in the next two years.

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

He said it is also harmless to the environment, adding that farmers are set to benefit from it since it withstands pests and is tolerant to the vagaries of weather.

Sande was speaking during a public participation of the environmental release application (open field cultivation) and placing on the market of BT maize variety in Kenya in Kakamega.

He said that the Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) is in the last phase of research on the BT maize variety, which will be subjected to field trials during the long rain season of 2025.

Sande said the field trials will be done in Busia, Kakamega, Machakos, Mombasa and Trans Nzoia at the KALRO fields for a period of three months after which the maize will be rolled out to farm-

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

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

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

Sande said one cannot differentiate between maize and the conventional ones even in the field but added that there will be a noticeable difference when the conventional ones get attacked by pests and diseases while the BT variety survives.

'We have a pest called maize stalk borer which attacks the stem of the maize and destroys the maize completely, we also have the fall army

"So, the BT maize has been prepared with high expertise such that the stalk borer and the fall army worms will be killed once they feed on that maize," he said.



A group of farmers and Agriculture stakeholders from various sub counties during a public participation meeting on release of GMO BT maize to the market at the Machakos **Agricultural Training col**lege. Photo by Anne Kangero

INVITATION **TO TENDER**





INVITATION TO TENDER

NO	TENDER NO.	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBIL- ITY	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1	KGN-KIP-004-2025	Tender for Supply of Fuel Oil Coriolis Flowmeter for Kipevu III Power Station	Women Enterprises	5th March, 2025 at 2.00 p.m.
2	KGN-OLK-005-2025	Tender for Supply of Scientific Laboratory Equipment for Olkaria Geothermal Power Plants	PWD Enterprises	6th March, 2025 at 10.00 a.m.
3	KGN-KIP-003-2025	Tender for Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Rooftop Central Air Conditioner at Kipevu III Power Station	Women Enterprises	11th March, 2025 at 10.00 a.m.
		There shall be a mandatory site visit on 26th February, 2025 at KenGen Kipevu III Power Station, Mombasa starting at 10.00. a.m.		
4	KGN-COMM-003-2025	Request for Proposal for Knowledge Transfer on Environmental Social and Governance (ESGS), International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), and Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Standards (Re-Tender)	Citizen Contractors	11th March, 2025 at 2.00 p.m.
5	KGN-HYD-007-2025 Tender for Design, Manufacture, Factory Testing, Supply, Delivery, Installation, Site Testing and Commissioning of a 700 Metres Single-core 1000 mm ² Copper XLPE 15 kV Power Cable for Kiambere Power Station		Citizen Contractors	11th March, 2025 at 10.00 a.m.
		There shall be a mandatory site visit on 26 th February, 2025 at KenGen Kiambere Power Station, Eastern Region starting at 10.00. a.m.		
6	KGN-ADM-006-2025 Tender for Proposed Office Fit Out Works at KenGen R.B.S. Pension Plaza II, Sixth (6th) Floor Parking Silo, (Upper and Lower Levels), Kolobot Road, Nairobi (RE-TENDER)		Citizen Contractors	11th March, 2025 at 2.00 p.m.
		There shall be a mandatory site visit on 25 th February, 2025 at KenGen Stima Plaza, Nairobi, starting at 10.00. a.m.		

Interested firms may obtain further information from the office of the General Manager-Supply Chain, Tel: (254) (020) 3666230, Email: tenders@kengen.co.ke on normal working days beginning on the date of advert. Bidders who are unable to download the tender documents from the website may collect them from any KenGen Supply Chain Office upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **KShs.1**, 000.00 paid via Mpesa, pay bill no. 400200 and account no. **01120069076000,** then share the MPesa message to KenGen Finance office staff for receipt and issuance of official receipt.

The document can also be viewed and downloaded from the website www.kengen.co.ke, on E-procurement https://eprocurement. kengen.co.ke:50001/irj/portal and on PPIP portal https://tenders.

Bidders are advised to refer to the website and on e-procurement regularly for any additional information /clarifications/addenda. Downloaded copies are FREE.

SUBMISSION OF TENDERS:

- Tender documents must be submitted online through KenGen E-Procurement web portal found on the KenGen website (www. kengen.co.ke)
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General Manager - Supply Chain, Kenya Electricity Generating Company PLC, 9th Floor, KenGen Pension Plaza II, Kolobot Road, Parklands, P.O. Box 47936, 00100 NAIROBI

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3.	Senior Security Officer in Grade 11	VC/SSO/2/2025	1		
4.	Security Officer II in Grade 9	VC/SO/2/2025	1		
5.	Assistant Procurement Officer/Stores Controller – Grade 8	VC/APO/2/2025	1		
6.	Security Supervisor II in Grade 5	VC/SSII/2/2025	2		
7.	Security Guard I in Grade 4	VC/SGI/2/2025	1		
8.	Security Guard II in Grade 3	VC/SGII/2/2025	9		
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1.	Chief Finance Officer – Grade 15	PAF/CFO/2/2025	1		
2.	Deputy Estates Manager Grade 13	PAF/DEM/2/2025	1		
3.	Assistant Registrar (HR) – Grade 12	PAF/	1		
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2.	Lecturer – Grade 12 (Data Science)	SIIS/L/DS/2/2025	1		
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How to apply:-

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Murang'a cooperative targets 1.8 million kilos in coffee production boost



Correctional Services Principal Secretary Dr. Salome Beacco

BY BERNARD MUNYAO, KNA

Murang'a cooperative society aims to boost coffee production to over 1.8 million kilos per harvest season.

The new management of Kangunu Farmers' Cooperative Society in Mathioya Sub-County is educating farmers on best farming practices to increase both production and coffee quality.

The new officials, who took office in December, have pledged to help farmers improve their earnings by bringing in experts to educate and train them on enhancing productivity.

During an education day, the society's chairman, John Chege, stated that the cooperative currently produces approximately 680,000 kilos per season.

He noted that this production level is low compared to the potential output of the many farmers affiliated with the cooperative.

Chege further observed that the society has the capacity to produce up to two million kilos per harvest season, but mismanagement by the previous administration led to a decline in production.

"As we strive to increase production, our farmers are also being trained on how to produce high-quality beans that fetch better prices at the auction," he said.

He urged the government to assist the cooperatives access subsidized fertilizer that will boost coffee production.

"Coffee farmers rarely get subsidized fertilizer. With the ongoing reforms in the coffee sub-sector, we ask the government to consider availing cheap fertilizer which will help improve our production," he added.

Meanwhile, Chege observed that it was the first time in a period of more than 10 years farmers were converging for a profitable programme, following physical fights that were witnessed in cooperative society.

The government through the Cooperatives Cabinet Secretary Wycliffe Oparanya intervened towards the end of last year and disbanded the management committee following mismanagement of resources and deduction of farmers' proceeds without the authority of the coffee farmers.

"We inherited huge debts that we want to be audited and those who misappropriated the monies of the society be held responsible," the chairman stated.

George Mwangi and Samuel Njoroge from Alliance Berries Limited, who trained farmers, said it was high time for farmers to embrace new technologies to improve production and ensure their coffee is of high quality.

Mwangi said kangunu is among the best cooperatives in the production of quality coffee and urged the farmers to strive to increase production that will lead to more earnings.

"At the auction, buyers are interested in high quality coffee. The premier grades usually fetch high prices, and this ensures farmers' earnings are lucrative," he added.

One of the farmers, Peter Mwangi, said it was the first time in history that society held an education forum after decades of fights.



Egerton University Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academics, Research & Extension) Professor Bernard Aduda (third right) officially hands the site where the first International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology Regional Research Centre (ICGEB RRC) in Africa will be constructed.

Pioneering Biotechnology Centre set for construction at Egerton University

BY ESTHER MWANGI, KNA

enya will host the first International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology Regional Research Centre (ICGEB RRC) in Africa.

Egerton University has officially handed over the construction site to the project implementation contractor.

The multi-million-dollar facility will feature research laboratories equipped for genetic engineering and biotechnology, along with specialized spaces for molecular plant pathology, crop breeding, and genetic biofortification studies.

Speaking during the handover, Egerton University's Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Academics, Research, and Extension, Professor Bernard Aduda, stated that they will ensure the facility obtains Biosafety Level 2 (BSL-2) certification. This certification guarantees compliance with global biosafety protocols, enabling researchers to conduct advanced studies safely and securely.

In 2016, Kenya was selected by the ICGEB Board of Governors to host its first regional research centre in Africa, complementing the existing one in China.

The board, which runs 46 state-of-the-art laboratories, in Trieste-It-aly, New Delhi-India and Cape Town-South Africa also approved the appointment of National Commission for Science, Technology and Innovation (NACOSTI) Director General Professor Walter

Oyawa as ICGEB Governor for Kenya.

According to Professor Aduda, who is also the project contract implementation team chairperson, the ICGEB Regional Research Centre will be based at the university's main campus in Njoro Sub-County.

The Egerton don said the research centre will be the second such outfit in the world after the one in China and will also specialize in food safety, molecular plant breeding and entomology, development of molecular diagnostic tools and their applications and bioprospecting for bio-pesticides and bioactive compounds.

Noting that the ICGEB RRC would transform scientific research and regional development in East Africa, Prof Aduda elaborated that the centre will focus on combating crop diseases through molecular plant pathology research, investigating pathogen infection mechanisms to develop disease-resistant crops and reducing reliance on harmful chemicals.

"This centre will enhance food security by employing mark-er-assisted selection and genome-wide association studies (GWAS) to facilitate the breeding of high-yielding, climate-resilient crop varieties to meet the growing population's needs," the deputy VC added.

During the 22nd session of the ICGEB Board of Governors held in Cape Town in 2016, the possibility of setting up ICGEB- RRC in Africa was

explored.

Subsequently, during the Annual General Meeting in December 2020, ICGEB Board resolved that Kenya was to host the RRC within its territory.

Subsequently, NA-COSTI Director General Professor Walter Oyawa was tasked to identify the institution to host the ICGEB- RRC. Seven universities had applied to host the research centre where three universities were shortlisted for further on-site inspection culminating in the selection of Egerton University.

Principal Investigator of the project establishing the ICGEB- RRC Professor Josiah Omolo indicated that to address hidden hunger, bio-fortification initiatives will improve the nutritional value of staple foods such as maize and cassava, ensuring better public health outcomes.

The centre, added Professor Omolo, will also promote food safety through advanced molecular diagnostics, identifying biological hazards, mycotoxins, and chemical residues in food to strengthen agricultural value chains.

The principal investigator pointed out that the facility will build regional capacity by training scientists and collaborating with universities to enhance expertise in genetic engineering and biotechnology. By improving agricultural productivity and creating jobs, the ICGEB RRC he noted will attract investments and foster sustainable development.



OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL & DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

THE VICTIM PROTECTION BOARD

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE ON THE VICTIM PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2024, AND PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT (VICTIM PROTECTION FUND) REGULATIONS, 2024.

The Office of the Attorney General and Department of Justice notifies stakeholders and members of the public that it has developed a draft of the Victim Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2024, and Public Finance Management (Victim Protection Fund) Regulations, 2024. The Victim Protection Board is established by the Victim Protection Act, section 31, with the mandated to advise the Attorney General on (i) inter-agency activities aimed at protecting victims of crime and the implementation of (ii) preventive, (iii) protective and (iv) rehabilitative programmes for victims of crime.

The Cabinet Secretary, National Treasury, and Economic Planning appointed an Inter-Agency Taskforce to review and provide areas of amendments to the Act. The Taskforce has proposed the following to support the Victim Protection Board effectively discharge its mandate: —

- 1. The Victim Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2024; and
- 2. PFM (Victim Protection Fund), Regulations, 2024.

The amendments and subsequent enactment of the Act and Regulations will ensure statutory harmony and that Kenya has a compound Act that addresses issues of protecting victims of crime, providing them with better information and support services, and reparation and compensation of victims.

Following Article 10 (2) of the Constitution, stakeholders and members of the public are hereby invited to submit their comments, proposals, and recommendations through written memoranda in the following format: —

COMMENTS ON THE: i. DRAFT VICTIM PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL 2024; AND ii. PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT (VICTIM PROTECTION FUND) REGULATIONS, 2024.					
NAME OF ENTITY	//PERSON	DATE			
PART A- General	Comments				
PART B- Comme	nts on the draft provisions	s			
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Written memoranda may be emailed to victimprotection@ag.go.ke or physically delivered to:

The Solicitor General
C/O Ag. CEO, Victim Protection Board,
The Office of the Attorney General and Department of Justice
Co-operative House, Haile Selassie Avenue, 10th Floor Room 1012,
P.O. Box 40112-00100,
NAIPORI

The submissions should be done on or not later than 31st March 2025.

There will also be public hearings, and all stakeholders and members of the public are invited to attend and give their views. The schedule for the physical forums is as follows –

REGION	COUNTY	VENUE	DATE	TIME
Nyanza	Kisumu, Siaya, Homa-Bay, Kisii, Migori Counties and its environs.	Nyanza Regional Headquar- ters — Huduma Hall, Kisumu	10th March, 2025	9:00 a.m.
North Eastern	Wajir, Garissa, Mandera Counties and its environs.	Government Guest House, Garissa	10th March, 2025	9:00 a.m.
Upper Eastern	Isiolo, Marsabit, Samburu, Meru, Tharaka-Nithi Coun- ties and its environs.	Police Mess Hall, Isiolo	10th March, 2025	9:00 a.m.
Western	Kakamega, Bungoma, Busia, Vihiga Counties and its environs.	Magharibi Hall, Western Region Headquarters Kakamega	12th March, 2025	9:00 a.m.
Eastern	Machakos, Makueni, Kitui Counties and its environs.	Machakos University, Machakos	12th March, 2025	9:00 a.m.
Central	Nyeri, Murang'a, Kirinyaga, Nyandarua, Kiambu Coun- ties and its environs.	Nyeri Youth Empowerment Centre - Ruring'u	12th March, 2025	9:00 a.m.
North Rift	Trans-Nzoia, West Pokot, Turkana, Uasin-Gishu, Nandi Counties, and their environs.	Kitale Museum Hall, Kitale Town	14th March, 2025	9:00 a.m.
South Rift	Nakuru, Baringo, Narok, Kericho Counties and its environs.	Regional Commissioner Rift Valley Plenary Hall, Nakuru	14th March, 2025	9:00 a.m.
Coast	Mombasa, Taita -Taveta, Kwale, Kilifi Counties and its environs.	Tononoka Social Hall, Mombasa	14th March, 2025	9:00 a.m.

Note: The draft Victim Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2024, and Public Finance Management (Victim Protection Fund) Regulations, 2024, are available on the Office of the Attorney General and Department of Justice's website, www.statelaw.go.ke.

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OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



Garissa youth empowered after training on character, skills development

BY ERICK KYALO, KNA

t least 3,500 young people in Garlissa County have benefited from a weeklong training program on character building, skills development, and community service aimed at molding them into responsible citizens.

The program, implemented by the President's Award Kenya (PAK), targets young people aged 14 to 24, drawn from junior secondary schools (JSS), secondary schools, training colleges, and universities.

More than 138,000 voung Kenvans are currently enrolled in the award scheme, with the program aiming to reach one million youth over the next five years.

Christine Chacha, a project coordinator with PAK, said the program will also inspire young people to take on leadership roles, create an environment for

their ideas to flourish, and amplify their voices, fostering a sense of belonging among the youth.

"We encourage them to pursue skills of their choice, engage in community service programs, and participate in sports activities to stay physically fit," Chacha said.

"This program teaches our young people to be responsible citizens and the skills they learn in the process can be used to generate income or increase their chances of employability. We further recognize them by giving out certificates which are recognised globally," she added. The program offers three levels of certification: Bronze for the first level, Silver for level two and Gold, which is awarded by the President himself. Garissa Sub-County director for Education, Rashid Muktar, encouraged the youths in the region to come out in large numbers to join the program, and further enroll in technical colleges to acquire hands-on skills, which are much needed in the implementation of various projects in the region. "Our youth and learners in the schools are facing very many challenges which affect their lives, health or studies, this program will therefore mentor these learners early enough to support and guide them so that they have defined goals," Muktar said.

"The students will further acquire vital skills that will be relevant in their lives going forward," he added.

Muktar called on the young people in the northeastern region to go for the technical courses and learn hands-on skills.

He regretted that there are numerous opportunities in the informal sector in the region, but the local youths are shy to take up



Students drawn from different institutions of learning at the Garissa University for the President's Award training program.

those opportunities, calling for a change of perception on the skill related jobs in the informal sector.

Simon Irungu, a student

at the Garissa University, said that the program has helped to keep the young people busy and away from crime and drug abuse, and has offered an opportunity for them to give back to society through community ser-

Kenya commits to green shipping in push for net-zero emissions by 2050

BY HANIFA TAMIM (PCO)

enva is committed to sustainable mar-**L** itime practices as it seeks to align with the net-zero carbon emissions target by 2050.

The Cabinet Secretary for the Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy, and Maritime Affairs, Hassan Joho, in a speech delivered on his behalf by Principal Secretary for the Department of Shipping and Maritime Affairs, Geoffrey Kaituko, reaffirmed the government's commitment to leveraging innovation and emerging green technologies in the shipping sector.

We must champion policies that support green shipping, including alternative fuels, energy-efficient vessel designs, and digital solutions to optimize maritime logistics. By doing so, we can create green jobs, attract investments, and build resilient economies while addressing the pressing challenges of climate change," Joho said.

He emphasized that the transition to green shipping requires enhanced

collaboration in technology transfer, capacity building, and access to climate financing to support developing nations in this shift.

"Our ports, shipping routes, and maritime industries are integral to global trade and must evolve in alignment with the net-zero emissions target by 2050," Joho added.

These initiatives are crucial for reducing ship emissions while docked, significantly improving air quality in port cities like Mombasa, which hosts the Mombasa Port, he noted.

The Cabinet Secretary said, "Despite these efforts, the green transition of shipping in Africa is not without challenges. Limited access to financing remains a significant barrier, as many African countries struggle to mobilize the resources needed to invest in green infrastructure and technology."

"Additionally, the high cost of alternative fuels and the lack of regional production facilities pose constraints to their widespread adoption. Regulatory and institutional capacity gaps further complicate the implementation of international commitments, requiring a concerted effort to strengthen governance frameworks," he added.

On his part, the Principal Secretary stated that the government is committed to ensuring that ports and shipping routes adapt to green shipping practices, pledging to extend partnerships with IMO member states.

He added that the government is tasked with ensuring the reduction of green gas emissions in the shipping sector even as it presents itself as a multi-million economic ven-

"We are here to explore innovative policies, investments and technologies that will accelerate the transition to low-carbon and zero-emission shipping," Kaituko said.

Part of the commitment is to ensure seafarers are trained on the use of less carbon emissions fuels, embrace new technologies in ship development as well as ensure adherence to the set regulations.





National Environment Management Authority

PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION FOR THE PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDERS WORKSHOPS ON THE DRAFT **ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND CO-ORDINATION (CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF WETLANDS) DRAFT REGULATIONS, 2025**

This is to bring to the attention of all stakeholders and general members of the public that the National Environment Management Authority, pursuant to the Environmental Management and Coordination Act, No. 8 of 1999 has prepared the draft (Conservation and Management of Wetlands) Regulations, 2025

The Authority will undertake various workshops in select counties countrywide to enable members of the public to attend physically and give their views on the Draft. Members of the public and all other stakeholders are also invited to send their written views to emcareview@gmail.com and legalnema@gmail.com. The Draft Regulations are available from www.nema.go.ke: Link: https://shorturl.at/2tJ76.

Physical meetings will be held in the undermentioned counties on the dates indicated starting 9.00 am and ending at 12.30 pm.

Nairobi	20th February 2025	Panari Hotel
Nakuru	28th February 2025	ALPs Hotel
Isiolo	24th February 2025	Landmark Hotel
Kisumu	6th March 2025	Pinecone Hotel
Mombasa	6th March 2025	English Point Hotel
Kitale	3rd March 2025	Pazuri Hotel
Nyeri	26th February 2025	Greenspark Hotel
Nairobi National Validation	18th March 2025	Panari Hotel

Director General National Environment Management Authority, P.O Box 67839-00200, NAIROBI. **Eland House, Popo Road** Tel: 254-20-2183718, 2101370. Mobile: 0724253398, 0723363010, 0735 013046,













PS highlights Kenya's climate priorities at post-COP29 workshop

BY IAN CHEPKUTO, KNA

Renya remains committed to upholding policies and mechanisms that address climate vulnerabilities and promote sustainable development.

The Principal Secretary of the State Department for Devolution, Teresia Mbaika, speaking at the National Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) Post-COP29 Reflection Workshop, emphasized that the platform provides a crucial opportunity to reflect on the outcomes of COP29 and chart a path for Kenya's climate resilience and sustainable development.

The workshop, organized by the State Department for Devolution in collaboration with the Kenya Climate Change Working Group (KCCWG), Christian Aid, and the Alliance of Civil Society Organisations for Clean Energy Access (ACCESS), aimed to enhance climate resilience and promote sustainable development.

sustainable development.

The PS noted, "COP29 marked a pivotal moment in global climate action, particularly in advancing climate finance and establishing the new collective quantified goal (NCQG)."

She added that the workshop would ensure the voices of women, youth, children, persons with disabilities, and other vulnerable groups are amplified in global climate discussions.

Mbaika called on stake-holders involved in the climate change dialogue to align their strategies to translate global commitments into national and community-level action.

The PS commended Kenya's CSOs for the crit-

ical role they have played in climate action by driving grassroots initiatives, advocating for policy reforms and strengthening community resilience.

She called for increased efforts to advocate enhanced climate finance, both internationally and on the domestic front, to support the government's efforts in combating climate change.

She urged CSOs to actively engage with global platforms, amplify the voices of affected communities and hold developed nations accountable to their climate finance pledges, adding that "without adequate funding, adaptation and mitigation efforts will be significantly hampered, leaving millions at risk."

The PS encouraged CSOs to partner with financial institutions to help facilitate the flow of resources to local climate initiatives.

She challenged Kenya to actively focus on mobilizing local resources, as it will minimize over relying on the global commitments, which sometimes, she said, delay.

By unlocking these new funding avenues, the PS said it will ensure that climate action is sustained at all levels.

Mbaika said agriculture, which is the cornerstone of Kenya's economy and livelihoods, is increasingly threatened by climate change. She called for the implementation of climate-smart agriculture, adaptation measures, and sustainable food systems to mitigate the impact.

She urged stakeholders to integrate indigenous knowledge into agricultural resilience, enhance community-based adaptation approaches, and strengthen partnerships for sustainable land use practices. Through this, the PS said it will ensure that interventions reach grassroots communities and lead to impactful actions.

Mbaika further called for collective collaborations between the county governments and CSOs to advocate for policies that empower vulnerable groups, support ecosystem-based adaptation and mainstream gender-responsive adaptation strategies.

She acknowledged that Kenya has made tremendous efforts in adopting renewable energy; she called for stronger policies that promote access to clean cooking technologies and support youthdriven innovations in clean energy.

The PS also underscored the importance of updating the National Climate Change Action Plan to incorporate new targets and strategies that align with the New Collective Quantified Goal (NCQG), adding that, this will ensure that Kenya's national framework aligns with global objectives, therefore positioning the country as a leader in climate action while securing the necessary support for implementation.

Mbaika commended CSOs for being at the fore-front of climate action but emphasized the need for adequate training, resources, and technical support to strengthen their ability to design and implement impactful projects. She highlighted that these efforts are essential to ensuring climate interventions are both innovative and sustainable.



Principal Secretary, State Department for Devolution Teresia Mbaika (left) and Chairman, Kenya Climate Change Working Group, John Kioli (right) follow proceedings during a workshop on Climate Change Adaptation and Sustainable Energy Project.



PS Devolution, Teresia Mbaika (in green centre), Chairman, Kenya Climate Change Working Group, John Kioli (right) after attending a workshop on Climate Change Adaptation and Sustainable Energy Project.



THE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY KENYA DIGITAL ECONOMY ACCELERATION PROJECT (KDEAP) ICTA-PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION UNIT

Specific Procurement Notice

Request for Bids Goods (One-Envelope Bidding Process)

Country:	Kenya
Name of Project:	Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project
Contract Title:	Supply & Delivery of Desktop Computers LOT 1: 10,000No. Type 1 Desktops Computers LOT 2: 600No. Type 2 Desktop Computers & 30No. Type 3 Desktop Computers
Credit No.:	7289-KE and 7290-KE
RFB Reference No.:	KE-ICTA-466781-GO-RFB

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Supply & Delivery of Desktop Computers LOT 1: 10,000No. Type 1 Desktops Computers LOT 2: 600No. Type 2 Desktop Computers & 30No. Type 3 Desktop Computers. For this contract, the Borrower shall process the payments using the Direct Payment disbursement method, as defined in the World Bank's Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, except for those payments, which the contract provides to be made through letter of credit.
- 2. The Information and Communications Technology Authority (ICTA) now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Supply & Delivery of Desktop Computers as shown below: , . .

Lot Number	Description	Quantity	Delivery Period from contract commence- ment date	Location
LOT 1	Type 1 Desktop Computers	10,000	4 calendar months	ICTA Headquarters, in Nairobi, Kenya
LOT 2	Type 2 Desktop Computers	600	4 calendar months	ICTA Headquarters, in Nairobi, Kenya
	Type 3 Desktop Computers	30	4 calendar months	ICTA Headquarters, in Nairobi, Kenya

- Bidders may Bid for one or several contracts, as further defined in the request for bids document. Bidders wishing to offer discounts in case they are awarded more than one contract will be allowed to do so, provided those discounts are included in the Letter of Bid."
- 4. Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" First Published July 2016 and Revised September 2023 Edition ("Procurement Regulations") and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from ICTA, Deputy Director, Supply Chain Management through email procurement@ict.go.ke and inspect the bidding document during office hours 0900 to 1600 hours East African Time (EAT) at the address given below or on the ICTA's website https://www.icta.go.ke/tenders or PPIP https://tenders.go.ke/tenders
- 6. The bidding document in English may be purchased by interested Bidders upon the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of Kes. 1,000.00.The method of payment will be cash at the cashier's office located on 12th Floor, Telposta Towers. The document will be sent by via email to the bidder's address.
- 7. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before 1000Hrs EAT on 3rd April 2025. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on 1000Hrs EAT on 3rd April 2025
- 8. All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of Kes. 30,000,000.00 LOT 1 or equivalent in a freely
- Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.
- 10. The address(es) referred to above is (are):

Stanley Kamanguya, OGW
Chief Executive Officer
The Information and Communications Technology Authority
12th Floor, Telposta Towers, Kenyatta Avenue
Nairobi, Kenya.
(+254) 20 667 6999
info@ict.go.ke / procurement@ict.go.ke
www.icta.go.ke



Energy Department spearheads Kenya's transition beyond oil and gas

BY DIANA ROTICH (PCO)

The State Department for Energy will spearhead the transition beyond oil and gas to ensure minimal economic disruption while promoting green energy.

This premised on the fact that despite the significant strides made in renewable energy, oil and gas still play a dominant role, especially in transport, agriculture, industrial activities and

residential use.

The Kenya Energy Transition and Investment Plan (ETIP) has been identified as the key framework guiding the country's shift towards a low-carbon economy, attracting sustainable investments and supporting green industrialization.

According to Eng. Isaac Kiva, the Secretary for Renewable Energy at the State Department for Energy, Kenya has set ambitious climate targets, including reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 32% by 2030 as part of its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) under the Paris Agreement.

Further, he stated that to achieve this we will require significant investments in renewable energy, improved energy efficiency, and strategic policy reforms.

"With the conversation on energy transition gaining momentum each day, it is important for us to plan and work together in creating a more resilient and sustainable future. Kenya cannot afford to be left behind," Eng. Kiva emphasized.

By strengthening collaborations with international organizations and the private sector, he pointed out that there is a need to secure the technical expertise and funding necessary to accelerate Kenya's shift to renewable energy.

"Investing in clean energy not only reduces carbon emissions but also opens up new economic avenues, from green jobs to sustainable industrial growth," said Eng. Kiva.

He said that the framework aims to provide a comprehensive analysis of the oil and gas sector, model potential transition scenarios, and recommend viable pathways for sustainable energy development.

"Key focus areas in-

clude assessing sectoral demand, stakeholder roles, and the economic, environmental, and social impacts of transitioning to alternative energy sources," said Eng. Kiva.

"With the conversation on energy transition gaining momentum each day, it is important for us to plan and work together in creating a more resilient and sustainable future. Kenya cannot afford to be left behind," Eng. Kiva emphasized.



MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND PETROLEUM

State Department For Petroleum

TENDER NOTICE

OPEN NATIONAL TENDER

The Ministry of Energy and Petroleum - State Department for Petroleum invites Expression of Interest from eligible interested firms for the following:

TENDER NO.	TENDER NAME	BID BOND	CLOSING DATE	REMARKS
MOEP/SDP/ ONT/03/2024- 2025	Request for Expressions of Interest(EOI) for Developing a Grievance Redress Framework	NONE	04th March, 2025 at 11.00. am East African Time.	

OBJECTIVE

The main objective of the assignment is to develop Grievance Redress Framework for the Ministry. The specific objectives include:

- Establishing and providing guidance for maintaining a grievance redress mechanism that is accessible, transparent, responsive and efficient for State Department for Petroleum stakeholders.
- Providing for a process to record, categorize and prioritize stakeholder grievances.
- Providing a roadmap for an environment that fosters a free and honest exchange of information, views, and ideas regarding resolving received grievances.
- Develop and define clear roles and responsibilities of the various parties involved in handling and resolving grievances.
- Develop mechanism that provides for resolution of the grievances in consultation with relevant stakeholders.
- Providing for a process of escalating unresolved grievances to other relevant offices or authorities in line with the grievance management procedure.
- Providing in the framework a process that ensures that grievances are addressed promptly and fairly.
 Enhancing stakeholder trust and satisfaction through effective grievance management.
- 9. Identifying systemic issues and recommend improvements based on grievance trends.

ELIGIBLE FIRMS

Eligible and interested contractors/firms are requested to submit their expression of interest by providing information that includes and not limited to the following:

- i. Copy of Certificate of Incorporation/Registration of Company.
- ii. Brief description of the Firm(s) profile(s) indicating suitability to carry out this specific assignment, technical capabilities and available resources.
- iii. List of assignments of a similar nature successfully completed indicating client and year.

Interested candidates may obtain the Terms of Reference (T.OR) from the State Department for Petroleum website, **www.petroleum.go.ke** or the Government tender portal, **www.tenders.go.ke** free of charge or any other information from Supply Chain Management Office, Room 7-04, Ministry of Energy and Petroleum- State Department for Petroleum on the 7th floor, KASNEB TOWERS II during normal working hours (8.00 am to 5.00 pm, Monday-Friday, (excluding any public holiday or gazette holiday).

Complete Expression of Interest documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with tender Name, Reference Number and addressed to:

Principal Secretary
Ministry of Energy and Petroleum
State Department for Petroleum
P.O. Box 51614-00100
NAIROBI
TEL: +2543310112
Email: ps@petroleum.go.ke

The Expression of Interest documents should be deposited in the Tender Box marked MOEP-SDP located at Ministry of Energy and Petroleum, **State Department for Petroleum KASNEB TOWERS II**, 7th floor so as to be received on or before **04th March 2025 at 10.30 am East African time**.

Expression of Interest will be opened immediately thereafter at Ministry of Energy and Petroleum, State Department for Petroleum, **KASNEB TOWERS II**, 11th floor **Boardroom** in the presence of candidates or their representatives who choose to attend.

Large documents that cannot fit in the Tender Box shall be received and registered at Supply Chain Management services office at KASNEB TOWERS II, 7th floor Room 7-09.

DIRECTOR/ SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SERVICES

For: PRINCIPAL SECRETARY





MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND PETROLEUM

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE DRAFT NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY 2025 AND PETROLEUM POLICY 2025

The Ministry of Energy and Petroleum notifies stakeholders and members of the public that it has developed two draft policies, National Energy Policy 2025 and National Petroleum Policy 2025, in line with provisions of the Energy Act 2019 and Petroleum Act 2019 respectively. The two policies are available on: https://www.energy.go.ke/downloads and https://www.petroleum.go.ke/downloads respectively.

In accordance with Article 10 of the Constitution of Kenya, the Ministry invites stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in consultations fora as per the schedule below:

Date	Counties	Venue
12th March 2025	Wajir, Mandera, Garissa, Marsabit	Nomad Palace Hotel, Garissa
12th March, 2025	Nakuru, Bomet, Samburu, Narok, Kericho, Nyandarua	Ole Ken, Nakuru
12th March, 2025	Bungoma, Busia, Homa Bay, Kakamega, Kisii, Migori, Nyamira, Siaya, Vihiga, Kisumu	Sarova Premier, Kisumu
13th March, 2025	Lamu, Kilifi, Kwale, Tana River and Taita Taveta, Mombasa	Kenya School of Government, Mombasa
13th March, 2025	Uasin Gishu, Trans Nzoia, Nandi, Elgeyo-Marakwet, Baringo, Turkana, West Pokot	Eka Hotel, Eldoret
13th March, 2025	Murang'a, Meru, Tharaka-Nithi, Nyeri, Laikipia, Isiolo, Kirinyaga, Embu	FK Resort and Spa, Nyeri
14th March, 2025	Nairobi, Kiambu, Machakos, Kajiado, Kitui, Makueni	Sarova Panafric, Nairobi

Written comments, proposals and recommendations should be submitted using the following template:

NB: Comments For Each Policy Should Be Submitted Separately

COMM	COMMENTS ON THE (Indicate Name of the Specific Draft Policy)			
Name o	Name of Entity/Person: Date			
Part A:	General Comments			
2 Etc.	2			
Part B:	Comments on the draft pro	ovisions		
No.	Specific policy Section	Comments/proposal	Justification	
1.				
2.				
etc				

The written submissions may be delivered or sent not later than 16th March, 2025 as follows:

Policy	Physical and Mail Address	Email
Draft National Energy Policy 2025	The Principal Secretary, State Department for Energy 4th Floor, Kawi House, South C, P.O. Box 30582-00100, Nairobi	energypolicy2025@energy.go.ke
Draft National Petroleum Policy 2025	The Principal Secretary, State Department for Petroleum 11th Floor, KASNEB Towers II, P. O. Box 51614-00100, NAIROBI	petroleumpolicy2025@petroleum.go.ke

Issued by:
Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Energy and Petroleum





Salaries & Remuneration Commission



TENDER NOTICE

Salaries and Remuneration Commission is an independent Commission established under Article 230 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, with the mandate to set and regularly review the Remuneration and Benefits of all State Officers and to advise the National and County Governments on the Remuneration and Benefits of all other Public Officers. In carrying out its mandate, the Commission has to take into account the principles of; fiscal sustainability of the public compensation bill, attraction and retention of requisite skills for service delivery, productivity and performance, transparency, fairness and equity.

The Commission seeks to invite sealed bids from eligible suppliers for the listed tender.

No	Tender No	Tender Description	Eligibility	Tender Security	Closing date
1.	SRC/RFP/22/2024- 2025	Provision of consultancy services to undertake research on Wage Bill sustainability in Kenya- realism of 35% Wage Bill to revenue ratio in public service, Kenya.	Open	30,000	5 th March 2025
2.	SRC/RFP/23/2024- 2025	Provision of consultancy services on survey of Public Service Benefits	Open	30,000	5 th March 2025
3.	SRC/RFP/24/2024- 2025	Provision of consultancy services on the development of Strategic Plan 2024/2025- 2029/2030	Open	30,000	5 th March 2025

For more details, please visit our website https://src.go.ke/work-with-us/tenders/

Commission Secretary





MOI TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITAL

RE-ADVERTISEMENT

Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital (MTRH) is a Multi-Specialty National Teaching Referral Hospital in the Western part of Kenya serving the whole of the Country, Eastern Uganda, Southern Sudan, Northern Tanzania and Democratic Republic of Congo amongst other areas. MTRH is committed to providing excellent Healthcare, with its;

Purpose

To be Pro-Health and Promote the well-being of the People and the Planet where they live.

True North

Excellent Healthcare Delivery

Vision Statement

To be a Global Leader in the Provision of Exceptional Multi-Specialty Healthcare, Training and Research.

We wish to recruit a candidate suitably qualified, dynamic and result-oriented for the position of Senior **Director, Clinical Services:**

For more details, please visit our website at https://portal.mtrh.go.ke/careers

Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital is an Equal Opportunity Employer promoting diversity, eqlonging. Persons Living with Disability (PWDs) are encouraged to apply.

MTRH DOES NOT charge fees at any stage of the recruitment process.

Any form of canvassing shall lead to automatic disqualification and only shortlisted candidates shall be contacted for interviews.

Equally, only the successful candidate in the interview will be contacted and through an official letter. Applicants who had already submitted their applications are encouraged to reapply. Full applications must be uploaded (Soft copy) or submitted as a hard copy to MTRH CEO's Office latest 18th March, 2025 at 5.00 p. m. Late applications will NOT be considered.

DR. PHILIP K. KIRWA **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION State Department For Technical, Vocational | Education and Training

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

INVITATION FOR BIDS

KFW Project	Promotion of Youth Employment and Vocational Training in Kenya
Biz No.	2016 67 211 / 2016 65 298
Date	18 th Feb,2025
Tender Reference No	ICB-07/M0E-VTT/TVET/KfW 2016 67 211/001/2024-2025 ICB-08/M0E-VTT/TVET/KfW 2016 67 211/002/2024-2025 ICB-09/M0E-VTT/TVET/KfW 2016 67 298/003/2024-2025

The State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training, Ministry of Education, Government of the Republic of Kenya has received financing from KfW toward the cost of the programme "Promotion of Youth Employment and Vocational Training in Kenya", and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments

- ICB-07/MOE-VTT/TVET/KfW 2016 67 211/001/2024-2025 Supply, Delivery and Commission ing of Equipment for Technical Training Institutes in Kenya: Training and Specialized Equipment for Industrial Mechatronic at Kiambu Institute of Science and Technology (KIST).
 - LOT 1: Training Equipment for Industrial Mechatronic LOT 2: Specialized Electronic for Industrial Mechatronic
- ICB-08/MOE-VTT/TVET/KfW 2016 67 211/002/2024-2025 Supply, Delivery and Commission 2. ing of Equipment for Technical Training Institutes in Kenya: Technical Equipment for Automotive Mechatronic and Body Building at Nairobi Technical Training Institute (NTTI), and Thika Technical Training Institute (TTTI).
 - LOT 1: -Technical Automotive Equipment and Related Accessories.
 - LOT 2: Automotive Body Building and Repair.
- ICB-09/MOE-VTT/TVET/KfW 2016 67 298/003/2024-2025 Supply, Delivery and Commission 3. ing of Equipment for Technical Training Institutes in Kenya: ICT Hardware, Software and Internet Connectivity at Kiambu Institute of Science and Technology (KIST), Nairobi Technical Training Institute (NTTI), and Thika Technical Training Institute (TTTI)
 - Lot 1: LAN, ENT, Security, Structured Cabling, Outdoor WIFI, VOLP,
 - Lot 2: Data Center, CCTV, Access Control.
 - Lot 3: Computers, Smart Classrooms, Learning Automation and Software Licensing
 - Lot 4: Internet Connectivity

The Ministry of Education, State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training, now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for

- Supply, Delivery and Commissioning of Equipment for Technical Training Institutes in Kenya: Training and Specialized Equipment for Industrial Mechatronic to Kiambu Institute of Science and Technology (KIST).
- Supply, Delivery and Commissioning of Equipment for Technical Training Institutes in Kenya Technical Equipment for Automotive Mechatronic and Body Building to Nairobi Technical Training II. Institute (NTTI), and Thika Technical Training Institute (TTTI).
- III. Supply, Delivery and Commissioning of Equipment for Technical Training Institutes in Kenya: ICT Hardware, Software and Internet Connectivity, at: Kiambu Institute of Science and Technology (KIST), Nairobi Technical Training Institute (NTTI), and Thika Technical Training Institute (TTTI).

Bidding will be conducted by means of the International Competitive Bidding procedure with qualification as specified in KfW's Procurement Guidelines ("Guidelines for the Procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Plant, Goods and Non-Consulting Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries", Version 2019; updated 2021), with due regard to the Kenyan Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act (2015) and regulations 2020.

Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the Ministry of Education, State Department for Technical ,Vocational Education and Training, on 7th floor room 703 Uchumi House, Along Agha Khan Walk or by writing to the following email address: tenders.moe.tvet@gmail.com.

A complete set of bidding documents is available to interested Bidders and can be downloaded from the Ministry of Education website https://www.education.go.ke. In order to receive any potential notifications in relation to these bidding documents, interested Bidders should immediately send their contact details (including the tender reference number) to the email address: tenders.moe.tvet@gmail.com.

Bids must be delivered to the Tender Box marked Ministry of Education, State Department for Vocational and Technical Training KfW project located on the ground floor of Jogoo House B, Harambee Avenue on or before 11.00 am (East Africa Time), 10th April 2025, Ground Floor; Tender Box marked Ministry of Education, State Department for Vocational Technical, and Training KfW project located on the ground floor. The address referred to above for submission purposes is:

> **The Principal Secretary Ministry of Education** State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Technical Training, Jogoo House B. Harambee Avenue. P.O.BOX 9583 00200 Nairobi, Kenya

Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in a public session on 10th floor of Jogoo House B, Conference **room** in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives.

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of two percent (2%) of the Total Bid Price per lot, and in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

The Purchaser will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of bids.

> **HEAD SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT** FOR; PRINCIPAL SECRETARY STATE DEPARTMENT FORTECHNICAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

County adopts 'sponge cities' concept to curb damage caused by climate-related hazards

BY ESTHER MWANGI, KNA

akuru County is embracing the "sponge city" concept to combat the adverse effects of climate change and promote sustainable social, economic, and water resilience, accelerating climate change adaptation.

County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Water, Environment, Energy, Climate Change, and Natural Resources, Dr. Nelson Maara, stated that the sponge city concept would enable the county to utilize existing natural features such as parks, lakes, and rivers to mitigate climate change risks. This approach offers a potential solution for controlling damage caused by floods, droughts, land subsidence, and other climate-related hazards.

According to Dr. Maara, despite the presence of emergency response teams like the National Disaster Management Unit (NDMU), there is an increasing need for proactive measures to prevent disasters.

He cited rapid population growth, unplanned urbanization, climate change, uncontrolled landfilling for residential development, improper waste disposal in drainage systems, and the encroachment of lakes, canals, and rivers as major factors contributing to Nakuru County's vulnerability to flash floods.

The CECM said the County Government of Nakuru is embracing the "sponge city" concept, which he said integrates green infrastructure such as parks, rooftops, and urban forests to absorb rainwater while revitalizing blue infrastructure like rivers and wetlands to improve storm water management and biodiversity.

He explained that a sponge city is one that is built to passively absorb, clean, and use rainfall in an environmentally friendly manner, reducing pollution and hazardous

Sponge cities, Maara added, rely

on natural resources such as lakes, rivers, grass, and soil to create absorbent ground surfaces that allow rainwater to be stored.

"A city's ability to absorb water referred to as its "sponginess" is one key to withstanding climate shocks, with sponginess dependent on the amount of greenery and other water storage available," the CECM explained.

Making a presentation during a workshop at a Nakuru hotel themed "Role of Sponge Cities in sustainable urban development," Dr. Maara said the county government is working on a sponge city initiative in partnership with Water as Leverage (WaL) partners, UN-Habitat, the Netherlands Enterprise Agency and Vitens Evides International (VEI).

Nakuru City Manager Gitau Thabanja highlighted the importance of partnerships between governments, local communities, and the private sector in achieving financially viable and long-term solutions to natural disasters.



KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE LIMITED

TENDER NOTICE

Kenya BioVax Institute Ltd is a State-owned Company mandated to manufacture and commercialize safe, effective and quality vaccines and other health products, and improve access to affordable healthcare guided by the core values of integrity, inno-

Applications are invited from eligible bidders for the following tenders:

TENDER NUMBER	TENDER NAME	CLOSING/ OPENING DATE
KBI/NT/003/2024- 2025	PROVISION OF CLEANING AND FUMIGATION SERVICES (RESERVED FOR AGPO)	26 [™] FEBRUARY 2025 at 11.00 AM
KBI/NT/004/2024- 2025	PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES	26 [™] FEBRUARY 2025 at 11.00 AM

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

Completed Tender documents should be addressed to the;

Chief Executive Officer, Kenya BioVax Institute P.O Box 40779-00100, NAIROBI, KENYA Manager, Supply Chain Management For: Chief Executive Officer.





National Environment Management Authority

IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE WASTE MANAGEMENT (EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY (EPR) REGULATIONS, 2024

The National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) was established under the Environmental Management and Coordination Act 1999 to exercise general supervision over all matters environment and is the principal instrument of Government in implementation of all environmental policies.

The Government of Kenya, through the Cabinet Secretary (Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Forestry) gazetted the Sustainable Waste Management (Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Regulations 2024, on 4th November 2024. These regulations aim to promote environmentally sound management of products throughout their life cycle, to obligate producers to take responsibility for the end-of-life (post-consumer) management of their products and to operationalize polluter pays principle.

Key highlights on the EPR Regulations

- The regulations apply to all **producers** (manufacturers, importers and brand owners) of products **listed in** the first schedule of these regulations and the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes for the
- **products category** in the first schedule of the EPR regulations.

 These regulations highlight the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) obligations that each producer shall execute as per regulation 5.
- All importers of products listed in the first schedule shall within six months from the gazettement date (4th November 2024) register with NEMA and pay the requisite fees as per the first schedule. All producers (brand owners) of products listed in the first schedule shall within six (6) months of com-
- mencement of these regulations apply to NEMA for registration and issuance of extended Producer responsibility Certificate. Requirements for registration of Producers, Importers and Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)
- Schemes.
- Requirements for licensing of the Extended Producer Responsibility schemes for the products category.

Requirements for Registration and licensing fees.

This therefore is a call to all producers, including importers, manufacturers, brand owners, to immediately apply for registration by logging into NEMA website, licensing portal, Extended Producer Responsibility

The application can be effected through our NEMA portal: www.nema.go.ke. You can download the regulations from the NEMA website www.nema.go.ke for further details on the regulations. For any enquiries contact NEMA on the telephone numbers indicated on the website or via email on info@nema.go.ke

The Authority is committed to ensuring a clean, healthy and sustainably managed environment for a prosperous

Dated: 18th February, 2025 DIRECTOR GENERAL NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Popo Road off Mombasa Road P.O. Box 67839-00200 NAIROBI. Email: info@nema.go.ke Tel:020-2101370/020-2183718 Mobile:0724253398/0723363010/0735013046















WATER ACT 2016 Section 70,72,85,87 &139

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON **REGULAR TARIFF APPLICATION FOR TWO (2) No.** WATER SERVICE PROVIDERS (WSPs)

The Water Services Regulatory Board (WASREB) has received tariff applications from the following Water Service Providers (WSPs):

- Nakuru Water and Sanitation Services Company LTD (NAWASSCO)
- Olkejuado Water and Sewerage Company (OWASCO)

These WSPs are seeking regular tariff review in accordance with section 72 (1) b of the Water Act 2016 to ensure full cost recovery for sustainable water services and support essential investments for improved service delivery.

Therefore, in compliance to WASREB principal object under the Water Act 2016 Section 70(1)- "protection of the interests and rights of consumers in the provision of water services", read together with the provision of Section 139, we wish to advise that public consultation meetings shall be held at the venues stated below to get stakeholders concerns on services provided and proposals for services improvement going forward.

Please note that all Water Service Provider(s) shall hold hybrid public consultation meetings (physical and virtual) as outlined below.

Water Service Provider (WSP)	County	Venue	Day Date and Time
Nakuru Water and Sanitation Services Company LTD (NAWASSCO)	Nakuru	Ole - Ken Hotel, opposite valley hospital, Nakuru town	Tuesday, 11th March 2025 at 10 am
Olkejuado Water and Sewerage Company (OWASCO)	Kajiado	Kajiado Cultural Resort, Kajiado town	Thursday, 13th March 2025 at 10 am

Important information:

can be submitted to:

- Each WSP is required to engage with stakeholders in different zones within their service areas before the scheduled public consultation and submit a report to the Regulatory Board.
- Participants should be seated by 10.00am. Personal identification of participants will be required. Members of the public in respective areas are invited to make oral and written submissions and ask
- any questions that may relate to the provision of water services in their areas. Details regarding the proposed tariff adjustment, minor investments and performance targets can be accessed at www.wasreb.go.ke.

Written comments on the application can be emailed to WASREB at info@wasreb.go.ke. Hard copies

The Chief Executive Officer, Water Services Regulatory Board, 5th Floor NHIF Building, Ngong Road, P.O Box 41621 -00100, NAIROBI

The closing date for receipt of comments is 30 days after the publication of this notice.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WATER SERVICES REGULATORY BOARD





MINISTRY OF HEALTH

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAL SERVICES

TENDER NOTICE

SUPPLY, DELIVERY, INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT IN CHUKA COUNTY REFERRAL **HOSPITAL-THARAKA NITHI COUNTY**

TENDER No. MOH/SDMS/OT/12/2024-2025 IFMIS Negotiation No: 1783626-2024/2025.

- The State Department for Medical Services invites tenders from eligible bidders for the above tender. 1.1
- Interested eligible candidates may obtain a complete set of tender documents with detailed qualification criteria at the State Department for Medical Services website: www.health.go.ke, the Public Procurement Information Portal and IFMIS portal supplier.treasury.go.ke and search using the unique IFMIS Negotiation Number provided against the tender
- Tenders shall be quoted in Kenya Shillings inclusive of all applicable taxes and the 0.03% public procurement capacity Building Levy as provided vide Legal Notice No.206 of 6th November 2023.
- Tenders shall remain valid for 126 days from the date of opening. 1.4
- 1.5 Completed tender documents shall be submitted through the IFMIS SUPPLIER PORTAL: www.supplier. treasury.go.ke as per the requirements contained in the tender document so as to be received on or before Thursday 27th February, 2025 at 11.00 am. East African time.
- Interested eligible candidates may obtain further information and inspect the tender documents at the 1.6 State Department for Medical Services, Afya House, Cathedral Road 5th Floor, Room 514B.
- Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the candidates or their representatives 1.7 who choose to attend at State Department for Medical Services GTZ Board Room Afya House Nairobi,
- Any late tender will be rejected.

Head, Supply Chain Management Services For PRINCIPAL SECRETARY







National Environment Management Authority

PUBLIC NOTICE

SAND HARVESTING REGULATIONS

The National Environment Management Authority (NEMA), is established under the Environmental Management and Co-ordination Act (EMCA) No. 8 of 1999 to exercise general supervision and coordination over all matters relating to the environment and to be the principal instrument of the Government of Kenya in the implementation of all policies relating to the environment

The Government of Kenya (through the Cabinet Secretary - Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Forestry) vide Kenya Gazette Supplement No. 197 (Legislative Supplement No. 86) and Legal Notice No. 179 dated 4th November, 2024; promulgated the Environmental Management and Co-ordination (Sand Harvesting) Regulations, 2024.

The main objective of the Regulations is to ensure sustainable utilization of sand as a resource, while at the same time protecting the environment.

This is therefore to bring to the attention of the general public and all relevant stakeholders in the sand harvesting sector of coming into force of the Sand Harvesting Regulations, 2024.

All relevant stakeholders are therefore required to fully comply with the provisions of the Regulations. The Regulations can be accessed through the NEMA website: www.nema.go.ke.

For more information, contact the Director General through: info@nema.go.ke or visit the nearest NEMA County Director of Environment's office.

Dated: 18th February, 2025 **DIRECTOR GENERAL** NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Popo Road off Mombasa Road P.O. Box 67839-00200 NAIROBI. Email: info@nema.go.ke Tel:020-2101370/020-2183718 Mobile:0724253398/0723363010/0735013046















NATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY FUND

TENDER NOTICE

The National Social Security Fund (NSSF) invites sealed tenders from eligible firms for submission of tender as specified below.

Tender Ref. No.	Tender Description	Tender Closing and opening Date and Time	Reservations
NSSF/ONT/SF/11/2024/25	Provision of Administration Services for Staff Self-Funded Medical Scheme	5th March, 2025 at 11:00 A.M. local time	Open

Tender documents detailing the requirements may be obtained from Procurement Office, Social Security House, Block A, Western Wing, 9th Floor, along Bishops Road, Nairobi upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kes. 1,000.00 for each tender at the Cash Office on Podium Floor, Western Wing, Block 'A' Social Security House - Nairobi. Alternatively, the documents may be downloaded from the website www.nssf.or.ke/tenders or tenders.go.ke/tenders free of charge. Interested bidders who download the documents should send their particulars through email procurement@nssfkenya.co.ke for registration purposes before the tender closing date. Further, all prospective bidders are advised to visit the Website regularly to check any updates or addenda that may be issued.

NSSF reserves the right to accept or reject any application either in whole or in part.

Managing Trustee/CEO

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National Environment Management Authority

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO ALL SAND TRANSPORTERS

The National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) is the principal government agency that is tasked with ensuring that environmental protection in Kenya is achieved through, among other ways, promotion of sustainable utilization of available natural resources.

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The main objective of the Regulations is to ensure sustainable utilization of sand as a resource, while at the same time protecting the environment.

This is to bring to the attention of sand transporters that the Sand Harvesting Regulations, 2024 require that you obtain a sand transportation permit from NEMA. All Sand Transporters are therefore required to immediately apply for **Permit to Transport sand** by logging into the NEMA website: **www.nema.go.ke**., licensing portal – Sand

For more information, contact the Director General through: info@nema.go.ke or visit the nearest NEMA County Director of Environment's office.

Be advised accordingly.

Dated: 18th February, 2025 DIRECTOR GENERAL NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Popo Road off Mombasa Road P.O. Box 67839-00200, NAIROBI. Email: info@nema.go.ke Tel:020-2101370/020-2183718 Mobile:0724253398/0723363010/0735013046















Beekeeping initiative helps preserve Mau Forest and boost local farmers' income



Nakuru County Chief Officer for Cooperatives and Entrepreneurship, Richard Kurgat addressing the inaugural Annual General Meeting of Ndoinet Bee Keepers Farmers' Cooperative Society held in Nakuru county.

BY ESTHER MWANGI AND PATIENCE MORAA, KNA

Battered by erratic weather patterns, hundreds of farmers in Kiptororo Ward, Kuresoi North Sub-County, have turned to beekeeping as an alternative source of livelihood.

Nakuru County Chief Officer for Cooperatives and Entrepreneurship, Richard Kurgat, stated that the county government had established public-private partnerships to train beekeepers in modern honey production methods, value addition, and proper agronomic practices. These initiatives are enabling farmers to produce honey products that comply with accepted chemical residue level limits.

Speaking during the inaugural Annual General Meeting of the Ndoinet Beekeepers Farmers' Cooperative Society in Nakuru, Kurgat emphasized the importance of bee farming in promoting biodiversity and food security. He urged society members to maintain a healthy ecosystem that supports sustainable agriculture.

The Ndoinet Beekeepers Farmers' Cooperative Society serves as an umbrella body representing over 200 beekeepers from Chematich, Kapkembu, Kiptororo, and Tirigoi locations. These farmers are actively engaged in apiculture and value addition for commercial purposes.

Kurgat also encouraged beekeepers to take advantage of county government resources and programs aimed at strengthening coperatives and micro and small enterprises in Nakuru County.

He announced that the Nakuru County Enterprise Fund was offering loans ranging from Sh50,000 to Sh200,000 at an annual interest rate of 8%, while the Cooperative Revolving Fund was providing loans from Sh200,000 to Sh5 million at an interest rate of 6% per annum.

He further explained that these funds were designed to help farmers, cooperative society members, and entrepreneurs—who were previously excluded from the financial landscape—access capital and grow their businesses into commercially viable entities.

Kurgat noted that the county government had been encouraging bee farmers to join cooperatives to eliminate exploitative brokers and unlock the unexploited potential of bee products, including honey,

wax, pollen, propolis, royal jelly, and bee venom.

In collaboration with the National Beekeeping Institute, Rhino Ark Charitable Trust recently conducted a week-long training session for cooperative members. The training aimed to enhance the beekeeping knowledge of farmers living near the Mau Forest Complex and improve their practices.

The Ndoinet Beekeepers are also members

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of the Ndoinet Community Forest Association. Through initiatives supported by the Darwin Initiative and Rhino Ark, they have been actively involved in forest conservation. One of their key projects includes tree planting, facilitated by their tree nursery, which pri-marily cultivates indigenous trees alongside some exotic species for commercial purposes. The Mau Forest has frequently been in the headlines due to illegal activities and deforestation. According to Rhino Ark field officer Benard Kibet, many individuals have resorted to forest destruction over the years due to a lack of alternative sources of income.

"Through education and practical training, we are fostering a new generation of beekeepers who are committed to environmental conservation," Kibet said.

He said the Ndoinnet nursery initiative had a capacity of 100,000 seedlings, but currently is at 20,000 in the first phase and aims at helping the community manage the tree nursery independently in addition to increasing the seedlings.

Kibet added that some community members had been recruited into the Surveillance Unit, working closely with the Kenya Forest

Service to ensure the conservation and revival of the Mau ecosystem.

He singled out drought, coupled with decline in bee populations, deforestation and poor farming practices as key factors causing a decline in honey production in the county adding that new pests and diseases and indiscriminate use of farm pesticides have hit bee colonies, making beekeeping a decidedly less sweet venture for farmers.

According to a report compiled by Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO), the country produces about 11,000 metric tonnes of honey and one to three tonnes of beeswax annually.

This, the report indicates, is about 20 per cent of Ken-ya's potential. The low production is attributed to the lack of appropriate technologies, poor beekeeping practices, and low uptake of improved technologies, poor policy guidelines and marketing skills.

A survey by Kenya National Farmers Information Service, indicates that about 80 per cent of Kenya's honey comes from arid and semiarid lands, with 80 per cent of this honey coming from log hives, which yield far too little to boost incomes.



Public Notice

Implementation of the Income Tax (Charitable Organisations and Donations Exemption) Rules, 2024

The Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) notifies taxpayers of the operation of Legal Notice No. 105 of 2024, the Income Tax (Charitable Organisations and Donations Exemption) Rules, 2024, which came into force on 18th June 2024.

These Rules guide on the requirements for Income Tax exemption under Paragraph 10 of the First Schedule to the Income Tax Act as well as the conditions for deductibility of expenditure on donations under Section 15(2)(w) of the Income Tax Act.

With regard to the application of the Rules to Income Tax exemptions under Paragraph 10 of the First Schedule to the Income

- 1. Applications for Income Tax exemption received after the effective date of the Rules should comply with the requirements
- Organisations that had been granted exemptions prior to the coming into force of the Rules should comply with the
 requirements prescribed in the Rules by 18th June, 2025 in line with the transition period of one year provided for in Rule
 27. Failure to demonstrate compliance with the Rules by the prescribed date may result in revocation of the exemption in
 line with Rule 20.

Going forward, any previous publications and communication on Income Tax exemption under Paragraph 10 of the First Schedule to the Income Tax Act and on deductibility of expenditure relating to donations that are inconsistent with the Rules are invalid to the extent of the inconsistency

The Rules are available on the KRA website and can be accessed via https://kra.go.ke/images/publications/L.-N.-105-The-Income-Tax-Act--Charitable-ORG-and-Donations-Exemption-Rules-2024.pdf

For any clarification or further guidance, taxpayers are advised to visit the nearest Tax Service Office (TSO) or reach us through Tel: 254(020) 4 999 999, +254 (0711) 099999/ Email: callcentre@ kra.go.ke

Commissioner for Domestic Taxes

Thank you for paying your taxes!

www.kra.go.ke





Tender Notice

Kenya Revenue Authority invites bids from eligible candidates for the following tenders;

DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	PREBID DATE, TIME AND VENUE	CLOSING/OPENING DATE, TIME AND VENUE
KRA/HQS/NCB-024/2024-2025: Annual Maintenance Services for Data Centre Facility HVAC System for a Period of Two (2) Years	OPEN	25 th February, 2025 11.00 AM VIRTUAL	6 th March, 2025 11.00 AM TIMES TOWER
KRA/HQS/NCB-025/2024-2025: Renewal of Tenable Security Centre Subscription Licenses and Support Services for a Period of Three (3) Years	OPEN	26 th February, 2025 11.00 AM VIRTUAL	5 th March, 2025 11.00 AM TIMES TOWER

Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tender may be obtained from the Kenya Revenue Authority website **www.kra.go.ke** and the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) **www.tenders.go.ke**

Deputy Commissioner - Supply Chain Management Times Tower Building, 21st Floor, P.O Box 48240- 00100 GPO, Tel. +254709 012353 Nairobi, Kenya. website: www.kra.go.ke

Email :eprocurement@kra.go.ke
Any canvassing or giving of false information will lead to automatic disqualification.

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NATIONAL CRIME RESEARCH CENTRE

Fighting Crime through Research



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The National Crime Research Centre (NCRC) is a State Corporation established by the National Crime Research Centre Act No. 4 of 1997. The Centre is mandated to carry out research into causes of crime, its prevention and to disseminate the research findings and recommendations to Government Agencies concerned with the administration of criminal justice and other relevant stakeholders.

The Centre is seeking to recruit highly competent, proactive and self – driven individuals to fill the following positions;

No.	Position	NCRC Grade	Job Ref. No.	No. of posts
1	Principal Research Officer	NCRC 4	NCRC/1/02/25	2

Application Procedure

Interested candidates are advised to visit the Centre's website: www.crimeresearch.go.ke and apply online as guided.

The application should be filled and sent not later than 5.00 P.M. on Tuesday, 11th March, 2025. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

The National Crime Research Centre is an equal opportunity employer, therefore people with disabilities (that is, abled differently), the marginalized and the minorities are encouraged to apply. Applicants are informed that any form of canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification



KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE LIMITED

RE-ADVERTISEMENT OF VACANT POSITIONS IN THE KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE

Kenya BioVax Institute Ltd is a State-owned Company mandated to manufacture and commercialize safe, effective and quality vaccines and other health products, and improve access to affordable healthcare guided by the core values of integrity, innovation, collaboration and excellence.

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

V/NO	POST	GRADE	NO. OF VACANCIES
KBI/02/02/2025	General Manager, Research and Technology Transfer	KBI 2	1
KBI/03/02/2025	General Manager, Production	KBI 2	1
KBI/04/02/2025	Manager, Production (Vaccines and Biologicals)	KBI 3	1
KBI/05/02/2025	Manager, Safety, Health and Environment	KBI 3	1
KBI/06/02/2025	Manager, Strategy and Planning	KBI 3	1
KBI/07/02/2025	Manager, Human Resource and Administration	KBI 3	1
KBI/08/02/2025	Manager, Marketing and Business Development	KBI 3	1
KBI/09/02/2025	Manager, Finance and Accounts	KBI 3	1
KBI/10/02/2025	Assistant Manager, Vaccines and Biologicals	KBI 4	1
KBI/11/02/2025	Principal Engineer	KBI 5	2
KBI/12/02/2025	Principal Product Quality Control Officer	KBI 5	1
KBI/13/02/2025	Principal Engineering Technician	KBI 6	1
KBI/14/02/2025	Senior Engineer	KBI 6	1

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Interested and qualified persons are requested to register and apply through the Kenya BioVax Institute e-recruitment portal https://recruitment.biovax.go.ke
- All applications should be uploaded together with a detailed Curriculum Vitae, a copy of ID/Passport, copies of academic certificates, testimonials and any other relevant supporting documents. Hard copies and email applications shall not be considered. ONLY ONLINE APPLICATIONS shall be accepted.
- 3. Those who might have applied for the re-advertised positions are encouraged to re-apply.
- Successful candidates MUST submit all clearances in relation to Chapter Six of the Constitution before onboarding
- 5. All applications are to be received on or before 1700 Hrs East African Time 18th March 2025.

THE KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER AND THE MARGINALISED AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

THE KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE DOES NOT CHARGE A FEE AT ANY STAGE OF ITS SELECTION PROCESS INCLUDING APPLICATION, INTERVIEW MEETING AND PROCESSING OF OFFER LETTER.

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

Ag. CEO / DIRECTOR GENERAL KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE

Children at higher risk of cybercrimes due to increased internet use, experts warn

BY ANNE KANGERO, KNA

hildren who spend more time on the internet are at a higher risk of falling victim to cybercrimes.

State Department for Social Protection Principal Secretary Joseph Motari stated that the widespread use of the internet has amplified the production and circulation of child sexual abuse material.

Speaking at Machakos University during the National Safer Internet Day celebrations, the PS added that while the internet is a valuable tool that helps children learn and engage, it also increases the incidence of online grooming, cyber-sex trafficking, sexting, and cyberbullying.

In a speech read on his behalf by Shem Nyakutu, Secretary at the Directorate of Children Services, he urged parents, teachers, child protection officers, and policymakers to unite in creating a safer online environment for children.

"Children spending more time online inevitably face increased risks and threats, some of which are unique to the digital space," Motari said. He further disclosed that the risk is getting worse since 80 per cent of children from urban areas are internet users according to a study from Disrupting Harm Study.

The study also reveals that six per cent of Ken-yan children have already shared their body images to other internet users and 14 per cent have gone ahead to have a physical meeting with strangers they have met online.

According to the PS, the emergence of AI has brought some positive impact in the professional sector, climate change, healthcare and education.

He said it therefore must be deployed responsibly since there are people using AI to generate pictures, videos and child abuse materials which are used to blackmail children and coerce money from them and their families.

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Children Services Secretary Shem Nyakutu and Machakos CECM for Youth Sports Gender and Social welfare Sharon Mutua at Machakos University during the National "Safer Internet Day Celebrations for Children. Photo by Peace Mwende.

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He further added that the government has established the DCI-AHTCPU (Antihuman Trafficking and Child Protection Unit), developed a fully-fledged Child Online Protection Department, a training manual for social service workforce on

online child abuse, and a training handbook on investigation and prosecution of online child exploitation.

The PS emphasised the importance and urgency of investing in children's online safety and protection as most children are required to use the internet for online classes.

He called upon all stakeholders to join hands and ensure children benefit from the internet while safeguarding them from risks associated with online activities.

Machakos Deputy County Commissioner Daniel Katee encouraged parents on the traditional family set up to be communicating one on one with their children-without the gadgets.

The DCC noted that there are illegal groups online that are recruiting children and enabling them to commit crime, urging stakeholders to be on high alert on such cases.

On her part Machakos CECM for Youth Sports Gender and Social welfare Sharon Mutua added that policy makers, parents, teachers and other stakeholders should unite to ensure the safety of children and to create an enabling environment for children to thrive.

KEMRI turns to locally made products to sustain research amid aid cuts

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA, KNA

enya's premier research institution, the Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI), is relying on its locally produced products to generate revenue and sustain critical research programs.

These products include disinfectants, repellents, personal protective equipment (PPE), and diagnostic kits

This shift follows the decision by U.S. President Donald Trump to cut foreign aid, a move that has significantly impacted the organization's operations.

KEMRI Director General (DG) Prof. Elijah Songok revealed that the funding cuts have affected 40% of the institute's programs, putting approximately 824 staff members at risk of losing their jobs.

Of these, 90% are involved in research projects

in Kisumu, where KEMRI has been instrumental in conducting health research, particularly in the fight against malaria, HIV/AIDS, and other infectious diseases.

"At the moment, we can only support 64 staff members from the affected programs using our internally generated revenue," Prof. Songok said. He noted that to keep the projects afloat, KEMRI is ramping up the production and sale of its health-related products to bridge the financial gap.

"We are advocating for players in the health sector to buy our products. We must support KEMRI by purchasing these products to minimize the impact of the donor cuts," he said.

In an interview with KNA in Kisumu, Prof. Songok said in response to the financial strain which has affected USAID-funded programs, KEMRI is looking beyond the traditional Western



KEMRI Director General (DG), Prof. Elijah Songok during the interview with KNA in Kisumu. Photo by Chris Mahandara.

donors and seeking support from Asian countries, particularly Japan and South Korea.

According to Prof. Songok, these nations have shown promise as potential partners willing to invest in scientific research and health programs in Africa.

The research institute remains hopeful that diversi-

fying funding sources and leveraging local innovation will help sustain its research agenda, ensuring that critical health studies do not come to a standstill despite the external financial challenges.

The funding crisis follows President Donald Trump's "America First" policy, which has resulted in significant cuts in U.S. foreign aid, including health programs in developing nations.

His administration has also reduced funding to global health initiatives, dealing a major blow to institutions like KEMRI, which had relied heavily on U.S. grants for research on diseases affecting millions of Kenyans.

"This is not the first time we are encountering this. In 2015, we had a similar problem when the Centre for Disease Control (CDC) pulled out affecting several of our programs.

"However, Covid-19 taught us so many lessons that is why we have become innovative and ventured into the production of various products," he said.

Milestone as Base Titanium concludes 11-year mining journey with last batch of minerals

BY FATMA SAID, KNA

Base Titanium has shipped its last bulk of titanium ore (rutile) from Mombasa to the United States, marking the conclusion of an 11-year journey in Kenya's mineral sands industry.

The company ceased its mining operations in December 2024 after depleting mineral deposits at its Kwale mining site.

Base Titanium began production in late 2013 and has since been a cornerstone of Kenya's mining industry, contributing approximately 65 percent of the country's total mineral output value.

It is renowned for its high-grade ore, rich in rutile, ilmenite, and zir-con-minerals essential for various industrial applications, including titanium metal production and ceramics manufacturing.

Over its 11 years of operation, Base Titanium achieved remarkable production and shipment milestones. The company exported a total of 5,208,000 tons of minerals, comprising 3,892,000 tons of ilmenite, 804,000 tons of rutile, 295,000 tons of zircon, 93,000 tons of low-grade zircon, and 124,000 tons of low-grade rutile.

This extensive output was transported using 186,000 trucks, reflecting the scale and efficiency of the operation.

Speking at the port facility, General Manager of Operations Denham Vickers noted that Base Titanium dispatched its first shipment on February 12, 2014, and its final shipment on February 12, 2025, officially marking

A small number of shipments remain, and they have already been packaged in bags, awaiting transport to the port for delivery to our customers by their schedules," Kyalo noted.

the end of operations in Kwale.

"The reason it has ended is because we do not have anything left to mine, we finished mining by the 31st of December, on the 4th of January we finished the processing and we have been shipping whatever has been left over ever since," Vickers said.

MV Devbulk Sinem, the 171st ship and the last bulk vessel to call Base Titanium, was transporting 4,200 metric tons of rutile to the U.S.

"I am incredibly proud of the port facility and the team who operated this facility seamlessly and without any incidents and accidents, it's been a fantastic effort. It's totally Kenyan, run by Kenyans, with no experts involved," Vickers said.

He added that this is the most rewarding, exciting, and satisfying operation he has ever been on. It is the first time he started an operation, ran it and then closed it in his whole career.

Vickers highlighted that Base Titanium currently holds five prospecting licenses, with three located



near Lamu, one of them recently approved, while two are pending.

"We also have several licenses around the other side of Ramisi River, where we are looking into drilling," he said

However, he cautioned that for every 1,000 greenfield sites- areas that have never been explored- only one is statistically likely to develop into a successful mining operation.

"Having a prospecting license does not guarantee the establishment of a mine; so, it is not a done deal," Vickers emphasized.

Elizabeth Kyalo, who serves as the Port and Shipping Manager at Base Ti-

tanium, highlighted the ways they transport their minerals and stated that the minerals extracted by Base Titanium arrived at the port facility in bulk, which were then shipped via vessels.

Additionally, some shipments are transported in containers through the Port of Mombasa.

She reiterated that there are still container shipments ongoing, which are expected to be completed by the end of March.

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"Approximately 80 per cent of our minerals are shipped in bulk, so this is a significant day for us as it marks our final shipment," she stated.



Base Titanium staff waving goodbye to Mv Devbulk Sinem, the 171st ship and the last bulk vessel to call Base Titanium as it leaves the port Facility, transporting 4,200 metric tons of Rutile to the U.S.

Boost for sports as Kwale Stadium receives 8,000 seats

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI AND MEG ONEKO

The state-of-the-art Kwale stadium has received a consignment of 8,000 bucket seats designed to provide comfort and support to spectators, and fiber goalposts courtesy of the Ministry of Sports.

The items were handed over to Kwale County Governor Fatuma Achani during a brief ceremony held at the 13,000-seater arena by the Sports Kenya Director General Gabriel Komora.

Governor Achani expressed her gratitude to the national government for the donations which she said will help the new look stadium meet international standards.

"This donations of sporting equipment will uplift our sports infrastructure creating opportunities for young talents to thrive at the grassroots level," she said.

Achani said equipping the stadium will ensure that residents enjoy sporting events such as football matches in a dignified environment.

"With a seating capacity of 13,000, the Kwale Stadium is on the path to becoming a key venue for national league matches," said Achani adding that the initiative will cement the place of Kwale as a potential sporting powerhouse.

Achani also assured of her government's readiness to promote sporting activities across Kwale with a view to encouraging youth par-

ticipation to showcase their talents.

She says it's high time the youth shun drug consumption and substance abuse and embrace sports so they can be self-reliant and become role models in society.

DG Komora said that the 8,000 seats and modern goal posts are just a few of the many areas of support the Ministry of Sports will direct to Kwale to make sure raw talents of the coastal county are developed from the initial stages.

"I am here to represent the Cabinet Secretary for Sports Salim Mvurya who has sent me to deliver the seats to this state-of-the-art stadium in Kwale. The main objective is uplifting the face of the stadium to reach national standards where national league matches can be

hosted," said Komora.

He said the national government was committed to having the new stadium fully refurbished to meet international standards and enhance the experience of

players and spectators.

The new multi-million shillings stadium was constructed by the national government in 2024 in time to host last year's 61st Mashujaa Day Celebrations on October 20, 2024.

The new stadium complex features a football pitch, running track, basketball court and facilities for other ball games and is expected to have a transformative impact on sports in the county and the entire coastal region.



Kenya Forest Service (KFS)





SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)

INVITATION FOR BIDS

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE & FORESTRY KENYA FOREST SERVICE

GREEN ZONES DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PROJECT-PHASE II

CONSTRUCTION OF SOLAR-POWERED ELECTRIC PERIMETER FENCE FOR KAPCHUMBE FOREST BLOCK, CHEPALUNGU FOREST STATION IN BOMET COUNTY

Date: 18th February 2025 Loan No: 2100150040546

- This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this Project that appeared in United Nations Development Business (UNDB) online on 18th December 2018.
- The Government of Kenya has received a loan from African Development Bank to finance the Green Zones Development Support Project-Phase II and intends to apply part of the proceeds for construction of solar-powered electric perimeter fence for Kapchumbe forest block, Chepalungu Forest Station in Bomet County
- 3. Kenya Forest Service now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the under listed tender;

TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	TENDER CLOSING DATE
KFS/TEND/GZDSP II/002/ 2024-2025	Construction of solar-pow- ered electric perimeter fence for Kapchumbe forest block, Chepalungu Forest Station in Bomet County	Bidding	7th March 2025

- 4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the Supply Chain Management Department at Kenya Forest Service Headquarters, Karura, off-Kiambu Road, P.O. Box 30513-00100 Nairobi, Kenya and Telephone 020-2397660/020-8023042 during the office hours from 08:00am to 05:00pm (East African Time) on weekdays i.e. Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 1400 hrs) and public holidays.
- 5. Complete set of bidding documents may be obtained by interested bidders upon payment of non-refundable fee of Kshs 1000 (Kenya shillings One Thousand only) in cash or bankers' cheque payable to the Director, Kenya Forest Service. The document can also be downloaded from Kenya Forest Service website www.kenyaforestservice.org or from the public procurement portal tenders.go.ke free of charge. Those who download the tender document and intend to submit a bid are required to submit their particulars to the Supply Chain Management Department's Office for records and for the purpose of receiving any further tender clarification and/or addendums.
- The provisions in the Instruction to Bidders and in the General Conditions are those of the African Development Bank Standards Bidding Document for Procurement of Goods.
- 7. Completed Bid Documents should be enclosed in plain sealed envelope, marked with the Tender Number and Name and be deposited in the Tender Box at Kenya Forest Service Headquarters, reception area on or before 11:00 am East African Time on 7th March 2025 and must be accompanied by a Bid security of at least 2% of the bid offer price in the form of Bank Guarantee with a bid validity period of 154 days from submission date.
- Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders' representative who choose to attend at 11.05am East
 African Time on 7th March 2025 at the Kenya Forest Service Headquarters Boardroom located in Karura
 off Kiambu road.
- 9. The address referred to above is:

Chief Conservator of Forests Kenya Forest Service Headquarters, Karura, off-Kiambu Road, P.O. Box 30513 00100 Nairobi Tel: +254 020-2397660/020-8023042 Email: director@kenyaforestservice.org









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

AQUACULTURE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

IFAD Loan No. 2000002052

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Country	Kenya
Name of Project/Procuring Entity	Aquaculture Business Development Programme
Contract Title and Description	Provision of Cage Fish off taking service and supply of associated inputs in 5 project counties
NCB Reference No	KEN-2000001132-0330-G-NCB

1. The Aquaculture Business Development Programme (ABDP) invites sealed tenders for the procurement of an off-taker to support ABDP fish cage farmers in Lake Victoria with necessary inputs, (fingerlings and feeds), offer technical support and training to enhance fish production and establishing buy-back arrangements for their produce. The overall objective is to enhance aquaculture productivity, ensure sustainable input and output market access, and stabilize farmers' incomes for fish cage farmers from the riparian counties of Busia, Siaya, Kisumu, Homa Bay and Migori. Tendering will be conducted under the National Competitive Bidding Method using a standardized tender document. Tendering is open to all qualified and interested Tenderers.

Tenderers will be allowed to tender for one or more lots.

- Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours 08.00am to 05.00pm EAT hours at the address given below. More details on the Services are provided in PART 2 - Services' Requirements, Section V - Description of Services of the Tender Document.
- Tender documents may be obtained electronically from the Website <u>www.abdpcu.org.</u> Tender documents obtained electronically will be free of charge.
- 4. Tender documents may be viewed and downloaded for free from the website <u>www.abdpcu.org</u> Tenderers who download the tender document must forward their particulars immediately to <u>procurement@abdpcu.org</u> to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.
- 5. All Tenders must be accompanied by a tender securing declaration.
- 6. The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the tender documents submitted.
- Completed tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before 1100hrs EAT on 12th March 2025. Electronic Tenders will not be permitted.
- Tenders will be opened at 1130hrs EAT on 12th March 2025 in the presence of bidders designated representatives. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below.
- 9. Late tenders will be rejected.
- 10. The addresses referred to above are:
 - A. Address for obtaining further information and for purchasing tender documents Attention: The Procurement Specialist procurement@abpcu.org
 - B. Address for submission and opening of tenders

Aquaculture Business Development Programme Attention: The Programme Coordinator IFAD Building, Kamakwa Road (Opp. Nyeri Club) Aquaculture Business Development Programme P.O.Box 904-10100, Nyeri

PROGRAMME COORDINATOR
AQUACULTURE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



Government assures residents of revival of stalled projects

BY DICKSON MWITI

The Government has reignited public confidence by assuring residents of Meru County that the long-stalled development projects would soon be revived.

With this announcement, the Government aims to breathe new life into crucial infrastructure and social initiatives, offering hope for improved livelihood to the residents as well as the region's economic growth.

The pledge by Deputy President Prof. Kithure Kindiki who was speaking at Ntemwene Methodist Church during the induction of Bishop Stephen Mawira of Nkubu Synod, marks a significant step towards fulfilling the promises of progress and ensuring a brighter future for the residents.

The DP also announced that he would be meeting

with all leaders including politicians as well as other stakeholders from the nine constituencies of Meru County on Tuesday next week to talk about the region's development agenda

"During the meeting, we are not going to speak about the politics of the day but solely how the national government can support the development agenda of the people of Meru County,' said Prof. Kindiki...



TANATHI WATER WORKS **DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**



INVITATION FOR BIDS CONSTRUCTION OF WOTE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT - PHASE III

 Tanathi Water Works Development Agency (TAWWDA) has received financing from the Government of Kenya through the Ministry of Water and Sanitation for the CONSTRUCTION OF WOTE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT -PHASE III

Tender No: **TAWWDA/021/2024-2025**

2. Bidding will be governed by the Government of Kenya Public Procurement rules and Procedures (The Public

Procurement and Disposal Act 2015; www.ppoa.go.ke). The works shall comprise but not limited to the following:

- Equipping of Mwaani Borehole No. 3 with solar power
- Laying of 13.5 Km HDPE pipelines
- Fabrication of Galvanised Steel Solar support structure and installation of solar panels capable of producing 10 kW complete with 3Ph control module AC/DC inverter for Kamunyolo Community Scheme
 Fabrication of Galvanised Steel Solar support structure and installation of solar panels capable of produc-
- ing 88 kW complete with 3Ph control module AC/DC inverter for Kamunyolo Community Scheme
- Supply of 2 No. 160 cc Motorbike to WOWASCO
- Supply, Installation of 13 No. bulk water meters.
- 3. Tanathi Water Works Development Agency now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders to undertake the works described above. The delivery/construction period is 6 months.
- Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding procedures specified by the Government of Kenya Public Procurement rules and Procedures (The Public Procurement and Disposal Act 2015; www.ppoa.go.ke), and is open to all bidders registered in Kenya as defined in the Bidding Documents.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from:

The Chief Executive Officer Tanathi Water Works Development Agency **Private Bag** KITUI, KENYA Tel: 0792048012 Email: info@tanathi.go.ke Website: www.tanathi.go.ke

and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below from 0800 hours to 1700 hours local time from Monday to Friday, except during lunch hour (1300 hours to 1400 hours), during weekends and public holidays.

6. The Application must be clearly marked "Tender No: TAWWDA/021/2024-2025

Tender for Construction of Wote Water Supply Project - Phase III

Qualifications requirements include:

Experience as prime contractor in the construction of at least 2 works of the same nature or and com plexity equivalent to the Works over the last 2 years.

- Proposals for the timely acquisition (own, lease, hire, etc.) of the essential equipment
- Liquid assets and/or credit facilities, net of other contractual commitments and exclusive of any advance payments which may be made under the Contract, of no less than KSh 70,000,000
- Only firms registered with the National Construction Authority under category NCA 1 to NCA 4 (WA-TER OPTION) shall be eligible for this tender.
- A consistent history of litigation or arbitration awards for the Applicant or any partner of a Joint Venture may result in disqualification.
- A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be inspected and downloaded by interested bidders free of charge at www.tanathi.go.ke or www.suppliers.treasury.go.ke

 10. Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before 1200 hours East Africa time on 19th March 2025.
- Electronic bidding shall not be permitted. Late bids will be rejected and returned to the Bidder un-opened. Bids will be opened physically in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person at the address thereafter.
- 11. A pre-tender site visit shall be held on 4th March 2025 at Wote Water Company offices in Makueni at 1000Hrs. The Pre-tender Site Visit is MANDATORY and the Tenderer's Representative must meet the following
 - 1. Educational Qualification: Hold a minimum of a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering or an equivalent qualification from a recognized institution.

 Professional Registration: Be duly registered as a Graduate Engineer by a recognized professional
 - body (e.g., Engineers Board of Kenya or equivalent).
- Authorization Letter: Provide an official letter of authorization from the Tenderer confirming their appointment as the Tenderer's Representative.
- 12. All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security of Kshs 1,300,000(or equivalent amount in freely convertible
- currency). 13. The address referred to above is:

The Chief Executive Officer **Tanathi Water Works Development Agency Private Bag** KITUI, KENŸA Tel: 044 4422416 / 020 8009628 Fax: 044 4422108 Email: tanathiwsb@gmail.com, Website: www.tanathi.go.ke





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

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR INVESTMENT PROMOTION (SDIP)

WORLD BANK KENYA JOBS AND ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION (K-JET) PROJECT FUND MANAGER FOR THE KENYA GREEN INVESTMENT FUND (GIF)

INVITATION FOR PREQUALIFICATION - INTERNATIONAL TENDER (NON-CONSULTING SERVICES - FIRMS SELECTION)

Ref: KJET/MITI/SDIP/GIF/FM/1/2024-25

Project ID No: P179381

- $The \ Government \ of \ Kenya \ (GoK), through \ the \ support \ of \ the \ World \ Bank, is \ establishing \ a \ Green \ Investment \ Fund$ (GIF) as a registered and regulated, innovative Alternative Investment Vehicle. This is a Flagship Project under the Kenya Vision 2030 and the Government's Bottom-Up Economic Transformative Agenda (BeTA). The GIF will be focused on providing derisked investments with attractive annual returns, to climate resilient Small and Medium Enterprises in Kenya and the greater East African Community, aligned with its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and other climatic goals. Through the Kenya Development Corporation (KDC), who will be the junior equity partner, US\$ 40 million has been set aside as seed capital in a legal structure designed to derisk other investors, with a targeted ultimate fund size (AUM) of US\$160 million. Financing will be risk-adjusted, long-term, patient capital, including equity and mezzanine financing. Private sector investors will be invited to contribute to the Fund including Foreign Institutional Investors (such as Sovereign Wealth Funds) and Domestic Institutional Investors, including local pension funds, collective investment schemes and insurance companies. Investment focus sectors will be Cleaner Energy and Material Efficiency and Environmental Resources with priority in Transport (electric vehicles), Building Efficiency, Sustainable Agriculture and Waste Management. The Fund life will be 15 years with extension options. Ultimately this will create 45,000 jobs to Kenyans, including at least 6,800 for women through new or improved job opportunities.
- The services for an independent Fund Manager for the Green Investment Fund (GIF) is multifaceted and involves formalizing the GIF's structure and preparing it for submission to the Regulator for registration and approval, direct engagement with companies, market sounding, collaboration with other investors, and maintaining a high standard of oversight and expertise. Additionally, the Manager must perform rigorous due diligence, manage risks effectively, and strategically manage the portfolio to ensure that both sustainability and financial objectives are achieved including but not limited to: a) Fund raising and investor collaboration; b) Investment and Portfolio Construction; c) Engagement with investee companies d) Senior level oversight and expertise; e) Ensuring regulatory compliance. The assignment is expected to take four (4) months.
- The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment may be accessed by interested eligible firms at www.investmentpromotion.go.ke and www.tenders.go.ke
- The Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry (the Client), State Department for Investment Promotion (SDIP) through its Project Implementation Unit, now invites **eligible Fund Managers** to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested Fund Managers should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. However, the description shall be limited to maximum of 30 pages length.
- 5. The shortlisting requirements for the firm [or consortium firms] are: (a) to be of an international reach and must demonstrate experience in undertaking significant and similar assignments and commitment to green finance objectives; (b) a good knowledge of Kenya's and East Africa's public and private investment markets, SME and green financing, investment analysis, valuations and portfolio management; (c) where the Fund Manager is a global/international firm, it must partner with a regulated Kenyan (domestic) Fund Manager; (d) capacity to engage with relevant stakeholders, including government agencies, development partners and industry players; (e) demonstrate understanding of this scope through relevant examples of solutions that inform how the fund would be implemented based on experiences in other markets; (f) a description of firm's history, ownership and organizational structure including details of relevant regulatory licenses to perform fund management functions (g) good financial standing, as supported by its financial statements; (h) confirmation of licensing to offer the required services in Kenya or have a credible path to obtaining such regulatory approval; (i) a brief background of the proposed team that will manage the GIF; (g) demonstrated experience of successful market sounding and closing of fund raising deals with institutional investors; (j) previous experience in managing an SME or similar funds in Kenya/East Africa including details of the fund including the investment team and the fund's performance; (k) details of any past/ongoing material litigation, regulatory, legal proceedings or sanctions in which the firm or its key employees/leadership have been involved in the last five years; and (l) statement on the avoidance of conflict of interests, including with other funds managed.
- This is only the prequalification stage and prequalified firms will be provided with detailed Request
- The Fund Manager will be selected in accordance with the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, July 2016 updated September 2023 which can be found at the following website: www.worldbank. org/procurement.
- The attention of interested Fund Managers is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 updated September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- Fund Managers may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
- 10. A Fund Manager will be selected in accordance with the non-consulting Qualification Selection method set out
- 11. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours i.e. 0800 to 1700 hrs.
- 12. Expressions of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below either in person, by mail or by email:

Postal Address:

Attention: Project Director Project Implementation Unit P.O. Box 30057-00100 Nairobi, Kenya.

eTelephone No: +254-20-2731531-9

Physical Address:

Attention: Project Director Project Implementation Unit 12th Floor, Social Security House, Block 'A', Bishop Road, Capitol Hill, Nairobi, Kenya.

E-mail: kjetgif@investmentpromotion.go.ke (for

queries only

Deadline for submission of Expressions of Interest is Tuesday 3rd March 2025 at 1600 hours Kenyan

PROJECT DIRECTOR (K-JET) FOR: PRINCIPAL SECRETARY/STATE DEPARTMENT OF INVESTMENT PROPMOTION





KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE LIMITED

VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Kenya BioVax Institute Ltd (BioVax) is a State-owned Company mandated to manufacture and commercialise safe, effective and quality vaccines and biologics, and improve access to affordable healthcare through health commodity security, guided by the core values of integrity, innovation, collaboration and excellence.

BioVax is seeking to recruit a transformative, competent and self-driven individual with an innate dynamism for the position of Director General/ Chief Executive Officer. Vacancy No. KBI/01/02/2025

The successful candidate will lead a high performing team and should not only be passionate, innovative and qualified but also be dependable, emotionally intelligent and have effective interpersonal communication and leadership skills.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1. Interested and qualified persons are requested to register and apply through the Kenya BioVax Institute e-recruitment portal https://recruitment.biovax.go.ke
- 2. All applications should be uploaded together with a detailed Curriculum Vitae, a copy of ID/Passport, copies of academic certificates, testimonials and any other relevant supporting documents. Hard copies and email applications shall not be considered. **ONLY ONLINE APPLICATIONS** shall be accepted.
- Successful candidates MUST submit all clearances in relation to Chapter Six of the Constitution before onboarding
- 4. All applications are to be received on or before 1700 Hrs East African Time 18th March 2025.

THE KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER AND WOMEN, THE MARGINALISED AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

THE KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE DOES NOT CHARGE A FEE AT ANY STAGE OF ITS SELECTION PROCESS INCLUDING APPLICATION, INTERVIEW MEETING AND PROCESSING OF OFFER LETTER.

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

Ag. CEO / DIRECTOR GENERAL KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE

HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONALS EXAMINATIONS BOARD

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JOBS ADVERTISEMENT

VACANCY FOR THE POSITION OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT OFFICER, GRADE 5

The Human Resource Management Professionals Examinations Board (HRMPEB) is a state corporation within the Ministry of Public Service and Human Capital Development. It is established in accordance with Section 16 of the Human Resource Management Professionals Act, No. 52 of 2012.

The Board is seeking to recruit a highly competent, proactive and self-driven individual to fill the following position:

No		Position	Job Group	No. of positions
Ī	1.	Human Resource Management officer	5	1

Details of the vacancy can be accessed at www.hrmpeb.or.ke

How to apply

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

Applications should be addressed to:

Chief Executive Officer, Human Resource Management Professionals Examinations Board. P.O. Box 23733 – 00100, Nairobi, Kenya.

Applicants should email the softcopy applications to the CEO using the email: recruitment@hrmpeb.or.ke quoting the job title on the subject. All the documents should be in a single PDF file.

Enhancing HR Competency







MINISTRY OF LANDS, PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

State Department for Housing and Urban Development

CONSULTING SERVICES (FIRM SELECTION)

Expressions of Interest

Name of Project	Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2)
Agreement No	CKE 118801 S
Project ID No	P167814
Assignment Title	Consulting Services to Support the National Project Coordinating Team (NPCT) in Implementing Community Development Plans in Selected Informal Settlements in Nakuru, Kisumu and Kakamega
Reference No	MLPWHUD/SDHUD/AFD/KISIP2/04

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the European Union (EU) through Agence Française de Développement ("AFD"), and intends to use part of the funds thereof for payments under the following project: Consulting Services to Support the National Project Coordinating Team (NPCT) in Implementing Community Development Plans in Selected Informal Settlements in Nakuru, Kisumu and Kakamega
- 2. The Services of the Consultant shall consist of:
 - Support the NPCT in coordinating, supervising and monitoring CDP implementation in selected informal settlements.
 - Support NPCT in guiding Implementing Partners on the implementation of the CDPs through an ambitious participatory approach with residents and CPCTs.
 - Support NPCT in the review of outputs prepared by the implementing partners and offer technical advice to the project:
 - 4. Capitalize on the best practices, strengthen the skills of NPCT and CPCT, and liaise with the KISIP2 communication unit on the CDP implementation to broaden the use of participatory approaches.
- 3. The Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, State Department for Housing and Urban Development (the Client) through the National Project Coordinator KISIP2, hereby invites Interested Applicants to show their interest in delivering the Services described above. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.
- 4. The applicant may be a single entity, registered/incorporated as a firm with the core Business in Construction Management/Project Management or related field for a period of at least ten (10) years or a consortium of a maximum of three firms. NGOs/non-Profit organization may apply. Interested Foreign Firms should partner with local firms. Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.
- 5. This Request for Expressions of Interest is open to:
 - √ Consulting firms Individual consultants
 - NGOs Joint Venture between NGO(s) and consulting firm(s)
- Eligibility criteria to AFD financing are specified in sub-clause 1.3 of the "Procurement Guidelines for AFD Financed Contracts in Foreign Countries", available online on AFD's website: http://www.afd.fr.

The assignment is expected to take Twenty-Four (24) months

- The Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.housingandurban.go.ke/tenders or can be obtained at the address given below.
- 8. The applicant must submit with their application a signed and unaltered copy of the statement of Integrity, Eligibility and Environmental and social Responsibility given in the appendix to the TOR to be downloaded from the website: www.housingandurban.go.ke/tender.
- 9. The Applicant shall submit only one application, either in its own name or as a member of a Joint Venture (JV). If an Applicant (including any JV member) submits or participates in more than one application, those applications shall be all rejected. However, the same Subconsultant may participate in several applications. If the Applicant is a JV, the expression of interest shall include:

A copy of the JV Agreement entered into by all members,

A letter of intent to execute a JV Agreement, signed by all members together with a copy of the Agreement proposal,

In the absence of this document, the other members will be considered as Subconsultants. Experiences and qualifications of Subconsultants are not taken into account in the evaluation of the applications.

10. Interested Applicants must provide information evidencing that they are qualified and experienced to perform those Services. For that purpose, documented evidence of recent and similar services shall be submitted.

Determination of the similarity of the experiences will be based on:

- 1. Core business and years in business: The firm shall be registered/incorporated as a firm with the core Business in Construction Management/Project Management or related field for a period of at least ten (10)
- years. NGOs/non-Profit organization are also allowed to apply;

 2. Relevant experience: The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed implementation and supervision of at least two (2) projects of similar nature both in scope and complexity in similar operating environment in the last ten (10) years. Relevant experience shall cover "assistance to project management", "community infrastructure design and construction", "community engagement from planning to service management", and support to "Community Based Organization" Details of the assignment-Name and address of the client, scope, value, and period shall be provided in the submitted expression of interest (EoI);
- 3. Technical and managerial capability of the firm: The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity including relevant equipment, tools, software etc. and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment in the submitted company profile(s).
- 11. Among the submitted applications, Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, State

 Department for Housing and Urban Development (the Client) will shortlist a maximum of six (6) Applicants, to whom the Request for Proposals to carry out the Services shall be sent.
- 12. The Expressions of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below either in person, by mail or by e-mail by 11th March 2025 at 1100 Hours EAT. Interested Applicants may obtain further information during office hours: i.e. 0900 to 1700 Hours East African Time, (EAT) at the Procurement Office, 19th Floor Prism Towers, 3rd Ngong Avenue. Nairobi

State Department for Housing and Urban Development,
Attn: Principal Secretary
6th Floor, Ardhi House
1st Ngong Avenue
Nairobi, Kenya
Telephone: +254-02-2729200
E-mail: kisip2.procurement@housingandurban.go.ke

KSG to provide capacity building training to African Labour Administrations

BY JULIUS NDEGWA PCO, IN LUSAKA, ZAMBIA.

he Kenya School of Government has signed a memorandum of understanding with the African Regional Labour Administration Centre, (ARLAC) on capacity development in labour administration.

The signing ceremony took place on the side-lines of the 51st ARLAC Governing Council Meeting in Lusaka Zambia.

The Principal Secretary, Labour and Skills Development, Mr. Shadrack Mwadime, alongside with Ag. Senior Director Finance and Administration officer at Kenya School of Government, Dr. Tom Wanyama, presided over the signing of the MOU.

The ARLAC Executive Director, Mr. Retselisipe Khetsi signed on behalf of ARLAC.

The MOU will foster collaboration in joint training and capacity building, joint publications of research articles, study visits, and creation of joint programs.

The signing ceremony was witnessed by the Vice President of the Republic of Zambia, Mrs. T.W. Mutale Nalumango, who officiated the opening of the governing council meeting.

African Labour Administration Centre is an intergovernmetal organization with the mandate to strengthen labour administration systems in English speaking African countries through training, research, consultancy, advisory services, and publications.

While signing, Mr. Khetsi, recognized the im-



Principal secretary labour and Skills Development Shadrack Mwadime shakes hands with Zambian Vice President immediately after signing of between KSG and ARLAC on capacity building of African Labour ssociations.

portant role of promoting the sharing of resources, competencies, and knowledgeable better practices of professional capacity development in respective areas of cooperation.

On its part, Kenya School of Government noted that there are advantages in strengthening and consolidating mutual relationships within the African Union, new partnership for African development, and the African Management Development Institute Network.





RURAL ELECTRIFICATION & RENEWABLE ENERGY CORPORATION

EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT

The Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation is a State Corporation established under the Energy Act, 2019, with the mandate of developing, managing and promoting the use of renewable energy, except geothermal, in addition to implementing rural electrification programs in the Country. Through its mandate, the Corporation aims to improve the socio-economic well-being of Kenyans as well as develop cheap alternative sources of energy through the development and promotion of renewable energy.

Applications are invited from professionals who meet ALL the minimum qualifications for the following position.

	S/NO.	POSITION	GRADE	NO. OF POSTS	TERMS OF SERVICE
ſ	1.	Manager, Energy Centre	REREC 3	1	Permanent and Pensionable

APPLICATION PROCESS:

For the mandatory requirement for this position may be obtained from our website https://www.rerec.co.ke/

The Corporation is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to implementing the provisions of the Constitution - 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, THE MINORITIES AND FEMALE CANDIDATES ARE ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

Interested and qualified candidates are required to submit their job application through the Links posted on REREC's website under the Careers tab by 10th March, 2025 at 4.30 pm.

NOTE: These positions are open to KENYAN Citizens ONLY.





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RE-ADVERTISEMENT OF VACANT POSITIONS

MASENO UNIVERSITY

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 35(1)(a) (v) of the Universities Act, 2012 amended through Statute Law (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act No. 18 of 2018, the Public Service Commission invites applications from suitably qualified persons to be considered for appointment to the following vacant positions in public university.

S/NO.	POST	UNIVERSITY	NO. OF VACANCIES
1.	Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration, Finance and Development) Re-advertisement	Maseno University	1
2.	Deputy Vice Chancellor (Partnership, Research and Innovation) Re-advertisement		1

The details of the posts and mode of application can be accessed on the Commission's website:

Applications should reach the Commission on or before 11th March, 2025 by 5.00 p.m. (East African time).

SECRETARY/CEO **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**







TENDER NOTICE

The Geothermal Development Company Limited (GDC) invites sealed tenders from eligible candidates for the following:

TENDER NO.	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TARGET GROUP	TENDER SECURITY AMOUNT	CLOSING DATE
GDC/GRA/OT/046/ 2024-2025	Tender for Supply, Delivery, Installation and Commissioning of High-Performance Liquid Chromatograph (HPLC) System and Accessories.	Open to All	Kshs. 300,000.00	11.03.2025 at 11.00am
GDC/ICT/OT/048/ 2024-2025	Tender for Supply and Installa- tion of Internet Services for a Period of Three (3) Years	Local Firms (National)	Kshs. 400,000.00	12.03.2025 at 11.00am

MANDATORY SITE VISIT

There will be a Mandatory Site visit for the following Tender.

Tender for Supply and Installation of Internet Services for a Period of Three (3) Years.

- Nairobi Kawi Office on 24th February 2025 at 10.00am Kawi House, South C offices (Assemble at Nairobi Office, South C at 9.00am).
- Nakuru Polo Centre Office, Kenyatta Avenue on 25th February 2025 at 10:00am. (Assemble at Polo Centre office at 9.00am then proceed to Kabarak land at 11.00am & Menengai Geothermal Field at 12.00pm)
- GDC Kapkerwa Office on 26th February 2025 at 9:00am.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information and inspect the tender document from the office of Manager, Supply Chain Management at Kawi House, South C off Mombasa Road, Red Cross Road between 9.00am and 4.00pm during week days.

A complete set of the tender documents may be obtained by interested firms upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kshs.1000 payable to our accounts office in cash or by banker's cheque. The documents can also be viewed and downloaded from the website www.gdc.co.ke or PPIP Portal www.tenders.go.ke free of charge. Bidders who download the tender document from the website MUST forward their particulars immediately to procurement@gdc.co.ke for records and any further tender clarifications and addenda

The completed tenders in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with Tender No. and Tender reference name; shall be addressed to: Managing Director & CEO,

Geothermal Development Company P.O Box 100746-00101 NAIROBI, KENYA

and deposited in the tender box at Ground Floor GDC office Kawi House, South C Off Mombasa Road, Red Cross Road on or before the dates specified above.

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representa tives who choose to attend at Kawi House, South C GDC Board Room Ground Floor.

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Residents trained in poultry value chain technologies

BY SAMMY MWIBANDA

The Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) has partnered with the National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP) to disseminate the poultry farming technologies to farmers in Vihiga county.

Vihiga Deputy Governor (DG) Wilberforce Kitiezo, has said the initiative targets 104 trainees comprising lead farmers, community-based facilitators and agripreneurs in other value chains.

The DG called for the commercialization of poultry farming, given its viability as it just requires technologies to farmers in Vihiga county.



Chicks in a poultry cage. The Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) has partnered with the National Agricultural Value Chain Development (NAVCDP) to disseminate poultry value chain technologies to farmers in Vihiga county.

little space for setting up compared to other enterprises.

"In the face of the reducing land sizes occasioned by the population increase, it is imperative that the farmers opt for enterprises that require relatively smaller space to operate and poultry is one such endavours," he observed.

He added that the trainees would be required to cascade the knowledge acquired to other farmers so that as many residents as possible are brought on board to embrace the new technologies.

The training covers among other things the on-farm formulation of feeds, disease and parasite control, breeding and selection as well as establishing linkages to the markets

National Heroes Council to exhibit legendary broadcaster's work in honour of his legacy

BY YOBESH ONWONG'A (MYGOV)

The Government will hold an exhibition in honour of departed legendary broadcaster Leonard Mambo Mbotela, who served as a member at the National Heroes Council, an avid advocate for humanity amidst the ills that have bedevilled society.

The exhibition will be carried out jointly after consultation with the State Department for Culture, the Arts and Heritage, State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunications in partnership with the Kenya Broadcasting Corporation and the National Museums of Kenya amongst other stakeholders.

Similarly, in a press statement from the Council seen by MyGov, plans are underway in collaboration with relevant state agencies and stakeholders to have a road in Nairobi named after the late Mbotela, a towering luminary whose legendary voice shaped the fabric of Kenyan journalism.

The Council averred that the icon's distinguished career in the media industry, straddling over five decades, was marked by his brilliant mastery of the Swahili language, his charismatic storytelling skills with a unique voice that became a household signature in Kenya and beyond its borders.

Jimmy Angwenyi, the Council Chairman, said that Mbotela's presence at the Council was of excellence, grace, humil-



The departed legendary broadcaster Leonard Mambo Mbotela. Photo: Courtesy.

ity and wisdom adding that his contributions to broadcasting were not just a profession but a legacy that inspired budding journalists and set the gold standard for excellence in journalism

"Mbotela's contributions went far beyond the work of the Council as he played a significant role in nation-building by promoting unity, civic responsibility, and national pride," said Angwenyi.

He noted that in every conversation, his words were thoughtful, and his actions spoke of integrity and selflessness adding that he upheld the values of patriotism, integrity and selflessness which inspired those around him to emulate.

"During Council meetings, Mbotela actively contributed to discussions and was a natural consensus builder, he never sought to dominate deliberations," said Angwenyi.

The Council said that the late Mbotela ensured that every voice was heard, every perspective was considered thus contributing to thoughtful decision making; this was instrumental in shaping the Council's vision and strategies for implementation by the Council secretariat.

"Mbotela had a deep understanding of the weight of the Council's mandate of identification, selection and honouring of national heroes and he wanted to greatly contribute to its attainment," he said.

Angwenyi pointed out that the legendary broadcaster was deeply involved in providing oversight to the Secretariat during the development of the Council's

strategic plan, budget preparations, efficient allocation of scarce resources as well as contributing to the development of the Council's corporate identity.

National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetangula mourned the icon saying that, "For decades, his deep, commanding tone filled our airwaves, shaping conversations, instilling values, and chronicling Kenya's journey through history."

Wetangula noted with nostalgia that growing up, Mbotela's show, Je, Hu Ni Ungwana? was more than just a radio program; it was a moment of reflection, a lesson in morality, and a guiding force for a society that needed constant reminders of dignity and decency.

"His mastery of Swahili, his eloquence, and his ability to capture the essence of our culture made him a giant in the industry," he said.

Wetangula said that he remembers hearing stories of how he started his journey in the 1960s at the Voice of Kenya (now KBC). "His voice became the soundtrack of our national story, from moments of celebration to times of uncertainty."

"Mbotela was not just a broadcaster; he was a historian, a mentor, and a custodian of Kenya's rich linguistic and cultural heritage. His influence extended beyond the studio, he shaped the media landscape and set standards for those who came after him," said the National Assembly Speaker.



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Position	University	No. of Vacancies
Vice Chancellor	Kenyatta University	1

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Kawi House, Block C/South C-Bellevue,
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Principal Secretary for Youth Affairs and Creative Economy Ismail Maalim Madey.

Government earmarks 25 Youth empowerment centers as innovation hubs for the youth of digital opportunity. orati

BY PATRICK KARANJA AND EMMANUEL TAMARO (PCO)

The Government has identified twenty-five empowerment centers to serve as innovation hubs for the youth across the coun-

Speaking in Mombasa during a youth summit dubbed "A Generation at Risk: Confronting the Challenge of Youth Un-employment", PS for Youth affairs and Creative economy Ismail Maalim Madey said the innovation hubs will support digital skills training and business process outsourcing (BPO); creating 50,000 jobs in areas like coding, data analytics and digital entrepreneurship.

The hubs will also be an avenue for new career paths and enhance digital literacy, preparing the youth for global opportunities.

Reading a speech on behalf of CS for Youth Affairs Sports and the Creative Économy Salim Myurva, the PS pointed out that unemployment remains a big challenge for the youth, but within those challenges lie opportunities waiting to be harnessed.

He observed that one of the critical interventions of the government addressing unemployment is through the expansion

'Unemployment remains one of the most pressing challenges in the Coast region and the country in general. However, with open and courageous discussions, we can turn the crisis into an opportunity for transformation. These innovation hubs will bridge the gap between job seekers and the available opportunities,"

PS Madey reiterated government's commitment in addressing issues of the youth as articulated in various youth empowerment policies such as the 'Kenya Youth Development Policy 2019', establishment of Youth Enterprise and Women Funds, the 30 per cent access to government procurement opportunities (AGPO) and other initiatives like 'Ajira Digital'.

These programs aim to enhance youth participation in economic, social, and political spaces, aligning with the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

Commending the Kenya Young Members of County Assemblies' for the initiative, the PS acknowledged that the youth discourse is timely and the circumstance will breed an opportunity whereby, working partnerships and collab-

oration can reverse the threat posed by a growing youth population.

"The gesture to mentor, promote youth leadership, civic engagement and good governance, responds to the realized soft skill gaps among the youth and is pivotal at enhancing the prospects of the youth in securing job opportunities towards attaining sustainable development goals, "the PS said.

Speaking in the same function, Deputy Government Spokesperson Mwanaisha Chidzuga encouraged the youth to be proactive in filling employment gaps through self-employment in sectors like hospitality, business, content creation and many others.

She challenged young people to form companies and utilise affirmative provisions for youth and women to get opportuni-

The summit held at Kenya School of Government(KSG) in Mombasa, was organized by the Kenya Young Members of County Assembly (KY-MCA, and brought together the youth, policymakers and key stakeholders to discuss innovative strategies for addressing youth unemployment.

It aims to empower young people by fostering dialogue, collaboration, and actionable solutions to create opportunities for sustainable livelihoods.

Persons with Albinism to benefit from free dermatological services in 20 counties



National Council of Persons With Disability lead team in Trans Nzoia County led by Senior Program Officer Wilson Kabiro (Left) and Stephen Wafula (Second Left), hand over cryogenic equipment to the management of Kitale Sub County Hospital Chief Administrative Officer Joanes Nyongesa (Right).

BY ISAIAH NAYIKA, KNA

The National Council of Persons with Dis-abilities (NCPWD) will distribute cancer prevention and diagnostic equipment to people living with disabilities in twenty counties.

The council, in collaboration with other stakeholders, has donated cryogenic equipment, marking a significant milestone in the fight against skin cancer among persons with albinism (PWAs), said Alex Munyere, Senior Disability Officer in charge of Rehabilitation and Habitation at NCPWD.

Speaking in Trans Nzoia County during the handover of the equipment to the management of Kitale Sub-County Hospital, Munyere emphasized the importance of the initiative, stating that it will greatly enhance access to in-office procedures used for the treatment and prevention of skin cancer—a critical concern for persons with albinism.

In addition to providing medical services related to skin and eye treatment, Munvere noted that the equipment will also help improve access to dermatological care for people with albinism by offering free dermatological services.

"The distribution of this equipment is a testament to the Council's ongoing commitment to ensuring that all persons with disabilities live a decent and

dignified life," he said, adding that it aligns with the government's program on access to quality healthcare as a fundamental right.

Outlining measures which the Council has realized through the National Persons with Albinism Programme, Munyere revealed that during the Financial Year 2024/2025, the council has procured 20 cryogenic equipment each at a cost of Sh200,000 to be distributed to facilities across 20 counties in the coun-

The 20 counties lined to benefit are: Kakamega, Kajiado, Kiambu, Wajir, Murang'a, Bungoma, Isiolo, Nyamira, Vihiga, Trans Nzoia, Meru, Homabay, Embu, Kirinyaga, Nakuru, Nyandarua, Mandera, Turkana, Nandi and Kwale.

For a facility to stand a chance to benefit, it

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should have a well-structured, functional and instituted governing body, management committee and personnel to operate the equipment.

Upon receiving the equipment, Munyere said the facility will be required to maintain an updated comprehensive individual register showing details of PWAs beneficiaries, demonstrate an intention to utilize and provide the equipment's intended service efficiently and effectively, and ensure that all PWAs are outreached to enjoy the benefits.

He said they will periodically be carrying out scheduled and unscheduled monitoring, evaluation and utilization of the equipment in accordance with NCPWD and Ministry of Health laid out procedures.Stressing the commitment of the Council to help health facilities develop capacity to attend to PWAs in line with the Kenya 2010 Constitution, People with Disabilities Act No. 14 of 2003 and the United Nations Convention on the rights of Persons with Disabilities, Munyere challenged PWAs to take advantage of the initiatives and come out for assistance instead of shying off.

Kitale Sub County Hospital Chief Administrative Officer Joanes Nyongesa hailed NCPWD for the donation saying it will go a long way to enhance the capacity of the facility to provide health services to



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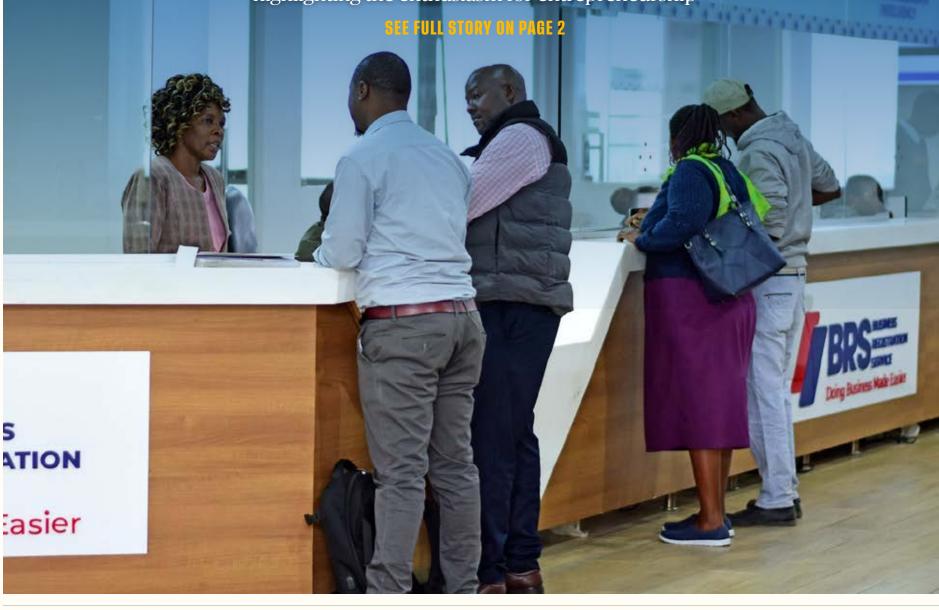


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Kenyan entrepreneurship drive by the numbers

Business registrations rise over the past years highlighting the enthusiasm for entrepreneurship



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The Government is promoting fintech solutions to boost financial inclusion and entrenching F-Government services

Kenya will work with the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), the African Union (AU) and other global partners to hasten growth of its digital economy, ICT Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo has said. He noted that working together with global partners will not only drive digital transformation in the country, but also across the continent.

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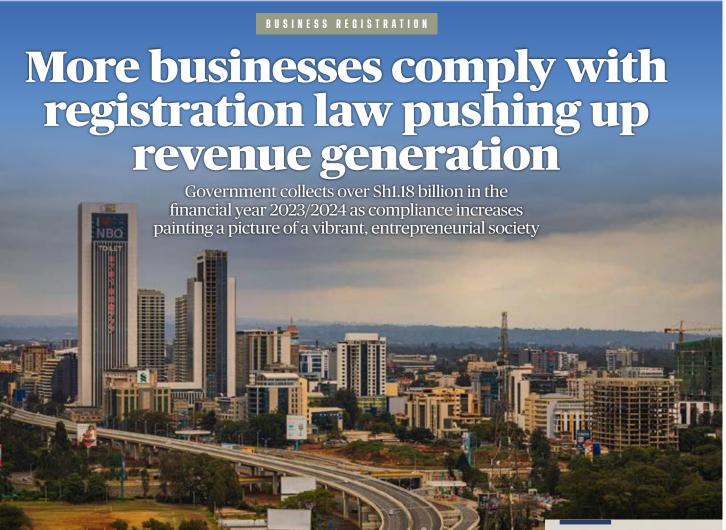
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he number of businesses registered across the country has seen a significant rise over the past years, reflecting a broader trend of increased entrepreneurship.

The businesses that cut across the various sectors, including multinationals and MSMEs, tell part of the story of the country's economic landscape.

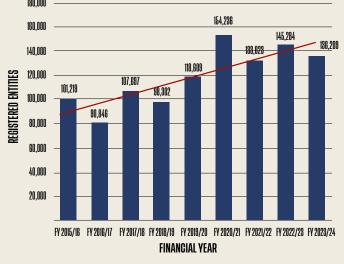
Latest data from the Business Registration Service (BRS), a State agency that enlists all the companies in the country, shows some 136,209 businesses were registered in the financial year 2023/2024.

In the previous year, some 145,204 businesses had been registered, according to BRS. And in 2021/2022 financial year, 133,023 businesses were registered while in 2020/2021, 154,236 firms were registered - the highest ever, BRS data showed.

Mr Otieno Otiego, the Head of Corporate Communication at BRS, said the numbers point to normal business registration trends over the years and improved processes to ease compliance.

The registration, according to him, present an encouraging picture of a more vibrant and entrepreneurial society.

REGISTRATIONS OVER THE YEARS Number of Annual Businesses Registered Over the Years



The higher business registrations have seen BRS increase its revenue generation.

In 2023/2024, BRS generated Sh1.18 billion from registrations, an increase from Sh1.15 billion the previous year and 977 million in the financial year 2021/2022.

Mr Otieno said the revenue increase is due to a rise in compliance programmes and initiatives within the Service.

"This includes filling of the company annual returns and business owners conducting searches to get up to date CR12," he said.

He added that there has been continuous simplification and streamlining of registration procedures to boost compliance.

"Automation of business registration processes has enabled online service delivery, and system integration with other Government agencies has ensured a seamless end-to-end formalisation process," he noted.

Another important factor is the provision of a responsive legal framework that aligns with customers' needs. This has encouraged business owners to comply with the law.

"We are also undertaking awareness creation initiatives through outreach and online forums to educate the public on the benefits of registering a business," he observed.

So, why should one register their business whether small or big?

Mr Otieno explained that a registered business is acknowledged as a legal entity by the Government, enabling it to trade freely within the legal framework. Registration also creates brand credibility and legitimacy.

"For the youth, women and persons with disabilities, registration enables one to do business with Government under the AGPO programme," he said.

Other benefits are access to LPO financing opportunities, ease to obtain a business loan and open a bank account and improved access to finance, markets and networks, continuity and succession planning, compliance with the law and operating in a formal environment.

It also enables registration of domain name and trademark for business and identity and protects the business from copyright infringement. The World Bank notes that the Business Registration Service has made it easier for applicants to register their businesses.

This is because they can easily reserve company names as the system makes it mandatory to use the online reservation process. The global lender observes that Kenya has a favourable and attractive investment environment, drawing interest from local as well as foreign companies seeking to establish local and regional operations.

The Government in the past years has spearheaded various reforms to streamline regulatory process, enhance infrastructure and foster a business-friendly environment.

The reforms include the automation of systems including for business registration through the E-Citizen platform as well as Huduma Centres and tax payments, what has significantly reduced the time and costs involved in starting as well as doing business.

Kenya has consistently improved in its global ranking of doing business over the years, according to the World Bank.

180,000

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HOW TO REGISTER BUSINESS

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You need an eCitizen account, at

O Login to your eCitizen account

O Click on Business Registration

Go to Company Registry Services

O Go to 'Registration of a Business

• Fill in your particulars and capacity

Fill the Registered Office Addresses

Fill in the Ownership Information

O Download the BN-2 form, sign, scan

O Declare information provided is true

Once your application is approved,

of a Business Name Registration.

you will be issued with a certificate

• Fill in the Nature of the Business

Fill in the Proposed Names

and upload

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Kenya Yearbook, KBC explore collaboration opportunities

enya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) and Kenya Broadcasting Corporation are exploring potential areas for tion of accurate and credible information. KYEB CEO Lilian Kimeto, who paid a courtesy call to KBC Managing Director Agnes Kalekye, said the collaborative effort would significantly enhance respective mandates of the institutions and contribute positively to serving the public. "The functions of both institutions are closely aligned; our collaboration will significantly enhance public communication,"



Leveraging the strengths and resources of both institutions would ensure that information reaches the public more effectively and efficiently.

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"KBC is eager to work with KYEB and benefit from its expertise in editorial and design," she said.

KBC is a public broadcaster, which runs 13 radio stations, two TV stations and eight sub stations, broadcasting in English and Swahili and several vernacular languages.

KYEB, on the other hand, is mandated to document Government initiatives, programmes and projects for faster social economic progress.



Kenva Yearbook Editorial Board CEO Lilian Kimeto (left) with KBC Managing Director Agnes Kalekye.

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Huduma Kenya leads multi-agency efforts to improve public service delivery

with various Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) to expedite service delivery at Huduma Centres.

In a meeting that brought together representatives from MDAs and chaired by Huduma Kenya CEO Ben Kai Chilumo, the teams explored strategies to reduce Turnaround Times (TATs)

The meeting identified bottlenecks in service delivery and discussed ways of streamlining



Emphasis was placed on adopting digital solutions, such as online plat-

forms and automated systems, to facilitate remote access to services, reducing the need for physical visits to Huduma Centres.

"Our vision is to create a seamless service delivery ecosystem that prioritises the needs of our citizens. By working together with MDAs and embracing digital transformation, we can make this vision

MDAs committed to reviewing and optimising internal workflows, eliminating redundancies and adopting best practices for more effective service delivery.

Additionally, they agreed on continuous training programmes for staff to ensure competency in handling new technologies and

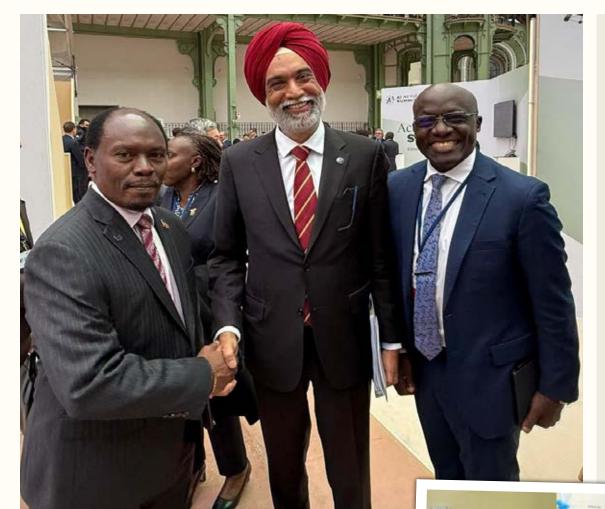
Reduced TATs mean faster access to essential services, and the convenience of remote access will bridge the gap between the Government and the public. ■



Chilumo during a meeting with representatives from different MDAs.

DIGITAL ECONOMY

State eyes global partnerships for faster digital transformation



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ICT Connectivity: By the Numbers

100,000Kms

The Government has initiated affordable and reliable internet to all Kenyans including the laying out of 100,000km of fibre optic network, therefore, bridging the digital divide between urban and rural areas.

1,450

Besides rolling out of lastmile fibre optic network, the Government is establishing digital hubs in all 1,450 wards

ICT Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo (left) and other global leaders at the UNECA meeting in Paris, France, last week. iNSET: The Government has established over 200 Jitume Labs across the country to equip the youth with digital skills.

ICT Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo says this will help the country achieve its goals in the sector, including increased broadband connection

enya will work with the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), the African Union (AU) and other global partners to hasten growth of its digital economy, Information, Communications and the Digital Economy Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo has said.

Mr Kabogo noted that working together with global partners will not only drive digital transformation in the country, but also across

The CS said that Kenya has aligned its ICT development goals with UNECA's key areas. which include expanding broadband access.

The Government has initiated various projects to provide affordable and reliable internet to all Kenyans, including the laying out of 100,000km of fibre optic network. therefore, bridging the digital divide between

Besides that, the Government is promoting fintech solutions to boost financial inclusion and economic growth, it is entrenching E-Government services to enhance service delivery to the public, equipping the youth with digital skills to prepare them for modern jobs and strengthening cybersecurity

"This is our moment. We are not just talking about digital transformation; we are making it happen," Mr Kabogo, who attended the UNECA meeting in Paris last week and held talks with several key leaders, said.

He underscored the need for Africa to invest

in science, technology and innovation (STI) to build a prosperous and sustainable future. Kenya has intensified efforts to expand its

digital infrastructure. Besides rolling out of last-mile fibre optic network, the Government is establishing digital hubs in all 1,450 wards.

These initiatives are aimed at enhancing

access to digital services, creating jobs and positioning Kenya as a regional ICT hub.

Kenya's engagement with UNECA is part of a broader push to strengthen the digital superhighway and creative economy, a key pillar of the government's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).







Interior Cabinet Secretary
Kipchumba Murkomen (above)
when he launched the 2024
Report on the Status of Drugs and
Substance Use Among University
Students in Kenya. The report
reveals an alarming trend where
many students are consuming
drugs, which are readily accessible
at the institutions.





Left: Education CS Julius Migos and Julius Migos and
Woman Rep Pauline
Lenguris during the
first graduation
ceremony of Samburu
Technical and
Vocational College in the county.

Graduands during the ceremony.



PS for Public Health Mary Muthoni (centre) when she visited JKIA alongside WHO Country Representative Dr Abdourahmane Diallo (left) and IOM Chief Migration Officer Basnet Mukunda to assess surveillance measures in fight against Marburg and Mpox diseases.



Geoffrey Kamworor, who secured the second place at the the Barcelona Half Marathon, clocking 58 minutes, 44 seconds.









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Sagana Special Economic Zone to be operational by May, says Trade CS

BY MUTAI KIPNGETICH, KNA

Trade and Investment Cabinet Secretary (CS) Lee Kinyanjui has announced that the Sagana Special Economic Zones and aggregation centers will be operational by May this year.

The zone, which includes the Export Processing Zone (EPZ) and County Aggregation and Industrial Parks (CAIPs), is being developed through a collaboration between the national and county governments.

During his assessment tour, Kinyanjui directed the contractor to ensure the project is completed on schedule ahead of the president's official opening in May.

The project is 75 percent complete but faces some challenges. However, the CS assured that any issues would be resolved to enable the contractor to deliver the project on time.

"We are here to assess the progress of the Sagana Industrial Park, and we are impressed with the work the governor is doing," he

Kinyanjui also revealed that some investors have already booked spaces in the economic zones, which he described as a positive



Trade and Investment Cabinet Secretary Lee Kinyanjui speaking at Sagana, Kirinyaga county.

development for the rural county. He noted that historically, most investors prefer cities.

"This will give local investors the opportunity to export their products directly to foreign markets," he added.

He called for more investments to create more job opportunities for the youth.

The CS added that the market price of value-added products cost almost five times raw produce hence the government is doing everything to ensure the business, especially in value addition thrive.

Kinyanjui informed the investors and Kirinyaga people of the existence of a huge market in the international market of agricultural products demanding huge local production.

He congratulated the County Government of Kirinyaga for the fast construction of the CAIP, which will be completed at the same time as EPZ, calling for other counties to benchmark from Kirinyaga.

He used the opportunity to call on the political leadership to desist from negative politics, saying too

much politics is an obstacle to regional development.

"Too much fighting cannot produce anything. Kirinyaga among any other counties that are doing the CAIPS will provide the momentum because sometimes when a vision is crafted, not everyone is able to see the vision. But the few who can see it now are the first ones to benefit," he said.

Kirinyaga Governor Anne Waiguru said the special economic zone in Sagana is a transformational project which will change the town into an industrial city.

BRIEFS

Kenya Prisons, NOC-K to establish Sports Academy

The State Department for Correctional Services is exploring a collaboration with the National Olympic Committee of Kenya (NOC-K) to leverage the power of sports in its rehabilitation and reformation agenda.

Speaking during a meeting with NOC-K officials, Principal Secretary for the State Department for Correctional Services, Dr. Salome Beacco, stated that the proposed partnership aims to advance sports development within correctional facilities, including the planned establishment of the Kenya Prisons Service Sports Academy at Nairobi West Prison. Noting that the department has a proud history of producing outstanding sports talent who have represented the country in various disciplines, the PS emphasized that strategic partnerships are key to further enhancing sports within the correctional system.

According to the PS, the department has identified recreational sports as a key pillar in efforts aimed

at rehabilitating and reintegrating offenders into society, saying evidence indicates that those who participate in sports activities in correctional facilities tend to develop and improve their social skills.

"This is part of our mandate of reforming and rehabilitating offenders, which cannot be realized by only concentrating on formal and vocational training but by also including sporting activities," the PS said.

Citing last year's Intercontinental Online Chess

Championship for Prisoners, where Kenya participated, the PS said sports is an important social pillar which can be used as a tool for education and social inclusion. Expressing commitment to support the state department developing sports infrastructure, National Olympic Committee Secretary General Francis Mutuku said the committee will explore possible areas of collaboration including technical training .By Nicholas Kigondu (PCO)

Alupe University to boost student accomodation in Sh1.17 billion project

BY RODGERS OMONDI AND MIAH MAUREEN KEMUNTO, KNA

The State Department for Housing and Urban Development has handed over the construction site for the Alupe University accommodation project to the contractor.

Speaking during the ceremony, Leonard Marwa, an architect from the State Department for Housing and Urban Development, said the Sh1.17 billion project involves the construction of two blocks with a total capacity of 820 students.

The hostels, once completed, will accommodate a total of 820 students across the two blocks. This will help reduce congestion and address the student accom-

modation challenges at the university," he said.

He added that the pro-

ject will commence in two weeks and will include additional amenities beyond the hostels. "The project, which will cost a total of Sh1.17 billion, is expected to be completed within 18 months. It will also feature a swimming pool for students, basketball courts, and parking space," he said.Regarding security, Marwa stated that the department will construct a boundary wall and install CCTV cameras within the blocks. Alupe University Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Peter Barasa, said the project will enable the institution to provide better accommodation for its students and pledged to work closely with the contractors.

Prof Barasa further urged the contractor to consider constructing a permanent fence stating that security has remained a challenge due to their being at the border point.

"We have security challenges because we are at the border. We have tried chain link fences, but they have been destroyed. We really need to have a constructed border fence that will ensure that the whole institution is secure," he said.

Rony Kipkorir, a student leader at Alupe University said the project brings an assurance to the students' security and their well-being. "Residing outside has remained very expensive to us, and it has exposed us to insecurity where many of us have lost electrical gadgets and our lives have always been in danger. We are grateful to the president for choosing Alupe University for the project.

The project contractor, Venus Construction Limited, gave assurance of the quality work and delivery of the project on time as stipulated in the contract. "I also want to state that we are going to source all the manpower from this area. Our young men who qualify will be given an opportunity to work here in this project so that they can benefit," he said.

Ministry secures Sh8b investment for national infrastructure upgrade

The Ministry of Sports, in partnership with the government of France, has reaffirmed a €60 million(Sh8,1b) investment program to enhance sports infrastructure across the country.

The initiative aims to promote sports development, nurture talent, and foster social inclusion among youth, women, and vulnerable groups.

During discussions with the French Ambassador to Kenya, the Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Youth Affairs, Creative Economy, and Sports, Salim Mvurya, expressed enthusiasm for the partnership, stating that Kenya stands to benefit not only from infrastructure development but also from talent exchange programs.

"The Ministry is committed to ensuring Kenya maximizes the potential benefits of this collaboration," Myurya said.

The CS praised the significant investments made by the French government in Iten, Elgeyo Marakwet County, spearheaded by the Municipality of Miramas, Bouches-du-Rhône, in France.

As part of this partnership, he announced that 12 athletics coaches have been selected to participate in a six-week exchange program beginning in March 2025.

"The House of Coaches programme will facilitate the exchange of best practices through capacity building while providing an ideal platform for talent scouting," said

He also announced that the French Development Agency (AFD) in collaboration with the National Basketball Association (NBA), will host the Basketball in Wheelchair summit in Nairobi, bringing together athletes, coaches, and stakeholders from around the world to promote inclusivity for athletes with disabilities. By Michael Omondi, KNA





