





# Kisumu International Airport in the rise

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shelf-life of fresh exports, giving farmers in western Kenya a competitive edge in global markets.

“The government is already constructing fish landing sites along Lake Victoria complete with storage facilities. Once the airport is upgraded, our fishermen will be able to export fish directly from Kisumu,” he said.

Owalo emphasized that the airport upgrade aligns with the government’s broader strategy to enhance infrastructure in the Nyanza region to unlock the area’s economic potential.

The move, he said, is expected to attract agro-processors, logistics companies and exporters to Kisumu, creating thousands of jobs and revitalizing the local economy.

In addition to the airport project, Owalo confirmed that the government is fast-tracking stalled road projects, including the Muhoro-ni-Miwani-Mamboleo Road, where partial payments have already been made to three contractors.

Speaking during a funeral at Wathorego village in Kisumu East Sub-County, Owalo assured residents that his office will ensure work resumes promptly and that accountability will be strictly enforced.

Owalo further revealed that discussions were ongoing with the World Bank to fund the construction of the Lake Victoria Ring Road, a strategic route that will encircle the lake and connect key towns across multiple counties.

The designs and feasibility for the project, he said have been finalised, adding that the government is committed to constructing the road which is expected to boost inter-county trade, tourism, and regional integration.

The extension of the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) from Naivasha to Kisumu, he added remains a top priority, alongside the construction of critical water infrastructure such as the Koru-Soin Dam.

“The dam will play a key role in water storage, irrigation and flood control, especially in Nyando and surrounding areas that have long suffered from seasonal flooding,” he said.

The comprehensive infrastructure plan, he added, reflects the government’s commitment to inclusive development and economic transformation of the Lake Region.

He cautioned contractors against unnecessary delays saying those who fail to complete projects within the set timelines shall be blacklisted.

“We have some contractors who take more projects than they can handle thus unable to complete them as scheduled.

We are going to blacklist them to ensure they are not awarded any government projects in future,” he said.

# 2.9 million Taxpayers benefit from KRA’s Waiver of Sh158 billion under Tax Amnesty

BY JOSEPH NG’ANG’A (KNA)

The Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) has waived Sh158 billion in penalties, fines, and interest under the ongoing Tax Amnesty Programme.

KRA Commissioner, Large and Medium Taxpayers Mrs. Rispah Simiyu, in a statement indicated that this has provided relief to over 2.9 million taxpayers who qualified for amnesty.

Since the rollout of the tax amnesty, KRA has also collected Sh10.9 billion in principal tax payments. The Tax Amnesty Programme provides an opportunity for taxpayers to clean their tax records through offering a waiver on penalties, interest and fines for tax debts accrued up to 31st December 2023,” Mrs. Simiyu said.

She explained that the Programme, which runs until 30th June 2025, underscores KRA’s commitment to helping taxpayers resolve past tax issues and



regularize their tax compliance.

According to Mrs Simiyu, the initiative is part of KRA’s broader efforts to foster voluntary compliance and provide relief to taxpayers burdened by past debts. The initiative, she added, also offers a unique chance to settle tax matters on favourable terms and to move forward on a clean slate.

Simiyu explained that there is also the application requirement for taxpayers with outstanding principal taxes for periods up to 31st December 2023 who must apply via the iTax system and submit a structured payment plan for full settlement of the outstanding principal taxes by 30th June 2025.

“Tax debts arising from 1st January 2024 and after do not qualify for amnesty. All penalties, interest, and principal taxes for debts incurred after this date remain payable,” she said.

Mrs. Simiyu encouraged taxpayers with ongoing tax disputes to resolve the disputes through the Alternative Dispute Resolution framework (ADR) to ensure a swift resolution before the amnesty timeline lapses.

“KRA encourages all taxpayers to act promptly and take advantage of the tax amnesty before the 30th of June 2025 deadline,” she advised.



## STAKEHOLDER VALIDATION WORKSHOP ON THE DRAFT KENYA ROADS (KENYA NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY) REGULATIONS, 2025

### STAKEHOLDERS INVITATION NOTICE

The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) is a statutory body established under the Kenya Roads Act cap 408 Laws of Kenya, responsible for the development, rehabilitation, management and maintenance of all National Trunk Roads comprising of Class S, A, and B roads.

Pursuant to Section 46(2) (b) of The Kenya Roads Act 2007, the Authority in consultation with the Ministry of Roads and Transport have formulated the Kenya Roads (Kenya National Highways Authority) Regulations, 2025 to support delivery of its mandate of managing National Trunk roads in Kenya.

In accordance with Article 10(2)(a) of the constitution of Kenya, KeNHA through this notice hereby invites members of public for a validation workshop to discuss the draft Kenya Roads (Kenya National Highways Authority) Regulations, 2025.


The above workshop will be held on **Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025** at **Barabara Plaza, Auditorium Hall starting 9:00am.**

Comments and inquiries can be emailed to the Authority through **stakeholders@kenha.co.ke**

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## KENYA ADVANCED INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

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### INVITATION TO TENDER

The Kenya Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (Kenya-AIST), a key Vision 2030 Project, was established on 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2022, as a legal entity through publication in Kenya Gazette Supplement No. 117, Legislative Supplement No. 55, under Legal Notice No. 130; and is operational.

KENYA-AIST Invites interested, reputable and firms with experience for the submission of sealed tenders as follows:

Tender Number	Tender Description	Tender Closing Date	Eligibility
KENYA-AIST/T/004/2024-2026	Provision of Comprehensive Medical Cover for Staff and Council Members	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11:00 am	Open

Interested and eligible firms may obtain further information and inspect the tender document at the Procurement Office at **Kenya Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KENYA-AIST) domiciled at the Dedan Kimathi University of Technology, Nairobi Campus in Pension Towers, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor along Loita Street in Nairobi City** during normal working hours or view and download the respective detailed tender advert and tender document from our website: [www.kenya-aist.ac.ke](https://tenders.go.ke) OR <https://tenders.go.ke>.

**PRINCIPAL KENYA-AIST**

# Bandari Maritime Academy in collaborations to unlock maritime opportunities

BY SHAMIM MUSA, KNA

The Bandari Maritime Academy (BMA) flagged off 12 cadets selected for a one-year sea-time training with global shipping giant CMA CGM.

The initiative marks a significant milestone in the Academy's push to bridge the long-standing gap between graduation and sea-time experience, which is a key requirement for full seafaring certification.

The Academy is committed to ensuring all graduates get the mandatory sea time training through partnerships with major international and local shipping lines.

Speaking during the ceremony at the Academy, BMA Chief Executive Officer Dr Eric Katana affirmed that the academy has taken bold steps to demystify sea-time opportunities, a challenge that has historically been a major bottleneck for

many aspiring seafarers.

"Through strategic engagements with industry partners like CMA CGM, we are not only opening up pathways but also restoring hope and direction to our graduates," stated the CEO.

To ensure that the sea time opportunities are accessible to all qualified candidates, the Academy has established and maintains an up-to-date alumni database.

"This tool enables us to monitor our graduates, assess their readiness, and recommend the most qualified candidates to our industry partners. From this pool, the current group of cadets was selected, ensuring fairness, merit, and alignment with the profession's demands," the CEO explained.

The selection process involved multiple stages of assessment, guided by objective criteria and supervised by BMA professionals.

"I am proud to say that this process was transparent and inclusive, and the final selection represents the very best of what BMA has to offer," the CEO said.

He thanked CMA-CGM for their unwavering support and collaborative spirit since the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding in 2021.

He noted that the partnership has not only opened doors for the cadets but also affirms CMA-CGM's commitment to developing maritime professionals in the country and the region.

"Today is more than a ceremonial flag-off. It is a testament to transparency, diligence, and meritocracy. The selection process for these 12 cadets was nothing short of vigorous," Dr. Katana stated.

He urged the cadets to embrace the opportunity with humility, discipline, and a relentless commitment to excellence.

"Remember, you are our



Bandari Maritime Academy (BMA) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Dr. Eric Katana (R) and CMA CGM Managing Director (MD) Naveen Prabhu (Second R), during the hand over of an appointment letter to Kumbo Hamadi (Second L) during the sendoff ceremony of cadets for shipboard training with global shipping line CMA CGM at BMA Headquarters.

goodwill ambassadors in this journey, and all eyes are on you as you become a brand to enable the company to seek more opportunities for other graduates from BMA," he said.

CMA CGM East Africa Managing Director, Naveen Prabhu, said the company will continue with the valuable partnership with the government of Kenya through BMA to support the growth of the maritime industry.

The partnership, he said, embodies the company's values, which advocate hard work, resilience and achievements of the highest standards.

"Today not only marks the culmination of rigorous training, sleepless nights, and relentless perseverance but also the beginning of a new chapter- a chapter that will see you navigate the vast oceans and perhaps even the uncharted waters of life itself," he said.

He went on: "As you don your uniforms and step onto the deck of your futures, know that you are now part of a legacy. A legacy of excellence, resilience and service. Carry the name of BMA with honour and let the world recognize the calibre of leaders nurtured."

He further lauded the Public-Private Partnership as key in bridging the skill gaps and ensuring that the country has qualified human resources.



## PUBLIC NOTICE

### REQUEST FOR STAKEHOLDER AND PUBLIC FEEDBACK ON THE DRAFT CAPITAL MARKETS (CORPORATE GOVERNANCE) (MARKET INTERMEDIARIES) REGULATIONS, 2025

The Capital Markets Authority is charged with the mandate of regulating and developing Kenya's capital markets. In line with the Capital Markets Strategic Plan, the Authority seeks to ensure that the Capital Markets legal and regulatory framework is up to date and responsive to changing market dynamics and emerging stakeholder needs.

In this regard, the Authority has reviewed the Capital Markets (Corporate Governance) (Market Intermediaries) Regulations, 2011 in a bid to make them responsive to market needs and address new and emerging issues and has developed the draft Capital Markets (Corporate Governance) (Market Intermediaries) Regulations 2025.

In accordance with **Section 12A (3)** of the of the Capital Markets Act the Authority now invites stakeholders and the general public to submit comments on the draft Regulations, available on [www.cma.or.ke](http://www.cma.or.ke). Kindly submit your comments by **May 22, 2025** to:

The Chief Executive Officer  
Capital Markets Authority  
P.O. Box 74800-00200 Nairobi  
3rd Floor, Embankment Plaza  
Longonot Road, Upperhill  
Email: [comments@cma.or.ke](mailto:comments@cma.or.ke)  
Website: [www.cma.or.ke](http://www.cma.or.ke)



**KENYA  
VETERINARY  
BOARD**

## NOTICE TO EMPLOYERS /ANIMAL KEEPERS OF VETERINARY SURGEONS AND VETERINARY PARAPROFESSIONALS

Kenya Veterinary Board (KVB) is a statutory body established under Section 3 of the Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Paraprofessionals Act, 2011.

Pursuant to Section 6 (i) of the Act the mandate of the Board is **"to exercise general supervision and control over the training, business, practice and employment of Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Paraprofessionals in Kenya and to advise the Government in relation to all aspects thereof."**

We wish to draw your attention to the following Sections of the VSVP Act:

Section 13 (i) of the VSVP Act, 2011: - **No person shall practice, or hold himself out, whether directly or indirectly, as practicing or being able to practice as a veterinary surgeon or veterinary paraprofessional or to take up employment as such unless he is registered and licensed**

Consequently, **"any person whose name does not appear in the relevant register after 31<sup>st</sup> March every year is deemed not to be registered under the act."** In this regard, the 2025 registers for Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Paraprofessionals can be accessed on the KVB website; on <https://kenyavetboard.or.ke/en/registers>

Kindly also note the dictates of Section 38 (a) of the VSVP Act, which reads **"any person who employs a veterinary surgeon or veterinary paraprofessional who is not registered under the Act; commits an offence and shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding one hundred thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months or both."**

**For any clarifications contact:  
The registrar  
Kenya Veterinary Board  
P. O. Box 513-00605, NAIROBI.  
Email: [info@kenyavetboard.or.ke](mailto:info@kenyavetboard.or.ke)**





# Government pushes for LPG common user facility to reduce gas price

BY FATMA SAID, KNA

The Ministry of Energy is pushing for Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) common user facility to reduce the cost of gas.

Principal Secretary for Petroleum, Mohammed Liban, emphasized the importance of establishing common user facilities as a way of increasing accessibility for Kenyans and the wider East African region.

Speaking during an official inspection tour of the Lake Gas LPG storage and handling facility in Vipingo, PS Mohamed Liban CBS assured that the government will work closely with key stakeholders, African Gas and Oil Company (AGOL) and the Kenya Pipeline Refineries Limited (KPRL), to streamline LPG infrastructure through shared facilities that will benefit both the public and private sector players.

“Once we have common user facilities in place, we will be able to significantly reduce the price of gas, making it more accessible and affordable for Kenyans. This is part of our larger vision for a regional procurement and distribution strategy that will ultimately reach every household,” Liban said.

The push for common user facilities, regional LPG depots, and increased private investment is part of the government’s broader LPG Growth Strategy. This initiative, championed by His Excellency President William Ruto, seeks to ensure that every Kenyan household, school, and institution can access affordable and safe cooking gas.



Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) storage tanks at Lake Gas LPG firm in Vipingo, Kilifi.

“Affordability and accessibility are at the heart of our strategy. By building infrastructure and encouraging competition, we will lower prices and increase supply. This is how we secure clean energy for all Kenyans while protecting our forests and environment,” the PS said

The PS, who was accompanied by a multi-agency team comprising representatives from the Kenya Pipeline Company (KPC), Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA), National Environment Management Authority (NEMA), Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS), and officials from the Ministry, toured the Lake Gas onshore and offshore facilities to assess their readiness ahead of the facility’s commissioning.

The inspection revealed significant progress at the facility, which currently boasts a 10,000 metric tons’ capacity made up of four storage spheres—each with a 2,500-tonne capacity. The site is also equipped with four gantries capable of handling 1,000 metric tons of LPG per day within a 10-hour operating window.

“The construction quality is impressive, with top-tier security systems, automated monitoring for both onshore and offshore operations, and comprehensive fire suppression infrastructure that can be powered by either electricity or generators,” the PS noted.

Liban confirmed that the facility had complied with all key regulatory requirements and recommendations from the rel-

evant authorities, aside from minor pending adjustments. These, he assured, would be finalized before full commissioning, with rigorous safety tests to be conducted due to the flammable nature of LPG.

He emphasized safety to remain a priority as they are dealing with a hazardous product and must ensure that all operational procedures meet the highest safety standards—for the sake of the workers, the community, and the institutions that will rely on this gas,” he emphasized.

The PS also highlighted the pivotal role of the private sector in supporting the government’s LPG agenda. The Lake Gas facility is privately developed and serves as a model of public-private collaboration that the government is keen to replicate across the country.

# Turkana to receive Sh250m grant for industrial parks

BY PETER GITONGA, KNA

Turkana County will receive a Sh250-million matching grant from the national government for the development of County Aggregation and Industrial Parks (CAIPs) following high-level talks between the two levels of government.

County officials led by Trade, Cooperatives, Youth and Gender CECM Roseline Aite visited the State Department for Investment, Trade and Industrialization where discussions centered on signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to support the CAIPs initiative.

“This MoU will pave the way for industrial growth and sustainability in underserved areas, while opening up market access through CAIPs,” Aite said.

The CECM called for swift action to operationalize the parks, noting their potential to stimulate local economies.



“Our commitment to this project will enable communities to reap the benefits of industrial growth,” she added.

Industrialization Secretary Prof. Erastus Gateba underscored the need to balance trade and reduce reliance on imports.

“The government is driving an industrial revolution to expand our investment base and correct trade imbalances,” he said.

Pauline Tangarae, the Chief Officer for Trade and Cooperative Development, emphasized the potential of cotton as a key value chain in Turkana, especially in stabilizing the textile and apparel sector.

“Our county has great potential for cotton farming. We must prioritize it within the CAIPs framework,” she noted.



**WOMEN ENTERPRISE FUND**

**TENDER NOTICE**

The Women Enterprise Fund (WEF) is a Semi-Autonomous Government Agency under the Ministry of Gender, Culture, The Arts and Heritage. WEF was established via Government Financial Management Act in 2007, through Legal Notice no.147.

To deliver its mandate effectively and efficiently, the Fund invites eligible and competent service providers for the following tenders:


NO.	TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE AND TIME
1.	WEF/ONT/04/2024-2025	PROVISION OF STAFF MEDICAL INSURANCE COVER-FIELD STAFF	UNDERWRITERS ONLY	30TH APRIL 2025 AT 11:30AM
2.	WEF/ONT/05/2024-2025	PROVISION OF WIBA-GPA & GROUP LIFE INSURANCE COVER	UNDERWRITERS ONLY	30TH APRIL 2025 AT 11:30AM


Interested bidders should download the tender documents from the website [www.wef.go.ke](http://www.wef.go.ke) and [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) and forward their particulars to [info@wef.co.ke](mailto:info@wef.co.ke) for record and any clarifications.

Detailed information on the tender documents is available in the Funds’ website at [www.wef.go.ke](http://www.wef.go.ke) and public procurement information portal [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke). All tender documents to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes marked with tender number and tender name, and addressed to:

**The Chief Executive Officer  
Women Enterprise Fund  
P. O. Box 17126-00100 NAIROBI.**

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Website: [www.karu.ac.ke](http://www.karu.ac.ke)

**OPEN TENDER NOTICE**

Karatina University invites sealed bids from eligible bidders/contractors for the under listed tender:

ITEM	TENDER NO	TENDER NAME	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING / OPENING DATE	CLOSING / OPENING TIME
1.	KarU/OT/0019/2024-2025	Proposed supply, installation , testing andcommissioning of 80KW hybrid solar installation works for Karatina University.	Open	6 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025	11:00 noon

Interested and eligible contractors may view and download tender documents free of charge from the University’s website [www.karu.ac.ke](http://www.karu.ac.ke) or the PPIP tender portal [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) Enquiries may be sent via email to [procurement@karu.ac.ke](mailto:procurement@karu.ac.ke)


Completed tender documents should be deposited in the Tender Box placed at the administration Block at Karatina University (Main Campus) on or before the closing date and time as indicated above. Late submission will not be accepted.

The tender MUST be submitted in two (2) copies, one marked ‘ORIGINAL’ and the other one marked ‘COPY’ of the ORIGINAL.

Sealed tenders must be marked with the tender name and reference number and addressed to:

**The Vice Chancellor, Karatina University  
P.O. Box 1957 – 10101, KARATINA**

Tenders will be opened as scheduled above, The opening will take place in the Conference Hall at the Main Campus, Kagochi, Karatina in the presence of bidders or their representatives who wish to attend.  
Further information is available at [www.karu.ac.ke](http://www.karu.ac.ke)

**Karatina University: ISO 9001:2015 Certified**

# JKUAT partners with KeNIA to commercialize intellectual property

BY HELLEN LUNALO, KNA

Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT) is collaborating with the Kenya National Innovation Agency (KeNIA) to commercialize intellectual property (IP). At a meeting held at JKUAT, Dr. Tonny Omwansa, the Chief Executive Officer of KeNIA, stated that JKUAT is a significant contributor to Kenya's innovation landscape and expressed KeNIA's intention to support and expand the university's activities as a leading institution in IP commercialization," Dr Omwansa said. He explained that Ke-

NIA has the mandate to develop and manage national innovation systems, and JKUAT on the other hand has been tasked to produce applicable knowledge and innovations that necessitate a coordinated strategy between the two institutions. "We recognize the interdependence between KeNIA's success and that of Kenyan universities and research organizations and are therefore actively working to establish universities as centers of innovation excellence," the CEO added. He emphasized KeNIA's dedication to partnering with universities to cultivate a culture, incentives, processes, and

partnerships that will significantly enhance Kenya's innovation and contribute to national prosperity and prestige. Welcoming the KeNIA delegation, JKUAT Vice Chancellor Prof. Victoria Wambui Ngumi stated that the institution had made considerable efforts to embed a culture of innovation and creativity within its faculties. She further noted that JKUAT currently holds 17 of the 51 patents acquired by public universities and research institutions in Kenya, which translates to a 31 per cent ownership stake. "JKUAT has made a deliberate shift to become a research and entrepreneurship-focused university, currently

conducting research and innovation in 17 key areas," Prof Ngumi added. The university, she stated, currently enjoys a cohort of highly trained experts across the board in various facets of the IP value chain, representing a significant resource that KeNIA can utilize in its endeavors to support local universities and other institutions. The two teams held discussions relating to IP protection, commercialization strategies, and the various methods of technology transfer. creation of a national bibliographic standards manual, which provides guidance for cataloguing practices and ensure consistency across institutions.



## KENYA BIOVAX INSITUTE LIMITED NATIONAL TENDER

The Kenya BioVax Institute Limited a state corporation mandated with manufacture, commercialize safe, effective, quality vaccines and other health products and technologies and improve access to affordable healthcare invites eligible firms to provide services as follows.

TENDER NUMBER	TENDER NAME	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING/ OPENING DATE
KBI/NT/005/ 2024-2025	TENDER FOR DESIGN, SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, UPGRADE, CUSTOMIZATION, CONFIGURATION, COMMISSIONING, TRAINING, SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING(ERP) SYSTEM PHASE II	Reserved for AGPO	9 <sup>TH</sup> May 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](http://www.biovax.go.ke)) and the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP, [www.tenders.go.ke](http://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.**



## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR CROP DEVELOPMENT

### THE SUGAR ACT NO. 11 OF 2024

### THE SUGAR DEVELOPMENT LEVY ORDER, 2025

## REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT AND THE SUGAR DEVELOPMENT LEVY ORDER, 2025

The Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development is in the process of gazetting the draft Sugar Development Levy Order, 2025 as provided under section 40 (1) of the Sugar Act, No. 11 of 2024.

In compliance with the provisions of the Sugar Act, the Statutory Instruments Act (No. 23 of 2013), the Ministry announces to the public the availability of the draft Sugar Development Levy Order, 2025 and draft Regulatory Impact Statement.

The main objective of the Draft Order is to boost and streamline the collection of levy on domestic and imported sugar that will be used for the development, promotion and regulation of sugar industry for the benefit of the sugarcane growers and other stakeholders in the sugar sub-sector. The Regulatory Impact Statement contains detailed information on the draft Sugar Development Levy Order, 2025.

The Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013 require the public to participate in the decision-making process through the submission of comments to the Ministry. It is in this spirit that the Ministry requests the public to participate by submitting their comments through the provided address.

All interested persons should submit written comments on the draft Sugar Development Levy Order, 2025 and the draft Regulatory Impact Statement using the prescribed public comments form, to reach the undersigned **not later than fourteen (14) days** from the date of publication of this notice.

The following documents to facilitate discussions and enable stakeholder feedback are available and can be accessed through the Ministry website: [www.kilimo.go.ke](http://www.kilimo.go.ke) and the Kenya Sugar Board's website: [www.ksb.go.ke](http://www.ksb.go.ke)

- (1) The Sugar Development Levy Order, 2025;
- (2) Regulatory Impact Statement; and
- (3) Public comments/feedback Form.

**There shall be a public forum on 6th May 2025 at 9:00 am to discuss the draft Sugar Development Levy Order, 2025 and stakeholders' comments received to be held at Sukari Plaza Nairobi.**

Duly filled comments/feedback forms may also be submitted back via the following address:

**The Principal Secretary,  
State Department for Crop Development  
Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development,  
Kilimo House, Cathedral Road,  
P.o Box 30028, Nairobi.**

Or by e-mail: [directorpolicy@kilimo.go.ke](mailto:directorpolicy@kilimo.go.ke)/[psagriculture.research@kilimo.go.ke](mailto:psagriculture.research@kilimo.go.ke)/[info@ksb.go.ke](mailto:info@ksb.go.ke).

**SEN. MUTAHI KAGWE EGH,  
CABINET SECRETARY  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT**



## MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR IRRIGATION

### TENDER NOTICE

State Department for Irrigation which is mandated among other activities, Water Harvesting and Storage for Irrigation, Management of Irrigation Schemes and Infrastructure as outlined in the Executive Order 01/2023 invites interested and qualified tenderers to bid for the irrigation projects in the following categories: -

S/ No	Tender No.	Tender Name/Description	Tender Security (kshs.)	Eligibility
1.	MWSI/SDI/ONT/ 016/ 2024-2025	Construction of Lari Escarpment Belt Irrigation Project; Lari Sub County, Kiambu County.	2% of the Tender Sum	Open National Tender
2.	MWSI/SDI/ONT/ 017/ 2024-2025	Construction of Adich Gorge Dam Irrigation Project; Baringo North Sub County, Baringo County.	2% of the Tender Sum	Open National Tender
3.	MWSI/SDI/ONT/ 018/ 2024-2025	Construction of Ketut Mokoro Irrigation Project; Marakwet East Sub County, Elgeyo Marakwet County.	2% of the Tender Sum	Open National Tender
4.	MWSI/SDI/ONT/ 019/ 2024-2025	Construction of Nyamaji Irrigation Project; Suba North Sub County, Homabay County.	2% of the Tender Sum	Open National Tender
5.	MWSI/SDI/ONT/020/ 2024-2025	Construction of Amboseli Irrigation Project; Kajiado County.	2% of the Tender Sum	Open National Tender
6.	MWSI/SDI/ONT/ 021/ 2024-2025	Construction of Ugoti Marega Irrigation Project; Meru County.	2% of the Tender Sum	Open National Tender

Tender documents may be viewed and obtained electronically free of charge from:

- Public Procurement information portal: <http://www.tenders.go.ke>
- The Ministry's Website: [www.water.go.ke](http://www.water.go.ke)

Tenderers are advised that they will not be allowed to tender for more than one project, if a firm tender for more than one tender the firm will automatically be disqualified.

The completed tenders in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with **Tender No.** and **Tender Name/Description** shall be addressed to:

**The Principal Secretary  
State Department for Irrigation  
P.O. BOX 49720 – 00100 Maji House  
NAIROBI**

Complete Tender documents should be deposited in the tender box on the Ground Floor, Maji House; Off Ngong Road or deposited at the office of the Head/SCMS 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Room No. 316. The closing / opening date will be on **2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. East African Time (EAT).**

Please note that the tenders will be opened immediately thereafter at the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom, Maji House; Off Ngong Road in the presence of bidders or their designated representatives who choose to attend.

**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY  
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR IRRIGATION**





# KNLS launches National Union catalogue dubbed WebCat initiative at Maktaba Kuu

BY CHRISTINE CHERYL (MYGOV)

The Kenya National Library Service (KNLS) has launched the National Union Catalogue, popularly known as WebCat, at its Maktaba Kuu headquarters in Nairobi. This marks a transformative moment in the country's library and information services sector, said KNLS Chief Executive Officer Dr. Charles Nzivo. The initiative aims to digitally connect Kenya's diverse library systems through a single, integrated online platform that allows users to access collections from across the country regardless of location. Giving his keynote address,


Dr. Nzivo described WebCat as more than just a tool, calling it a national knowledge infrastructure that promises to connect learners, researchers, and readers with the information they need, wherever they are. Nzivo further noted that the project lays the foundation for a smarter, more informed Kenya, rooted in equitable access to information. At present, most libraries in Kenya operate independently, uploading catalogues to the web using a variety of systems and metadata standards. This fragmented approach often leaves researchers navigating multiple platforms in search of information and

increases duplication of effort across institutions. WebCat, however, the CEO said, addresses these issues by providing a centralized, inter-operable virtual union catalogue, essentially a one-stop access point that brings together the catalogues of participating libraries into a single, seamless system. The platform, the CEO further noted, is designed to support multiple goals. It will enable Kenyan libraries to adopt a uniform approach to cataloguing and metadata sharing, improve access to materials across institutions, and promote collaboration through cooperative cataloguing. "It also fulfils part of the national government's


broader role in promoting literacy, preserving national bibliographic records, and setting norms and standards for the library sector in partnership with county governments," Nzivo said. He emphasized that the project is expected to deliver several key outcomes. One of the main outputs is the development of a national union catalogue portal that links libraries across all sectors, offering users a unified platform to search for and access resources. Another important output, he said, is the creation of a national bibliographic standards manual, which provides guidance for cataloguing practices and ensure consistency across institutions. The anticipated outcomes of WebCat include improved access to information, with users able to retrieve materials from multiple libraries in one place. It will also lead to greater

efficiency in cataloguing and resource management, reducing duplication and saving valuable time and resources. Most importantly, it will foster deeper collaboration among libraries, encouraging resource sharing and the collective development of bibliographic content. Drawing inspiration from global models such as WorldCat in the United States, UniCat in Belgium, ESTER in Estonia, IndCat in India, and SaCat in South Africa, WebCat has been designed with Kenya's unique context in mind. While benchmarking against international best practices, the platform aims to be a home-grown solution that reflects local realities and positions Kenya as a leader in digital knowledge access on the continent. As part of the roll-out plan, selected libraries nationwide will participate in a pilot phase to test the system in real-world environments.

These pilot tests will provide an opportunity to gather feedback, identify areas for improvement, and fine-tune the platform ahead of national implementation. Dr. Nzivo urged all participating institutions to contribute fully to the process and offer constructive insights that will help shape a robust and responsive platform. He concluded by reaffirming the vision behind WebCat, stating that the initiative is not just about building a digital tool, but about creating a national gateway to knowledge. With WebCat, the CEO said, a student in Lamu will have the same access to library resources as a researcher in Nairobi, eliminating barriers to information and empowering every Kenyan to learn, grow, and thrive. "This is how we bridge knowledge gaps, promote equity, and support national development," the CEO said.



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# AGRA and CGIAR sign MoU to boost Agriculture Innovation in Africa

BY CHRISTINE CHERYL (MYGOV)

Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA) and Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to accelerate agricultural innovation and delivery across Africa.

The partnership will focus on developing and scaling science-based solutions for smallholder farmers.

The signing event held alongside the just-concluded CGIAR Science Week at the United Nations-Gigiri in Nairobi, demonstrates a shared vision by the two parties to enhance food systems transformation through joint efforts in research, technology dissemination, and enabling policy environments.

AGRA President, Alice Ruhweza, said her organization's collaboration with CGIAR reinforces the ongoing commitment to accelerate agrifood systems transformation in Africa. "This is the first step towards integrating science and delivery," she said.

"Building on years of

collaboration, we now have the potential to work even closer together – scaling ideas, strengthening country systems, and providing smallholder farmers with the tools they need to flourish," she added.

Executive Managing Director of CGIAR Isma-hane Elouafi, welcomed the new agreement, saying, "This MoU is a strong statement of our resolve to go further together in co-developing solutions and cultivating inclusive, sustainable food system reform across the continent."

Under the terms of the agreement, the two partners will undertake collaborative actions to bridge research and delivery gaps, and support enabling policy environments and promote inclusive, climate-resilient agricultural systems that are aligned with Africa's CAADP agenda.

Priority will be given to countries such as Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Nigeria, Mali, Ethiopia, Malawi, and Mozambique.

During CGIAR Science Week, AGRA showcased its Village-Based Advisor (VBA) model which has reached 28 million small-

holder farmers across 12 countries in Africa. AGRA also brought five dynamic agripreneurs who shared their innovative solutions that are transforming African agri-food systems.

The event, co-hosted by KALRO, delved into the role of science in creating sustainable, resilient and equitable food systems in the continent of Africa. The participants shared technologies and insights and discussed the development of ground-breaking innovations that have the potential to revolutionize agri-food, land, and water systems.

"Through frank debate and presentation of pioneering innovation, the Science Week highlighted both the successes we can build on, and the gaps that we are now better positioned to address," said Eliud Kireger, the KALRO Director General.

"The conversation doesn't end here. This is just the beginning," he added.

By building on the momentum of the Science Week, CGIAR hopes to drive tangible benefits for communities by strengthening ties with partners and funders, ratifying new agreements, and developing and scaling the innovations presented.

## Kirandich Dam Phase 2 project commences

BY BENSON KELIO AND JOSHUA KIBET (KNA)

The construction of the stalled Kirandich Dam Phase Two Water Project in Baringo County has commenced.

The Sh3-billion project, which stalled seven years ago, encompasses the development of sewage and water treatment for Kabarnet town, enlargement of dam spillway, protection of reservoir from siltation through construction of check dams and water supply for Kabarnet and neighbouring Kabartonjo town.

The Kirandich project is being implemented with funding from the Italian Government in cooperation with the Government of Kenya and undertaken by Cospin company.

Speaking during a field verification visit of the

project, Secretary in the Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary (PCS) Alfred Diru said upon completion, the project will enable approximately 60,000 people in Baringo Central and Baringo North Sub-Counties to access portable water supply and enable another 20,000 people access sanitation services within Kabarnet town Central Business District.

Diru, in the company of Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency manager Kutol Cherutich and Baringo Central Deputy County Commissioner Henry Tiya, stated that among the activities being undertaken during this phase that commenced in 2023 includes construction of Kasoiyo-Kituro, Kasoiyo-Kaptorokwo and Kabarnet-Kabartonjo

Pipeline.

He stated that the project's overall progress is approximately 26.79 per cent complete, saying there is need for more efforts to ensure that the project, which has stalled since 2017, is completed without further delays.

"The contractor was able to excavate a total of 22,102 meters' pipeline in Kasoiyo, Kituro and Kaptorokwo as well as the construction of six water tanks in several pumping stations within the coverage area," the official said.

He added that apart from the establishment of ten gabion dykes to reduce siltation, the dam will witness some expansion works with one side being excavated to increase the volume of the water to sustain the ever-increasing population.

### INVITATION TO TENDER



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NO	TENDER NO.	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1	KGN-TANA-005-2025	Tender for Supply of Diving Equipment & Accessories for Tana Hydro Power Station	Youth	6th May, 2025 at 10.00 a.m.
2	KGN-ADM-016-2025	Tender for Supply of Furniture for Central Office and Western Regions	Women	6th May, 2025 at 10.00 a.m.
3	KGN-OLK-018-2025	Tender for Design, Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Electrical Power Supply for Central Mechanical Workshop.	Citizen Contractors	6th May, 2025 at 2.00 p.m.
4	KGN-GDD-036-2025	Tender for Supply of Digital Valve Controllers, Comparators and Control Valve Accessories for Emerson Control Valves.	Citizen Contractors	6th May, 2025 at 2.00 p.m.
5	KGN-GDD-037-2025	Tender for Supply of Coil tubing with a dosing unit for logging of Olkaria I Unit 6 wells (Re-tender).	Citizen contractors	7th May, 2025 at 10.00 a.m.
6	KGN-ICT-018-2025	Tender for Drilling Detergent System, Support and Maintenance Services	Open National	7th May, 2025 at 2.00 p.m.
7	KGN-ICT-016-2025	Request for Proposals for Consultancy Services for ICT Assessment & Strategy Review.	Open International	13th May, 2025 at 10.00 a.m.
8	KGN-ICT-017-2025	Tender for SAP Enhancement.	Open International	13th May, 2025 at 2.00 p.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](mailto: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.

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**General Manager - Supply Chain,  
Kenya Electricity Generating Company PLC,  
9th Floor, KenGen Pension Plaza II,  
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**GENERAL MANAGER, SUPPLY CHAIN**





# State to resolve land disputes to tame insecurity in Taita Taveta



The Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Kipchumba Murkomen, speaking after the end of a Jukwaa la Usalama forum at Mwatate, Taita Taveta.

BY ARNOLD LINGA MASILA, KNA

There is an urgent need for inter-ministerial coordination to address squatter conflicts, illegal evictions, and fraudulent land ownership schemes in Taita Taveta. The Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration Kipchumba Murkomen highlighted the chronic land problems that have continued to fuel tension, displacement, violence and insecurity in the county. He was speaking during a high-level security forum

held in Taita Taveta as part of the Jukwaa la Usalama regional tour. The CS cited rampant squatter problems, forceful land takeovers, and criminal syndicates enforcing illegal eviction orders as key flashpoints. He said syndicates operate with backing from powerful and hidden sponsors who exploit legal loopholes and manipulate local systems to acquire land fraudulently, often at the expense of the local population. As such, Murkomen said the government is planning a multi-agency approach involving the Ministry of Lands and security agencies to systematically address historical land injustices and prevent future conflicts. The CS emphasized that those found culpable of orchestrating land invasions or issuing illegal eviction notices would face prosecution. “We must act against criminal networks who hide behind court orders or fake documents to evict citizens. The Ministry of Lands will play its role, but as the Interior docket, our responsibility is to ensure these conflicts do not escalate into

violence,” he said. The dire situation in Taita Taveta had been highlighted by the Senate Committee on Lands, Environment, and Natural Resources, which visited the county a day before the CS’s forum. Led by committee chairperson Mohamed Faki, the Senators were on a fact-finding mission following a petition by residents of the Mwananchi Settlement Scheme in Mwatate. The residents, who were allocated land by the government and issued with title deeds, are leaving with fear of eviction after a court ruling last year that favored a private investor claiming ownership of the same land. Faki expressed concern over the rising tension and fear among the affected families, warning that the ongoing legal battles and threats of eviction could easily trigger violence. However, the Ministry of Lands was blamed for its habitual issuance of title deeds without due diligence, a practice that has led to widespread confusion, double allocations, and land-related insecurity. Taita Taveta Senator Jones Mwaruma, who led the Senate committee in different parts of the county affected by land disputes, echoed the concerns, urging the national government to ensure that once land is allocated and titles are issued, beneficiaries should be protected from future claims and harassment.



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1.	Various Framework Contracts/Agreements Tenders	National Open	08th May 2025
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and be deposited in the tender box at our Headquarters in Awendo by **08th May 2025 at 10.00 a.m.** Tenders will then be opened thereafter at the Company’s Training Centre in the presence of tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend. **(This is optional )**

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**AMENDMENT OF RFB DOCUMENT THROUGH ADDENDUM NO. 2**

<b>Name of Assignment:</b>	<b>Supply &amp; Delivery of Desktop Computers: LOT 1: 10,000No. Type 1 Desktop Computer and LOT 2: 600No. Type 2 Desktop Computer &amp; 30No. Type 3 Desktop Computer</b>
<b>RFB Reference No.:</b>	<b>KE-ICTA-466781-GO-RFB</b>
<b>Loan No./Credit No./Grant No.:</b>	<b>IDA 7289-KE and 7290-KE</b>
<b>Country:</b>	<b>Kenya</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>15TH APRIL 2025</b>

In accordance with the Instructions to Bidders ITB 8 [Amendment of Bidding Document], the Purchaser is amending the following sections of the issued RFB Document

S / No	SECTION	ORIGINAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS	AMENDED MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
1.	ITB 22.1	For <b>Bid submission purposes</b> only, the Purchaser’s address is: Attention: <b>Chief Executive Officer</b> Street Address: <b>Telposta Towers, Kenyatta Avenue</b> Floor/ Room number: <b>12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boardroom</b> City: <b>Nairobi</b> ZIP/Postal Code: <b>Not Applicable</b> Country: <b>Kenya</b> The deadline for Bid submission is: Date: <b>17th April 2025</b> Time: <b>1000 Hours EAT</b> Bidders <b>shall not</b> have the option of submitting their Bids electronically. The electronic Bidding submission procedures shall be: <b>Not Applicable</b>	For <b>Bid submission purposes</b> only, the Purchaser’s address is: Attention: <b>Chief Executive Officer</b> Street Address: <b>Telposta Towers, Kenyatta Avenue</b> Floor/ Room number: <b>12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boardroom</b> City: <b>Nairobi</b> ZIP/Postal Code: <b>Not Applicable</b> Country: <b>Kenya</b> The deadline for Bid submission is: Date: <b>6th May 2025</b> Time: <b>1000 Hours EAT</b> Bidders <b>shall not</b> have the option of submitting their Bids electronically. The electronic Bidding submission procedures shall be: <b>Not Applicable</b>
2.	ITT 181	The Bid shall be valid until: 26th August 2025	The Bid shall be valid until: <b>15<sup>th</sup> September 2025</b>


ii. Section III: Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

iii. Section VII – Schedule of Requirements (3. Technical Specification)

**The detailed Addendum No 2 can be found at the following website: [www.icta.go.ke](http://www.icta.go.ke) and [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) or can be obtained at the address given below.**

**This addendum No. 2 forms part of the issued RFB document. All other terms and conditions of the issued RFB document remain unchanged.**

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Officers from the RPL Directorate overseeing a masonry test for one of the candidates seeking certification at Kisumu National Polytechnic.

# Over 5,000 Kenyans certified through recognition of prior learning programme

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA, KNA

More than 5,000 Kenyans have received certification from recognized institutions through the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) programme.

This achievement comes a year after the RPL Policy was enacted in March 2024, paving the way for millions of Kenyans with experience and competencies acquired outside traditional classrooms to gain national recognition. The initiative, spearheaded by the Directorate of RPL within the State Department for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), is designed to validate and accredit the skills of individuals working in the informal sector, who have long been overlooked by the formal education systems.

RPL Director Stanley Maindi said through the policy, the government is working with National Polytechnics to carry out assessments and issue certificates at different levels to eligible Kenyans.

He said the institutions have been tasked with evaluating candidates based on their practical competencies and knowledge, aligning them with the National Qualifications Framework.

This, he said, is in line with the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), which aims to ensure those at the bottom are empowered through the certification to get formal employment or bargain for better perks.

“The certificates we are issuing through RPL are the same as those issued to

those who go through the formal education system. The goal is to ensure that Kenyans with skills and competencies but did not get a chance to go to class are assessed and awarded certificates which they can even use to advance their studies,” he said.

Speaking at the Kisumu National Polytechnic where certification assessments are currently underway, Maindi underscored the importance of the programme in unlocking new economic and professional opportunities.

“Kenya continues to receive requests for workers with different skills to work abroad. Like recently, there was a request for meat cutters to go and work in slaughterhouses. Since we do not have such a course in our formal education system, we are now able to look at the skills required and assess individuals working in the sector so that we give them certificates to take up the job offers,” he said.

He added that through partnerships with development partners, the Directorate has trained its eyes on the 15 million Kenyans working in the informal sector to ensure they are assessed and certified.

The campaign, he said, targets food and beverage, masonry, carpentry, building and construction, CCTV technology, electrical installation, solar PV installation, electrical alarm system technology, engine technology, auto body repair and spray painting, fashion design and fisheries technology.

“The candidates are assessed not just on what they know, but on what

they can do. The assessment is both oral and written because some of the candidates cannot write. Where need be, we do oral tests in their mother tongue. This approach ensures that certification is truly reflective of their real-world abilities,” Maindi added.

He said to ramp up the programme, officers from the RPL Directorate would be making onsite visits targeting government programmes and institutions where a good number of Kenyans in the informal sector have been engaged.

“We are targeting the Affordable Housing Programme, County Integrated Markets and Blue Economy projects. Our plan is to engage the contractors so that we assess those working with them and issue them with certificates,” he said.

Maindi said the minimum cost for exercise is Sh5,500 for those visiting the various institutions awarding the certificates. This, however, was likely to vary depending on the nature of tests undertaken, he said.

“When they come to an institution like Kisumu National Polytechnic for example, there are costs involved. For example, if it is electrical installation, the institution must buy the materials required for the tests. So, the cost can go beyond Sh5,500,” he explained.

Maindi urged Kenyans in the informal sector to take advantage of the initiative and take up the tests to secure certificates.

He said beneficiaries of the programme have already begun to experience the ripple effects of formal certification.



## INVITATION TO TENDER

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

NO.	TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	TENDER COMMENCEMENT DATE	PRE-BID MEETING/ SITE VISIT DATE	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1.	KP1/9A.3/OT/25/24-25	Supply and Installation of Overhead Cranes for Transformer Workshops	Wednesday 23.04.2025	<b>Mandatory Site Visit</b> Wednesday, 30.04.2025 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. (Isiolo Road Workshop off Enterprise Road, Nairobi)  <b>Mandatory Site Visit</b> Tuesday, 06.05.2025 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. (Mbaraki Workshop, Mombasa)	Thursday 15.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.
2.	KP1/9A.2/OT/046/NM/24-25	Rehabilitation and Ballasting of Substations	Thursday 24.04.2025	<b>Pre-Bid Meeting</b> Wednesday, 30.04.2025 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (Ridgeways 66/11kV Substation)  <b>Mandatory Site Visit</b> (See Below)	Wednesday 21.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.
3.	KP1/9A.2/OT/048/NM/24-25	Construction of Transformer Inspection Repair Sheds	Thursday 24.04.2025	<b>Pre-Bid Meeting</b> Monday, 05.05.2025 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (Nairobi West Generation Substation)  <b>Mandatory Site Visit</b> (See Below)	Thursday 22.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.
4.	KP1/9A.2/OT/053/CE/24-25	Production of Season 3 Pika na Power	Friday 25.04.2025	Tuesday, 06.05.2025 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. (Electricity House, Demonstration Centre Nairobi)	Friday 16.05.2025 at 11.00 a.m.
5.	KP1/9A.4/OT/TPT/06/24-25	Supply of 62 Seat IESR College Bus	Thursday 24.04.2025	N/A	Friday 09.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.
6.	KP1/9A.4/OT/TPT/07/24-25	Supply of an Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (EVC) Management Solutions	Thursday 24.04.2025	<b>Pre-bid Meeting</b> Wednesday, 30.04.2025 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (Transport Department Boardroom, Ruaraka, Near KCA University Thika Road, Nairobi)	Monday 12.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.
7.	KP1/9A.4/OT/TPT/08/24-25	Supply of New Motor Vehicles and Trailers	Thursday 24.04.2025	N/A	Wednesday 14.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.
8.	KP1/9A.4/OT/TPT/09/24-25	Supply of Electric Motorcycles	Thursday 24.04.2025	N/A	Tuesday 13.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.

### Mandatory Site Visit - Tender No.2 - KP1/9A.2/OT/046/NM/24-25

REGION (All Categories)	Time	Site Visit Dates
Ridgeways 66/11kV Substation	9.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	30.04.2025
DCK 33/11kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	02.05.2025
Kabarnet 33/11kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	05.05.2025
Othaya 33/11kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	05.05.2025
Isiolo 33/11kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	06.05.2025
Cherangany 33/11kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	06.05.2025
Nandi Hills 33/11kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	07.05.2025
Iten 33/11kV Substations	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	08.05.2025
Rabai 132/33kV Sub Station	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	08.05.2025
SRM Kokotoni 132kV Metering Station	2.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.	08.05.2025
Mombasa Cement 132kV Metering Station	10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	09.05.2025

### Mandatory Site Visit - Tender No.3 - KP1/9A.2/OT/048/NM/24-25

REGION (All Categories)	Time	Site Visit Dates
Nairobi West 66/11kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.	05.05.2025
Ruiru 66/11kVSubstation	2.30 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.	05.05.2025
Kiganjo 132/33kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	06.05.2025
Chemosit 132/33kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	07.05.2025
Kitale 33/11kV Substation	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	08.05.2025

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

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# Department for Labour and Skills Development launches trade tests exams in 483 vocational training centres

BY STEPHEN MRIRA,KNA

A total of 21,582 students in the country’s 483 Technical Vocational Training Centres are expected to sit for the 2025 Trade Test Exams this April.

According to the National Industrial Training Authority (NITA), this is one of the government’s measures to help youth find employment through the skills they gain in Technical Vocational Training Centres.

Speaking during the launch of the exams at Dzitsoni Technical Vocational Training Centre in Kilifi, Principal Secretary for the Department of Labour and Skills Development Shadrack Mwadime, said the exams would help youths in finding jobs locally and abroad.

The PS said that the National Industrial Training Authority (NITA) would also issue certificates to people who have job experience in various fields but are yet to join TVETs after sitting for the Trade Test exams.

“As you know these exams are practical, theory is only 10% and from the practicals, students will be tested on the skills they have pursued but apart from that those who



**Shadrack Mwadime(R), PS State Department for Labour and Skills Development handing over a Trade Test Certificate to one of the students at Dzitsoni Vocational Technical Training Center**

possess experience and skills through the jobs they do will be issued with certificates after being administered with the Trade Test Exams,” he said.

The PS said the government has so far signed human rights bilateral agreements with foreign countries in a bid to curb violation of labour laws and that plans were underway to deploy Labour Attachees in foreign countries to know where Kenyan employees are located, how they are faring and be able to contact them in case of need.

“With the assistance of the Parliamentary Labour Committee, we will deploy

agencies that action would be taken against them adding that his department had already revoked 500 licenses on suspicion of defrauding citizens while investigations are underway.

Mwadime further indicated that the State Department had initiated a vetting process where it is mandatory for each Director of the Employment Agency concerned to appear in person for vetting to eliminate the possibility of the revoked company registering under another name.

“We have deregistered about 500 of them and we are deregistering even more. We are working very closely with the security agencies and I am happy with the kind of assistance we are getting from them now. What we are insisting now are the directors of the employment agencies to appear before the vetting committee and we are not saying the management but the directors in person,” he said.


On his part, the National Industrial Training Authority (NITA) Chair Aden Ali Noor, said the authority conducts the exams three times a year; April, August and December with 150,000 students training annually adding that this year’s series would be offering training in 43 types of skills ranging from plumbing, carpentry, electricians, motor vehicle mechanics and others.

He also noted that the certificates issued by the authority are from the United Kingdom and are internationally recognized.


We normally train about 150,000 students per year in different trade areas and in this series, we are training 43 different skills all over the 47 counties. Instead of our children engaging in drug abuse and sitting idle, we encourage them to join TVETs for skills development,” he said.

Kilifi South Member of Parliament and Chair Parliamentary Labour Committee in the National Assembly Ken Chonga urged the youth to dispel the misconception that Technical Vocational Training Centres were for failures in school because through TVETs, young people could develop themselves through their skills.

“Let’s encourage our youth and tell them that one can develop their skills in Technical Vocational Training Centers and prosper in life,” the MP said.



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**TENDER NOTICE**

Kenya Maritime Authority (KMA) is a state corporation whose mandate is to regulate, co-ordinate and oversee maritime affairs guided by the Kenya Maritime Authority Act No. 5 of 2006 and the Merchant Shipping Act, 2009. KMA invites sealed National Open tenders as below: -

No	Tender No.	Item/Service Description	Closing Dates/ Time	Targeted Group
1	KMA/ONT/05/2024-2025	Supply and Delivery of Printers	30 <sup>th</sup> April, 2025 at 10.00 am	Youth, Women and PWD

Eligible Tenderers may obtain further information and download the Tender Document **free of charge** from the Kenya Maritime Authority (KMA) website; [www.kma.go.ke](http://www.kma.go.ke) under “Tenders” portal and/or Public Procurement Information Portal (PIIP) <https://www.tenders.go.ke> respectively. Those who download the document must immediately forward their particulars (**i.e. Name & Contacts of Applicant**) to email; [procurement@kma.go.ke](mailto:procurement@kma.go.ke) and/or [info@kma.go.ke](mailto:info@kma.go.ke) for purposes of registration and any further tender clarifications and addenda.

Original, Completed Tender documents plus one copy should be enclosed in plain sealed envelope, clearly marked with tender reference name & number and should be deposited in the Tender Box located at 4<sup>th</sup> Floor of Kenya Maritime Authority’s Headquarter Offices; Bahari Towers, Mbaraki Road, Mombasa addressed to: -


**Director General  
Kenya Maritime Authority  
P. O. Box 95076-80104  
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so as to be received on or before **30<sup>th</sup> April, 2025 at 10.00 am.**


Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the Candidates or their representatives who choose to attend at the **4<sup>th</sup> Floor KMA Board Room- Bahari Towers, Mbaraki Road, Mombasa.**

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

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**AMENDMENT OF RFB DOCUMENT THROUGH ADDENDUM NO. 2**

<b>Name of Assignment:</b>	<b>Provision of Internet Capacity (LOT 1: Supply and Delivery of Primary Internet Capacity (Internet Protocol Transit) for One Government Network and LOT 2: Supply and Delivery of Secondary Internet Capacity (Internet Protocol Transit) for One Government Network)</b>
<b>RFB Reference No.:</b>	<b>KE-ICTA-443118-NC-RFB</b>
<b>Loan No./Credit No./Grant No.:</b>	<b>IDA 7289-KE and 7290-KE</b>
<b>Country:</b>	<b>Kenya</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>16TH APRIL 2025</b>

In accordance with the Instructions to Bidders ITB 9 [Amendment of Bidding Document], the Purchaser is amending the following sections of the issued RFB document:

i. **Section III – Evaluation & Qualification Criteria**

ii. **Section IV – Bidding Forms**

iii. **Section VII – Activity Schedule**

The detailed Addendum No 2 can be found at the following website: [www.icta.go.ke](http://www.icta.go.ke) and [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) or can be obtained at the address given below.

This addendum forms part of the issued RFB document. All other terms and conditions of the issued RFB document remain unchanged.

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# Heifer P4C program focuses on high impact value chain

BY WANGARI NDIRANGU, KNA

The Government is developing a climate-smart livestock master plan to ensure provision of accurate data and information on livestock resources.

The plan will also provide available environmentally friendly investment options to guide the development of a sustainable livestock sector to attract more and better targeted investments.

Agriculture Cabinet Secretary Mutahi Kagwe, in a speech read on his behalf by the Director of Livestock Policy Research at the Ministry of Agriculture Dr. Christopher Wanga said over 80 per cent of Kenya is arid or semi-arid (ASAL).

Here, the livestock sector is an integral part of the agricultural sector and plays a key role in supporting livelihoods, generating income, contributing to healthy diets and climate resilience in these and other rain-fed areas.

“Agricultural transformation is not a sprint; it is a decades-long journey that requires us to modernize on-farm production, integrate value addition, and create systems that are both productive and resilient, and this transformation is not optional but essential,” Kagwe said during the launch of Heifer International Kenya’s Practice for Change (P4C) Signature Program.

The CS lauded Heifer International’s Kenya Practice for Change



Dr. Christopher Wanga, Director Livestock Policy Research and Regulation, Ministry of Agriculture Livestock Development, delivering the speech during the launch of heifers Kenya signature program framework.

(P4C) Signature Program, which is estimated to inject Sh12.4 billion (USD 95.7 million) into the country’s economy, saying it is coming at a critical time for Kenya’s agricultural transformation journey.

Kagwe called on Heifer International to align its work in the country with Kenya’s vision for sustainable agriculture transformation and galvanize increased support for Heifer Kenya.

If implemented well, the Practice for Change (P4C) Program framework, Kagwe said, will support the transformation of Kenya’s agricultural sector and uplift the lives of smallholder farmers and termed the event as more than just a program launch, but a call to action.

Surita Sandosham, the President and the Chief Executive Officer of Heifer International, said the long-term program collaborative initiative is designed to support 625,000 farming households across 26 counties

in achieving a sustainable living income by 2030.

The program, she added, is a commitment to inclusive rural development built on the strength and potential of Kenya’s farmers, especially women and young people, and at its core, P4C is about creating opportunities that are locally driven, market-oriented and sustainable.

“P4C takes a systems approach to market development. It targets key agricultural value chains—poultry, dairy, red meat, and horticulture, and invests in building the capacity of farmer organizations, improving productivity, increasing profitability, and opening access to a sustainable market,” Sandosham said.

The President said the investment is expected to be mobilized through a combination of Heifer’s resources, catalytic capital, and co-managed funds with donors and public institutions.

# Chaplains urged to address societal challenges

BY SITATI REAGAN (KNA)

Chaplains have been urged to be proactive in addressing Kenya’s deepening societal challenges which include economic strain, rising insecurity, and a crisis of values.

Speaking during the 15th Annual Chaplains Conference in Mombasa, the Principal Secretary, State Department for Cabinet Affairs, Dr. Idris Dokota, urged the Chaplains to take a leading role to steer the country towards moral recovery.

The religious leaders were encouraged to play a more significant role in value-based education

and national healing. The PS stressed that the Church and State need to work together to foster a peaceful and morally grounded society.

“Chaplains, as spiritual leaders, are uniquely positioned to shape values and beliefs that can improve the attitudes, perceptions and character of our nation,” said Dr. Dokota.

The conference, organized by the National Association of Christian Chaplains (NACC), themed “Facing the Future with Confidence” brought together chaplains from across the country serving in both public and private insti-

tutions.

Dr. Dokota emphasized that the country’s current challenges, ranging from youth unemployment and mental health issues to corruption and weakened family structures, demand both technical solutions and moral clarity.

“Governance challenges, especially corruption, continue to derail our economic progress. But with the right mindset and moral guidance, we can change course,” he said, emphasizing the government’s efforts under the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).



## MINISTRY OF EDUCATION STATE DEPARTMENT FOR TECHNICAL, VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

### INVITATION FOR BIDS

Promotion of Youth Employment and Vocational Training in Kenya, Phase II	
BMZ No.	2020 65 068
Date:	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025
Tender Reference:	NCB-G01/MOE-TVET/TVET/KfW 2020 65 068/2024-2025
	NCB-G02 /MOE-TVET/TVET/KfW 2020 65 068/2024-2025

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, Phase II”, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract(s) for

**NCB-G01/MOE-TVET/TVET/KfW 2020 65 068/2024-2025** Supply, Delivery, Installation, Initial Training and Ancillary Services of Training Equipment for three (3) TVET Institutes

**Lot 1: Automotive & Mechatronics**  
**Lot 2: Solar & Photovoltaic**

**NCB-G02 /MOE-TVET/TVET/KfW 2020 65 068/2024-2025** Supply, Delivery, Installation, Initial Training and Ancillary Services of Training Equipment for three (3) TVET Institutes

**Lot 1: Plumbing Equipment**  
**Lot 2: IT Equipment**  
**Lot 3: Furniture**

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

- Supply, Delivery, Installation, Initial Training and Ancillary Services of Training Equipment for three (3) TVET Institutes, including delivery, installation and related training at: **Bumbe, Nyamira and Kitale**. This tender includes 2 Lots. Lot 1 Automotive & Mechatronics; Lot 2: Solar & Photovoltaic.
- Supply, Delivery, Installation, Initial Training and Ancillary Services of Training Equipment for three (3) TVET Institutes, including delivery, installation and related training at: **Bumbe, Nyamira and Kitale**. This tender includes 3 Lots. Lot 1 Plumbing Equipment; Lot 2: IT Equipment; Lot 3 Furniture.

Bidding will be conducted by means of the National 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,(Revised 2022) and regulations 2020.Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the Ministry of Education, State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training, on **7<sup>th</sup> floor room 703 Uchumi House, Along Agha Khan Walk** or by writing to the following email address: **Tender-TVET-II\_Kenya@gopa-infra.de**

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: **Tender-TVET-II-Kenya@gopa-infra.de**

Bids must be delivered to the Tender Box marked Ministry of Education, State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training KfW project located on the ground floor of Jogoo House B, Harambee Avenue on or before **11<sup>th</sup>-June 2025 at 11.00 am (East Africa Time)**.

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.

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**

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of the amounts indicated below.

<b>G01 Lot 1 – Automotive &amp; Mechatronics:</b>	<b>10,000 EUR</b>
<b>G01 Lot 2 – Solar &amp; PV:</b>	<b>5,000 EUR</b>
<b>G02 Lot 1 – Plumbing equipment:</b>	<b>5,000 EUR</b>
<b>G02 Lot 2 – IT equipment:</b>	<b>5,000 EUR</b>
<b>G02 Lot 3 – Furniture:</b>	<b>5,000 EUR</b>

Bidders have the option of submitting one Bid Security for all lots per tender (**for the combined total amount of all lots**) for which Bids have been submitted.

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

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# Counties trained on project oversight committees



A section of training of county trainers on Project Management Committees (PMCs) in Homa Bay County.

BY IRENE GALGALO (PCO)

The Government has trained county trainers on Project Management Committees (PMCs) to entrench public participation and strengthen accountability in county development projects. PMCs play a vital role in the county project implementation chain by ensuring that local development reflects community priorities and is inclusive, accountable and community-driven development within Kenya’s devolved system of governance. While officially opening the workshop, the State Department for Devolution’s Director for Capacity Building and Technical Assistance, Kennedy Nyambati, underscored the strategic importance of PMCs, describing them as the face of

public participation at the ground level that ensures development projects reflect genuine community priorities. He emphasized that the workshop’s primary objective was to build a network of master trainers equipped to cascade knowledge and skills to the grassroots, ensuring counties can institutionalize PMCs as a permanent fixture in local governance. “This training is not simply about learning the provisions of a document. It is about transforming how we engage communities, manage public resources and sustain development outcomes,” he said. The PMC guidelines draw their legal foundation from the Constitution of Kenya (2010) and the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Regulations (2020) and are enriched by the

practical experiences of counties that have successfully implemented community oversight structures like Homa Bay and Makueni. The State Department for Devolution, with support from the World Bank through the Second Kenya Devolution Support Program (KDSP II), organized the workshop in collaboration with the Council of Governors and participating county governments. The World Bank’s funding support was recognized as a key enabler in building strong county institutions that prioritize citizen oversight and sustainable development. The Training of Trainers Workshop was held in Homa Bay County with another one scheduled for Makueni County. The two counties are widely recognized as trailblazers in devolution and citizen engagement.


## PS leads tree planting exercise in Kisii

BY MERCY OSONGO (KNA)

State Department for Gender and Affirmative Action Principal Secretary, Anne Wang’ombe, has spearheaded a tree planting exercise at Nyanturago wetland in Kisii County. During the exercise, Wang’ombe and officials from the Gender and Affirmative Action Ministry, Kisii County officers and Heads of Departments from the national government planted 5004 assorted trees in the wetland. Speaking after the tree planting exercise, the Principal Secretary encouraged the public to continuously engage in tree planting in order to reap their benefits. “Trees provide several benefits such as timber, and fuel, and therefore, let us support this tree planting

initiatives so that we get to enjoy the fruits of our work later on,” Wang’ombe said. Kisii Forest Conservator, Safari Opiyo, decried the increasing human activities that had destroyed the wetland area, especially the grazing of animals within the catchment area. According to Opiyo, some of the community members were grazing their animals in the wetland thereby, destroying some of the trees that had been previously planted. “I am pleading with the residents here to refrain from bringing their animals to graze around this wetland so that we can allow the trees that have been planted today here to grow,” the Forest Conservator said. Similarly, the Kisii County Executive Com-

mittee Member for Gender, Timothy Arege, encouraged the residents to report those engaging in illegal activities that are aimed at destroying the wetland. Arege said the community members must take the responsibility of protecting Nyanturago wetland, noting that there are bigger forests in the country that are protected by the neighbouring communities. “As the community staying here, you must take charge of protecting the trees we have planted today because you and your children are the ones who will benefit from them,” he emphasized. According to statistics from the Kisii County Forest Office, the county has a tree cover of 26.6 per cent and aims to achieve 30 per cent tree cover by 2032.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND WILDLIFE

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR WILDLIFE

REVIEW OF THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT, (CAP 376)

CALL FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The State Department for Wildlife, under the Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife, has commenced the review of the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act (CAP 376). This review aims to:

- Align the Act with the Constitution of Kenya, particularly regarding the roles and responsibilities of different levels of government;
- Harmonize with the National Wildlife Policy 2020, the National Wildlife Strategy 2030, and other relevant policies;
- Address emerging issues in the wildlife sector;
- Reengineer wildlife conservation and management approaches in Kenya;
- Provide legal clarity and certainty in the governance of the wildlife sector;
- Enhance economic opportunities linked to wildlife.

Members of the public are invited to submit comments or written memoranda on the proposed Bill. Submissions may be:

- Hand-delivered to the **NSSF Building, Block A, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor (Legal Office)**
- Emailed to: **wildlifeact2025@tourism.go.ke**

The current Wildlife Conservation and Management Act (CAP 376) and the draft Bill are available on the Ministry’s website: **www.tourism.go.ke**.

Submission Deadline: **25<sup>th</sup> May 2025**


In line with Article 10 of the Constitution and legal requirements for public participation, the Ministry will also hold regional citizen engagement forums from **7<sup>th</sup> May to 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025**, running from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM at designated venues listed below.

We encourage all stakeholders to participate and contribute to shaping the future of wildlife conservation and management in Kenya.

S/NO	COUNTY	VENUE	DATES
1.	Lamu (05) Kilifi (03)	Malindi Nidhamia Social Hall	7th May, 2025
2.	Mombasa (01) Kwale (02)	Mombasa Kenya School of Government	9th May, 2025
3.	Taita Taveta (06)	Mwatate CDF Hall	12th May, 2025
4.	Kitui (015) Makueni (017)	Kitui Kitui Multipurpose Hall	14th May, 2025
5.	Tana River (04) Garissa (07)	Garissa Government Guest House Multi-purpose Hall	16th May, 2025
6.	Wajir (08) Mandera (09)	Wajir ICT Hall	19th May, 2025
7.	Marsabit (010)	Catholic Hall	21st May, 2026
8.	Siaya (041) Kisumu (042)	Kisumu Regional Commissioner’s Hall	7th May, 2025
9.	Homabay (043) Migori (044)	Homabay Kabunde Social hall	9th May, 2025
10.	Bungoma (39) Busia (40)	Busia Agricultural Training Institute	12th May, 2025
11.	Kakamega (37) Vihiga (038)	Kakamega Magharibi Social Hall	14th May, 2025
12.	Kisii (045) Nyamira (046)	Kisii Kisii Cultural Centre Hall	16th May, 2025
13.	Baringo (030) Nakuru (032)	Nakuru Regional Commissioners Hall	19st May, 2025
14.	Nyandarua (018) Samburu (025) Laikipia (031)	Laikipia County Rumuruti Catholic Hall	21st May, 2025
15.	Turkana (023) Trans Nzoia (026) West Pokot (024)	Kitale Museum Hall	7th May, 2025
16.	Uasin Gishu (027) Elgeyo Marakwet (028) Nandi (029)	Eldoret Municipal Hall	9th May, 2025
17.	Narok (033) Bomet (036) Kericho (035)	Narok Narok Youth Hall	12th May, 2025
18.	Kajiado (034) Machakos (016)	Kajiado Maasai Technical Training Institute	14th May, 2025
19.	Isiolo (011) Meru (012)	Isiolo Police Mess	16th May, 2025
20.	Tharaka Nithi (013) Embu (014) Kirinyaga (020)	Embu Talent Academy Hall	19th May, 2025
21.	Muran’ga (021) Nyeri (019)	Nyeri Ruring’u stadium Hall	21st May, 2025
22.	Kiambu (022) Nairobi (047)	Nairobi KICC	26th May, 2025

Principal Secretary

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR WILDLIFE





# Farmers reaping gains from the government's transformation agenda

BY MUHATI VENESA  
(KNA)

The Government is implementing Guaranteed Minimum Returns (GMR) so that farmers get predictable incomes.

Consequently, the country's agricultural sector is experiencing a resurgence with gains in farmer incomes, economic growth and food security under the Kenya-Kwanza administration's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

Government spokesperson Dr. Isaac Mwaura (pictured), speaking at a media briefing held at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC), Nairobi said the GMR programme has significantly stabilized farmers' earnings and reduced the vulnerability to market volatility.

"GMR is a true realization of the campaign slogan of 'pesa mfukoni' as a result of prioritizing production subsidies over consumption," stated Mwaura.

He said the realization reflects Kenya Kwanza government solemn pledge to transform Kenya's agricultural sector into a power of agency for economic growth, food security and farmer prosperity.

On macadamia, the



spokesperson announced that the price of the crop has increased from Sh24 to Sh100 per kilo thereby making Kenya a top global producer of nut.

"This is something we should be proud of, it reflects a strategic shift to production subsidies and better market scheduling," noted Mwaura.

At the same time, he observed that coffee farmers have also seen a significant improvement, with average earnings rising from Sh50 to Sh130 per kilo, through the Coffee Cherry Fund and direct M-Pesa payments.

Some of the farm produces whose prices have increased include milk, which has increased from Sh37 to Sh50 per litre, thus boosting daily income for thousands of farmers.

Sugarcane farmers have similarly benefited, earning up to Sh5,300 per metric tonne, up from Sh4,500 with bonuses flowing due to debt cancellations and

production support.

Other beneficiaries of farm produce that Mwaura singled out are Miraa farmers who are enjoying record prices across all grades, with grade one rising from Sh700 to Sh1,300, grade two from Sh350 to Sh700, while Alele grade jumped from Sh500 to Sh1000.

Mwaura said the government has also promoted local value addition in tea, enabling the export of processed tea and increase returns to farmers.

Additionally, Kenya has become Africa's leading exporter of avocados and producer of the crop, which reflects a successful policy support and market access, he added.

The government is also focusing on leather tanneries with its expansion expected to create value addition opportunities and strengthening local production.

"The leather industry is also expanding, with local manufacturing receiving a boost. The school shoes, in particular, are excellent and our leather sector is creating jobs and promoting value addition," said Mwaura.

These tangible results are a realization of our campaign for a more peaceful and self-reliant economy, he added.

## Correctional services to prioritize mental health amid increased cases of suicide

BY NICHOLAS KIGONDU  
(PCO)

The Correctional Services Principal Secretary Dr. Salome Beacco (pictured) wants mental health to be mainstreamed and cascaded into the operations of the department as part of a broader plan to prioritize mental health.

Speaking during a meeting with top leadership of the Kenya Prisons Service including directors and regional commanders, the PS said mental health is the cornerstone of rehabilitation, effective correctional management, and successful reintegration into the society.

"Emerging evidence compels us to reconsider and refine our approaches and methods, ensuring we

support our staff by letting go of outdated practices; especially when new ideas are perceived as a threat to established notions of good order and safety," she said.

Lauding the officers for their efforts in addressing the problem of increased cases of suicide, absenteeism and desertions among their ranks, the PS said the real challenge lies in converting the push into compassionate, persistent and measurable action.

"We should consistently equip ourselves with skills that help those who need our support. I challenge us to care for each other. What maketh a man is the difference he makes in society," she noted.

Commissioner General of Prisons Patrick Aranduh urged the officers to culti-



vate a culture of care, support and accountability in their respective stations.

Under the theme, "Enhancing mental health in prisons: Getting involved", the meeting sought to develop solutions to the challenge of mental health that has remained a bane in service delivery within correctional services.



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S/N	Position	Advert Reference	Vacancies
<b>OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR (ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE)</b>			
1.	Chief Procurement Officer - Grade XV	AD/01/01/2025	1

#### 1) CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER- GRADE XV

##### a) Job Purpose

This position is responsible for the implementation of strategies, policies and manuals in the University's Supply Chain Management function in accordance with the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act (PPADA), 2015 and Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Regulations (PPADR), 2020.

##### b) Job Description

This position reports to the Vice Chancellor and its duties entails:-

- Coordinating, development and implementation of policies, procedures, systems, structures and frameworks for all procurement related activities to deliver best practice procurement and contract management solutions to the University;
- Overseeing adherence to contractual agreements, recommending amendments, advising vendors and requisitioners on contractual rights and obligation as well as coordinating all phases of negotiation of disputes arising from contracts;
- Supervising/overseeing preparation and distribution of invitations to tender and managing/ conducting all aspects of the tender exercise;
- Establishing, maintaining work programs and time frames for processing requests in accordance with the procurement manual;
- Providing expertise, authoritative advice to key University stakeholders on all aspects of procurement strategies and practices to inform business planning, action, encourage innovative approaches and enhancing value through improved procurement efficiency and outcomes;
- Consolidating the annual procurement plan for the University based on departmental procurement estimates so as to offer input in development of the University's budget;
- Overseeing the development and implementation of internal procurement policies for use in direct procurement activities in the University;
- Participating, overseeing the development of long term and short-term sourcing strategies for the University to enable attraction and retention of reliable suppliers;
- Establishing, leading University wide procurement governance and risk management framework to monitor, manage and drive procurement performance;
- Ensuring compliance with relevant laws, policies and managing risks related to procurement;
- Preparing, implementing, reviewing of the department's strategic plan and annual work plan;
- Conducting annual appraisal of members of staff in the department;
- Preparing the department's annual budget and procurement plan; and
- Any other duties as assigned from time to time by the Vice Chancellor.

##### (c) Job specification

##### Minimum requirements:-

- PhD in Procurement and Supplies Management with twelve (12) years' work experience, three(3) of which as a Deputy Chief Supply Chain Officer Grade 14 or its equivalent OR
- Masters Degree in Procurement and Supplies Management with fifteen(15) years' work experience three (3) of which as a Deputy Chief Supply Chain Officer Grade 14 or its equivalent.
- Registered with the relevant professional body and in good standing.
- A valid practicing License.
- Proficiency in relevant computer applications.

##### Tenure of Service

The appointment to the position of Chief Procurement Officer shall be on Contractual terms of service.

##### How to apply:-

- Applications should be accompanied by a detailed Curriculum Vitae and certified copies of relevant academic and professional certificates, National Identity Card or Passport, testimonials, e-mail addresses, telephone contacts and any other relevant supporting documents.
- Only successful candidates shall be required to submit valid clearances from the following bodies;
  - Kenya Revenue Authority;
  - Higher Education Loans Board;
  - Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
  - Directorate of Criminal Investigation (Certificate of Good Conduct);
  - Registered Credit Reference Bureau.
- Applicants should also provide names, telephone numbers and contact addresses of three (3) referees.
- Applicants should request their referees to submit their confidential reports to the undersigned to be received on or before **12th May, 2025**.
- One (1) copy of the application should be sent via registered mail or courier marked with the advert reference number on the envelope to the under-signed. A Soft copy in PDF running format should be sent to [recruitmentcpo2025@mmust.ac.ke](mailto:recruitmentcpo2025@mmust.ac.ke). Applications should be addressed to the undersigned to be received on or before **12th May, 2025 by 5:00 p.m.**
- Applicants with foreign earned qualifications should have their certificates certified by the Commission for University Education (CUE).

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

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# KETRB launches engineering services at Eldoret Huduma Centre

BY EKUWAM SYLVESTER AND  
FREDRICK MARITIM,  
KNA

The Kenya Engineering Technology Registration Board (KETRB) has launched registration and licensing services at Eldoret Huduma Centre for engineering technologists and technicians to enhance efficiency and accessibility up to the grassroots.

The service will be available through a collaboration with Huduma Kenya. Speaking during the launch, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Huduma Kenya Ben Kai Chilumo said the move would ensure that engineering services are brought close to the clients.

“KETRB is now officially in our Huduma centres and today we were signing the service level agreement and officially launching their first day offering services on our



Officials from Huduma Kenya and the Kenya Engineering Technology Registration Board (KETRB) sign the service level agreement to officially launch services at the Eldoret Huduma Centre.

platform,” he said. He said the programme was undertaken to bring on-board as many ministries, departments, and agencies (MDAs) as possible to bring services closer to Kenyans and ensure access to a simplified citizen-centric service.

Chilumo called upon other MDAs that have not yet deployed their services to Huduma centres due to insufficient staff to make use of Huduma universal agents who would ensure their presence without necessarily having to deploy their staff. KETRB acting CEO Kigo

Florence said the reason for partnering with Huduma Kenya is because most of their clients, members and students were unaware of their board and therefore this would efficiently accelerate

and streamline service delivery for them.

She highlighted that KTRB is a professional body that undertakes licensing and registration of engineering technologists and technicians in the country.

“We register them as a professional body so that we can be able to monitor how the work is being done at various engineering sites out there in the industry, and ensure they have requisite expertise to do,” she noted.

They also monitor the employers, who should work with the registered engi-

neering technologists and technicians.

According to KETRB, their services are now available across 10 Huduma centres in Garissa, Eldoret, Meru, Makueni, Mombasa, Makadara, Nyeri, Bomet, Kakamega and Kisumu Huduma Centres.

The Board was established in 2016 to set standards for engineering technologists and technicians, register and issue licenses to qualified people as per the provision of the Engineering Technology Act No 23 of 2016 Part II Section 3. (1).

## The silent enemies that Kenya’s uniformed officers battle

BY PETER LELEY

Policing is one of the most psychologically taxing professions. The men and women in uniform of Kenya’s police service operate in a crucible of relentless stress. Tasked with maintaining law and order, they are the first responders to violence, crime, and social unrest, often witnessing harrowing scenes that leave deep psychological scars.

This constant exposure to trauma, coupled with the pressure to uphold public safety, creates a perfect storm for mental health challenges. Studies indicate that law enforcement personnel are at a higher risk of developing post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression, anxiety, and substance abuse disorders compared to the general population. Yet, the stigma surrounding mental health within the Service still prevents many from seeking help.

The consequences of neglecting the mental well-being of our police officers are far-reaching. Untreated trauma can heighten aggression and impair judgment, potentially contributing to excessive use of force, which in turn erodes public trust and confidence. When officers struggle with psychological distress, their interactions with the community may become strained, affecting the crucial relationship between the police and the public. Without access to proper support, many officers turn to alcohol as a coping mechanism, while others,

in extreme cases, take their own lives. Statistics paint a sobering picture indicating that at least 12,000 police officers in Kenya suffer from work-related mental health issues, while an average of 13 murders and 11 suicides is reported annually among police ranks thus given these realities, robust counseling and mental wellness programmes are not a luxury, they are a necessity.

The 2018 launch of the National Police Service Psychological Counseling Policy (NPSCP) was a landmark step in ensuring the structured provision of mental health support. This led to the establishment of the NPSC Counseling Unit with robust counseling programs within the National Police Service to offer structured psychosocial support to the officers.

Counselors and social workers have been deployed to provide direct interventions with their presence in various regions. Between FY 2021 and 2024, over 64,464 cases of counseling and psychosocial support have been handled. This includes 3,478 cases in 2021-2022, 29,934 in 2022-2023, and 31,052 in 2023-2024, highlighting the growing demand for these services.

Additionally, the introduction of NPSC toll-free counseling helpline (0800721070) is a crucial safety net for officers in distress, especially those serving in the most remote and forward-operating areas, where officers often face the harshest conditions and




the most severe psychological strain. These efforts are critical in addressing the unique challenges faced by officers stationed in high-risk and underserved locations.

The Commission acknowledges the immense support it has received through budgetary allocations from the National Assembly and the National Treasury. These resources have enabled significant progress in promoting mental health support for our officers across various regions of the country. However, financial limitations continue to pose a substantial challenge to the expansion and sustainability of these vital programmes. The demand for mental health services far outweighs the currently available resources, making it difficult to hire more counselors and social workers, establish wellness units, and roll out comprehensive mental health training across the entire police service.

Notwithstanding these constraints, the Commission remains actively engaged with relevant stakeholders to advocate for increased investment in police mental health initiatives. It also remains steadfast in its commitment to ensuring that every officer regardless of where they serve has access to quality psychological support. This is because investing in the mental well-being of our police officers is not just about their individual welfare; it is a matter of national security and public safety.

Our officers protect us daily; it is our collective duty to protect them in return. If we fail to act, the silent burden will only grow heavier, with dire consequences for officers, their families, and the communities they serve. A mentally healthy police service is more effective, more professional in carrying out its duties and a worthy investment of public resources.

The writer is the Commission Secretary/Chief Executive Officer, National Police Service Commission



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### TENDER NOTICE

This is to bring to the attention of the general public that an invitation to tender for Road Works funded by the GOK (Development) Fund and Legal Governance Audits for the Financial Year 2024/2025 has been uploaded on the **PUBLIC PROCUREMENT INFORMATION PORTAL and KENYA URBAN ROADS AUTHORITY'S WEBSITE.**


Bidders are requested to visit KURA's Website at [www.kura.go.ke/tenders](http://www.kura.go.ke/tenders) and [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) for more information.

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### TENDER CANCELLATION

The State Department for Higher Education and Research wishes to inform the prospective bidders of cancellation of the following tender advertised in **My Gov on 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2025.**

Tender No	Tender Description	Tender Closing and Opening Date and Time	Reservation
MOE/SD-HER/001/2024-2025	Request for Proposal for Development of Higher Education Management Information System (HEMIS)	29 <sup>th</sup> April, 2025 at 11:00 A.M	Open

**Principal Secretary**  
**State Department for Higher Education and Research**



# Ministry urges administrators to curb cases of GBV

BY MERCY OSONGO  
(KNA)

The National Government Administration Officers have been urged to lead the fight against gender-based violence in the country.

Principal Secretary State Department for Gender and Affirmative Action Ms Anne Wang'ombe who was speaking during a courtesy call to the Kisii County Commissioner's office noted that administrators handle cases of domestic violence at the community level and can identify the root causes of such vices.

"Our administrators, especially those engaged in Nyumba Kumi community policing, know where we have rampant cases of GBV and they can pass this information to the higher authorities for policy formulation and action," she said.

The PS pointed out that any form of violence against women and girls is not only a violation of human rights, but also negatively impacts them in society.

Wang'ombe decried the increasing cases of GBV within Kisii County, saying that some of the cases arise from retrogressive cultural practices.

According to the PS, Kisii remains a hotspot of female genital mutilation (FGM), noting that such vices lead to lifelong negative impacts among the girls.

As a result, she encouraged the community members to shun such retrogressive practices that continue to cause a



lot of harm to women and girls.

Moreover, Wang'ombe called for continuous collaboration among the relevant government agencies and development partners to tackle GBV-related matters.

Additionally, she pointed out the critical role that the clergy plays in addressing matters within the family unit, saying church leaders should be engaged in resolving domestic disputes.

"Let us encourage peaceful co-existence among family units because GBV also exists between men and occurs through physical violence and emotional abuse by women," she added.

To address the significant increase in femicide cases in the country, Wang'ombe urged community members to take part in the upcoming public participation that seeks to address femicide and other forms of GBV.

In January 2025, President Ruto appointed a 42-member taskforce to address the alarming rise in femicide cases in the country.

The team, led by former Chief Justice Nancy Baraza, has begun public participation forums to collect views on matters of GBV including femicide, and is expected to recommend measures to strengthen the institutional, legal, and policy responses to the vices.

On his part, Kisii Central Deputy County Commissioner Joseph Mwangi noted that gender-based violence greatly contributes to suicide cases in the region.

Mr. Mwangi encouraged the community members to seek help from the local leaders or peers whenever they were facing any challenges within their families.

In addition, the DCC said the sale of parcels of land without proper documentation also contributes to cases of violence in the region.

"Let us encourage our family members to embrace land succession so that when they buy a piece of land, we can confirm that the purchase followed the right procedures to avoid conflicts among families," he said.



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION FOR SALE OF OBSOLETE, SURPLUS AND UNSERVICEABLE ITEMS

The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) hereby invites interested bidders for the Sale of Obsolete, Surplus and Unserviceable Items in the following KeNHA Regional Offices, Weighbridges and Centres through Public Auction on dates, venue and time tabulated below:-

No	Centre/Region	Viewing Centre	Auction Centre, Date and Time
1	KeNHA Head Office	KeNHA Head Office, Barabara Plaza, Blocks A & C	Corridor "A" Office, Off Athi River /Namanga Interchange, Next to Mavuno Church, Opposite Laptrust Fund Garden.  <b>7th May, 2025 at 11.00am and 8th May, 2025 at 11.00am</b>
2	Athi River Weighbridge	Athi River Weighbridge Station at Mlolongo Trading center along (A8) Road, Mavoko Sub County	
3	Isinya Weighbridge	Isinya Weighbridge station along Athi River-Bisil-Namanga (A2) Road, Kajiado County	
4	Juja Weighbridge	Juja Weighbridge Station along Thika Superhighway, Juja Sub County, Kiambu County	
5	Corridor C	Opposite Juja Weighbridge Station along Thika Superhighway, Juja Sub County, Kiambu County	
6	Nairobi Regional office	MOR&PW Main Building, Machakos Road, Industrial Area, Nairobi	MOR&PW Main Building, Machakos Road, Industrial Area, Nairobi.  <b>9th May 2025 at 11.00am</b>
7	Lower Eastern Regional office	KeNHA Lower Eastern, Machakos, Opposite Machakos Boys High School	Ministry of Roads Building, Kisumu-Kakamega Road, Kakamega  <b>12th May, 2025 at 11.00am.</b>
8	Western Regional office	Ministry of Roads Building, along Kisumu-Kakamega Road,	
9	Webuye Weighbridge	Webuye Weighbridge Station along Nairobi - Nakuru - Eldoret - Malaba (A8) Road, Bungoma County	
10	Busia Weighbridge	Busia Weighbridge along Kisumu-Busia Road	KeNHA Offices Off Ruringu Stadium, along Classic -Kiandu-Othaya Road, Nyeri  <b>13th May, 2025 at 11.00am</b>
11	Central Regional office	KeNHA Offices Off Ruringu Stadium, along Classic -Kiandu-Othaya Road, Nyeri	
12	Upper Eastern Regional office	KeNHA Upper Eastern Regional Offices in Isiolo, Off Isiolo -Moyale Road	
13	North Eastern Regional office	KeNHA, North Eastern Regional Office, Next to NEP Girls Secondary School off Kismayu Road Garissa	MoPW Building, Busia Road, Kisumu  <b>13th May, 2025 at 11.00am</b>
14	Nyanza Regional office	MoPW Building, Busia Road, Kisumu	
15	Rongo Weighbridge	Rongo Weighbridge Station	
16	Mtwapa Weighbridge	Mtwapa Weighbridge Station along Mom-basa -Kilifi (A7) Road, near Mtwapa Creek, Kilifi County	Coast Regional office, MOR&PW Main Building, Mahindi Road off Shimanzi Road, Mombasa.  <b>15th May, 2025 at 11.00am</b>
17	Dongo-Kundu Weighbridge	Dongo Kundu Weighbridge Station along Mombasa Mariakani (A8) Road	
18	Mariakani Weighbridge	Mariakani Weighbridge Station off Mombasa-Voi (A8) Road, near Mariakani Town	
19	North Rift Regional office	KeNHA Regional Office, Sugunanga Off Nairobi -Eldoret Highway (A8) Road Eldoret	KeNHA Regional Office, Sugunanga Off Nairobi -Eldoret Highway (A8) Road Eldoret  <b>15th May, 2025 at 11.00am</b>
20	South Rift Regional office	MOTI Building, Prison Road, Nakuru	MOTI Building, Prison Road, Nakuru.  <b>16th May, 2025 at 11.00am</b>
21	Corridor B-Gilgil	Former Public Works office Resealing unit 5 along Gigil-Olkalau (B4) Road, 3Km off Nairobi - Nakuru Highways	
22	Suswa Weighbridge	Suswa Weighbridge Station along Maai Mahiu - Narok Road	

- Appointed Auctioneer: **M/s. Trenad Auctioneers**  
Viewing Dates: **22nd April, 2025 to 16th May, 2025** from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm during the week days prior to the auction.
- To obtain bidding number, interested bidders must deposit a refundable fee of **Ksh 50,000.00** for scrap metal and **Kshs 5,000** for other lots in cash to KeNHA at the Cash office at the Auction Centre by 10:00am before being allowed to bid. The Deposits for unsuccessful bidders will be refunded.
- The successful bidder must pay 25% of the purchase price in **cash or deposited in KeNHA Bank Account provided in the catalogue** at the fall of the hammer and the balance to be paid within 14 days.
- Reservations have been made for **Youth, Women & Persons with Disability**.
- The sale is subject to reserved prices and the goods are sold on as-is-where-is basis.
- Other conditions of sale are attached in the catalogue.
- Catalogues containing details of the items to be auctioned may be downloaded from KeNHA website ([www.kenha.co.ke](http://www.kenha.co.ke)) or PPIP Procurement portal: [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) **free of charge**.
- All interested bidders are required to continually check the Kenya National Highways Authority website: [www.kenha.co.ke](http://www.kenha.co.ke) for any addendum (s) or clarifications that may arise before the Auction date.
- For any clarification, please get in touch with the Deputy Director- Supply Chain Management-KeNHA or **Mr. John Mwangi (Telephone No 0721-491-990 of M/s. Trenad Auctioneers)**

**Deputy Director – Supply Chain Management**  
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# Kenya partners with Italy to restore Cherangany Forest

BY RENNISH OKONG'O  
(KNA)

The Government of Kenya, through the National Environment Trust Fund (NET-FUND), has launched a Sh667-million project aimed at restoring the endangered Cherangany Forest Ecosystem.

Dubbed 'The Restoration and Sustainable Management of the Cherangany Forest Ecosystem and improved livelihood project,' project, also funded by the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, targets over 1,000 small-holder farmers in Elgeyo Marakwet and West

Pokot Counties who are expected to plant 18 million trees in three-years.

The Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change, and Forestry, Dr. Deborah Barasa, who presided over the launch held at Chebara Agricultural Training Centre affirmed the government's commitment to environmental restoration.

"The government is committed to strengthening partnerships for restoring the country's precious but endangered forest ecosystems," Dr. Barasa said.

"To this end, I want to

thank our development partners and NETFUND for spearheading this initiative," she said.

Dr. Barasa urged all Kenyans to actively participate in the restoration efforts.

Italian Deputy Ambassador, Lorenza Maria Gambacorta, emphasized her government's commitment to supporting climate resilience in Kenya.

Gambacorta revealed that Italy has approved and funded two projects in Kenya to a tune of €224 million and is optimistic that the Cherangany Restoration Project will also be a success.



# Schools' LPG adoption project earns praise

BY FATMA SAID, KNA

Some 20 schools have pioneered and benefited from the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Adoption Project which aims to increase LPG usage in Kenya by promoting it as a clean and affordable cooking fuel in public schools and institutions.

The Principal Secretary for the State Department for Petroleum, Mr. Mohammed Liban, who led a high-level assessment visit to Bahari Girls and Shimo La Tewa National Schools in Mombasa County Liban expressed satisfaction with the implementation of the project and commended the schools for embracing the new cooking technology.

These two schools are among the first beneficiaries of the government-led initiative aimed at transitioning from traditional biomass fuels to



Principal Secretary (PS) State Department for Petroleum Mohamed Liban (Second R) during an inspection tour of the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) project at Bahari Girls' School, Kaloleni. Photo by Andrew Hinga

clean cooking solutions.

The PS gave resounding praise for the program's impact on daily opera-

tions, health, and the environment.

The LPG in Schools Project is part of the gov-

ernment's broader commitment to promoting clean energy access and environmental conserva-

tion.

"This is not just about gas. It is about our health, our forests, and our future. What we are seeing here is a transformation in how we care for our children, our workers, and our environment," he said.

School administrators and kitchen staff from both schools expressed their enthusiasm about the change and adoption of LPG, citing reduced workload and increased productivity.

According to Bahari Girls' Principal, Sylvano Hamaro, the introduction of LPG has significantly improved efficiency in the kitchen.

She stated that they previously spent a lot of money on firewood and charcoal, not to mention the health risks for their staff due to prolonged exposure to smoke.

She noted they are saving time and improving

the overall kitchen environment.

At Shimo La Tewa, the impact was similarly notable. The principal, Mathew Mutiso, stated that it takes the cooks a shorter time to prepare meals while emphasizing that they no longer deal with smoke-filled kitchens or soot-covered walls. The government is committed to scaling up the program to reach more schools across the country. Training sessions on safe usage, regular maintenance, and long-term sustainability have also been prioritized.

PS Liban said the shift from firewood and charcoal to LPG is a strategic step in reducing deforestation and carbon emissions, aligning directly with Kenya's climate change mitigation goals under Vision 2030 and the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

## Kenya, Uganda sign a bilateral agreement on Angololo water resources development project

BY SALOME ALWANDA AND RODGERS OMUNDI, KNA

Kenya and Uganda have signed a bilateral agreement on the Angololo Water Resources Development Project (AWRDP).

The Cabinet Secretary for Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Eric Muga and Ugandan Environment Minister Beatrice Atim signed the agreement on the trans-boundary water project.

The project, which is implemented in collaboration with the Nile Basin Initiative through the Nile Basin Equatorial Lakes Subsidiary Program (NEL-SAP), is expected to boost food security, power access, employment and regional integration between the neighboring countries.

Speaking during the signing ceremony in Busia, CS Muga said the project which was conceptualized in 2015 will cost a total of \$137 million (approximately Sh17 billion).

"Let's look at the benefits this project will bring. It will create employment to our people here and our neighbor Uganda, it will supply clean water to the more than 300,000 people in Busia and Bungoma in Kenya and Tororo, Namisindwa and Manafwa Districts in Uganda," he said.

He stated that more than 4,000 hectares of land will



The Cabinet Secretary for Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Eric Muga (L) together with his counterpart from Uganda Beatrice Atim Minister for Environment (R) exchanging documents after signing the bilateral agreement between Kenya and Uganda on Angololo Water Resources Development Project (AWRDP) in Busia.

be irrigated contributing to food security in both countries and regions as 47 per cent hectares will be in Kenya with 53 per cent being in Uganda, adding that there will be restoration of 30 per cent of the 447 square kilometers of degraded upstream catchment area.

The official further said young people will benefit from employment from the construction of the project stating that residents of Teso North where the project is located will benefit more as they will provide services and labour.

"The aquaculture will be uplifted as the dam will have a water holding capacity of 31.6 million cubic meters. This dam will also produce power of about

1.3 MW hydro power with plans to add 20MW from the floating solar system which will help to tame the power problem around this region," he said.

Muga called on Kenyans and Ugandans to work together and show the world that Africans can work together seamlessly and harmoniously to achieve a project of high magnitude.

The Ugandan Minister Atim lauded the projects, stating that both Kenyans and Ugandans will benefit from it.

"We are blessed with many resources and now it's time for us to benefit from our natural resources. Let's do all that it takes to conserve and protect the source of these natural resources. Let us conserve our environment and stop

polluting our lakes and other natural resources," she said.

She said it is important that the beneficiaries understand the importance of the project as this will enable them to feel like its owners.

"We have the capability of doing great things if we work together. We need home solutions with less conditions without relying much on others," she said.

Teso North MP Oku Kaunya appreciated the project stating that it will transform the lives of many people.

"This is a transformative project and will have a big impact on both countries in terms of food security and power which has remained a challenge among us. We will benefit together with our neighbors in food, agriculture and even market our products," he said.

he project is expected to transform lives and communities through food security and livelihoods, access to clean water and sanitation, energy for development, environmental conservation, job creation and regional integration.

The project was identified in 2010 and is aligned with Kenya's Vision 2030 and Uganda's Vision 2040.

Its tendering and construction are slated for 2026/2027 Financial Year with the operation phase expected to start in 2030.

## Sh3b Kirandich Dam to benefit 80,000 in Baringo

BY BENSON KELIO AND JOSHUA KIBET, KNA

The construction of the stalled Kirandich Dam Phase Two Water Project in Baringo County has resumed.

The Sh3-billion project, which stalled seven years ago, involves the development of sewage and water treatment for Kabarnet town, the enlargement of the dam's spillway, the protection of the reservoir from siltation through the construction of check dams, and the provision of water supply to Kabarnet and the neighboring Kabartonjo town.

The Kirandich project is being implemented with funding from the Italian Government in co-operation with the Government of Kenya and is being undertaken by Cospin Company.

Speaking during a field verification visit to the project, Secretary in the Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary (PCS) Alfred Diru said that, upon completion, the project will provide approximately 60,000 people in Baringo

Central and Baringo North Sub-Counties with access to potable water and enable another 20,000 people to access sanitation services within Kabarnet town's Central Business District.

Diru, accompanied by Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency manager Kutol Cherutich and Baringo Central Deputy County Commissioner Henry Tiya, stated that among the activities being undertaken in this phase, which commenced in 2023, are the construction of the Kasoiyo-Kituro, Kasoiyo-Kaptorokwo, and Kabarnet-Kabartonjo pipelines.

He stated that the project's overall progress is approximately 26.79 per cent complete, saying there is need for more efforts to ensure that the project, which has stalled since 2017, is completed without further delays.

"The contractor was able to excavate a total of 22,102 meters' pipeline in Kasoiyo, Kituro and Kaptorokwo as well as the construct six water tanks in several pumping stations within the coverage area," the official said.





## AUCTION INVITATION

Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (**KALRO**) invites you to the auction of KALRO Boarded assets that shall be conducted by **M/S GARAM INVESTMENTS AUCTIONEERS** and **M/S IGARE AUCTIONEERS** on the Date/Day, Time and Place indicated in the table here below. The items range from Vehicles, Laboratory Equipment, Office Equipment, Scrap Materials, Old Tyres, Used Furniture, Batteries, among others.

The schedule of disposal activities shall be as below;

Date	Time	KALRO Venue	Auctioneer
05-05-2025	10:00am	KALRO Headquarters - Loresho	Igare Auctioneers
06-05-2025	10:00am	Veterinary Research Institute, Muguga	Garam Investments Auctioneers
06-05-2025	10:00am	Food Crops Research Centre, Kabete	Igare Auctioneers
07-05-2025	10:00am	Industrial Crop Research Centre, Mwea	Igare Auctioneers
08-05-2025	10:00am	Food Crops Research Centre, Njoro	Garam Investments Auctioneers
	10:00am	Food Crops Research Centre, Embu	Igare Auctioneers
09-05-2025	10:00am	Horticulture Research Centre, Kibos	Garam Investments Auctioneers
	10:00am	Agriculture Mechanization Research Institute – Katumani	Igare Auctioneers
12-05-2025	10:00am	Non-Ruminant Research Institute, Kakamega	Garam Investments Auctioneers
	10:00am	Arid and Range Lands Research Institute, Kiboko	Igare Auctioneers
13-05-2025	10:00am	Industrial Crops Research Institute, Mtwapa	Igare Auctioneers
14-05-2025	10:00am	Horticulture Research Centre, Matuga	Igare Auctioneers

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- Prospective bidders are advised to inspect the items on site by arrangement with the respective Institute /Centre Directors during official working hours (8.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.), as the same is not warranted by KALRO or the Auctioneer.
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## MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION & IRRIGATION

### CENTRAL RIFT VALLEY WATER WORKS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

(on behalf of LAKE VICTORIA NORTH WATER WORKS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (Engineer) & NORTH RIFT WATER WORKS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (Beneficiary))

<b>PROGRAMME:</b>	<b>KENYA TOWNS SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION PROGRAM</b>
<b>Procurement of Construction Works for Kipkarren Dam Treatment Works and Associated Pipelines Water Project – REMAINING WORKS</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025</b>
<b>Loan No.:</b>	<b>200200000501</b>
<b>IFB No.:</b>	<b>CRVWWDA/LVN/AfDB/KTSWSSP/W/KIPKARREN/2024-25</b>

- This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that first appeared in UNDB online on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017.
- The Government of Kenya has received Financing from the African Development Bank in various currencies towards the cost of Kenya Towns Sustainable Water Supply and Sanitation Program. It is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for construction of **Kipkarren Dam Treatment Works and Associated Pipelines Water Project – REMAINING WORKS**.
- The Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency now invites Sealed Bids from Eligible Bidders for the execution of the above project.
- The Scope of Works includes but not limited to the following (The Works will be implemented under one contract but Contractor is expected to demonstrate ability/resources to concurrently mobilise three [3No.] principal construction teams at the Treatment Plant, Storage Tank and Pipeline Works):
  - All the "TIE\_IN" and "To Completion" Works for the New 695m, 600mm Diameter Steel Gravity Raw Water Main from the Dam to the New Treatment Works.
  - All the "TIE\_IN" and "To Completion" Works for the New Treatment Works of Capacity 24,375m<sup>3</sup>/day.
  - All the "TIE\_IN" and "To Completion" Works for the New 13.75km, 600mm Diameter Steel Rising Main from the New Treatment Works to a New Storage Tank and laying 3.85km of the remaining section of pipeline.
  - All the "TIE\_IN" and "To Completion" Works for the New 10,000m<sup>3</sup> RC Ground Storage Tank
  - All the "TIE\_IN" and "To Completion" Works for the New 500m<sup>3</sup> Concrete Tower, 20m high.
  - All the "TIE\_IN" and "To Completion" Works for laying of new Distribution pipeline of length 30.5km (HDPE & Steel pipelines), of Diameter from 110mm to 450mm.
  - All site works within the treatment works and storage tank sites
  - Laying of 9.67km of DN200 steel pipe from treatment works to Mosoriot storage tank site
  - Construction of RC ground storage tank of 1500m<sup>3</sup> and all site works.

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  - Supply, Install, test and commission Horizontally or vertically installed, multi-stage, axially-split volute casing pump with double-entry radial impeller, mating flanges to DIN, ISO, BS or ANSI standards water pumps each of capacity 120m<sup>3</sup>/hr against 175m head
- Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the Bidding Documents at the office of **The Chief Executive Officer, Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency, Maji Plaza, Prisons Rd, and P.O. Box 2451-20100 Nakuru, Kenya, Tel 254 512213557/+254 718313557** at the office hours from 08:00am to 04:00pm (East African Time) on Weekdays (Monday to Friday).
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  - Bidders are invited for a Pre-Bid Meeting and Site Visit which will take place at Northern Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency (NRVWWDA) Board Room in Eldoret Town on **6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 9.00a.m (East African Time)**.
  - Bids must be delivered to the above office on or before **12.00pm (Noon East African Time on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025** and must be accompanied by a Security (Unconditional Bank Guarantee) of **KES 16,000,000** (Kenya Shillings Sixteen Million Only) or equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency with a Bid Validity period of **120 days** from Bid Submission Date.
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# Vihiga farmers receive fingerlings, fish feeds to boost aquaculture

BY ROSE WASIKE (KNA)

Some 450 fish farmers in Vihiga County have received a significant boost after a non-governmental organization provided them with fingerlings and fish feeds.

The Norwegian Agency for Development Corporation (NORAD), through the Advancing Resilient Nutrition Sensitive Aquaculture Project (ARNSA) implemented under the Aquaculture business development project (ABDP), supplied the farmers with 450,000 fingerlings and 3,600 bags of fish feeds.

Speaking during the event at the county headquarters in Mbale, Governor Dr. Wilber Ottichilo expressed his appreciation to NORAD for their support in uplifting aquaculture in the area.

Dr. Ottichilo said the county has the potential to produce fish in bulk and

make Vihiga among the top in fish farming.

“Let’s do as we are required and once we succeed we will be the one leading and any challenge experienced will be addressed,” he said.

The governor noted that the initiative lays ground for a more comprehensive aquaculture business development programme in the next phase.

Dr. Ottichilo challenged more people to venture into fish farming, saying it contributes to food security and the much-needed nutrients in the body.

He also assured farmers that there was a ready market for fish locally and internationally, driven by increasing demand and a potential profitable aquaculture.

The governor asked fish farmers to strive and make their own fish feed locally to

cut down on the overall costs and improve fish production.

Dr. Ottichilo urged school principals involved in fish farming in the county to ensure the exercise is taken seriously, calling upon them to encourage students to take interest in fisheries studies as a way of making sure they get experts in that area.

“I am calling upon school heads to make sure the youngsters are fully involved, with a view to encouraging this generation to take over fish farming as a serious business and act as future pioneers,” the governor reiterated.

Nyang’ori Boys High school is one of the institutions that received the fingerlings. Other institutions that benefited include Moi Girls, Vokoli.

The governor assured farmers that the county will prioritize producing fingerlings from Mwitoko Fish



Vihiga County Governor Dr. Wilber Ottichilo (Right) hands over fingerlings to a farmer

Hatchery, currently undergoing renovation for the benefit of farmers and the residents at large.


Meanwhile, Vihiga procured a vehicle and three motorcycles to be used to facilitate officers to reach farmers and offer advice on how to conduct fish farming, and how to handle nets to help thwart predators.

On his part, the deputy national programme coordinator for Aquaculture Business Development Program Dr. Isaac Wamalwa urged farmers and residents to invest in aquaculture as there is a huge demand for fish.


“A fish deficit of 400,000 metric tons is a significant gap in the supply of fish that is potentially impacting food

security. Make use of the opportunity and support given to you in terms of fish feeds, fingerlings, value addition as well as the available market to grow the business to a higher level,” Wamalwa said.

The fish farmers in Vihiga are expected to offer 44 per cent in-kind contribution to the project.



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# Government launches “Kaa Safe” campaign

BY WANGARI NDIRANGU, KNA

The Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) has launched the “Kaa Safe” Mtaani campaign to create awareness and promote safety in the energy sector.

Speaking during the launch in Nairobi, Energy and Petroleum Cabinet Secretary Opiyo Wandayi said the government has made significant strides to improve safety regulations and enforcement mechanisms in the energy sector.

“We recently strengthened the framework for regulation surrounding LPG and petroleum storage and distribution, with a particular focus on quality control, and in the electricity sector, have increasingly ensured that power distribution infrastructure meets stringent safety standards even as we continue to conduct strict nationwide audits to ensure compliance,” the CS said.

He acknowledged that there are disturbing statistics on safety in the sector but noted that even as the ministry attempts to ensure access to energy as demand rises, safety must be the cornerstone of the progress.

“The statistics report by EPRA shows that between July and December 2024



Energy and Petroleum Cabinet Secretary James Opiyo Wandayi, speaking during the Kaa Safe Mtaani launch.

alone, nearly 195,000 new customers were connected to electricity, pushing the total number of fully connected customers to just under 10 million.

This, the CS noted, is very significant but added that with electricity access, particularly in rural and marginalized communities, there is need to strengthen safety education to prevent accidents.

Wandayi added that through the Kenya National E-Cooking Strategy, which was launched sometimes

back, the government is laying the groundwork for a future where electricity becomes a primary source of energy.

“About 25 per cent of Kenyans already own an electric appliance. We propose to electrify most cooking needs by 2050 as part of our national drive towards zero pollution. This vision must be accompanied by trust in the safety of e-cooking solutions, ensuring that every household understands how to use them securely,” the CS said.

Wandayi said LPG for Schools project is enabling learning institutions to adopt cleaner, safer cooking solutions.

“As we launch this campaign here, I want to call upon all of us to embrace this initiative, to integrate safety practices in our businesses and daily lives, and to be champions of safe energy use. Let us make safety a cornerstone of our energy sector and the value that every Kenyan embraces. I strongly believe that it is doable. So let us do it,” the CS

said.

The Principal Secretary for the State Department for Petroleum, Mohamed Liban, said there have been increased uptake of liquefied petroleum gas for domestic industrial use as well as alternative automotive fuel.

“Growing demand for sustainable transportation supported by government initiatives such as the zero rate of taxes on LPG continues to drive the growth of the auto gas market.

He added that with the notable developments in the country, it is important for all to join hands and move the ‘Kaa Safe’ campaign to all, saying this will require collaborative efforts.

“This campaign is a tool to reach the last mile; it is a vehicle for us to reach all the regions through awareness campaign at the grassroots and ensure that the three products we are using; electricity, e-cooking and LPG are used prudently and safely,” he said.

Recent data from the Energy and Petroleum Statistics report shows that demand for LPG increased by 13.38 per cent, from 195,445.13 metric tons reported in the first half of the year 2024 to 219,416 metric tons in the second half period of 2024, a clear indicator that Kenyans

are increasingly appreciating the benefit of this clean and efficient fuel.

Liban said that the State Department of Petroleum is working closely with EPRA and industry players to intensify efforts around petroleum safety education by including strict enforcement of safety standards, community sensitization, and ensuring that petroleum retailers and transporters adhere to the highest level of compliance.

State Department of Energy Principal Secretary Alex Wachira asked Kenyans to ensure that they adhere to safety measures by using certified electricians to ensure proper electrical installations and regular maintenance to prevent accidents.

“We recognize the important role energy plays in the lives of our citizens and the broader economic development of our country. The ‘Kaa Safe’ campaign is not just about raising awareness. It is a bold, clarion call to action that transforms how energy is accessed, consumed, and managed across the country,” Wachira said.

The Director General of EPRA Daniel Kiptoo said everybody is a champion and that all should put their heads together to increase awareness on safety.

## State commits to eradicate drought emergencies

BY ANITA OMWENGA, KNA

The Government is committed to ending drought emergencies in the country as it transitions into the Second Phase of the Common Programme Framework for Ending Drought Emergencies (EDE CPF II).

This is a strategic roadmap that will guide the country through to the year 2032.

The Cabinet Secretary for East African Community, the ASALS and Regional Development Beatrice Askul said the framework provides a common strategy around which all stakeholders can harmonize their interventions in support of sustainable livelihoods in arid and semi-arid lands (ASALs).

Speaking during a high-level consultative meeting on the draft EDE CPF II in Nairobi, Askul said the persistence of drought in the country, including the national emergency declared in the year 2021, shows that there is still much more to do to ensure sustainable livelihoods.

According to Askul, the arid and semi-arid lands make up more than 80 per cent of Kenya’s national landmass, and yet, ASALs remain at the epicenter of climate crises like droughts.

“These regions are rich in po-

tential endowed with natural resources, cultural diversity, and strategic economic importance,” she said, adding that the government is on track in unlocking the region’s potential.


The speaker reported that Kenya experiences an increase in frequent, severe, and prolonged droughts, affecting 1.5 to 4.9 million Kenyans annually.

The 2021-2023 drought cost over Sh71 billion in response, resulting in losses of 12.1 billion US dollars between 2008 and 2011.

The Ending Drought Emergencies (EDE) initiative is a multi-stakeholder platform focusing on long-term resilience, coordination, and sustainable development to prevent future droughts from escalating into national emergencies, the CS said.

“We are not just here to reflect on our journey, we are here to reaffirm our shared vision and chart a bold, collective path as we transition into the second phase of this vital national initiative,” she said.

She said drawing on lessons from the past decade, the framework is anchored on three priority action areas including: investment in foundations for development and resilience building; and coordination, institutional development, and knowledge management.



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# Government allocates Sh500m for propagation and distribution of coffee seedlings

BY BERNARD MUNYAO AND PURITY MUGO, KNA

The Government has allocated Sh500 million in the supplementary budget to facilitate propagation and distribution of coffee seedlings to farmers.

The Principal Secretary (PS) for the State Department for Co-operatives Mr. Patrick Kilemi said the programme aims to increase production with 20 million coffee seedlings earmarked for distribution of farmers across all coffee growing regions annually.

Kilemi, speaking in Murang'a where he met coffee farmers noted that the Coffee Research Institute (CRI) and New KPCU will be entrusted with the responsibility of propagating the seedlings of high yielding coffee varieties.

He stated that coffee production in the country is still low as compared to other neighbouring coffee producing nations.

"Last year, Kenya produced 50,000 metric tons while Uganda produced

400,000 metric tons and Ethiopia produced 750 metric tons of coffee.

"We want our farmers to plant recommended coffee seedlings as we target to increase our production by more than ten times. Properly planted and well nurtured coffee can produce more than 40 kilos per bush," Kilemi said at Ihura Stadium.

Old coffee bushes, the PS said, are to blame for low production saying a coffee bush can only be properly productive for a period of 20 years.

He noted that the government has revitalized the coffee sector and farmers have been receiving lucrative prices from their coffee.

"The reforms the government is implementing in the coffee sector are bearing fruits. We managed to remove cartels at the Nairobi Coffee Exchange as we separated licensing of millers, buyers and brokers," he added.

To increase production of coffee, Kilemi averred that the government is also streamlining distri-

bution of subsidized fertilizer to farmers.

He said the New KPCU has been mandated to source fertilizer from National Cereals and Produce Board (NCPB) and take it to coffee factories where farmers can access it easily.

"The New KPCU has also been mandated to distribute chemicals which the government has subsidized at about 40 per cent so as to control diseases and pests that affect coffee production," the PS noted.

He said revitalization of coffee will greatly contribute to the country's GDP observing that the average price of a kilo of coffee in some areas currently is more than Sh100.

"Worldwide, coffee is number two after oil. The value of coffee trade in the world is estimated to be around \$600 billion. Kenya in 2023 got Sh33 billion from coffee. Well-natured and managed coffee can see returns from the cherry surpass income realized from tea," the PS stated.



Farmers receives coffee seedlings in a past event. (Photo: Courtesy)

The government, Kilemi observed, targets to generate Sh1 trillion from coffee in the near future saying the returns can only be achieved by cooperation with farmers for increased coffee production and attaining the required cherry quality.

Meanwhile the PS said the government is working to replace aging pulping equipment in all coffee factories with modern machines.

He noted that the old machines have occasioned farmers to incur losses and also interfered with

coffee quality.

The PS further announced that the government has factored Sh6.8 billion in the budget to clear coffee debts saying this will see an increment of farmers' income.

"After verification of accrued coffee debts by societies, it was established the needed amount is Sh6.8 billion which has been factored in the next financial budget. By August the debts will be cleared and farmers will be relieved from the financial burden," Kilemi remarked.

On his part, Murang'a Governor Irungu Kang'ata said his administration will set aside some funds in the next financial year to support farmers.

The funds, he said, will facilitate farmers to increase production, saying from next month, a team from the county government will tour the USA and China to search for a market for Murang'a coffee.

"We are delighted as coffee factories in Murang'a this year have paid farmers at average of Sh115 per kilo. This is a landmark payment," Kang'ata said.

# Government allocates Sh5b for Gogo hydro power plant expansion

BY MAKOKHA KHAOYA, KNA

The Government has secured Sh5 billion to upgrade and expand the Gogo Hydro Power Plant, increasing power generation from two to 8.6 megawatts.

The Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum, Opiyo Wanyai, speaking during a tree-planting session at Midida Primary School in Uriti Sub-County, noted that Migori County has so far benefited from a Sh6 billion electrification program.

He said Sh800 million of the funds had been allocated to the Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation (RE-REC) for infrastructure development, power distribution, and last-mile connectivity.

Wanyai disclosed that the Ministry of Energy is committed to addressing the country's power shortages. He stated that upgrading the Gogo Hydro Power Plant will

help mitigate some of the power outages in the region and create job opportunities for local residents.

He also promised to ensure that more funds are allocated to counties to improve power connectivity nationwide.

Wanyai further revealed that the Ministry of Energy and Petroleum had, as of March this year, planted 11 million trees as part of an initiative to help the government achieve a 30 per cent forest cover by 2030.

He emphasized the importance of sustainable environmental practices and urged residents to take personal responsibility in the fight against deforestation.

He stressed that tree growing—rather than just planting—must involve nurturing trees to maturity to ensure long-term ecological benefits.

CS Wanyai added that the initiative aims to engage forest conservators and hundreds of local

farmers to plant more than 500,000 trees across the Nyanza region, with the goal of reversing deforestation and restoring degraded landscapes.

"My Ministry has issued out 100,000 seedlings to Migori County to plant during these long rains so as to help to improve and conserve Gogo Power Plant and other wetland areas," Wanyai said.

He encouraged the locals to continue with the tree planting programme to boost the forest cover, which, he said, is below two percent.

Migori Governor, Ochilo Ayacko, said that the Gogo Hydro Power Plant expansion is one of the government projects initiatives that will change the lives of people.

The Governor said his administration will work closely with the national government to initiate and complete key energy initiatives to improve power connectivity across the 12 sub-counties.



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# Creative economy set for growth as Government pledges increased investment

BY ESTHER MWANGI, KNA

The Government is implementing policies and programs to support the creative and cultural industries, including strengthening copyright laws and ensuring artists receive fair compensation for their work.

Pledging increased investments in the sector, Principal Secretary (PS) of the State Department for Culture, Arts, and Heritage, Ms. Ummy Bashir, said the government is championing the passing of legislative policies that will benefit players in the arts industry. She called for more support from private organizations to promote the growth of the creative economy.

Ms. Bashir emphasized

that the government recognizes the immense value of the arts and is committed to overseeing the continued growth and development of the creative industry. She added that the fifth pillar of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) emphasizes transforming the creative sector into a sustainable industry that supports decent livelihoods.

Speaking during the celebrations for this year's World Arts Day at the Agricultural Society of Kenya Showground in Nakuru, the PS noted that through continued investment in talent development, the government is creating an enabling environment where artists across all disciplines can thrive.

"The government will

continue to champion policies, infrastructure development, and strategic partnerships that uplift our creatives, celebrate cultural diversity, and position the arts at the heart of our nation's progress," Ms. Bashir pointed out.

She concluded by stating that the time has come for creatives to build meaningful livelihoods from their art, noting that the state has implemented strategies to open opportunities for all creatives and protect their intellectual property from exploitation.

The Economy Survey 2023 revealed that the arts, recreation and entertainment industry accounts for five per cent of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and 0.25 per cent of total wage



Traditional dancers entertain guests during celebrations to mark World Arts Day in Nakuru.

employment. It was also identified as a contributor to a happier and healthier lifestyle.

Kenya, with a burgeoning youthful population is targeting the creative and digital economy for job creation and employment.

Calling on Kenyans to reflect on the power of the arts to unite, inspire, and drive change, Ms Bashir

called upon all stakeholders, government agencies, private sector partners, development organizations, and the wider community, to continue investing in and supporting the creative sector as this will create more platforms, open additional opportunities, and amplify more voices.

Ms Bashir hailed the Kenya Cultural Centre for

its dedication in promoting artistic excellence, adding that the organization has been instrumental in supporting the growth of the creative and cultural industry in Kenya, thereby helping to establish the country as a stronghold for artistic and cultural expression.

The PS noted that by supporting the creative industry the government is playing a key role in fostering creative thinking and addressing high unemployment rate.

She stated that by decentralizing national events such as the World Arts Day to counties, the State is expanding access to artistic opportunities and empowering communities across the country. The PS pointed out that the government had identified the creative economy as one of the fastest growing sectors not only as a source of employment but also as an enabler of national cohesion and innovation.



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# Government unveils multi-million project to save Lake Naivasha from extinction

BY ERASTUS GICHOHI, KNA

The Government has launched the three-year Lake Naivasha Basin Ecosystem Management Project aimed at saving the lake from extinction.

Environment, Climate Change, and Forestry Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Deborah Barasa, speaking in Naivasha, said that the Lake Naivasha basin is a key natural resource for the region's flora and fauna. She added that it supports livelihoods through agriculture in the Aberdare highlands, as well as tourism and fishing in Lake Naivasha.

However, Dr. Barasa expressed concern that the lake basin is currently facing numerous environmental challenges. If not addressed, these challenges could have devastating effects on the region's flora, fauna, and the livelihoods of many



Environment, Climate Change and Forestry CS Dr. Deborah Mlango Barasa and Nyandarua County Governor Moses Kiarie Badilisha (in white caps, both facing camera) onboard a boat during a familiarization tour of Lake Naivasha on the sidelines of the launch of Lake Naivasha Basin Ecosystem Management project in Naivasha.

people. The CS noted that the basin, which extends from the highlands of the Aberdares to the downstream area of Lake Naivasha, provides rich agricultural lands that support farming activities. However, she also pointed out that the basin is facing numerous challenges, mostly driven

by unsustainable agricultural practices, the use of chemicals on farmlands, effluents from the hotel industry, and encroachment on riparian areas.

"If this trend continues, we will soon lose the vital ecosystem services that thousands of people depend on," she said.

To address this, Dr.

Barasa emphasized that the timely and prudent implementation of the project would lead to key outcomes, including improved basin governance, restored forest and wetland ecosystems, sustainable land management, and enhanced ecosystem services such as increased fish production.

Lake Naivasha is a designated Ramsar site, meaning it is a wetland of international importance. It is home to diverse wildlife, including hippos, flamingos, over 400 bird species, and an active fishing community. It also serves as a key tourism destination and hosts global events such as the World Rally Championship (WRC). However, this national treasure is under threat from degradation, pollution, and loss of biodiversity, according to Dr. Barasa.

To restore the Lake Naivasha ecosystem, the government, through the National Environment Trust Fund (NETFUND), has secured \$1.78 million (approximately Sh230.85 million) from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) to support the restoration of the ecology. The fund will be used for restoring forest ecosystems and reducing land degradation within the Lake Naivasha Basin.

The project is a comprehensive three-year program focused on restoring

catchment and riparian land in key zones across the basin.

Dr. Barasa called for concerted efforts from all stakeholders in conserving the ecosystem, noting that the sustainable management of the Lake Naivasha Basin Ecosystem requires cooperation, support, and contributions from all levels of government, the private sector, non-governmental organizations, and local communities who are the stewards of these landscapes. "The initiative aligns well with key government priorities, including my ministry's strategic focus areas on biodiversity conservation, environmental and forest restoration, and climate change action," she stated.

On his part, NETFUND Chief Executive Officer Samson Toniok said the project will enable the protection of key forests in Nyandarua County including 6, 600 hectares in South Kinangop, 6,800 hectares in North Kinangop and 22,000 hectares that form Geta forest in the same county.

## Why we must formally recognize village elders

BY RAYMOND OMOLLO

One of the most disturbing cases to ever reach our Ministry's headquarters involved a minor who had been defiled and later killed. Shockingly, the case was quietly swept under the rug under the guise of "out-of-court settlement." It might have ended were it not for the courage of the girl's mother, who defied the pressure to stay quiet and escalated the matter in pursuit of justice for her daughter.

It later emerged that some village elders had been compromised through monetary influence, choosing silence over accountability. This tragic incident was not just a crime against one child. Rather, it was among those that have laid bare some glaring cracks within our traditional village administration system.

For decades, the system has quietly held our communities together. At the heart of it all are dedicated village elders, who, unpaid and often without formal recognition, have mediated disputes, settled some serious conflicts, and upheld social order. All this while, they have been operating outside the boundaries of formal governance structures, their service rooted in goodwill, cultural heritage, and our collective desire for social

equilibrium.

In recent years, some of the cracks have become too troubling to ignore. From our assessment, the absence of a formal legal framework and structured compensation for the elders has created significant gaps in oversight. Instances of nepotism, favouritism, and, in some cases, outright corruption are increasingly coming to light.

Even more alarming are grave matters, including sexual violence and murders, being casually "resolved" instead of being escalated and referred to the formal justice system, as the law requires. As such, without underplaying the invaluable role village administration system has long played, we must now ask ourselves: is it still truly serving our communities, or is it merely surviving on legacy? They say, "If it's working, don't meddle - unless you're improving it."

The foregoing concerns highlight the urgent need to strengthen our village elders' place in local governance through structure, training, and accountability. The Draft National Government Village Administration Policy seeks to officially recognize village administrative units and provide a legal framework for the engagement of these elders.

The policy, which is a culmination of a journey we



begin last year, spells a conscious evolution of our pluralistic legal identity, which has always balanced statutory law with customary practices. From our perspective, and the overwhelming memoranda we received from the public and our stakeholders, by anchoring the elders' work in law, the policy will not only empower them to play a more active role in governance, justice, and security but also draw a clear line between customary dispute resolution and matters that demand formal legal intervention.

In fact, we already have evidence of how well such collaboration can work. Through grassroots structures like the Nyumba Kumi initiative, we have effectively dealt with serious security threats, including terrorism and organized crime, by leveraging community vigilance and information-sharing with our security organs.

The proposed policy, alongside the National Government Coordination (Administrative Units')

Regulations, 2025, marks a critical turning point in how we envision our grassroots governance. This new framework aims to formally recognize the elders and provide them with a clear legal identity, defined responsibilities, and standardized roles across the country.

This formalization is a long-overdue step toward protecting both the communities they serve and the integrity of the office itself. Beyond recognition, the policy and the draft regulations will facilitate the equitable decentralization of national government services, ensuring that support, funding, and resources reach the last mile as envisioned in our Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

The two instruments will also promote public participation in administrative decision-making, foster transparency, and establish clear lines of authority and accountability in service delivery at the grassroots level. Most importantly, they draw a clear path toward restoring public trust in the village administration system by proposing structured governance to replace the elders' informal discretion.

Our ultimate goal is to strengthen their leadership not just as custodians of our culture and community peace, but as legitimate and recognized

actors within our governance architecture. We have selectively taken some lessons from other jurisdictions that have successfully integrated traditional justice into their legal frameworks and empowered their local communities to great effect. In fact, some of the systems we've learnt from have become a powerful extension of their national security and administration infrastructure.

In Canada, for instance, elders in indigenous play a central role in administering restorative justice. Papua New Guinea has Village Courts led by local elders, who address civil and minor criminal matters through customary processes. Bolivia's Constitution also empowers indigenous communities to administer justice based on traditional and culturally grounded laws.

India's Gram Panchayats and Samoa's councils of chiefs similarly settle disputes and conflicts at the community level with full state support. Not to mention numerous examples from African countries where village-level administration plays a prominent role. These models affirm one truth: formal institutions may not always reach the heart of community conflict.

Our village elders have given us a unique perspective on cattle rustling and helped us dismantle

the criminal enterprise by revealing it as a warped expression of cultural identity, which had been exacerbated by poverty, peer pressure, and political incitement.

They also bring first-hand understanding of boundary disputes over land and water, highlighting issues that touch on heritage, livelihood, and survival, through which we are finding more viable ways to address these challenges. By giving them structured authority and accountability, we will not only create a governance system that is both responsive and responsible, but also ensure serious crimes are rightly escalated.

This will be a system that will also place justice within walking distance of every mwananchi. It will also mark a radical shift in mindset that will accord these elders their deserved recognition, tools, protection, and compensation.

With foresight and the input from all our stakeholders and partners, key among them national and county governments, the civil society, inter-faith groups, community representatives, and members of the public, we hope to build an administrative and justice system that starts where the people are.

*Dr. Omollo the PS for Internal Security and National Administration.*



# KRA unveils new patrol boat to bolster maritime security, combat illicit trade

**BY CHARI SUCHE, KNA**

The Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) has launched a patrol boat for the authority's marine unit in a bid to safeguard the borders from illicit trade and enhance maritime security.

The marine unit fleet, KRA 009, is a vital asset in the fight against illicit trade and in strengthening maritime border security. It symbolizes not

just a physical asset but also a renewed commitment to protecting the borders and securing the economy, said KRA Commissioner General (CG) Humphrey Wattanga. He stated that despite sustained efforts by multi-agency teams, illicit trade continues to pose a serious threat to the economy, public health, and national security.

Wattanga added that the smuggling of goods, including contraband,

narcotics, and weapons, undermines legitimate businesses, deprives the government of critical revenue, and places the lives of Kenyans at risk.

"As KRA, our mandate extends beyond revenue collection. We are a key player in national security through our role in border control. Working closely with other enforcement agencies under the multi-agency framework, we remain steadfast in our duty to protect the sover-



The newly commissioned Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) patrol boat christened KRA009 during its maiden patrol through the Likoni channel, Mombasa. PHOTO: ANDREW HINGA

eignty and well-being of our country," he said.

The CG added that the authority has adopted a wide range of strategic and technological interventions to stop the surge of illicit trade.

These include market surveillance, advanced risk analysis and targeting, real-time information sharing across agencies, installation of scanners at entry points, and both land and water patrols.

# Sh1.3 billion project to transform Lake Victoria's blue economy



Deputy President Prof Kithure Kindiki addressing members of the community at Kabonyo Kanyagwal during an inspection tour of the facility.

**BY CHRIS MAHANDARA, KNA**

The Government is committed to revitalizing Lake Victoria's blue economy through infrastructure projects, including the ongoing construction of the Sh1.3 billion Kabonyo-Kanyagwal Aquaculture Center in Kisumu County.

Speaking during an inspection tour of the Kabonyo-Kanyagwal project, Deputy President Prof. Kithure Kindiki described it as a cornerstone of Kenya's blue economy transformation agenda.

He called it a "game changer" that will boost fish production, support sustainable fishing practices, and create thousands of jobs across the lakeside region.

The Deputy President noted that the facility, currently 15 percent complete, will produce 28 million fingerlings annually.

Additionally, it will serve as a specialized training hub for farmers and other stakeholders in the sector, thereby advancing the broader blue economy agenda. The fish species bred at the modern facility, he said, will be supplied to farmers and used to restock Lake

Victoria, which has seen a significant drop in production.

Once completed, the aquaculture center is expected to significantly support thousands of small-scale fish farmers, complementing other government-driven blue economy initiatives aimed at enhancing food security and boosting income for fishing communities around the lake, he said.

In a bid to modernize the fisheries sector, Prof Kindiki also highlighted the ongoing construction of nine new fish landing sites across Migori, Kisumu, Siaya, Homa Bay, and Busia counties.

The sites which include three in Siaya, two in Homa Bay, two in Kisumu, one in Busia, and one in Migori will be equipped with cold storage facilities and value addition infrastructure to reduce post-harvest losses and improve earnings for fishermen.

These projects will create long term jobs for our people who will work as plumbers

Prof Kindiki pointed out that the first phase of the initiative, which included landing sites at Mulukoba (Busia), Luanda K'otieno (Siaya), and Sori (Migori), had already been completed and handed over to local communities.

To ensure sustainable harvesting of aquatic resources, Prof Kindiki stated that the government is working closely with Beach Management Units (BMUs) and has already released Sh124 million to assist them to acquire modern fishing gear.

He added that additional allocations will be made this year to further equip BMUs with the necessary tools to venture into deep-sea fishing.

The projects, he said, are in line with the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) with thousands of job opportunities set to be created.

"These projects will create long term jobs for our people. Already many people are working here as plumbers, artisans, architects, engineers, quantity surveyors and several other short time jobs have also been created," he said.



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2.	Director, Internal Audit & Risk Assurance	2	1	KIP/DIARA2/2025
3.	Deputy Director, Human Resource Management and Administration	3	1	KIP/DDHRA/2025
4.	Deputy Director Finance and Accounts	3	1	KIP/DDFA3/2025
5.	Principal Legal Officer	5	1	KIP/PLO5/2025
6.	Principal Laboratory Technician	7	1	KIP/PLT7/2025
7.	Laboratory Technicians	9	5	KIP/LT 9/2025
8.	Artisans either in (Carpentry and Joinery or Turning and Fitting or Plumbing or Welding and Fabricating and Electrical).	12	3	KIP/ARTN 12/2025
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Total Positions			20	

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Interested Kenyan Citizens who meet the qualifications may apply enclosing a detailed Resume, certified copy of pays lip, certified copies of academic and professional certificates including testimonials, names and addresses of at least three (3) referees and their telephone contacts and emails. Please note that successful candidates will be required to provide clearances from Ethics and Anti-corruption Commission, Kenya Revenue Authority, Directorate of Criminal Investigation (Certificate of good Conduct), Credit Reference Bureau and Higher Education Loans Board.

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The application should be placed in a plain envelope clearly indicating the Application **Vacancy number on top of the envelope** and dropped in the box placed outside the Director General's Office at Administration Block at Ololua forest Karen, on or before the close of business on **21<sup>st</sup> May, 2025 at 4.30 P.M.**







## HUDUMA CORNER

Huduma Kenya unveils quarterly theme: "We've got your back"

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## TECHNOLOGY

# Closing the digital divide

Government using Universal Service Fund to boost internet connection and promote widespread access to ICT services

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### TREE PLANTING

The Government has set a target of planting 15 billion trees by 2032 and raising the country's forest cover from 12 per cent to 30 per cent.



"KYEB staff joined hands with the local community to plant trees of different species at Nyanturago, which is a wetland near Keroka town. Nyanturago spans about 1,000 acres and is one of the largest wetlands in the county. The tree planting initiative exemplifies power of collective efforts in addressing environmental challenges."

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## COUNTY SPOTLIGHT



NYAMIRA COUNTY

605,576

The county has a population of 605,576, (2019 census)



State Agencies sustain tree planting efforts

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## TECHNOLOGY

# Kabogo commits to enhance internet connectivity, use of ICT services in rural areas

He notes that the Government is using Universal Service Fund to boost connection and promote widespread access to other ICT services



Students at Jitume lab. Inset: ICT Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo.

The Government remains committed to narrowing the digital divide by expanding internet connectivity, especially in underserved and unserved regions.

The Cabinet Secretary, Information, Communications and the Digital Economy William Kabogo, said that enhancing internet connectivity will help improve the economy and boost security for national development.

He noted that in enhancing connectivity, the Government is doing a transformative effort that aligns with the country's broader economic goals.

Mr Kabogo said the Ministry's efforts to enhance connectivity in rural areas are being done through the Universal Service Fund (USF). USF is managed by the Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) and was established under the Kenya Information and Communications (Amendment) Act, 2009.

The main goal of the fund is to promote

widespread access to the internet and other ICT services in remote areas.

The fund supports projects that enhance communication infrastructure, provide ICT services to vulnerable groups and expands access to schools, health facilities and other public institutions.

The USF is largely financed through levies charged on licensed telecommunication and ICT services operators, grants and donations.

Some of the counties that have recently benefitted from connectivity through the USF are Turkana, West Pokot, Baringo, Elgeyo Marakwet, Samburu, Marsabit, Mandera, Tana River, Lamu, Kilifi, Kwale, Kitui, Laikipia, Isiolo, Garissa, Wajir, Kitui, Makueni, Kajiado and Narok.

The Government's digital transformation agenda involves deploying 100,000km of fibre network to all the 1,450 wards across the country.

In laying out the cables, which are part of the National Optic Fibre Backbone



Infrastructure (NOFBI) that seeks to provide affordable and quality broadband internet, promote and facilitate open access to underserved areas through enhanced broadband connectivity, the Government will construct 52,000km mainly connecting its key institutions while 48,000km will be done by the private sector for homes and businesses.

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## EFFORTS TO BRIDGE DIGITAL DIVIDE

- The Universal Service Fund (USF) supports connectivity in underserved and unserved areas.
- Government investments in fibre optic infrastructure to reach all 1,450 wards in Kenya.
- Establishment of digital hubs to offer access to ICT tools and training.
- Partnerships with private sector players, like American Tower Corporation, to enhance connectivity using mobile towers.
- Digital upskilling programmes targeting 20 million citizens through TVET institutions.

According to CS Kabogo, securing funding for critical ICT projects, including through USF, is one of the main ways to expand connectivity and establish digital hubs to equip citizens with essential digital skills.

"The goal is to ensure that every Kenyan can participate in the digital economy, from accessing Government services online to using social media platforms for employment opportunities," Mr Kabogo said when he met Treasury CS John Mbadi.

Besides connecting citizens through fibre optic cable, the Government is working with the private sector to provide tower services, especially in areas where the terrain is challenging.

"Connectivity needs across the country differ depending on the region. In far-flung areas with limited or no fibre optic infrastructure," said CS Kabogo when he met Lucretia Deean Fontaine, the Director Public Affairs and Regulatory, Africa, American Tower Company (ATC) in Kenya. He noted that the partnership between ATC and the Ministry also involve provision of computers to schools and community facilities, boosting the Government's digital connectivity. The Government digital transformation agenda also includes extensive skilling programmes targeting 20 million citizens.

The Head of Public Service Felix Koskei said last week that substantial funding has been allocated to establish digital hubs and ICT training programmes in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions. "The initiatives aim to create a digitally empowered workforce capable of interacting seamlessly with e-Government systems and online platforms," Mr Koskei said at the Information Systems, Audit and Control Association (ISACA) Kenya Chapter's Annual Conference in Mombasa. "We must not leave anyone behind. Certified professionals and self-taught technologists alike must be integrated into the digital ecosystem," he said, highlighting the Government's commitment to ethical and effective use of technology.

With over 22,000 services digitalised, the Government has already made significant strides in enhancing transparency and efficiency in service delivery.

Mr Koskei said partnerships between the private sector, professional organisations and the Government have been instrumental in advancing Kenya's connectivity goals.

As the Government and stakeholders work together to expand connectivity and enhance digital skills, Kenya is positioning itself as a leader in ICT and digital economy development. From reducing data costs to building robust infrastructure and fostering inclusivity, the nation is taking bold steps to bridge the digital divide.

"Our vision is to create a digitally empowered citizenry that can seamlessly interact with government systems and services online," Mr Koskei said. With ambitious targets and strong collaborations, Kenya's connectivity drive is poised to transform the country, ensuring that no citizen is left behind in the digital age. ■

## TELLING THE STORY

## Kenya Yearbook staff plant trees at Nyantugo wetland in Kisii

Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) staff planted trees at Nyanturago Forest in Kisii County in support of the Government's efforts to plant 15 billion trees by 2032.

The staff joined hands with the local community to plant trees of different species at Nyanturago, which is a wetland near Keroka Town. Nyanturago, which spans about 1,000 acres, is one of the largest wetlands in the country.

The wetland plays a crucial role in supporting a rich variety

of plant and animal species while offering essential environmental benefits.

Ms Jane Mareka, the Principal Planning Officer, who represented Chief Executive Officer Lilian



"KYEB supports the Government's ambitious target of planting 15 billion trees by 2032."

Kimeto, led the KYEB team.

KYEB supports the Government's ambitious target of planting 15 billion trees by 2032 and raising the country's forest cover from 12 per cent to 30 per cent.

The tree planting initiative exemplifies the power of collective efforts in addressing environmental challenges.

KYEB is mandated to document Government initiatives and programmes, which it does through its main publication "Kenya Yearbook". ■



Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board CEO Lilian Kimeto (second left) with other officials during a tree planting exercise in Nandi County.



## Huduma Kenya unveils quarterly theme: 'We've got your back'

**H**uduma Kenya has unveiled "We've got your back", a quarterly theme of its Service Excellence Calendar for the financial year 2024/25.

Running from April to June 2025, the theme reflects Huduma Kenya's unwavering dedication to exceptional Public Service delivery through empowered teams and employee wellness. Meanwhile, Huduma Kenya partnered with the Kenya Red Cross Society and the Kenya Tissue and Transplant Authority to launch "Huduma Centres Blood Donation Drive" on

### HUDUMA CORNER

April 8, 2025, at Huduma Centre, Makadara. The nationwide initiative

marked a milestone in community service, culminating in the collection of over 700 pints of blood at Huduma Centres countrywide.

The noble effort underscored the importance of teamwork, unity and impactful service.

It also celebrated Huduma Kenya's dedicated staff, who fully embraced the theme and

demonstrated its essence through active participation. Additionally, counselling services and basic health checks offered at various Centres highlighted Huduma Kenya's commitment to holistic care. Among the services offered by Huduma Kenya are issuance of ID cards, passports and birth certificates.

There is also National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) and National Social Security Fund (NSSF) services as well as access to e-Government services, including applications for permits and licences. ■



Huduma Kenya CEO Ben Chilumo at Huduma Centre, Makadara.

Cabinet Secretary, Information, Communications and the Digital Economy William Kabogo plants a tree in Nandi County.



### GREENING

## State Agencies sustain tree-planting efforts

The tree planting initiative has gained momentum as part of collective efforts to restore the environment

**M**inistries, Departments, Agencies and Counties (MDACs) have intensified efforts to restore degraded landscapes and forests as the Government intensifies drive to attain its target of planting 15 billion trees by 2032.

The tree planting drive, launched in 2022, is part of the Government's programme to combat climate change, foster sustainable development and build resilience against environmental degradation.

Over 783 million trees have been planted since the launch of the National Tree Growing Restoration Campaign, according to the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Environment,

Climate Change and Forestry, Dr Deborah Barasa.

The CS noted that the quest to plant 15 billion trees by 2032 is a testament to the country's collective efforts to combat climate change, restore degraded ecosystems and secure a greener future.

"The Government is committed to restoring the country's precious but endangered forest ecosystems," Dr Barasa said as she launched the Cherangany Forest Ecosystem Restoration Project at Chebara Agricultural Training Centre in Elgeyo Marakwet County last week.

She asked every Kenyan to participate in restoration efforts, whether through planting trees, spreading awareness or supporting sustainable practices.

In Nandi County, the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy, Mr William Kabogo, led tree planting efforts at Chebilat Forest Aldai Constituency.

He asked residents to maximise on the



### FACTS & FIGURES

# 15 billion

Number of trees to be grown by 2032.

# 783m

The number of trees planted since the launch of the National Tree Growing Restoration Campaign.

ongoing rains to plant as many trees as possible for a better future.

"We have abundant rains here so we don't need to water trees like other places. Ensure that everyone, including children have trees so that we can take this county to another level," the CS said.

"If we plant trees, we'll breathe in clean air and enjoy many other advantages including beautification of our homes," he added.

He promised to continue supporting the tree planting exercise, but asked leaders not to politicise the campaign as the benefits belong to Kenyans and not to certain individuals.

Nandi Governor Stephen Sang urged Kenya Forest Service to allow agroforestry as part of efforts to boost the initiative.

"Please allow the community to co-exist with the forest. Allow them to take care of this trees alongside their crops," Mr Sang pleaded.

The Governor pointed out that the county has 16 per cent forest cover, which was low as the region receives plenty of rain throughout the year.

He directed all Departments in Nandi County to support the National Government tree planting initiative.

Other Government institutions that hosted tree planting events in the past week are the State Department for Culture and Heritage, Ministry of Energy, KenGen, Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organisation and Youth Fund. ■

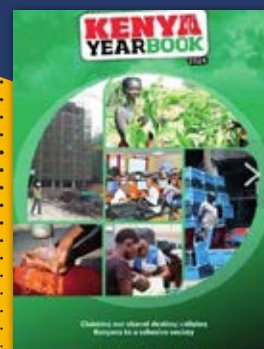


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President William Ruto during the commissioning of the General Service Officer Cadets at the Kenya Military Academy in Lanet, Nakuru.

Below: The President when he opened the 150-bed capacity Lanet Regional Hospital.



The new PS for Broadcasting and Telecommunications Stephen Isaboke takes oath of office at State House in Nairobi. Mr Isaboke will officially take over the docket on Wednesday.



Deputy President Kithure Kindiki inspects the ongoing construction of the Sh1.3 billion Kabonyo Fisheries Aquaculture and Training Centre in Kisumu, one of Government's flagship projects.

Right: Prof Kindiki at the Regional Centre for Marine Transport and Port Logistics in Kwale County.



Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs when he met United Kingdom Export Financing Team led by CEO Tim Reid where they explored funding for the Nairobi Railway City Project.





## Kwale invests in irrigation system to boost food production

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI, KNA

The Kwale County Government is targeting small scale irrigation schemes to boost agricultural productivity, food security and rural livelihoods.

More than 4,000 small-holder farmers have been incorporated into the program through a partnership between the county government and the National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP).

The coastal county's main sources of water are boreholes, underground, springs, dams, water pans and rock catchments.

Governor Fatuma Achani said the agricultural irrigation support initiative is aimed at enhancing food security, supporting livelihoods and promoting economic growth in the coastal county.

Governor Achani said the devolved government seeks to promote year-round agriculture, production and farming by embracing irrigation during the dry seasons.

"By investing in irrigation infrastructure and technology, we expect to achieve greater food security, reduce poverty and create employment opportunities for our



**Kwale Governor Fatuma Achani inspects crops under drip irrigation during a farmer's field day. Achani says the county government is prioritizing irrigation to boost food security.**

people," she said.

Over 25 mega and medium dams with components of small-scale irrigation schemes have been constructed across the region providing a reliable water supply to smallholder farmers.

The dams serving as reservoirs to store water for agricultural use and water for livestock include Nyalani, Mweni, Silaloni, Mwaluvuno, Kizingo, and Mwakalanga.

The dams serve as a catalyst for modern irrigation farming, reducing dependency on rain-fed agriculture, and promoting agribusiness development.

Achani said Kwale has

prioritized sustainable agriculture in its dry zones in Lunga Lunga and Kinango sub-counties by spearheading a bold initiative that has seen 250 acres of land placed under drip irrigation.

"With the irrigation schemes, arid and semi-arid areas have the potential to transform from a basket case struggling with food security issues to becoming food barns," she said, adding that Kwale is dedicated to economic growth through agricultural transformation.

Achani said the county is undertaking several irrigation projects designed as a 'ladder out of poverty' for the smallholder farmers in areas endowed with suf-

ficient water resources for irrigation-based intensification.

She stated that the county is providing direct support to farmers by distributing certified seeds, improved varieties of crops, fertilizers, and irrigation equipment.

Achani emphasized the critical need for a climate-resilient agricultural system to counteract the increasing threats from erratic weather, droughts, and emerging pests and diseases.

The county boss reiterated the devolved government's commitment to expanding irrigation infrastructure and access to sustainable water reservoirs particularly to arid and semi-arid areas prone to drought.

"The dams and the irrigation projects play a critical role in building resilience to climate induced changes and making all year-round production and cultivation possible," Achani said.

She also emphasized the need for mechanization of agriculture noting that her administration has provided tractors and other critical equipment to farmers to enhance productivity, and underscored the significance of technology adoption in agricultural advancement.

## BRIEFS

### Migori Aquaculture groups receive Sh9.02 million grant

BY MAKOKHA KHAOYAI, KNA

Migori entrepreneur groups have received to Sh9.02 million to empower them economically in the fish value chain.

They were given the grant by the Aquaculture Business Development Programme (ABDP), through funding from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). Speaking in one of the hotels in Migori town during the presentation of the cheques, Migori County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Agriculture, Livestock and the Blue Economy, Lucas Mosenda, said that 44 groups will benefit from the grant. "We have 12 groups that have received Sh500,000 each with the rest receiving Sh100,000 in grants," said Mosenda.

He said the grants will help fish farmers, fish processors, fish formulators and trainers to improve their productivity in aquaculture.

The official added that the county is at the forefront boosting aquaculture to improve the economic activities of the county and the South Nyanza region. Mosenda called upon the

beneficiaries to utilise the funds well for sustainability and continuity of their ventures to generate income for their households as well as for the county. County Chief Officer in Charge of Fisheries and Blue Economy, George Ochola, said the grant will change the lives of the beneficiary groups.

"We want these groups who are in different lines of production; that is, feed formulation, value addition and fish farmers to utilise these funds prudently to boost their income generation," Ochola said.

He also disclosed that the county extension officers will be doing a follow-up to ensure the funds are utilised for the right reasons to economically empower the groups.

Ochola explained that the county will continue to empower the fish farmers both within the lake and those from the inland to make Migori a rich aquaculture county.

"Through our good governance and conducive environment that Migori has offered, we aim to improve and expand our fish production to generate more income for our people," Ochola said.

### CS Kabogo urges Nandi residents to plant trees

BY GEOFFREY SATIA

Nandi County residents have been challenged to utilise the current rains to plant trees in their homes and designated public places. The Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo asked residents to green their county with various types of trees, since their growth depends on the freely available water.

Kabogo regretted that the residents were not planting enough trees as they should, as some of the homes and farms had no trees at all.

"We can't water trees here like other places in this country, since here there's abundant rainfall. Ensure that everyone including children have trees so that we can take this county to another level," the CS said during a tree planting exercise in Chebilat Forest in Al-

dai Constituency. He said residents should surround their homes with trees because they clean air and also make homes beautiful.

"If we plant trees, we'll breathe in clean air and enjoy many other advantages including beautification of our homes," he said.

Kabogo asked the residents to follow protocol led by the County Forest Conservator and his team to allow survival of trees alongside growing of crops.

He asked leaders not to politicize the tree planting campaign. Nandi Governor Stephen Sang said survival of already grown trees remains a big challenge, urging Kenya Forest Service to allow agroforestry as a security for them.

The governor pointed out that 16 per cent forest cover was not enough for the county that receives plenty of rain throughout the year.

## Kenya signs free-trade agreement with Ethiopia

BY CHARI SUCHE, KNA

Kenya and Ethiopia have agreed to collaborate to implement the African Continental Free Trade Area (ACFTA).

The two parties, represented by senior government officials of the respective governments, signed a Memorandum of Understanding to fast-track the implementation ACFTA between them on a simplified trade regime.

Speaking in Mombasa, the Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade and Industry, Lee Kinyanjui, said the government wants to fast-track trade at the border following continued challenges within the border communities living in Moyale.

Kinyanjui said there have been significant challenges, thus the need for the agreement, hoping to ensure that



**Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Trade Lee Kinyanjui (R) and his Ethiopian counterpart Dr. Kassahun Gofe during the 3rd bilateral trade meeting between Kenya and Ethiopia on the simplified trade regime, Mombasa.**

communities living within the border can trade freely.

"We are emphasizing that within the bigger scope of things Kenya and Ethiopia will be looking for ways in which we can implement free trade so that goods produced here or Ethiopia can come and people can work anywhere in the two countries not forgetting tourism

in Mombasa and many other things that will boost our economy," he said.

The CS assured the public that the government will continue to engage with neighboring countries to make sure there is a good trading environment for the people.

He noted that Ethiopia has critical goods that Kenya

needs, also having finished industrial products that are useful to Ethiopia.

He added that Kenyans should be encouraged to invest to reap the benefits of the signed partnership between the two countries.

Kinyanjui said the government has invested in infrastructure to make trading easy.

Ethiopian Minister of Trade and Regional Integration Kassahun Gofe underscored the concluding of the negotiations to kick start the implementation of the simplified trade regime and accelerate trade between border communities in the two countries.

Gofe said the meeting considered two key outstanding issues which include areas of border trade, trading threshold, travel frequencies and the common list of product ice.