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State issues Grade 9 textbooks to realise one-learner, one-book ratio in schools

BY **PATIENCE MABONGA,** KNA

The Ministry of Education is currently distributing Grade 9 textbooks and materials for rationalized learning areas for Grades 1 to 6 to all public schools, aiming to uphold the policy of a one-learner, one-textbook ratio.

Education Cabinet Secretary (CS) Julius Ogamba said that curriculum support materials are essential components in any learning environment, as they comprise the core tools used to help learners acquire the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to develop required competencies.

"The annual distribution of textbooks to schools has been ongoing since the inception of the Competency-Based Curriculum (CBC). Over the years, the Ministry of Education has consistently distributed CBC textbooks for Grades 1 to 8 to fulfill the one-to-one book policy for every learner," Ogamba stated.

Speaking at the unveiling of the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD) Strategic Plan, Ogamba assured the government's commitment to providing adequate teaching and learning materials for all learners.

The CS explained that, following a review of the curriculum for Grade 3 earlier this year, the Ministry of Education began revising books to ensure alignment with curriculum designs.

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CS for Education Mr. Julius Ogamba speaking during the roll out of the Grade 9 textbooks at Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development in Nairobi

Kenya Tea Board ordered to audit private factories amid quality queries

BY **GEOFFREY SATIA,** KNA

The Kenya Tea Board has been directed to audit all private tea factories to ensure they meet minimum production and processing standards.

Principal Secretary for the State Department of Agriculture, Dr. Paul Ronoh, praised Kenya Tea Development Agency (KTDA) factories for upholding the highest quality standards for Kenyan tea, making it suitable for both local and international markets.

However, he questioned the quality of tea produced by certain private factories, claiming that some have harmed the reputation of Kenyan tea globally.

"While KTDA factories comply with accepted tea production and processing standards, some private firms are violating these regulations, and this must stop," Ronoh stated during a visit to KTDA's Chebut and Kaptumo factories.

The Principal Secretary State Department of Agriculture, Dr. Paul Ronoh

The PS also urged the Kenya Tea Board to halt the registration of new tea factories and instead focus on auditing existing ones to ensure quality production and address farmers' complaints promptly.

He emphasized that the global competitiveness of Kenyan tea largely depends on the quality of tea produced by certified factories.

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The Week In numbers

Sh5.43b
Credit facility Kenyan electric vehicle assembler BasiGo has obtained to facilitate delivery of 1,000 electric buses

7,200
New breast cancer cases diagnosed in the country annually, according to the Health ministry

15b
Number of trees the Environment, Forestry and Climate Change has set to plant by the year 2032.

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Acres of land the Makueni County has allocated for the construction of 700 houses in Wote Town

Cruise ship docks in Mombasa

Tourists disembark from cruise liner SH Diana, after it docked at the Kenya Ports Authority (KPA) ultra-modern cruise ship terminal in Mombasa. Photo: Andrew Hinga/KNA.

Tea Board ordered to audit private factories amid quality queries

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Ronoh expressed confidence in KTDA factories' adherence to high standards and urged private firms to comply with government-approved practices.

He further stated that the Kenya Tea Board, as the regulatory body, should ensure farmers receive value for their investments and that strict adherence to tea farming and processing guidelines is maintained.

"I'm pleased to report that KTDA factories operate within agreed and regulated costs, without inflating figures," he said. Ronoh also disclosed that the government had set the cost of a 50-kilogram bag of tea fertilizer at Sh2,500, advising farmers not to pay more than this amount.

He noted that the government aims to ensure Kenyan tea remains competitive globally, which is why farmers receive affordable fertilizer to meet international quality standards.

"Our tea factories must maintain high production standards, just as we ensure tea farmers, like maize farmers, access affordable fertilizer to boost production," he added.

Simultaneously, Ronoh highlighted the government's commitment to providing affordable fertilizer to maize farmers, revealing that nearly one million bags had been procured.

The PS made these remarks during his visit to tea farmers and the management of Chebut and Kaptumo Tea Factories in Emgwen and Aldai constituencies, where he reviewed the proposal to separate Kaptumo from the Chebut Tea Company.

He endorsed the separation, emphasizing the need for adherence to the required legal process.

State issues Grade 9 textbooks to effect one-learner, one-book policy in schools

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"It is, therefore, the Ministry's responsibility to oversee the annual distribution of revised books to learners across the country, extending to all grades, including senior school levels," he said.

Ogamba emphasized the Kenyan Government's dedication to accessible, quality, and relevant educational training for all citizens, in line with national policies on education and training. He noted that this commitment drives the ongoing curriculum reform efforts.

"Curriculum reforms are being conducted in accordance with Article 53 of the Constitution, which recognizes free and compulsory basic education as a right for every child," Ogamba said.

He highlighted the Ministry of Education's commitment to ensuring that time and resources are allocated to students and teachers, meeting timelines and achieving results promptly.

He also noted that the Ministry is procuring one million copies of learner's books and 24,000 copies of teachers' guides for each Grade 9 learning area.

Basic Education Principal Secretary Dr. Belio Kipsang speaking during the roll out of the grade 9 textbooks at Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development in Nairobi.

The CS directed that schools experiencing variances in the number of books delivered should report to the Sub-County Education Office.

State Department for Basic Education Principal Secretary Dr. Belio Kipsang described the Ministry's work as a critical milestone in preparing children to advance to Grade 9."It is also a moment of pride, as we conclude the junior school cycle," said Dr. Kipsang.

Dr. Kipsang noted that the Ministry anticipates this cohort's transition to Grade 9, ensuring they have all the necessary course books and core materials.

He acknowledged all involved in the exercise, including panelists and teachers who reviewed the books to meet the required content, quality, and standards.

"I also wish to sincerely thank KICD for its diligence in ensuring the availability of textbooks that provide teachers and learners with variety.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

EXPORT OF MACADAMIA AND CLOSE OF HARVESTING SEASON

The Kenyan macadamia Industry is heavily export-oriented, with approximately 95% of its annual production shipped to international markets.

In 2019, farm gate prices for macadamia nuts in shell (NIS) peaked at an all-time high of Kshs.180/kg. However, by early 2023, prices had dropped significantly, ranging between Ksh.30-40/kg. To address this, the Ministry, under Section 43 of the AFA Act, 2023, lifted the ban on raw macadamia exports providing a one-year export widow effective from 3rd November, 2023. This remedial measure aims to stabilize prices and help farmers manage excess stock impacted by global market conditions.

A rapid industry assessment shows that many local companies lack quality stocks for processing. It also highlighted the harvesting, processing and export of immature nuts, leading to poor performance of the Kenyan macadamia in the global markets.

Exporting processed macadamia nuts (kernels) is more beneficial to Kenya than exporting in-shell (raw). Following consultations with industry stakeholders, **a ban on macadamia harvesting will take effect from 2nd November, 2024 until 1st March, 2025** to curb the export of immature nuts. Dealers must submit their current stock for inspection, verification, and clearance by **15th November, 2024.**

A minimum guaranteed farm gate price of at least Kshs.100 per kilogram will be implemented.

Agriculture and Food Authority (AFA) is tasked with enforcing strict compliance with this directive, including revoking licenses of violators. The Authority will also increase inspections and surveillance to eliminate unscrupulous dealers.

The National and County Governments will continue working together to enforce the provisions of the **Crops Act, 2013, and the Crops (Nuts and Oil Crops) Regulations, 2020.**

DR. ANDREW KARANJA, PhD
CABINET SECTRETARY
22nd October, 2024

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KISII UNIVERSITY

TENDER NOTICE

Kisii University was chartered in February 2013. It is headquartered in Kisii town, some 1.5 kilometers away from the town centre.

The University invites tenders for:

	Tender Number	Tender Description	Eligibility	Tender Closing Date and Time
1.	KSU/T/07/2024 /2025	TENDER FOR SUPPLY,DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT FOR THE SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES	Open	14TH NOVEMBER 2024 TIME: 11.30A.M
2	KSU/T/08/2024 /2025	TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF BOOKS	Open	14TH NOVEMBER, 2024 TIME: 11.30A.M
3.	KSU/T/09/2024/2025	TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF CENTRALIZED UPS-(RE-ADVERTISEMENT)	Open	14TH NOVEMBER, 2024 TIME: 11.30A.M
4.	KSU/T/10/2024 /2025	TENDER FOR PROVISION OF EVENT ORGANIZING SERVICES	Open	6TH NOVEMBER 2024 TIME: 11.30A.M
5.	KSU/T/11/2024/2025	TENDER FOR SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MEDICAL DRUGS	Open	14TH NOVEMBER 2024 TIME: 11.30A.M

To download the tender documents, Visit Kisii University website **(www.kisiiuniversity.ac.ke)** or **www.tenders.go.ke.** Youth, Women and Persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Two (2) copies of bound completed and paginated tender documents (marked **'original'** and **'copy'**) are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes marked with tender number and be deposited in the Tender Box at Kisii University main campus administration block and shall be addressed to:

Vice Chancellor Kisii University
P.O BOX 408-40200
KISII

KENYA VISION 2030

County allocates 10 acres for 700 affordable houses

BY **PATRICK NYAKUNDI,** (KNA)

The County Government of Makueni has allocated 10 acres for the construction of 700 houses under the affordable housing scheme in Wote Town, Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr. has disclosed.

Mutula made this announcement during the Mashujaa Day celebrations in Matiliku Town, Nzaui Sub-County, where he emphasized that this initiative will provide low- and middle-income families living in urban centers with a decent quality of life and access to quality housing in the county.

Consequently, he stated that his government is working closely with the State Department of Housing and Public Works to formalize and title various national housing schemes in Wote Town.

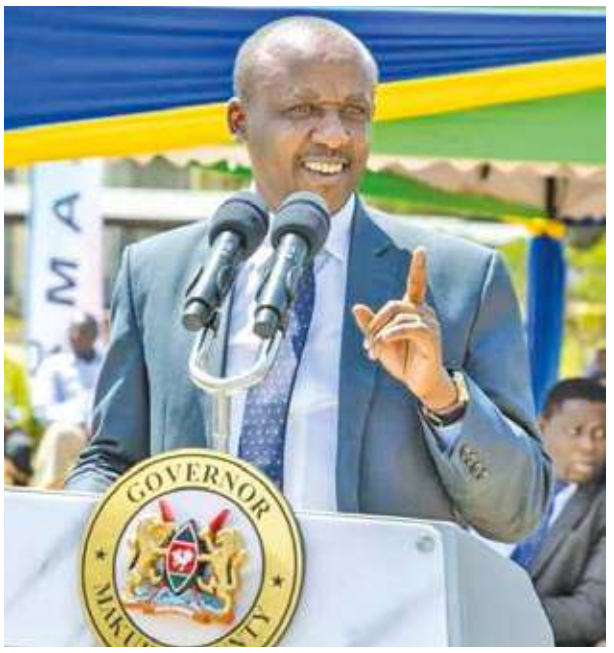
"This year's Mashujaa Day theme focuses on affordable housing, a key deliverable in the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) to ensure that low- and middle-income families, especially in urban centers, can live a decent life by accessing quality housing," Mutula said.

"We are in consultation with the State Department for Housing to ensure that affordable housing is accompanied by the necessary investments in water, sewer systems, roads, and energy infrastructure," he added.

On the youth, the governor said his government is ready to have open dialogue, information sharing and youth participation to address the needs and priorities that they require.

Mutula pointed out that they are going to have youth engagement forums where they will discuss and deliberate and prioritize projects for funding in the next budget cycle in the county.

"We will have engagement forums that will culminate in a county conference in December this year. This will provide an opportunity for young people to discuss and deliberate and prioritize projects for funding in the next cycle. I am very intentional in engaging and reaching out to the youth and providing opportunities to them," he observed.



Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr.

Additionally, Mutula expressed his belief in providing opportunities to the young people because they are productive and actively can participate in the economic activities across the county.

Speaking at the same event, Makueni County Commissioner (CC) Mr. Henry Wafula assured the residents that they are ready to offer security and supervise the national examinations that will kick off on 22nd October.

On the long holiday, he challenged parents to take care of their children during this festive period, saying it was their responsibility to guide them to be good citizens hence avert them becoming wayward in the community.

Kakamega recruits 4,200 Community Health Promoters for enhanced primary care

BY **JOHN OCHANDA,** KNA

Over 4,200 Community Health Promoters (CHPs) have been recruited to support and provide primary health care to residents of Kakamega County. Governor Fernandes Barasa stated that CHP kits had been distributed in the region under the Universal Health Care program to ensure its success in the county.

Speaking during Mashujaa Day celebrations at Inaya Primary School grounds in Butere Sub-County, Barasa expressed his commitment to improving the CHPs' working conditions and terms of service for effective service delivery. He described CHPs as the true heroes and heroines who should be celebrated for their selfless service to the communities they serve.

"We want to celebrate you as heroes and heroines today because of the sacrifices and risks you undertake to save other people's lives," Governor Barasa said. He also lauded community health workers for accompanying expectant mothers to health facilities and connecting them with qualified service providers.

Barasa promised to prioritize their welfare by ensuring they are properly supported and that their monthly stipends are paid on time. He praised President Ruto for assenting to four bills meant to spearhead Universal Health Coverage (UHC). These bills include the Social Health Insurance Act, the Digital Health Act, the Primary Healthcare Act, and the Facility Improvement Financing Act.

The governor noted that with the new kits, the CHPs are now adequately equipped to serve Kakamega residents in need of primary health care.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF MINING, BLUE ECONOMY AND MARITIME AFFAIRS

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR MINING

PUBLIC NOTICE

USE OF FIREWORKS DURING DIWALI AND HINDU NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

This is to inform the general public that Diwali and Hindu New year celebrations will be held from Friday 1st November to Saturday 2nd November 2024. These festivities are traditionally celebrated with fireworks in authorized venues.

Consequently, the Hindu community is requested to ensure that fireworks displays are carried out within the requirements of the Explosives Act Cap 115 Laws of Kenya. Fireworks displays should be carried out in an orderly manner so that the general public are not Inconvenienced. In this regard, the parties carrying out displays shall ensure that: -

1. The necessary permits to hold fireworks are obtained from State Department for Mining offices in Nairobi, Mombasa, Kisumu, Eldoret, Nakuru, Nyeri and Embu.
2. Fireworks are used only at the authorized venues such as clubs, hotels, temples, sports grounds, school compounds or any other venue as may be authorized by an inspector of Explosives.
3. The displays are held between 1900hrs and 2300hrs only during the authorized dates.
4. Display shells are limited to a maximum of four-inch caliber in all venues in urban and built-up areas except as may be exempted by an Inspector of Explosives.
5. Only qualified, experienced and sober persons shall be allowed to fire aerial shells and other aerial display fireworks.

Firework Dealers shall ensure that: -

1. Fireworks are not sold to any child who is below age Thirteen (13) years as doing so is an offence under Explosives Act, Cap 115.
2. Aerial display fireworks (Shells, Rockets, Roman Candles and Cakes) are sold to holders of permits to display fireworks duly signed by an Inspector of Explosives

We take this opportunity to wish the Hindu community a happy Diwali and a Prosperous New year.

Hon. Hassan Ali Joho, EGH
CABINET SECRETARY

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3	Manager, Business Process Reengineering & Innovation	3	Ref: CS /BDS /03/20/09/2024
4	Senior Engineer, Technical Assurance	5	Ref: CS /OP /04/20/09/2024
5	Insurance Officer	7	Ref: CS / CS&L/05/20/09/2024
6	Property Officer	7	Ref: CS /PRO/06/20/09/2024
7	Technician, Mechanical	10	Ref: CS /OP /07/20/09/2024
8	Technician, Electrical	10	Ref: CS /OP /08/20/09/2024
9	Technician, Automotive	10	Ref: CS /ADM /09/20/09/2024
10	Craftsman, Mechanical	12	Ref: CS /OP /10/20/09/2024
11	Craftsman, Electrical	12	Ref: CS /OP /11/20/09/2024
12	Craftsman, Civil	12	Ref: CS /ADM /12/20/09/2024
13	Craftsman, Auto Mechanical	12	Ref: CS /ADM /13/20/09/2024

Detailed Job descriptions are posted on our website.

Interested candidates should submit their online applications through our career portal on the KenGen website at **https://careers.kengen.co.ke/** by close of business on **12th November 2024**

Canvassing and falsifying or misinterpretation of qualifications will lead to automatic disqualification.
Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

KenGen is an equal opportunity Employer. Women, PWDs and people from marginalized areas are encouraged to apply.

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Dairy farmers receive timely payments for the first time, thanks to state reforms

BY **ROP JANET,** KNA

The Government is committed to clearing all debts owed to dairy farmers by the New Kenya Cooperative Creameries (KCC).

Cooperatives and MSME Development Cabinet Secretary Wycliffe Oparanya revealed that, for the first time, dairy farmers received their October 2024 payments on time.

Addressing dairy farmers from various cooperatives at the New KCC factory in Dandora, Oparanya emphasized the pivotal role dairy farming plays in empowering local communities and enhancing rural livelihoods.

The CS noted that reforms are underway at New KCC to empower dairy farmers, increase milk productivity, and transform the dairy industry to process milk for both local consumption and export.

"Our focus is on enhancing the dairy value chain through cooperatives. We have adopted the 'pay farmers first' principle, resulting in timely payments on the 1st of the month—a clear sign that our reforms are gaining momentum," he stated.

Oparanya also highlighted that New KCC is a strategic government corporation whose operations must be safeguarded to ensure continued productivity in a highly competitive and fast-evolving market.

The CS further disclosed that he had met with New KCC's management, led by Acting MD Samuel Ichura, to discuss the company's performance progress under the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA). He noted that to achieve the revitalization agenda for New KCC Kenya, the organization must restructure its human capital, as market competition cannot align with current productivity levels.

On his part, Principal Secretary for Cooperatives, Patrick Kilemi said the New KCC is well placed in terms of state-of- the-art equipment and facilities yet it has always struggled to generate its own revenue and take care of the farmer's interest.

He reiterated the need for an urgent restructuring of the human capital to bring more vibrancy and cut cost of operations.

"We cannot keep doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results. The process to reform KCC is on course and we must do it for the interest of the farmer who is the main pillar of the institution's existence," the PS said.

Cooperatives and MSMEs CS Wycliffe Oparanya (2nd left) and his PS Patrick Kilemi (centre) looking at some of the products manufactured by the New KCC.

He also warned the management of remunerating themselves first before paying farmers, maintaining that the company exists because of the farmers who struggle to deliver their milk to KCC.

"As government employees we need to provide proper leadership in the market for the benefit of our farmers," Kilemi added.

Kajiado Dairy Women Co-operatives chairperson, Miriam Busiati commended the Cabinet Secretary for delivering on the promise of ensuring that farmers are paid for their milk supply promptly.

"For the first time after a very long time of waiting we have regained our confidence in the New KCC after we got our monies within a record time on the 1st of the month this October," the chair said.

She noted that Kajiado Women's Dairy has over 3,400 members and called on the government to provide mobile coolers in order to continue production even during the dry season when their cows are relocated and transferred elsewhere in search of pastures.

"Mobile coolers will enable us to have a consistent supply and earn revenue to sustain our livelihoods. Women have been empowered at the family and community level through sale of milk," she said.

KENYA TRADE NETWORK AGENCY

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The Kenya Trade Network Agency (KenTrade) is a State Corporation under the National Treasury and Economic Planning whose mandate is to implement, operationalize, and manage the National Electronic Single Window System (Trade Facilitation Platform) and promote trade facilitation.

To fulfill our mandate, we wish to engage suitably qualified candidates who meet the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Kenya Constitution for the following positions:

No.	Position	Grade	No. of Positions	Terms of Service
1.	Manager, Human Resource & Administration	KTNA 3	1	Permanent & Pensionable
2.	Manager, Internal Audit	KTNA 3	1	Permanent & Pensionable
3.	Driver	KTNA 10	1	Permanent & Pensionable

Details of the positions can be accessed on our website: **www.kentrade.go.ke** and the erecruitment portal: **https://portal.kentrade.go.ke:9002/recruitment/**

Applications must be received no later than **Monday, November 18, 2024.**

KenTrade is an Equal Opportunity Employer committed to diversity and gender equality, Women and Persons with Disabilities (PWD) are strongly encouraged to apply.

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11TH GRADUATION CEREMONY
FRIDAY, 29 TH NOVEMBER 2024

Multimedia University of Kenya wishes to inform all candidates who qualify for the conferment of degrees and award of diplomas during the 2023/2024 Academic Year , that the 1 1th Graduation Ceremony will be held on Friday, 29 th November, 2024 commencing at 9:00 a.m. at the MMU Main Campus - Graduation Square, along Magadi Road. All Graduands are required to be seated by 8.30 a.m.

All prospective graduands should note the following:

a. Clearance of Fees

All qualified candidates are expected to clear with the relevant sections of the University latest by Friday 15 th November, 2024 . Those who will have not cleared by the given deadline will be excluded from the graduation list.

b. Intent to Graduate

All Graduands must apply for gra duation using the Intent to Graduate Form (IGF), obtainable in the Students' Portal. Graduands are expected to complete the IGF and submit Online to the Examination Office by Friday 15 th November, 2024.

c. Graduation Fees

A mandatory non-refundable fee comprising of Alumni, Convocation and Academic dress (Gown) is payable for the various categories of Graduands as follows:

Diploma	-	5,000/-
Bachelors Degree	-	6,500/-
Masters Degree	-	8,000/-

All payments should be made latest Friday, 15 th November, 2024. Please note that graduation fees shall be paid via E-Citizen. (NB: If you have any queries you can contact finance office via lobiri@mmu.ac.ke or pnjiru@mmu.ac.ke .)

Access full graduation advert on the MMU website: www.mmu.ac.ke

For more information, contact
The Registrar, Academic Affairs - P.O BOX 15653- 00503 Nairobi, Kenya
Telephone: 020 7252053/020 7252000. Email: registraraa@mmu.ac.ke Website: www.mmu.ac.ke

New initiative to empower young entrepreneurs and MSMEs launched

BY **SHARON ATIENO,** KNA

The Ministry of Investments, Trade, and Industry has facilitated a partnership between the European Investment Bank (EIB) and the Young Business in Africa initiative, in collaboration with KCB Bank Kenya. This initiative aims to empower Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in Kenya.

Stakeholders from Team Europe met in Nairobi to launch an initiative dubbed "Investing in Young Businesses in Africa (IYBA)," which seeks to address current challenges and opportunities available to support youth- and women-led businesses and early-stage startups in Africa. The initiative also proposes recommendations to improve the private sector.

Speaking at the event, Investments, Trade, and Industry Cabinet Secretary Salim Mvurya

CS for Investment, Trade and Industry, Salim Mvurya speaking in Nairobi

stated that the project's role is to stimulate sustainable industrial growth in Kenya through subcontracting, which not only creates jobs and enhances market access for MSMEs but also allows for the transfer of technology to improve product quality and provide capacity building.

The CS urged women and youth to take advantage of IYBA, a unique tool that is crucial for economic revitalization. The initiative aims to accelerate the growth of startups and young entrepreneurs by providing access to finance, mentorship, and technical assistance.

"The IYBA initiative supports the growth of young entrepreneurs' startups in Africa by providing access to finance, mentorship, and technical assistance," he said. He added that it helps businesses succeed in Kenya, where 80 percent of the population is below 35 years, and young entrepreneurs are the driving force of innovation in technology, agriculture, and the energy sector.

The CS emphasized the role of MSMEs in Kenya's economy, which contributes over 33 percent to the nation's GDP.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

ANNNOUNCEMENT

MAURITIUS – AFRICA SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME 2025

The Ministry is in receipt of communication from the Embassy of the Republic of Mauritius informing that the Government of Mauritius offers to award fifteen (15) scholarships to deserving Kenyan students in the level of Undergraduate, Master's and PhD for 2025 academic year.

The details of the scholarship and application procedure are available on the ministry's website: **www.education.go.ke** and Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology Mauritius:

http://ministry-education.govmu.org and **http://highereducationmauritius.com**

The deadline for the submission of application is **28th February, 2025 at 5.00 P.M**

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REPUBLIC OF KENYA
MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION

KENYA WATER INSTITUTE

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

INVITATION FOR BIDS

PROGRAMME:	**IMPROVING PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENHANCING TECHNICAL SKILLS OF YOUTH IN KENYA THROUGH SANITATION TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER**
PROCUREMENT OF GOODS (RE-ADVERTISEMENT)	
Contract Title:	**SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF 2 NO. TRUCKS**
Loan No:	**100000034**
LCB No:	**KEWI/TEN/AfDB/001/2024-2025**

1. This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that appeared on Tuesday 29th November, 2024.

2. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the African Development Bank in various currencies towards the cost of Improving Public Health and Enhancing Technical Skills of Youth in Kenya through Sanitation Technology Transfer. It is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for **supply and delivery of 2 no. trucks one for KEWI Chiakariga Campus in Tharaka Nithi County and the other one for Ololiser Water and sewerage Company in Kajiado County.**

3. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the office of **The Director, Kenya Water Institute (KEWI), Nairobi south C along Oleshapara avenue. P.O. Box 60013-00200 Nairobi, Kenya**, during office hours (8.00am to 5.00pm East African Time) on week days except public holidays.

4. A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the above and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kshs. 1,000 (Kenya Shillings One Thousand Only). The bidding documents may also be downloaded from the KEWI website: **www.kewi.go.ke** or **www.tenders.go.ke** free of charge. Bidders who download the bidding documents from the website MUST forward their particulars immediately to procurement@kewi.or.ke for records and any further clarifications and addenda.

5. The provisions in the Instructions to Bidders and in the General Conditions of Contract are the provisions of the African Development Bank Standard Bidding Document: Procurement of Goods.

6. Bids must be delivered to the above office on or before 10.00am East African Time on **Wednesday 13th November, 2024** and must be accompanied by a Bid security (Unconditional Bank Guarantee) of **KES. 140,000.00 (One hundred and forty thousand Kenya Shillings Only).**

7. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend at 10.05am East African Time on **Wednesday 13th November, 2024** at the offices of:

The Director,
Kenya Water Institute
P.O. Box 60013-00200 Nairobi, Kenya.
Tel: +254 722 207 757
Email: info@kewi.or.ke

KENYA VISION 2030

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF KENYA

PUBLIC NOTICE

ENHANCING THE INTEGRITY AND TAX COMPLIANCE OF THE MOBILE DEVICES IN KENYA

The Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) is the regulatory agency for the ICT sector in Kenya with responsibilities in telecommunications, e-commerce, cyber security, broadcasting and postal/ courier services. The Authority is also responsible for managing Kenya's numbering and frequency spectrum resources, the Universal Service Fund (USF), and protecting interests of ICT consumers. In addition, the Authority facilitates trade in ICT through clearance of permits for type-approved imported equipment through the Kenya Trade Network Agency (Ken Trade) National Single Window System (TradeNet System/Trade Facilitation Platform).

To ensure integrity and tax compliance of the mobile devices in Kenya, the Authority hereby notifies all stakeholders, including mobile network operators involved in the local assembly, importation, distribution and connection of mobile devices to local networks, that with effect from January 1st, 2025, the following requirements will apply for all mobile phone devices in Kenya:

1. Local Assemblers: All local device assemblies must upload the International Mobile Equipment Identity (IMEI) Number of each assembled device to the KRA-provided portal. This will ensure that all locally assembled devices are tax compliant.

2. Importers: All mobile phone importers (sale, testing, research or any other purpose) will be required to disclose the International Mobile Equipment Identity Number in their respective import documents submitted to the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA). This disclosure is mandatory for the registration of the devices in the National Master Database on Tax-Compliant Devices.

3. Retailers and Wholesalers: Retailers and wholesalers of mobile devices must ensure that they only retail or distribute mobile devices that are tax compliant. The Authority will provide a platform for verification of the tax compliance status of mobile devices before purchase by retailers or end-users.

4. Mobile Network Operators: Mobile network operators must ensure that they only connect devices to their networks after verifying the tax compliance status through a whitelist database of compliant devices, which will be provided by the Authority. Operators will also be required to provide for the gray-listing of non-compliant devices to facilitate regularization within a prescribed period, failing which the devices will thereafter be blacklisted.

The new requirements will only apply to all devices imported or assembled in the country from **November 1st, 2024.** All devices that will be connected to the Mobile Networks by 31st October 2024 will not be affected. The Kenya Revenue Authority will issue further guidelines.

For any clarification, please call our office on Tel: **0703 042 000, 0730 172 000** or email us at **info@ca.go.ke.**

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Tourism Fund projects Sh8.05b revenue to boost Kenya's tourism sector

BY **JOSEPH NG'ANG'A,** KNA

The Tourism Fund has projected a revenue base of Sh8.05 billion over the next five years as it seeks to ensure sustainable financing for the development of the tourism sector.

Tourism and Wildlife Cabinet Secretary (CS) Rebecca Miano stated that the Tourism Fund has identified product diversification, capacity building, and skill enhancement as key action points necessary for positioning Kenya as a premier and preferred tourism destination.

Speaking during the launch of the Tourism Fund's Strategic Plan for FY2024/25 to FY2028/29, Miano noted that the blueprint serves as a roadmap to guide the organization's operations for the next five years and aligns with Kenya's Vision 2030 and the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

"I am particularly gratified to note that the Tourism Fund's 2024-2029 Strategic Plan is thoughtfully curated to position tourism as a key driver of sustainable growth and development in Kenya," she said.

According to the CS, the plan emphasizes the need for enhancing capacity-building initiatives to ensure the tourism and hospitality sectors thrive.

> By enabling access to skills development programs, the Fund will aid the expansion of a highly trained workforce that will transform Kenya's competitiveness as a tourism destination, driving repeat visits and long-term sector growth," - Miano

"To that end, I am pleased that the Fund will fully invigorate the Ronald Ngala Utalii College in Vipingo, Kilifi County, Kenya's second premier hospitality training institution," Miano said.

She added that the launch of a Tourism Training Revolving Fund—intended to provide financial support to workers and students in the sector and facilitate access to education and skills development—is a commendable first in the region.

"Henceforth, the newly unveiled revolving fund will support programs that will, in turn, improve the quality of service in tourism and hospitality training institutions across the country," Miano said, adding that this initiative will cultivate a culture that boosts competitiveness and enhances visitors' experiences and immersions.

The CS highlighted that the Tourism Training Revolving Fund is an innovative resource pool that will offer affordable loans to individuals working in tourism or studying courses related to tourism and hospitality.

"By enabling access to skills development programs, the Fund will aid the expansion of a highly trained workforce that will transform Kenya's competitiveness as a tourism destination, driving repeat visits and long-term sector growth," Miano stated.

Tourism Fund CEO David Mwangi said that their aim in implementing their strategic plan is to increase levy collections from Sh4.9 billion to Sh8.05 billion over the next five years.

"One of the most critical aspects of the plan is resource mobilization. We have set a goal to raise an additional Sh3.4 billion in resources by the end of the strategic period. This will require innovative approaches, strong partnerships, and efficient management of funds," Mwangi said.He explained that they will work closely with stakeholders to ensure that these funds are directed toward projects that have the greatest impact on sustainable tourism development."Capacity building is another pillar of this plan. We recognize that a well-trained workforce is essential for the success of our industry. That is why we are committed to training 18,000 workers and managers in the tourism sector by FY2028/29. This will not only improve service delivery but will also create a more resilient and adaptable workforce," Mwangi stated.

The CEO disclosed that for the Tourism Training Revolving Fund, the board has allocated a seed capital of Sh280 million for the Financial Year 2024/25.

"We have allocated the funds to cater to diploma and certificate students undertaking studies in tourism and hospitality who are not covered by the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)," Mwangi said.

Tourism Fund Board of Trustees Chairman Samson Some emphasized that the Board is particularly focused on ensuring good governance and accountability in all the Fund's activities.Some noted that partnerships and linkages are also at the core of their strategic plan, as they cannot achieve their vision in isolation."We must continue to work closely with the private sector, local communities, international partners, and all stakeholders who have a vested interest in tourism. Strengthening these relationships will allow us to collectively address challenges and leverage new opportunities," Some stated.

Tourism and Wildlife Cabinet Secretary (CS) Rebecca Miano (Centre) and other delegates cutting a cake during the launch of the Tourism Fund's Strategic Plan for FY2024/25 to FY2028/29.

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TENDER NOTICE

Multimedia University of Kenya invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the following tender:

Tender No:	Description of Tender	Tender Security (Ksh)	Eligibility	Closing Date & Time
MMU/OT/MI/07/2024-2025	Medical Insurance Cover for MMU Staff & Council Members	900,000.00	Open to General Public	Tuesday 12th November 2024 at 11.00am

Tender document with detailed information and instructions may be viewed and downloaded from the University's website: **www.mmu.ac.ke** and the Public Procurement Information portal, **www.tenders.go.ke** ***free of charge.*** Bidders who choose to download the tender documents **must** forward their company's particulars to **procurement@mmu.ac.ke** for recording and further addendum/clarifications if any.

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Kenya National Highways Authority
Quality Highways, Better Connections

REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2026 FOR KeNHA HEADQUARTERS AND TEN (10) REGIONAL OFFICES

The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) is a State Corporation established under the Kenya Roads Act, 2007, with the responsibility for the Management, Development, Rehabilitation and Maintenance of National Roads. The Authority hereby wishes to inform candidates on the results of Tender No. KeNHA/2792/2024 for Registration of Suppliers & Service Providers for the supply of various Goods, Works and Services for the period ending 30th September, 2026 for KeNHA Headquarters and Ten (10) Regional Offices.

The applications were received and opened on **29th August, 2024** in all the respective regional offices and Headquarters where a total of One Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety Eight (1,298) candidates responded. The evaluation process has been concluded and the lists for both Successful and Unsuccessful candidates have been published accordingly for ease of reference.

The Published list for both Successful and Unsuccessful candidates can be obtained from the Kenya National Highways Authority website: **www.kenha.co.ke.**

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CS highlights engineers' role in driving innovation and job creation

BY **MANU MUMBA AND CYNTHIA WANJIRU,** KNA

The Government will continue to harness the capacity of engineers in its quest to drive innovation, create jobs, and foster sustainable national development as a critical pillar of industrialization.

Speaking during a media launch for the 31st Annual International Convention of the Institution of Engineers of Kenya (IEK) in Nairobi, Cabinet Secretary for the Ministry of Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation Eng. Eric Mugaa stated that one of the government's key objectives is to build capacity.

He urged all stakeholders to align themselves with the country's economic agenda by contributing to job creation and enhancing economic productivity.

He revealed that engineers are the true catalysts of development, as they deliver critical projects that drive economic transformation in Kenya.

"Across the globe, engineering has been the backbone of every major industrial development for innovation," Mugaa said.

The Cabinet Secretary further stated that engineers are not only at the forefront of innovation but also play a pivotal role in driving economic transformation in various sectors.

He emphasized that engineering is integral for economic growth and called for discussions to develop strong frameworks to support the economic sector.

"A strong regulatory framework will enable engineers to foster innovation. We as policymakers must continue to review and reform systems that govern engineering in Kenya," Mugaa said.

The CS said that the integration of innovative technologies in engineering is a necessity to ensure productivity in the economic sector.

"Furthermore, the development of efficient technological systems is necessary to ensure food security which is a critical pillar of the country's economic agenda," he added.

Mugaa further said that investing in these systems will in return strengthen

The President of the Institute of Engineers of Kenya Shammah Kiteme and CS Eric Mugaa(right).

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REREC

INVITATION TO TENDER

PROCURING ENTITY:	**Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation P.O Box 34585 – 00100 Nairobi.**

The Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation invites tenders for Contract Names and Description as listed in the tender schedule below;

RFX No.	Tender Description	Tender Security Amount (Kshs)	Closing/ Opening Date
1000001211	Supply Installation Configuration And Commissioning Of UTM Firewall	300,000	12.11.2024@10.00am
1000001213	Supply, Installation, Training And Configuration Of Autodesk Products And Digital Signing	500,000	15.11.2024@10.00am

1. Tendering will be conducted under open competitive method (National) using a standardized tender document. Tendering is open to all qualified and interested Tenderers.
2. Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours 8.00am - 12.45pm to 1.45pm-4.00pm Monday to Friday at the address given below
3. A complete set of tender documents may be viewed and downloaded by interested tenderers free of charge electronically from the Website **www.rerec.co.ke** under tender documents or through the e-procurement portal using **https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal** and on the Public Procurement Information Portal **https://tenders.go.ke**
4. Tenderers who are not yet registered with REREC must register their companies in order to participate in the tender using link below that can be found from the website **www.rerec.co.ke** Procurement Supplierregistration:**https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44200/supportal(bD1IbiZjPTUwMCZkPW1pbg==)/bspwdapplication.do#VIEW_ANCHOR-ROS_TOP**
5. All Tenders must be accompanied by a tender Security in the amounts prescribed above and in the tender documents. Original Bid security delivered to the tender Box (Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor, Off Popo Road,) on or before the date and time indicated in the schedule of tenders above.
6. The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the tender documents submitted.
7. Completed tenders must be delivered to Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation electronically through **https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal** on or before the date and time indicated in the schedule of tenders above.
8. Only Electronic Tenders will be permitted.
9. Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any dead line date and times specified later. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below.
10. Any addendum to these tenders shall be uploaded to the Corporation's website **www.rerec.co.ke** under tender documents.
11. Late tenders will be rejected.
12. The addresses referred to above are:

    Address for obtaining further information on tender documents

    Original Bid security delivered to the tender Box (Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor, Off Popo Road,). Contact Manager, Supply chain management, telephone number: 0709193000 and e-mail address: **tenders@rerec.co.ke**

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MINISTRY OF MINING, BLUE ECONOMY AND MARITIME AFFAIRS

Kenya Marine Fisheries Socioeconomic Development Project (KEMFSED)

P.O. Box 58187-00200 NAIROBI

KEMFSED Enhancing Livelihoods

Kenya Marine Fisheries Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED)

Request for Expression of Interest

Mombasa CPIU County Technical Assistant – Individual Selection		
Procurement Ref;	**KE-MOMBEMA-C3-2024-037-ICS-INDV/MMBE&MA/SDBE&F/ 02/2024-2025**	
Country:	**Kenya**	
Name of project:	**Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED)**	
Project No.: P163980;	**Credit No: 65400-KE**	**Date; October 29, 2024**

1. This Request for Expression of Interest follows the General Procurement Notice for this project that appeared in Development Business of 10th August 2020.
   The Government of Kenya has received a Credit World Bank towards the cost of the **Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED)** and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services for **Mombasa CPIU County Technical Assistants – Monitoring and Evaluation**
2. The consulting services (***"Services"***) main objective of the assignment for the County Technical Assistants - M&E is to support the County Project Implementation Unit (CPIU) in the management of all project data in close coordination with the County M&E officer in accordance with World Bank and GoK guidelines. The Technical Assistant M&E officer will work collaboratively with other KEMFSED team members in strengthening, enhancing effective implementation of the project and ensuring that the data collected is up to date and uploaded in the MIS & Kobo Collect.
3. The detailed Terms of Reference (ToR) for the assignments can be found at the following websites; **www.kemfsed.org;www.tenders.go.ke** and **www.mibema.go.ke**
4. The Services Contracts are expected to be for periods of Twelve Months with possibility of extension based on satisfactory performance, Project continuity and availability of funds.
5. The State Department of Blue Economy and Fisheries (the "Client") through the Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development (KEMFSED) Project now invites eligible individual ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services Interested individuals must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (**attach curriculum vitae (CV), copies of documentary evidence of academic qualifications, professional qualifications, and registration/licensing with professional bodies**). The shortlisting criteria are detailed TOR.
6. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" first published July 2016 and revised September 2023, fifth edition ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
7. An Individual Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection of Individual Consultants method set out in the Procurement Regulations.
8. Further information can be obtained at the address below from 0900 to 1700 hours East African Time (EAT) from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400hours EAT) and public holidays.
9. Expression of interest must be delivered by **November 13, 2024 at 1100hours EAT.** using one of the following modalities: (i) Deposit in the tender box located on Mezzanine Floor, Maktaba Kuu Building Opposite NHIF Ngong Road Nairobi, Kenya or (ii) Send by email to: **info@kemfsed.org** and quote the **Assignment title and Contract No. KE-MOMBEMA-C3-2024-037-ICS-INDV /MMBE&MA/SDBE&F/02/2024-2025** in the subject row. For expressions of interest that will be deposited at the tender box, the packages should be clearly marked with Assignment Title and Contract No.

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

Physical Address	**Other addresses**
The Principal Secretary Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs State Department for Blue Economy and Fisheries Ragati Road, Social Health Authority (SHA) Building 14th Floor P O Box 58187 - 00200 NAIROBI Email:ps@blueeconomy.go.ke Website: https//www.mibema.go.ke,	The National Project Coordinator Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development (KEMFSED) Project Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs State Department for Blue Economy & Fisheries Maktaba Kuu Building, Mezannine Floor, Ngong Road, Website; www.kemfsed.org Email: info@kemfsed.org,Telephone: +254-20-2718870

State banks on youth agripreneurs to boost food production

BY **JOSEPH NG'ANG'A,** KNA

The Ministry of Agriculture, in liaison with the county governments, has initiated an agri-preneur model where the youth, using digital technology, have been onboarded to provide extension services to farmers at the ward level.

Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Andrew Karanja stated that the government is continually relying on technology and digitization to bridge gaps in the delivery of services to farmers.

Dr. Karanja emphasized that for Kenya to increase agricultural production and reduce the annual food importation bill of Sh500 billion, it is essential for all extension service providers to collaborate and devise strategies to reach agricultural producers with the latest production technologies, especially through digital platforms.

"Under the Kenya Integrated Agricultural Management Information System (KIAMIS), we are planning to launch an extension module to leverage digital platforms for enhancing access to extension services," the CS explained.Speaking during the Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services - Kenya (KeFAAS) Second National Agricultural Extension Symposium, Dr Karanja said through KIAMIS, they have a database of 6.45 million farmers who can be targeted with a number of services including provision of input subsidies, agricultural market information, crop and livestock advisories among other services.

"To create an enabling environment, the Ministry has developed the Kenya Agricultural Sector Extension Policy (KASEP) and the Extension Guidelines and Standards to guide extension service providers with an aim of fostering coordination," Dr Karanja said.

The CS highlighted the ministry has resumed the public-private dialogues to continue working together to unlock the many challenges faced by farmers and stakeholders in accessing vital agricultural information and services geared towards enhancing productivity, market access as well as ways of mitigating effects of climate change.

"The linkages between the research, academia, extension and private sectors need to be strengthened so that we can contextualize the technologies, innovations, and management practices (TIMPS) promotion and enhanced adoption," the CS said.

Dr Karanja said the ministry is also streamlining resource utilization, explaining that it has around Sh150 billion worth of donor-funded programmes within the ministry and its agencies and it is critical that the funds are used efficiently to avoid duplication of roles and wastage.

"Through the Intergovernmental Co-ordination Framework, we are in talks with county governments so that they can increase budgetary allocation for agriculture to stimulate economic growth. Most of our counties are agricultural and we cannot expect them to grow without necessary budgetary investment. Without agriculture development we lose on foreign exchange as a result of importing more than we export," Dr Karanja said.

He explained that the Maputo Declaration on Agriculture and Food Security proposed a 10 per cent budget allocation towards agriculture development but in Kenya the allocation by both the national and county governments is at an average of between four to five per cent.

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Dr. Karanja emphasized the need for Kenya to increase agricultural production and reduce the annual food importation bill of Sh500 billion,

Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr Andrew Karanja (Second from Right) and KeFAAS CEO Peter Gitika (Right) visiting exhibition stands during the Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services - Kenya (KeFAAS) 2nd National Agricultural Extension Symposium.

"We are working with other stakeholders like the Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services - Kenya (KeFAAS) and look at similar activities that they have in offering extension services. We don't have to reinvent the wheel, we will take up what has been working and incorporate it into our policy guidelines," Dr Karanja said.

KeFAAS CEO Peter Gitika said that this year's Second Agricultural Extension Symposium theme: "Delivering pluralist extension to the last mile for an improved agri-food system" is geared towards bringing all stakeholders together to deliberate on ways to incorporate technology into extension services.

"We have recognized the need for employing digital technology in offering extension to farmers. In Murang'a County we have trained seven digital connectors using the agri-preneur model," Gitika said.

He explained that the digital connectors have degrees in agriculture and were taken through a one-year training to give them a mind-set of an agripreneur and have supported them to setup small enterprises where they are offering extension services and earning a living.

Gitika explained that from three years of monitoring and evaluating the extension services, statistics indicate that the farmers have increased their incomes by 30 per cent. "We are also working with counties in efforts to help them build the capacity of co-operative societies to come up with policies particularly on governance, human resource management and institutionalizing some of these activities within their frameworks," Gitika said.

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KENYA YEARBOOK EDITORIAL BOARD

TENDER NOTICE FOR PROVISION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE SERVICES

The Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board invites interested, eligible and capable firms for the tender for:

TENDER NO	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE AND TIME
KYEB/TNDR/MEDINS/ 002/2024-2025	Provision of Medical Insurance Services	Registered Insurance providers	13th November 2024 at 10:30 A.M

The tender document containing submission information, detailed terms and conditions of services can be obtained electronically free of charge from the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) portal **www.tenders.go.ke** and the Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board website: **www.kenyayearbook.co.ke** ***free of charge*** and **MUST** be registered with the Supply Chain Management Office. Completed tender documents should be submitted in plain sealed envelopes clearly indicated Tender number being applied for and deposited in the tender box located at **NHIF BUILDING 4TH FLOOR** on or before **13th November 2024 at 10.30 a.m** and be addressed to:

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Opening of the tenders will take place immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who chose to attend.

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TENDER NOTICE

Karatina University invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the under listed tenders;

ITEM	TENDER NO	TENDER NAME	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING / OPENING DATE	CLOSING / OPENING TIME
OPEN TENDER					
1.	KarU/OT/006/2024-2025	Proposed construction of the School of Health Sciences Block at Karatina Town - Phase 1	Open	13th November, 2024	11:00 AM
2.	KarU/OT/007/2024-2025	Proposed construction of student Centre at Karatina University Main Campus	Open	13th November, 2024	11:00 AM
3.	KarU/OT/008/2024-2025	Disposal of live animals (Cows)	Open	13th November, 2024	11:00 AM

Interested and eligible contractors/ bidders may view and download tender documents free of charge from the University's website **www.karu.ac.ke** or the PPIP tender portal **www.tenders.go.ke** and access further information in regard to the tenders.

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Kitui County and NCCK to work together to uplift community livelihoods

Kitui governor Dr Julius Malombe (Right) and Head of NCCK Rev Canon Chris Kinyajui signing MoU between the two entities to officially collaborate in uplifting livelihoods of residents in Kitui.

BY **DENSON MUTUTO,** KNA

The Kitui County Government and the National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK) will work together to provide services aimed at uplifting the livelihoods of residents in Kitui County.

In a commitment to their collaboration in community development, the Kitui County Government and the NCCK have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to formalize their working agreement. This commitment by Kitui Governor Dr. Julius Malombe and NCCK Head Rev. Canon Chris Kinyajui seeks to facilitate collaboration between the two entities in implementing programs across various sectors, including water, agriculture, tourism, health, culture, and social services. Their goal is to develop a comprehensive approach to tackling the county's development challenges.

During the ceremony held at the Kitui County Governor's office, the governor initiated the distribution of 100 water tanks, each with a capacity of 10,000 liters, to schools and churches in Kitui South Sub-County.

"This initiative is part of a broader partnership aimed at addressing water shortages in the region, benefiting institutions that have long struggled with inadequate water supply. The tanks are expected to play a crucial role in improving access to clean water, particularly in remote areas where water scarcity is a persistent issue," Dr. Malombe said.

The distribution of water tanks to schools and churches is also part of these efforts, which seek to improve water availability and resilience to droughts in the area.

The governor explained that the initiative to provide clean water to needy communities aligns with the county's goal of increasing access to water for both domestic and agricultural use.

During the ceremony, the NCCK boss, who led the NCCK team, emphasized the need for collaboration in achieving long-term development goals.

He further disclosed that NCCK is also implementing a climate change programme in Athi Ward, dubbed "Nature-Based Solutions," whose activities include water harvesting through sand dams, earth dams and the distribution of water tanks to schools and churches to alleviate water shortages in the area.

The event was graced by development partners and other key stakeholders including Rachael Kigame, the Country Director for Help a Child and Edwin Onyancha from Dorcas Africa AID International.

"Their involvement highlights the multi-stakeholder approach being adopted to ensure the success of various programs aimed at uplifting the livelihoods of Kitui residents," the Head of NCCK said.

The National Council of Churches of Kenya, established in 1913, has a long history of contributing to social development and community welfare in Kenya.

INVITATION TO TENDER

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

KenGen
Kenya Electricity Generating Company PLC

INVITATION TO TENDER

NO	TENDER NO.	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1	KGN-ICT-014-2024	Tender for One-Year Licence Renewal, Preventive and Curative Maintenance Support Contract for KenGen Board Room Prysm Interactive and Projection System ***There shall be Mandatory Site Visit on 5th November 2024 at 10.00 a.m. at KenGen Headquarters located at Stima Plaza along Kolobot Road, Parklands.***	Open National	12th November 2024 at 10.00 a.m.
2	KGN-ICT-015-2024	Tender for Supply of Exinda Licence and Hardware Support for Primary Data Center. ***There shall be Mandatory Site Visit on 5th November 2024 at 10.00 a.m. at KenGen Headquarters located at Stima Plaza along Kolobot Road, Parklands.***	Open National	12th November 2024 at 2.00 p.m.
3	KGN-COMM-010-2024	Request for Proposal for KenGen Sustainability Strategy Development and Knowledge Transfer on Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Standards	Citizen Contractors	13th November 2024 at 10.00 a.m.
4	KGN-PROC-002-2024	Tender for Transportation of KenGen goods from Mombasa Port (Kilindini), Inland container depot (ICD-Nairobi), and loose cargo from Mombasa port, JKIA- Nairobi and MIA-Mombasa to various KenGen power stations and return of empty containers to the shipping line (Framework for two years (2024 to 2026))	Citizen Contractors	13th November 2024 at 2.00 p.m.
5	KGN-PROP-003-2024	Tender for Fencing of KenGen Land in Mokowe, Lamu County. ***There shall be Mandatory Site Visit on 7th November 2024 at 10.00 a.m. at KenGen Land in Mokowe, Lamu County.***	Women Enterprises	15th November 2024 at 10.00 a.m.
6	KGN-BDD-017-2024	Request for Proposal for Feasibility Study for Olkaria II & Wellheads Redevelopment Project (***Re-Tender***) ***There shall be a Mandatory site visit and Pre-Bid Conference on 7th November 2024 starting at 10:00 a.m. at Olkaria and thereafter visit of the sites located in Olkaria Geothermal field.***	Open International	21st November 2024 at 10.00 a.m.

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

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

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

SUBMISSION OF TENDERS:

1. Tender documents must be submitted online through KenGen E-Procurement web portal found on the KenGen website (**www.kengen.co.ke**)
2. Bidders who are interested in this tender **MUST** ensure that they are registered in the E-Procurement Portal. Please ensure compliance to the following;
   - For suppliers registering for the first time ensure the ***"Public Procurement"*** checkbox is ticked so that the login details are sent to suppliers automatically.
   - All documents **Must** be uploaded to the SRM System through the ***https://eprocurement.kengen.co.ke:50001/irj/portal*** found at **www.kengen.co.ke**
   - Prices to be entered under item of the RFx shall be similar to be prices in the price schedule.

Note; Those Bidder who have submitted their bids and wish to amend them further should not click on **WITHDRAW** but click on **EDIT** to enable them amend their bid response and make appropriate changes.

Bidders who require any form of assistance on how to bid via the system are advised to download a manual from the website or may contact **eprocurement@kengen.co.ke**

Tender Security:

Electronic Tender Securities are acceptable subject to:

i. Attachment of a scanned copy to the bid document.
ii. Submission of the e-security to the address indicated below in plain sealed envelope clearly labelled.
iii. Such E-Security can be verified by use of a Quick Response (QR) code
iv. Such E-Security can be verified via the issuing institution's online portal.

Where a non-electronic security is submitted, the hard copy of the Original Tender Security in the form and amount specified **must** be delivered in plain sealed **envelope clearly labelled with the tender number and tender description** before the closing date and Time to the following address:

General Manager - Supply Chain,
Kenya Electricity Generating Company PLC,
9th Floor, KenGen Pension Plaza II,
Kolobot Road, Parklands,
P.O. Box 47936, 00100 NAIROBI

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GENERAL MANAGER, SUPPLY CHAIN

Kenya reviews its Foreign Policy to advance national interests

BY **IRENE AGUM** (PCO)

The Government is reviewing its Foreign Policy to make it relevant, effective, and inclusive in advancing the country's national interests and values. Speaking in Nairobi, Foreign Affairs CS Musalia Mudavadi stated that global trends are now influencing and redefining Kenya's foreign policy, which is why the Foreign Policy document must take these trends into account.

"Kenya is not an island; we must therefore have an all-inclusive foreign policy that considers the national interests of the country. Kenya's interests are as wide as the country seeks to participate in matters of global agency," Mudavadi said.

He pointed out that establishing a pool of veterans for mediation and special envoys on peace, technology, and the blue economy, for instance, is part of the broader strategy to project Kenya's image to attract investment, promote tourism, and strengthen diplomatic ties.

The Kenya Foreign Policy, published in November 2014, has served as the framework for Kenya's diplomatic interactions over the past decade. The CS observed that, in the context of a dynamic international landscape characterized by the decline of multilateralism and the emergence of a multipolar world, there is an increasing need to review the policy.

Musalia Mudavadi, the Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs speaking during the Colloquium on the Review of Kenya's Foreign Policy 2014.

"This review will ensure that it remains effective in promoting Kenya's national interests and values, anchored on the overarching objective of protecting, promoting, and projecting the nation's interests," Mudavadi said.

He added that the review seeks to identify gaps in the current foreign policy, present perspectives on Kenya's foreign policy priorities, and consider proposals for the implementation and dissemination of Kenya's Foreign Policy while prioritizing national interests and advancing Kenya's role on the global stage.

"The review of Kenya's Foreign Policy comes at a time when the world is experiencing a shift in global order as new alliances and rivalries emerge," he said.

He disclosed that diaspora engagement has been invigorated to contribute to Kenya's national development agenda, which has been actualized through the designation of a fully-fledged State Department for Diaspora Affairs. "As one of the pillars of Kenya's foreign policy, Diaspora Diplomacy aims to harness the diverse skills, knowledge, expertise, and resources of Kenyans abroad and facilitate their integration into the national development agenda," he said.

Mudavadi alluded to the deployment of soft power, including cultural diplomacy, educational exchanges, and international media, as elements for not only shaping public opinion but also building and maintaining global influence. "Kenya continues to leverage its soft diplomacy tools, such as cultural exchanges, training, capacity building, peace interventions, sports, and art. Kenyan sportspeople, especially athletes, continue to raise the country's flag and image globally," he said.

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Kenya National Highways Authority
Quality Highways, Better Connections

TENDER NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE MANAGEMENT, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF VARIOUS WEIGHBRIDGES

The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) is a State Corporation established under the Kenya Roads Act, 2007 with the responsibility for Management, Development, Rehabilitation and Maintenance of National Roads.

The Authority hereby invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the contract for Management, Operation and Maintenance of various Weighbridges in Kenya in Five (5) Clusters to be funded through the **Road Maintenance Levy Fund (RMLF)** for a Twenty-Eight (28) months performance based Contract.

Attendance to Pre-Tender Site Visit and Pre-proposal Conference is Mandatory but Limited to only One representative per bidder. The attendance dates are as indicated in the detailed tender notice available in the KeNHA website and Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP).

A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested tenderers from the Kenya National Highways Authority website: **www.kenha.co.ke** or PPIP portal: **www.tenders.go.ke** ***free of charge.***

Bidders are encouraged to download tender documents from the above websites to minimise physical visits to **KeNHA Headquarter Office**

The tender closing/opening date will be on **Thursday, 28th November, 2024 at 11:00a.m.** at KeNHA, Barabara Plaza, Block C, 2nd Floor Boardroom, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA), Off Airport South Road, along Mazao Road.

All interested bidders are required to continually check the Kenya National Highways Authority website: **www.kenha.co.ke** or PPIP portal: **www.tenders.go.ke** for any tender addenda or clarifications that may arise before submission date.

Deputy Director, Supply Chain Management
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ICT Authority

THE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY

Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP)
ICTA-Program Implementation Unit

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Request for Bids
Goods
(One-Envelope Bidding Process)

Country:	**KENYA**
Name of Project:	**KENYA DIGITAL ECONOMY ACCELERATION PROJECT (KDEAP)**
Contract Title:	**PROCUREMENT OF EMAIL SECURITY SPAM, MALWARE, PHISHING AND CONTENT FILTERING SOFTWARE FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS**
Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.:	**7289-KE and 7290-KE**
RFB Reference No.:	**KE-ICTA-441843-GO-RFB**

1. The ICT Authority has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Procurement of Email Security Spam, Malware, Phishing and Content Filtering Software for a Period of 3 Years. For this contract, the Borrower shall process the payments using the Direct Payment disbursement method, as defined in the World Bank's Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, except for those payments, which the contract provides to be made through letter of credit.

2. The Information and Communications Technologies now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Procurement of 55,000No. Email Security Spam, Malware, Phishing and Content Filtering Software for a Period of 3 Years, to be delivered at The ICT Authority Headquarters within a period of 2 Months.

3. Bidding will be conducted through national competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" Sep 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from The Information and Communications Technology Authority, Supply Chain Department, or through **procurement@ict.go.ke** and inspect the bidding document during office hours 0900 to 1600 hours at the address given below.

5. The bidding document in English may be downloaded free of charge from the ICTA's website **https://www.icta.go.ke/tenders** or PPIP **https://tenders.go.ke/tenders.** Bidders who download the bidding documents are required to notify the procuring entity by email with full contact details that they intended to participate, this will facilitate issuance of notifications by the procuring entity, to all bidders where necessary.

6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **11th December 2024 at 1000hrs East African Time**. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on **11th December 2024 at 1000hrs East African Time.**

7. All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of **Kshs. 3,250,000 (Three Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Only)** in the form of a bank guarantee from a reputable commercial bank regulated by the Central Bank of Kenya or insurance guarantee from an insurance firm approved by the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority.

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

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

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CS calls for nationwide campaign to fight rising breast cancer cases

BY **HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI AND NICOLIES GOGO,** KNA

Health Cabinet Secretary (CS) Debora Barasa stated that breast cancer remains the most diagnosed cancer in the country, with over 7,200 new cases reported annually.

The CS noted that the government is implementing initiatives such as Universal Health Coverage (UHC) and the Social Health Authority (SHA) to reduce mortality rates and provide comprehensive care.Barasa urged Kenyans to take an active role in the fight against cancer by registering with the SHA for free primary healthcare services and ensuring regular screenings.

She emphasized that breast cancer is increasingly becoming a significant medical concern, highlighting the need for heightened awareness and routine screenings to promote early treatment and prevention.

The CS called for an expanded nationwide awareness campaign to address the rising rates of breast and cervical cancer in the country.She described the high incidence of cancer among women as unacceptable, underscoring the urgency of tackling the underlying causes of this disease, which involves the uncontrolled division of abnormal cells that destroy body tissue.

Breast cancer is a condition in which breast tissue becomes cancerous and begins to grow out of control and some signs and symptoms include breast lump, lump in the armpit, change in the colour of breast skin and disoriented nipple position among others.

Debora was speaking in Kwale County when she commissioned a multi-million shilling oncology centre and called on the 47 devolved governments that are facing a growing cancer burden to construct new cancer healthcare centres with the aim of enhancing accessibility and prompt cancer response and treatment. She said new oncology centres in the counties will elevate cancer care in the country besides helping tackle cancers that are currently on the rise and straining the existing medical facilities.

The CS said the national government has been taking steps to further expand cancer medicine services within the national healthcare system.

Dr. Barasa also witnessed the ground-breaking of the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and Renal Unit at the Kinango Sub- County Hospital which she said is essential for delivery of critical care during emergencies.

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Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP)
ICTA-Program Implementation Unit

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Request for Bids
Goods
(One-Envelope Bidding Process)

Country:	**KENYA**
Name of Project:	**KENYA DIGITAL ECONOMY ACCELERATION PROJECT (KDEAP)**
Contract Title:	**PROCUREMENT OF INTERNET GATEWAY LICENSES FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS**
Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.:	**7289-KE and 7290-KE**
RFB Reference No.:	**KE-ICTA-441844-GO-RFB**

1. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Procurement of Internet Gateway Licenses for a Period of 3 Years. For this contract, the Borrower shall process the payments using the Direct Payment disbursement method, as defined in the World Bank's Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, except for those payments, which the contract provides to be made through letter of credit.
2. The Information and Communications Technology Authority now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Procurement of Internet Gateway Licenses (2No. Unified Threat Protection) & (1No. Log Consolidation, Analysis & Reporting) to be delivered at the ICT Authority headquarters within a period of 2 months.
3. Bidding will be conducted through national competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" September 2023 Edition ("Procurement Regulations") and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from The Information and Communications Technology Authority, Supply Chain Department, or through **procurement@ict.go.ke** and inspect the bidding document during office hours 0900 to 1600 hours at the address given below.
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Request for Bids
Goods
(One-Envelope Bidding Process)

Country:	**KENYA**
Name of Project:	**KENYA DIGITAL ECONOMY ACCELERATION PROJECT (KDEAP)**
Contract Title:	**PROCUREMENT OF VULNERABILITY SCANNER & PATCH MANAGEMENT FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS**
Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.:	**7289-KE and 7290-KE**
RFB Reference No.:	**KE-ICTA-441890-GO-RFB**

1. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Procurement of Vulnerability Scanner & Patch Management for a Period of 3 Years. For this contract, the Borrower shall process the payments using the Direct Payment disbursement method, as defined in the World Bank's Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, except for those payments, which the contract provides to be made through letter of credit.
2. The Information and Communications Technology Authority now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Supply & Delivery of 1No. Vulnerability Scanner & Patch Management for a Period of 3 Years to be delivered at the ICT Authority headquarters within a period of 2 months.
3. Bidding will be conducted through national competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" September 2023 Edition ("Procurement Regulations") and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
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6.45m farmers enrolled in Kenya's new digital system for sustainable agriculture

Cabinet Secretary Agriculture and Livestock Development Dr. Andrew Karanja

BY **GEOFFREY SATIA AND IDA CHERUTO,** KNA

The Cabinet Secretary for Agriculture and Livestock Development, Dr. Andrew Karanja, has expressed optimism that the implementation of the Kenya Agricultural Management and Information System (KIAMIS), a digital farmer registration system, will be a transformative step for the sector.

He noted that at least 6.45 million farmers are now enrolled in digital registries, adding that this approach has positively reshaped the sector. This progress has drawn attention from other African countries, which are now visiting Kenya to learn from its digital farmer identification efforts.

Dr. Karanja explained that through digital farmer registration, the government can now better plan for farmers' needs, respond with timely interventions, and support efforts toward sustainable, modern farming practices aimed at achieving both food security and surplus production for export.

The CS also highlighted that through KIAMIS, the government has rolled out an e-voucher registration system, accessible and manageable by farmers through their mobile phones.

"Nowadays, if you need fertilizer, you receive an e-voucher on your phone. For the short rains season, we have issued close to 1.8 million vouchers to our farmers," he said.

The Principal Secretary recognized the contributions of the Food and Agriculture Organization and other development partners in advancing digital farmer identification

On his side FAO Representative Hamisi Williams, during his speech, emphasized organization commitment in supporting KIAMIS digital farmer registration as a key towards building resilience in farmers against climate-instigated challenges.

Dr. Karanja, however, challenged farmers to utilize grain driers which were distributed by the government last year to manage post-harvest losses.

According to him, a total of 16,000 agro-dealers and 7,000 stockists have been registered digitally across the country. These will facilitate the achievement of the last mile target in agriculture.

The PS was pleased that through government intervention on provision of subsidized fertilizer together with sufficient rains, the country recently exported surplus maize to neighbouring countries who are facing hunger.

Further, the PS said in the past two years the government has taken interventions which have seen great improvement in tea, coffee, dairy products, and sugar areas with encouraging figures.

CS Karanja made the remarks during the national celebrations of the World Food Day at Kaimosi Agricultural Training Centre in Nandi County.

He regretted that Kenya was spending up to four dollars a year on food which can be produced locally.

Karanja pointed out rice and edible oil crops as the leading imports which raid Kenya's hard-earned foreign currencies.

"One of the tasks as a government is to reverse this trend, making sure we don't spend our foreign currency to import food," he said.

The PS called on the residents and the leadership of Nandi County to utilize the rich soil and the plenty of rain to ensure crops that do well in the region are planted and maintained.

He mentioned his ministry's plan to hold agricultural intergovernmental meetings geared towards bringing business harmony between the national government and the 47 counties.

"I am also looking forward to working closely with private sector and development partners in bringing resources together in addressing challenges facing various agriculture areas in the country," he added.

Nandi Governor Stephen Sang on his side challenged the young generation to embrace agriculture seriously because the future of farming in this country relies on them.

The function was also attended by Nandi Deputy Governor Yulita Mitei, Nandi County Commissioner Caroline Nzwili.

MCK launches portal to empower journalists and monetise skills

BY **ANNE KANGERO,** KNA

The Media Council of Kenya (MCK) has launched the Kenya Press Club Information Portal to help journalists monetize their skills.

This portal will provide press clubs and journalists from various countries with a platform to network and connect, promoting professionalism and ethical standards while monetizing their content.

MCK CEO David Omwoyo, speaking at the portal's launch in Machakos, stated that the portal serves as an avenue for training, information exchange, and negotiations with major media houses and other content consumers.

He noted that newsrooms were originally designed for specific media houses, whereas press clubs function as collaborative spaces for multiple media houses and independent individuals.

Furthermore, he emphasized that press clubs cater to both journalists affiliated with media houses and those working independently, providing them with locations to generate and monetize content by distributing it to various media outlets.

"We aim to ensure that journalists have job opportunities, whether they are attached to a media house or not, and that their content can be accessed by users both locally and internationally," Omwoyo explained.

He added that the Council recognizes the changing media landscape and has supported the establishment of press clubs to empower journalists and foster entrepreneurial journalism.

The CEO revealed that over 2,000 journalists have been laid off from various media houses in the past five years. Instead of losing hope due to unemployment, he encouraged them to use the portal to hone their skills and monetize their work.

Omar Abdalla, Chair of the Mombasa Press Club, who attended the launch, noted that they started their club in March of this year. With MCK's support, they have grown professionally and begun monetizing their content; the portal will

MAMA NGINA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

TENDER NOTICE

Mama Ngina University College (MNUC) is a Public University located in Mutomo Gatundu South Sub County, Kiambu County.

The University College invites sealed bids for the tender below.

S.NO	TENDER NUMBER	TENDER NAME	ELIGIBILITY	OPENING /CLOSING DATE
1	MNUC/T02/MEDICAL COVER/2024-2025	PROVISION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE COVER FOR MNUC STAFF & COUNCIL MEMBERS	OPEN	**MONDAY, 11TH, NOVEMBER 2024 AT 11:00AM**

To download the Tender Documents, Visit and download free of charge from the University College website: **www.mnu.ac.ke** or government tender portal website at www.tender.go.ke ***free of charge.***

Bound completed and paginated tender documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes marked with tender number and be deposited in the Tender Box at Mama Ngina University College administration block Ground floor and shall be addressed to:

The Principal,
Mama Ngina University College
P.O. Box 444-01030
Gatundu, Kenya

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ANNNOUNCEMENT

THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME FOR THE 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Ministry is in receipt of communication from the Embassy of the Russian Federation in Nairobi informing that the Russian Government is offering scholarships Kenyan Nationals for the **2025/2026** Academic Year.

This is to enable students from Kenya to pursue **undergraduate** and **postgraduate** as well as **Russian language preparatory courses.**

For more details on the application procedure, kindly visit the Ministry's **website: www.education.go.ke** under the scholarship theme.

The deadline for the submission of application is **22nd November, 2024.**

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NACADA launches campaign against substance abuse in Homa Bay

BY **MYGOV REPORTER**

The National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA) joined hands with Homa Bay Woman Representative Ms. Joyce Atieno Bensuda to sensitize the youth in the county about the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse.

These forums, which reached over 1,000 young people across the county, are part of a larger effort to curb the growing threat of substance abuse among the youth. They have a special focus on prevention and rehabilitation.

Participants had the opportunity to hear from experts, counselors, and reformed individuals who shared their personal experiences with addiction and recovery. According to the Homa Bay Woman Representative, this initiative is timely, as many young people in the county are vulnerable to substance abuse due to various social and economic challenges.

> Our goal is to reduce the prevalence of substance abuse and provide young people with the knowledge and tools they need to stay drug-free," - Mwangi,

"Our youth are the future of this county and this nation. We must do everything we can to protect them from the dangers of drugs and alcohol. These forums are just the beginning of a larger mission to empower them to make informed choices and lead productive lives," she said.

In addition to the forums, NACADA conducted a roadshow across all sub-counties in Homa Bay, bringing the anti-drug abuse message to a wider audience. The roadshow features entertainment, public addresses, and the distribution of educational materials.

During the sessions, NACADA officials expressed their commitment to intensifying the fight against drug and alcohol abuse, particularly among the youth.

"Our goal is to reduce the prevalence of substance abuse and provide young people with the knowledge and tools they need to stay drug-free," said Simon Mwangi, NACADA Deputy Director of Corporate Communication.

The campaign is expected to have a lasting impact on the community, fostering a drug-free generation.

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Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP)
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SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Specific Procurement Notice

Request for Bids
Non-Consulting Services

Employer:	**The Information and Communications Technology Authority**
Project:	**Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project**
Contract title:	**PROCUREMENT OF AN ELECTRONIC AUCTION PLATFORM**
Country:	**Kenya**
Loan No. /Credit No. / Grant No.:	**7289-KE AND 7290-KE**
RFB No:	**KE-ICTA-414831-NC-RFB**
Issued on:	**29th November 2024**

1. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Procurement of an Electronic Auction Platform. For this contract, the Borrower shall process the payments using the Direct Payment disbursement method, as defined in the World Bank's Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing.
2. The Information and Communications Technology Authority now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Procurement of an Electronic Auction Platform, to be delivered at The ICT Authority headquarters, within a period of 2 months.
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MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

12TH GRADUATION CEREMONY–FRIDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 2024

Maasai Mara University wishes to inform all prospective graduands for the **2023/2024** Academic year, parents/guardians, alumni and members of the public that the **12th Graduation Ceremony** will be held on **Friday, 6th December, 2024** at the Graduation Pavilion, commencing at 9.00am. The event will also be streamed live through the University website and Facebook page. The links will be made available on the University **website; www.mmarau.ac.ke.**

LIST OF GRADUANDS

The graduation list will be posted on the University website after Senate's approval on **Wednesday, 6th November, 2024.**

CLEARANCE OF FEES

Graduands are expected to complete any outstanding fees latest, **Friday, 8th November, 2024.** Those who will not have completed the fees by the given deadline will not be cleared for graduation.

GRADUATION AND CONVOCATION FEES

Graduands are required to pay the following mandatory charges for the various categories:

Ph.D.	**-**	**Kshs. 7,500/-**
Masters	**-**	**Kshs. 6,500/-**
Bachelors	**-**	**Kshs. 5,500/-**
Diploma	**-**	**Kshs. 4,500/-**
Certificate	**-**	**Kshs. 4,500/-**

ALLUMNI REGISTRATION FEES

Pursuant to Article 4, Section (c) of the Alumni constitution, all graduands are required to pay a subscription fee of **One Thousand (Kshs. 1,000/-) shillings only** before they graduate.

Payments should be made through the E-citizen platform via the Jiunge Online Application - not later than **Friday, 8th November, 2024.**

COLLECTION OF ACADEMIC GOWNS

Graduation gowns will be available for graduands at the Main campus. The collection schedule will be communicated through the website. Forms for hire of gowns can be downloaded from the University **website: www.mmarau.ac.ke.** Graduation gowns should be returned latest by **Friday, 20th December, 2024.** Those who fail to observe the deadline will be required to pay a penalty at the rate of **KShs. 1,000/- (One Thousand Shillings)** per day, inclusive of weekends.

INVITATION CARDS

During the hiring of the academic gown, each graduand will be given two (2) invitation cards for their guests. Any person without an invitation card will not be allowed to the Graduation Pavilion.

REHEARSAL

The rehearsal is an integral part of the Graduation Ceremony. All graduands intending to participate in the ceremony must attend the rehearsal at the Graduation Pavilion in full academic attire on **Thursday, 5th December, 2024 at 10.00 a.m.**

COLLECTION OF CERTIFICATES

Certificates will be ready for collection from the University Examinations Office at the start of **February, 2025.** The specific dates will be communicated through the University website in **January, 2025**. Certificates not collected beyond a period of One (1) year after graduation will attract a storage fee of Kshs. 10,000 (ten thousand shillings) per year.

PUNCTUALITY

All graduands and invited guests are advised to be seated by **8.00a.m.**

For more information, please contact:

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KENYA VISION 2030

Authority steps up potato packaging compliance to curb farmer exploitation

BY **ESTHER MWANGI,** (KNA)

The Agriculture and Food Authority (AFA) has launched a crackdown on traders violating the 50-kilogram rule in packaging Irish potatoes, as the government continues to enforce the 2021 Potato Regulations.

The agriculture regulator announced it has trained 254 crop inspectors to support this effort and ensure compliance with Chapter 16 of the Crops Act, which bans the packaging of potatoes in extended bags.

AFA Crop Inspectorate Director Mr. Ferdinand Masinde stated that the crackdown aims to enforce the standard 50-kilogram packaging rule throughout the potato value chain, from farms to markets.

Masinde added that AFA is ensuring all Irish potato transporters are registered, each bag weighs exactly 50 kilograms, and that all storage units and warehouses are certified to maintain high standards across the value chain.

Masinde explained that AFA had sensitized stakeholders on these regulations and expects full compliance from value chain players. He emphasized the need to reverse past practices where potatoes were often sold in 110-kilogram bags, causing significant losses for farmers.

Efforts to standardize potato packaging predate the formation of AFA, originating with bylaws adopted by defunct municipal and county councils under Legal Notice No. 113 of 2008. These bylaws, based on the 2005 standardization policy, introduced a Sh2,000 fine or a prison term not exceeding six months for non-compliance. They also required market officials to block the sale of produce in extended bags.

Speaking at a meeting with agricultural experts from Nakuru, Meru, Nyandarua, Narok, Nandi, and Nairobi counties, the Director noted that inspectors would oversee production, weighing, handling, and processing of potato produce to ensure adherence to regulations.

The law also covers 20 other types of produce, including legumes, cereals, roots, and tubers.

AFA's announcement comes as potato-growing counties work to enforce regulations crafted to protect farmers from exploitation. The authority is responsible for appointing inspectors to ensure all stakeholders comply with potato-related guidelines.

Masinde explained that the law permits inspectors in potato-growing counties to seize and detain Irish potatoes packaged or transported in a non-compliant manner, at the offender's expense.

"We know brokers have exploited this industry, and we're here to safeguard farmers' interests and ensure they receive fair returns," he said.

Nakuru County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Agriculture, Livestock, and Fisheries, Mr. Leonard Bor, indicated that agriculture officers have been educating farmers on potato packaging regulations through public meetings, field days, and exhibitions.

The county government, in partnership with Egerton University, the National Potato Council of Kenya (NPCK), and the Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO), is working to help potato farmers reduce production costs and increase their incomes.

According to Mr. Bor, this partnership aligns with climate-smart innovations aimed at protecting farmers from challenges such as drought, floods, diseases, and pests.

He explained that the initiative seeks to promote sustainable potato production through climate-smart farming practices, good agricultural practices (GAP), certified seeds, and advanced agricultural technologies.

Potato traders at work.

> "We know brokers have exploited this industry, and we're here to safeguard farmers' interests and ensure they receive fair returns," - Masinde

Bor stated that Nakuru County is supporting efforts to expand the availability of certified potato seeds to increase food production and enhance food security. Through public-private partnerships, the county government aims to raise the supply of high-quality certified potato seeds by 25%, utilizing rapid multiplication, increased seed bulking, and training for commercial seed growers in the county.

The Agricultural Development Corporation's (ADC) seed development project in Nakuru's Molo Sub-County serves as the primary hub for potato seed production, storage, and distribution, supplemented by KALRO's potato research in Tigoni, Kiambu County.

National Potato Council of Kenya (NPCK) CEO Wachira Kaguongo stated that, over the past three years, an inconsistent seed supply has impacted potato production, which is regulated under the Crops Act of 2013.

Policy reforms needed to support Kenya's rapid ICT growth, says CA boss

BY **GLORY MUKHWANA,** (KNA)

Mobile and digital connectivity is growing rapidly in Kenya, with the latest data showing that mobile phone penetration exceeds 130 percent.

A report released by the Communications Authority of Kenya (CA), in collaboration with GSMA, revealed that as of the end of June 2024, Kenya had more than 68.9 million mobile subscribers, translating to a mobile penetration rate of 133.7 percent.

The Kenya Digital Economy Report provided insights for stakeholders on driving investments and policy reforms to further enhance the digital economy in the country.

In a speech delivered on his behalf by CA Director for Legal Services Lydia Sitienei, CA Director General David Mugonyi stated that Kenya is a nation that recognizes individuals with an eye for opportunity and that the promise of a digital economy is a perfect fit for young people, developers, and the future.

"The growth of the ICT industry and the rapid pace of innovation calls for a responsive policy and legal framework for our people to live, learn, work, and for businesses to thrive," Mugonyi said.

He revealed that as at the end of June 2024, Kenya had more than 68.9 million mobile subscribers, translating to a mobile penetration rate of 133.7 per cent.

At the same point Kenya had 39.8 million mobile money subscriptions, a penetration rate of 77.3 per cent.

In the same period, 66.1 million mobile devices were connected to mobile networks representing a penetration rate of 128.3 per cent with the comparative penetration rates for smartphones and feature phones being 68.3 and 59.9 per cent, respectively.

GSMA Chief Regulatory Officer John Giusti giving his remarks at the Kenya digital economy report launch in Nairobi

Mugonyi said these figures indicate a rising platform for innovation, creation of value through new products and services and the delivery of meaningful and tangible prosperity.

"Today there are 38.4 million mobile broadband subscriptions in Kenya compared to 1.5 million fixed data subscriptions. To achieve our national digital aspirations, we, the public and private sectors, must act in harmony to address the dual challenges of device affordability and insufficiency of digital skills which continue to hold back the rapid development of our digital economy," he added.Mugonyi noted that the Communications Authority, in partnership with Safaricom and Huawei Kenya, carried out a digital skilling exercise in Marsabit County which demonstrated the enthusiasm, affinity, and appetite by Kenyans living in underserved and unserved areas for mobile network services.

"In the last five years, we have connected about 800,000 people across 24 counties to mobile network services through the Universal Service Fund (USF), opening new opportunities in communication, expanding knowledge and stimulating entrepreneurship," he said.He said ICTs are integral to public service delivery and the Communications Authority of Kenya is equally involved in several major strategic initiatives in support of the government's digital transformation agenda."We are funding the deployment of 2,500 kilometers of fibre optic cable across 19 unserved and underserved counties at the cost of Sh5 billion as part of the Digital Superhighway, where 1,300 kilometers have already been laid," Mugonyi said.

He highlighted that CA in partnership with Konza Technopolis Development Authority, is financing the roll-out of 47 centres of excellence across 47 counties and 1,450 ICT hubs across every ward in Kenya at the cost of Sh2.8 billion.

GSMA Head of Sub-Saharan Africa Angela Wamola said since the inception of Kenya's mobile money in 2007, tremendous growth has been witnessed in the sector where today transactions worth Sh8 trillion are conducted on mobile money platforms annually. She said this can help unlock economic potential of Kenya if taken advantage of.

GSMA Chief Regulatory Officer John Giusti noted that to achieve Kenya's Vision 2030 and the African Union's Agenda 2063, mobile connectivity will play a key role since it is critical to all sectors of the society.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TEACHERS SERVICE COMMISSION

VACANCIES FOR TEACHER INTERNS IN JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS – OCTOBER, 2024

The Teachers Service Commission invites applications from qualified candidates to fill 20, 000 teacher internship posts in Junior Schools to support the implementation of Competency Based Curriculum.

Interested and qualified candidates should submit their applications online through the Commission's website, **www.tsc.go.ke** under "Careers" or **teachersonline.tsc.go.ke** not later than **4th November,2024,** Midnight.

JUNIOR SECONDARY TEACHER INTERNS (REGULAR & SNE SCHOOLS)

To qualify for recruitment, a candidate should meet the following minimum requirements:

i) Be a Kenyan citizen;
ii) Must be a holder of at least a Diploma in Education with a minimum mean Grade of C+ (plus) and C+ (plus) in two teaching Subjects in KCSE or its equivalent.
iii) Must be a registered teacher with Teachers Service Commission.

NB:

a) For equivalent qualifications, applicants are advised to visit the Teachers Service Commission's website: **www.tsc.go.ke**

b) Qualified and trained teachers with Technical Learning Areas/Subjects with TSC Registration Numbers are encouraged to apply.

GENERAL INFORMATION

i) Manual applications will not be considered.
ii) The Commission's Guidelines for Recruitment of Teacher Interns for 2024/2025 Financial Year shall apply.
iii) Be unemployed and has no record of exiting teaching service with the commission due to disciplinary grounds;
iv) Candidates will be required to present original academic and professional certificates.
v) Successful candidates shall be required to have a Personal Accident Insurance to cover for personal risks during the internship period.
vi) Selection of Candidates will strictly be on merit and based on the number of vacancies per County.
vii) Successful candidates must not fill more than one offer of internship.
viii) Successful candidates will be posted to serve in any Junior Secondary School in the county where they were interviewed or in any part of the Country where the vacancy exist.
ix) Successful candidates for Junior Schools shall be required to teach various learning areas under Junior School Curriculum. Visit the Commission's website (**www.tsc.go.ke**) for more information.
x) During verification applicants shall be required to produce the following: -

1. A copy of Teacher Registration Certificate/print-out from TSC online portal as evidence of registration as a teacher;
2. A copy of National Council for Persons with Disability (NCPWD) card (where applicable);
3. A copy of the National Identity Card (ID) or Passport;
4. Two (2) colour passport size photographs;
5. A copy of Kenya Revenue Authority Personal Identification Number (KRA PIN).

NOTE:
The Teacher Internship Programme is a one (1) year programme meant to equip and sustain competencies of persons entering the teaching service. The programme targets unemployed registered teachers to be assigned to learning institutions where their teaching experience will be enhanced through mentorship, coaching and exposure to practical teaching experience.

DURATION OF INTERNSHIP

The Internship period will be for twelve (12) months.

MONTHLY STIPEND FOR TEACHER INTERNS

This is not a remunerative engagement. However, interns attached to Junior schools will be eligible for a monthly stipend of Kshs. 20,000/=. The stipend will be paid subject to statutory deductions, where applicable.

INTERNSHIP CERTIFICATE

On successful completion of the Internship Programme, teacher interns will be awarded a certificate.

The Teachers Service Commission is an equal opportunity employer as per the constitutional provisions and law and persons with disabilities (PWDs) are encouraged to apply.

CAUTION: The recruitment exercise is free of charge. The Teachers Service Commission forewarns applicants against fraudsters who might extort money from unsuspecting persons purporting to assist in recruitment.

REPORTING OF FRAUD

Any fraudulent activity should be reported to the nearest TSC office or Teachers Service Commission headquarters through the following telephone lines: Director Staffing (0202892193) and Deputy Director- Staffing (0202892131) or write to the Commission through the email address **dirstaffing@tsc.go.ke** and **info@tsc.go.ke**

Further, any such fraudulent activity should be reported to the nearest police station.

Details on available vacancies per county is in the Teachers Service Commission's website: **www.tsc.go.ke**

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COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF KENYA

TENDER NOTICE

The Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) is the regulatory agency for the ICT industry in Kenya with responsibilities in telecommunications, e-commerce, cyber security, broadcasting and postal/courier services. The CA is also responsible for managing the country's numbering and frequency spectrum resources, administering the Universal Service Fund (USF) as well as protecting interests of users of ICT services.

CA invites tenders from interested and competent firms to tender for the following;

No.	Tender Reference	Description of tender	Closing date and time	Eligibilty
1.	CA/SCM/RFP/01/2024-2025	Request for Proposal for Provision of Governance Audit Consultancy Services	13th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
2.	CA/SCM/OT/03/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Supply and Delivery of Computer Laptops	20th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
3.	CA/SCM/OT/04/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Supply and Delivery of Computer Tablets and Accessories	20th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
4.	CA/SCM/OT/05/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Supply, Delivery, Installation, Configuration and Migration of ICT Network Storage System	20th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
5.	CA/SCM/OT/06/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Supply, Delivery and Installation of Container Shelter for Equipment in Kitale, Garissa and Railway CA Stations (***Reserved to Women Owned Firms***)	20th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Reserved to Women Owned Firms
6.	CA/SCM/OT/07/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Upgrade of Hybrid Solar System at CA remote stations (***Reserved to PLWDS Owned Firms***)	20th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Reserved to PLWDS Owned Firms
7.	CA/SCM/OT/08/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Supply and Delivery of Digital Forensic Lab Consumables	20th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
8.	CA/SCM/OT/09/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Hosting, support and maintenance for the Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) website	20th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
9.	CA/SCM/OT/10/2024-2025	Open National Tender for Provision of Medical Insurance Cover (Medical Insurance Brokerage Services)	20th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all
10.	CA/SCM/OT/11/2024-2025	Tender for Framework Contracts for Provision of Hotel Accommodation and Conference services in Nairobi, Nakuru, Machakos, Kisumu, Uasin Gishu, Laikipia, Nyandarua, Embu, Kilifi and Mombasa Counties	20th November 2024 at 1030hrs East African Time	Open to all

The tender documents can be accessed and downloaded from the Public Procurement Information Portal **https://www.ca.go.ke/open-tenders** and the Authority's website **https://www.ca.go.ke/open-tenders** ***free of charge.***

Further, firms who download the tender documents must arrange to forward their particulars/ contacts to the Head of Procurement, Communications Authority of Kenya, through the email address **tenders@ca.go.ke** before the closing date for records and for purposes of receiving clarifications and or addendums, if any. Any addendum, which will be issued, will be uploaded in the CA Website

Eligible bidders may also inspect and obtain detailed hard copy of the tender documents from the Supply Chain Management Department 2nd floor Wing A at CA Centre along Waiyaki Way, Nairobi, between 9am to 4pm, Monday to Friday excluding Public Holidays at a non-refundable fee of Kshs 1,000.00

Prices quoted should be inclusive of all taxes and **MUST** be expressed in Kenya shillings.

Duly completed tender documents should be enclosed in a plain, sealed envelope clearly marked with the tender name and reference number should be deposited in the tender box on the ground floor of the CA Centre, so as to reach on or before the indicated tender closing dates East African Time.

Director General/CEO
Communications Authority of Kenya (CA)
P.O. Box 14448, Nairobi 00800
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Bids shall be opened immediately thereafter at CA Centre ground floor, Atrium in the presence of the bidders' representative(s) who choose to attend.

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE JINICE NA RISITI LEGIT PUBLIC CAMPAIGN

Please Read, Understand and Accept these Terms and Conditions along with the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) Data Privacy Policy and Campaign Mechanics.

These terms govern our relationship with you in relation to the **"Jinice na Risiti Legit"** public campaign conducted through the **Risiti Legit** mobile application.There are no extra costs or conditions associated with participation and eligibility for entry, except insofar as provided herein:

Duration

1. The campaign is open to all Kenyan Nationals and Alien ID holders who make a purchase(s) in Kenya, and it will strictly run from **29th October to 15th December, 2024**.

Eligibility

2. To participate in this campaign, one must be 18 years and above.
3. KRA staff and their immediate family members as well as staff of affiliate or third party institutions involved in the development, facilitation or execution of this campaign shall not be eligible to participate or win a prize.

Participation

4. In order to participate in this campaign, the receipts eligible to enter into the draw should be dated from the date of commencement of the campaign going forward.
5. A participant will enter the campaign through the following steps:
   i. Download the Risiti Legit mobile app from Play Store or Apple Store
   ii. Sign up on the Risiti Legit Mobile Application to create a user profile
   iii. To participate, the user scans the **QR code** of a TIMS ETR receipt or eTIMS receipt
   iv. A valid receipt will be verified and the user automatically earns one (1) point
   v. For a receipt that is not verified upon scanning the QR code, the user is prompted to take a photo of the receipt and upload onto the app. After which they will automatically earn one (1) point.
   vi. For every point earned, the user automatically gets enrolled into the draw.

Determination of Winners

6. KRA shall conduct weekly draws and announce winners via the available media channels. All weekly entries shall only qualify for the respective weekly draws.
7. There shall be one **Grand Draw** to conclude the campaign. All entries during the promotion period shall qualify for the Grand Draw.
8. Winners of the weekly draws and Grand Draw will be selected using an automated Random Number Generator based on a set of defined parameters.

Notification to Winners

9. All winners shall be contacted through a dedicated KRA number **0711 099 199**.
10. In case a winner is unreachable via their registered phone number, KRA shall attempt to contact him/her for a period of 72 hours, after which he/she will be deemed to have forfeited the prize and a re-draw will be conducted the following week.

Prizes

11. The cash and non-cash prizes will be awarded to the winners within **10 working days** from the day the winner is called to allow for the necessary procedures required to facilitate collection of the prizes. Cash prizes will be awarded via mobile money, while non-cash prizes will be collected from the nearest KRA office.
12. The prizes are not transferable or exchangeable for an alternative prize and are redeemable only in the Republic of Kenya.
13. Winners will be required to collect their non-cash prizes within **three months** from the last date of the campaign or earlier. Any unclaimed prizes after 90 days from the date of completion of the campaign will be handed over to the Betting Control and Licensing Board.
14. KRA reserves the right to verify the identity of the winner by asking for presentation of the original copy of the National/Alien Identification Card to confirm proof of age (above 18 years). The phone number provided during sign up must correspond with the winner's ID number.
15. KRA shall not be liable in case of any loss or damage to the prizes incurred during transition after the prize has been collected/dispatched.

Data Protection & Privacy

16. KRA reserves the right to announce the Winners through available media channels as required by the Betting Control and Licensing Board. Use of the image/video/audio and likeness of a participant for publicity during the period of the campaign or for any other purpose must require formal consent from the participant/winner.
17. All personal data collected during participation in the campaign will be managed and approved by KRA. The data will only be used for the execution of the campaign and will not be used for any other purpose, in compliance with Kenya Data Protection Act, No.24 of 2019 and the KRA Data Privacy Policy (available on the KRA website).

General Campaign Rules

18. Each receipt scanned or picture uploaded through the **Risiti Legit** app earns the participant **one entry/point**. A participant is limited to **10 entries/points/scans/photo uploads per day**. (Participants are required to scan the QR code at the bottom of the invoice and incase the receipt does not verify upon scanning the QR code, take a photo of the QR code (Control Unit/Fiscal Information) at the bottom of the receipt and submit the photo via the Risiti Legit app to earn a point.
19. A participant cannot scan/upload a photo of the same receipt more than once. Subsequent scans of the same receipt will be rejected.
20. KRA in consultation with the Betting Control and Licensing Board may nullify any prize to any participant in the event of fraud, dishonesty or non-eligibility under the Terms and Conditions.
21. KRA in consultation with the Betting Control and Licensing Board reserves the right to amend and adjust the Campaign format and timings as they deem fit and shall communicate the same as necessary.
22. You hereby acknowledge that your use of the software application is outside of KRA's control. Accordingly you download and use the software application at your risk. KRA will not have any liability to you or to any third party in respect of the receipt of and/or use of the software application.
23. The Campaign is conducted in accordance with the Laws of the Republic of Kenya and remains subject to the provisions of the Betting Lotteries and Gaming Act, Chapter 131 of the Laws of Kenya (the Act) and any disputes arising shall be resolved in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
24. By entering the campaign, all participants agree to be bound by these Terms and Conditions which will be subject to interpretation by KRA and the Betting Control and Licensing Board, whose interpretation shall be final and binding.
25. If the participation or draw in the Jinice na Risiti Legit Campaign cannot be performed due to **force majeure**, the responsibility shall be exempted in part or in whole according to the influence of **force majeure**.

Customer Support

26. KRA has provided a dedicated customer care support for queries or clarifications. Our customer care team shall be available on the following platforms:
    - Call: 0711 099 999
    - Email: callcentre@kra.go.ke
    - Social Media: Facebook - Kenya Revenue Authority (verified account) and X @KRACare

Please note that we are reachable during the following hours:

Weekdays:
Monday to Friday: 7 AM to 7 PM

Weekends:
Saturday: 9 AM to 4 PM
Sunday: 9 AM to 1 PM

Muturi roots for premier institution to enhance public service excellence

BY **SADIK HASSAN AND MARIAM SEFU,** KNA

The Cabinet Secretary for Public Service and Human Capital Development, Justin Muturi, has advocated for the establishment of a premier institution dedicated to developing curricula aimed at realizing excellence in African public service.

CS Muturi noted that a unified approach to public service training will produce leaders with unwavering allegiance to their governments, the ability to evaluate policy implications, a focus on delivering public services efficiently and effectively, and a commitment to implementing administrative decisions regardless of personal preferences.

The CS opened the first Africa Schools of Government Conference, hosted by the Kenya School of Government (KSG) at its Mombasa Campus.

The four-day forum, themed "Advancing Africa's Public Service Excellence: United in Pursuit of Capable Institutions and Transformed Leadership," attracted delegates from schools of government, independent commissions, regulatory and enforcement agencies, devolved governance institutions, higher learning institutions, ministries and agencies, as well as multilateral and bilateral development agencies, and governance organizations.

In line with the theme, the conference examined mechanisms for advancing public service excellence and pursuing a unified approach to enhance the capacity building of Africa's public service. It serves as a platform for collaboration and linkages between African Management Development Institutes (MDIs) and Schools of Government, facilitating peer-to-peer learning as a strategy for fulfilling their mandates.

CS Muturi emphasized that the Africa Agenda 2063, under the mantra "The Africa We Want," envisions advancing public sector excellence through capable institutions and transformed leadership in Africa.

"This conference today is united in pursuit to realize capable institutions and transformed leadership coordinated by Premier Africa School of Government," the CS said.

He added that the African Union (AU) Agenda 2063 clarion call is "Educate and Skill Africa for the 21st Century". It aspires that heads of governments, ministers and senior public servants have access to the latest thinking on institutional reform, management and leadership competencies that drive value creation in policy environments and governments.

The CS said that over the years, KSG and MDIs have provided learning and development programmes to capacity-build public officers in different aspects of management and operations of Government in Kenya, the region, and the continent and beyond.

Delegates drawn from across Africa follow proceedings during the opening of the 1st African Schools of Governance Conference at Kenya School of Government (KSG), Mombasa.

"We believe that the mission of KSG situates it in the middle of politics and public service, to solve some of the most contentious issues facing Africa's leadership today," CS Muturi stated.

"We also believe that by combining cutting-edge research, training and direct interaction with practitioners, KSG has proven to be a capable institution with strong leadership to solve capacity building of Africa's public service that no other institution can match," he added.

The CS further underscored the need to change Africa for the better, be united in pursuit of realizing capable institutions and transform leadership by changing African Schools of Government to build and develop cutting-edge programs that can tackle, unlock and develop transformative solutions to public challenges.

The delegates were urged to use their talents to foster a more diverse and inclusive African community everywhere they are called to serve.

"Change Africa's public service, change it for the better, make it more humane, make it more just, make it more prosperous, and make it more peaceful," the CS said.

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TENDER NOTICE

S/No	Category Reference No.	Item Description	Category
A		**SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF GOODS**	
1	ELDOWAS/T/03/2024-2025	Supply and Delivery of Polyamines	Open
2	ELDOWAS/T/25/2024-2025	Supply and Delivery of DWC Pipes and Fittings	Open
3	ELDOWAS/T/26/2024-2025	Supply and Delivery of Domestic Cold- Water Meters.	Open
B		**PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES**	
1	ELDOWAS/RFP/01/2024-2025	Request For Proposal for Assessment of Climate Smart Food Value Chain and Livelihoods Investments in Eldoret Iten Water Fund Project.	Open
2	ELDOWAS/RFP/02/2024-2025	Request For Proposal for Assessment and Development of Eldoret Iten Water Fund Carbon Project.	Open
3	ELDOWAS/RFP/03/2024-2025	Request For Proposal for Assessment of legal and governance structure of Eldoret Iten Water Fund project and undertake its registration as a legal entity.	Open

Participating firms are advised to Download Tender Documents Free of Charge from the Company's website: **https://www.eldowas.or.ke** or Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) **https//www.tenders.go.ke**. Interested bidders who download the documents should send their particulars through email **info@eldowas.or.ke** for registration purposes before the tender closing date. Further, all prospective bidders are advised to visit the website regularly to check any updates or addenda that may be issued. All other Terms and Conditions remain as per the Tender Document.

Completed Bid Documents enclosed in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with Reference Number and Name send to Company's Head Office without identifying the sender or be deposited in the Tender Box at Procurement Department not later than **15th November, 2024 at 12.00pm.** Bids will be opened immediately thereafter at the Company Boardroom in the presence of bidders or their representatives who wish to attend.

Tenders should be addressed to:

THE MANAGING DIRECTOR.
ELDORET WATER AND SANITATION COMPANY LTD.
P.O BOX 8418-30100 ELDORET.

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MERU WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES Company ltd (MEWASSCO)

P.O BOX 859 - 60200 - MERU
Tel: 064–3132591, 0717527707
email: meruwater@gmail.com
Website: www.mewass.or.ke

MEWASS

TENDER NOTICE

DISPOSAL OF MOTOR VEHICLE, MOTOR CYCLES, COMPUTERS AND ELECTRONICS

TENDER NUMBER: MWS/CT/DIS/2024-2025

Meru Water and Sewerage Services Company Ltd invites sealed bids from interested individuals and firms for the disposal of Motor Vehicle, Motor Cycles, Computers and Electronics as detailed in the tender document.

For more details, bidders may view the Motor vehicle, Motorcycles, Computers and Electronics during normal working hours and download bidding documents free of charge from MEWASSCO Website: **www.mewass.or.ke** or at public information portal **www.tenders.go.ke** and forward their particulars for record and for purposes of receiving any further tender clarifications and/or addendums to; **meruwater.procurement@gmail.com**

Application clearly marked the Tender Number and Tender Name on a sealed envelope should be addressed to:

The Managing Director,
Meru Water and Sewerage Services Company Ltd
P. O Box 859 – 60200
Tel: 064-3132591, 0717527707
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Should be deposited in the tender box at the office reception so as to be received on/before **Wednesday, 6th November 2024 at 10.00 am.** The bid documents will be opened thereafter. Tenderers or their representatives are free to attend.

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AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOARD

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL(RFP)

The Affordable Housing Board (AHB) invites Proposals for the following consultancies that have been uploaded to the State Department is Housing and Urban Development website; **www.housingandurban.go.ke** and the Public procurement Information Portal; **www.tenders.go.ke.**

PROPOSAL NUMBER	PROPOSAL NAME	CLOSING/OPENING DATE
AHB/RFP/T/002/2024-2025	Provision of Consultancy Services for the Institutionalization and Transition Strategy for the Affordable Housing Program.	Monday 11th November 2024 at 10.00AM Kenyan Local time
AHB/RFP/T/003/2024-2025	Provision of Consultancy Services for the Fund Custodial Services for the Affordable Housing Fund.	Thursday 14th November 2024 at 10.00AM Kenyan Local time
AHB/RFP/T/004/2024-2025	Provision of Consultancy Services for the Fund Administrator Services for the Affordable Housing Fund.	Thursday 14th November 2024 at 10.00AM Kenyan Local time
AHB/RFP/T/005/2024-2025	Provision of Consultancy Services for the Investment Manager for the Affordable Housing Fund	Thursday 14th November 2024 at 10.00AM Kenyan Local time

Interested eligible candidates may obtain further information and inspect the proposal document at the **Affordable Housing Board (AHB) offices at Prism Tower,23rd floor, 3rd Ngong Avenue, Nairobi**

Any requests for clarification may be send to the Ag. Chief Executive Officer, Affordable Housing Board (AHB), or email to: **procurement@affordablehousingboard.go.ke** so as to be received not more than 5 days before the deadline date of submission.

Ag. Chief Executive Officer

KENYA SEED COMPANY LTD

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INVITATION TO TENDER

1. Kenya Seed Company Limited invites sealed tenders from eligible tenderers for; Provision of Microsoft 365 Business Basic Licenses & provision of Support and Maintenance of SAP- ERP system. The tender information is as below: -

NO	TENDER REFERENCE NUMBER	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBLE CATEGORY	BID SECURITY (KSH)
1	KSC/NOT/M365BL/04/2024/25	Provision of Microsoft 365 Business Basic Licenses.	OPEN	100,000
2	KSC/NOT/SAP/05/2024/25	Provision of Support and Maintenance of SAP- ERP system	OPEN	200,000

2. The tenders are conducted under open tendering method and is open to all eligible and interested Tenderers.

3. Eligible and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during normal office working hours at **Procurement Department, Kenya Seed Company Limited, Mbegu Plaza, Kitale.**

4. A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested candidates/tenderers upon payment of non-refundable fees of **Ksh 1,000.00** in cash or Banker's cheque payable to **Kenya Seed Company Limited** or be accessed from Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) or **www.kenyaseed.com** free of charge. Interested bidders who opt to download the Tender Document shall be required to register/submit their contact details to **procurement@kenyaseed.co.ke** for recording and any further clarification or addenda.

5. Completed tender documents properly SEALED, to be addressed to **Managing Director, Kenya Seed Company Limited, P.O Box 553 - 30200, Kitale** and deposited into the tender box at the Company's Headquarters, Mbegu Plaza, Ground Floor, Kitale, so as to be received on or before **5th of November, 2024 at 11.00 A.M.** Tenders will be opened on the same date and time at Conference Room, Mbegu Plaza, Kitale in the presence of bidders or their representatives who choose to attend. Electronic tenders shall not be accepted and any late tenders shall be rejected.

MANAGING DIRECTOR

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KENYA EXPORT PROMOTION & BRANDING AGENCY

TENDER NOTICE

1.0 Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency invites eligible bidders to submit sealed tenders for the provision of the following.

NO	TENDER REF	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TARGET	CLOSING AND OPENING DATE.
1.	KEPROBA/ SCM/01/2024 – 2025	Provision of medical insurance cover for Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency Board Members & Staff.	Open	Tuesday 12th November 2024 at 11.00A.M.

2.0 A complete tender document can be downloaded for free of charge from our website (**www.makeitkenya.go.ke**) or Public Procurement Information Portal **www.tenders.go.ke**

3.0 Bidders are advised to forward their particulars using the Email: **prc@brand.ke** for any further clarification or addendum.

4.0 Tenders must be delivered/posted indicating the tender Number and title to address below: and be deposited in the Tender Box at the main entrance, 1st floor Anniversary towers at **The Kenya Export Promotion And Branding Agency along University Way**

The Chief Executive Officer
Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency
1st floor, Anniversary Towers
P.O. Box: 40247-00100
NAIROBI

So as to be received on or before **12th November 2024** at **11:00 am**

KENYA EXPORT PROMOTION AND BRANDING AGENCY

The Kenya Export Promotion and Branding Agency is a State Corporation established under the State Corporations Act Cap 446 through Legal Notice No.110. Our mandate is to implement export promotion and nation branding initiatives and policies to promote Kenya's export of goods and services.

VISION: Transform Kenya into a Top Global Brand

MISSION: Brand Kenya, Export Kenyan, Build Kenya

STRATEGIC FOCUS:

To Develop, Diversify and Brand Kenya's export Products; To develop, Diversify Kenya's Export Markets; To manage the image and reputation of Kenya; To strengthen institutional capacity.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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SOUTH NYANZA SUGAR COMPANY LIMITED

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TENDER NOTICE

South Nyanza Sugar Company Limited invites sealed tenders from competent vendors for the provision of the below listed services/works and supply of goods. Tenders are open to all candidates meeting the eligibility criteria set in the tender document including AGPO group.

S/No	Item Description	Type of Tender	Closing Date
1.	Provision of Medical Insurance Services	Open National Tender	14th November 2024
2.	Provision of Consultancy Services-Offsite Cloud Disaster Recovery Solution	Open National Tender	14th November 2024
	The tender documents containing detailed information on the tenders can freely be downloaded from the official company website (www.sonysugar.co.ke) & PPIP Portal Duly filled and completed tender documents clearly marked "Tender reference No. and Closing date" should be addressed to. **The Managing Director,** **South Nyanza Sugar Company Ltd,** **Off Kisii-Migori Road.** **P.O. Box 107-40405,** **Sare-Awendo.** **Tel. no.020-8029201/2/3 or 020-8029043** **Email; administration@sonysugar.co.ke:tenders@sonysugar.co.ke** and be deposited in the tender box at our Headquarters in Awendo by **14th November 2024 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)** SonySugar Company Limited reserves the right to accept or reject any application and is not bound to give any reasons thereof. ***ISO 9001:2015 QMS & ISO 14001:2004 EMS CERTIFIED COMPANY*** ***CHANGE TOWARDS 'A SWEETER, INTEGRATED AND RESPONSIVE SONYSUGAR'***		

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MINISTRY OF INVESTMENTS, TRADE AND INDUSTRY

KENYA INDUSTRIAL TRAINING INSTITUTE (KITI)

JANUARY 2025 INTAKE

Kenya Industrial Training Institute (KITI) is a Training Institute under the Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry, situated in Nakuru town. It offers Industrial/ Entrepreneurship skills training for school leavers and skills upgrading for industrial workers and employees from SMEs & SMIs. The Institute is also partnering with Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT), GIZ CDF Committees and KCB Foundation to train employees from Small & Medium Enterprises (SMEs) and Small & Medium Industries (SMIs) in Clothing and Textiles, Welding and Fabrication, Foundry Technology, Automotive, Building and Construction, Electrical and Electronics, Food and Beverage, Leather and Tannery and Entrepreneurship. The Institute is well equipped with state of the art training facilities/ equipment including a modern and registered medical facility with qualified medical staff offering medical and counselling services to the trainees.

LONG TERM KNEC EXAMINED COURSES

	COURSE TITLE	DURATION	MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS	FEES		EXAMINING BODY
				Boarder	Non Boarder	
1.	**BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT** i) Diploma in Civil Engineering Module 1 ii) Diploma in Building Technology Module I iii) Craft certificate in Building Technology Module I iv) Craft in Plumbing v) Masonry Level 4 vi) Plumbing level 4	 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 2 Year 1 Year 1 Year	 KCSE Grade C- and above KCSE Grade C- and above KCSE Mean Grade D or Artisan KCSE Mean Grade D or Artisan KCPE and above KCPE and above	1ST Term 32,500/= Subsequent 25,500/=	1ST term 23,000/= Subsequent 16,000/=	 KNEC KNEC KNEC KNEC CBET CBET
2.	**CLOTHING AND TEXTILES DEPARTMENT** i) Diploma in Fashion Design and Clothing Technology Module III ii) Diploma in Fashion Design and Clothing Technology Module II iii) Diploma in Fashion Design and Clothing Technology Module I iv) Craft Cert. in Fashion Design and Garment Making Module I v) Craft Cert in Fashion Design and Garment Making Module II vi) Hair Dressing & beauty Therapy Level 3	 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year	 Pass in Diploma Module II Pass in Diploma Module II KCSE Mean Grade C- KCSE Grade D Plain Pass in Craft module i KCPE and above	1ST Term 32,500/= Subsequent 25,500/=	1ST term 23,000/= Subsequent 16,000/=	 KNEC KNEC KNEC KNEC CBET
3.	**LEATHER & TANNERY DEPARTMENT** i.) Artisan in Leather and Tannery ii) craft Certificate in Leather and Tannery	 1 Year 2 Years	 KCPE and above KCSE Grade D plain	1ST Term 32,500/= Subsequent 25,500/=	1st term 23,000/= Subsequent 16,000/=	 KNEC KNEC
4.	**I.C.T DEPARTMENT** i) Diploma in ICT Module 3 ii) Diploma in ICT Module 2 iii) Craft Certificate in ICT Module1 iii) CBET ICT Level 4	 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1Years	 Pass in Dip module 2 Pass in Dip module 1 KCSE Mean Grade D plain KCPE and above	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent 25,500/=	1st term 23,000/= Subsequent 16,000/=	 KNEC KNEC KNEC CBET
5.	**MECHANICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT** i) Diploma in Mechanical Engineering (Plant Option) module II ii) Diploma in Mechanical Engineering (Production Option) module II iii) Diploma in Mechanical Engineering (Plant) module I iv) Diploma in Mechanical Engineering (Production) module I v) Craft in Mechanical Engineering (Production) module II	 1 Year 1 Year 2 Years 1 Year 1 Year	 Pass in Dip Module 1 Pass in Dip Module 1 KCSE Mean Grade C-& above KCSE Mean Grade C-& above KCSE Mean Grade D plain	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent 25,500/=	1st term 23,000/= Subsequent 16,000/=	 KNEC CBET CBET
6.	**AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT** i) Diploma in Automotive Engineering Module 2 ii) Diploma in Automotive Engineering Module 3	 1 year 1 year	 Pass in Diploma 1 Pass in Diploma 2	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent 25,500/=	1st term 23,000/= Subsequent 16,000/=	 KNEC CBET
7.	**ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONICS** i). Diploma in Electrical Engineering (power option) module 2 ii) Craft certificate in Electrical Engineering Module 2 iii) Electrical Installation Level 4	1 year	Pass in Diploma module 1 Pass in Craft module 1 KCPE and above	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent 25,500/=	1st term 23,000/= Subsequent 16,000/=	KNEC KNEC CBET
8.	**FOOD AND BEVERAGE DEPARTMENT** I) Diploma in food and beverage management (module 1) ii) Diploma in food and beverage management (module 2) iii) Diploma in food and beverage management (module 3) iv) Craft Certificate in Food and Beverage Sales and Service (Module 1) v) Craft Certificate in food and Beverage sales and service (module 2) vi) Food & Beverage production –Culinary Arts Level 4 vii) Food & Beverage Sales and Service Level 4	 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year	 KCSE Mean Grade C- & above Pass in Dip Module 1 Pass in Dip Module 2 KCSE Mean Grade D & above Pass in Craft Module 1 KCPE and above KCPE and above	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent 25,500/=	1st term 23,000/= Subsequent 16,000/=	 KNEC CBET CBET

INDUSTRIAL SKILLS UP-GRADING COURSES

	COURSE TITLE	DURATION	MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS	FEES		EXAMINING BODY
				Boarder	Non Boarder	
1.	**BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT** i) Plumbing Basic	3 Year	School leavers, employees from SMEs & SMIs, Employees from Industries	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent terms 25,500/=	1st Term 23,000/= Subsequent terms 16,000/=	NITA KITI

INDUSTRIAL SKILLS UP-GRADING COURSES

	COURSE TITLE	DURATION	MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS	FEES		EXAMINING BODY
				Boarder	Non Boarder	
2.	**CLOTHING & TEXTILES DEPARTMENT** i). Dress Making Basic (Including tie & dye and Embroidery) ii). Tailoring Basic (Including tie & dye & Embroidery) iii). Hair Dressing & Beauty Therapy	3 Year	School leavers, employees from SMEs & SMIs, Employees from Industries	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent terms 25,500/=	1st Term 23,000/= Subsequent terms 16,000/=	KITI NITA
3.	**MECHANICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT** i) Welding & Fabrication	3months	School leavers, employees from SMEs & SMIs, Employees from Industries	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent terms 25,500/=	1st Term 23,000/= Subsequent terms 16,000/=	KITI NITA
4.	**AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT** i) Motor vehicle mechanics (Basic)					
5.	**FOOD & BEVERAGE DEPARTMENT** i). Food & Beverage Sales & Service ii). Food & Beverage Production iii). Cake Making & Decoration	3months 3months 3months		1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent terms 25,500/=	1st Term 23,000/= Subsequent terms 16,000/=	NITA KITI
	TAILOR MADE COURSES iv) Juice Making v) Yogurt Making vi) Jam Making	2 Days for each			6,000/= for each	KITI
	vii) Barista course (Full barista) viii) Barista course (Half Barista ix) Bread Making	1month 2weeks 1Month			20,000/= 10,000/= 10,000/=	KITI
6.	**ELECTRICAL/ ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT** i) Electrical Installation Basic ii) Electrical Installation, Intermediate iii) Electrical Installation Advance	3months each	School leavers industries employees Pass in basic Pass in advance	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent terms 25,500/=	1st Term 23,000/= Subsequent terms 16,000/=	KITI NITA
	i) Solar Water Heating ii) Solar PV Technology iii) CCTV Installation and Maintenance iv) Electric fence installation	3months **(Evening and weekends)** 5 days 5 days	Pass in Electrical Installation course, Practicing solar marketers or Electrical Form IV leavers		10,000/= Each	KITI NITA
7.	**I.C.T. DEPARTMENT** i) Computer applications(Full day) ii) Computer applications	3months 1month	School leavers and employees	32,500/=	23,000/= 7,300/=	NITA
	Computer Aided Design i) AutoCAD ii) Autodesk Inventor iii) Civil 3D	1 month each	Builders, Draughtsmen, Engineers, Technicians working in manufacturing industries Form Four leavers		10,000/= 10,000/= 10,000/=	NITA
8.	**LEATHER & TANNERY DEPARTMENT** i). Leather Tanning (Basic) ii). Footwear(shoe making) Production (Basic) iii) Leather work (Basic)	3months each	Employees from tanneries, shoe industries, school leavers	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent terms 25,500/=	1st Term 23,000/= Subsequent terms 16,000/=	KITI NITA
9.	**ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEPARTMENT** i) Entrepreneurship Skills ii) Effective Business plan Writing iii) Certificate in basic Accounting and management skills	3months each	School leavers and employees	1st Term 32,500/= Subsequent terms 25,500/=	1st Term 23,000/= Subsequent terms 16,000/=	KITI

All applications MUST be accompanied with Photocopies of:-

- KCSE/ KCPE Certificate or Result Slip
- School Leaving Certificate or any relevant certificates
- National ID Card
- Birth Certificate
- Kshs. 300 (Non-refundable) application fee
- 1 passport size photograph (colored)

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:

THE DIRECTOR
KENYA INDUSTRIAL TRAINING INSTITUTE
P.O. Box 280-20100 Nakuru, Tel. (051)2216755, (051)2216291
E-mail: directorkiti@yahoo.com
Mobile numbers: 0774944615

APPLICATION TO REACH US ON OR BEFORE 20TH NOVEMBER, 2024

KENYA VISION 2030

Kenya ranked 3rd in Africa Global Cyber Security Index

BY **EVALYNE GITHINJI (PCO)**

Kenya has been ranked 21st globally, and third in Africa, in the Global Cyber Security Index just released by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

It ranks behind Egypt and Ghana, in top tier countries that have performed well across a number of parameters.

In her speech during the 2024 Africa Regional Cyber Sector Collaboration Symposium, the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy, Cabinet Secretary, Dr. Margaret Nyambura Ndung'u, noted that some of the areas Kenya demonstrated stellar performance include availability of laws and regulations on cybercrime and cybersecurity.

Other parameters include awareness campaigns, training, education and incentives for cybersecurity capacity development as well as partnerships between agencies, firms and countries.

In the speech read on her behalf by the Principal Secretary, Broadcasting and Telecommunications, Prof. Edward Kisiang'ani, the CS noted that the operationalization of the National Key Infrastructure (NPKI) and the licensing of electronic certification providers, has set the country on the path of a secure digital space.

"The enactment of the Computer Misuse and Cyber Crimes Act, and associated regulations, the Data Protection Act and the national Cyber Security Strategy are some of the achievements that we are proud of as a country," the CS said.

Dr Ndung'u underscored the reason the theme for this year's October Cyber Security Awareness Month, "Human-Driven Innovation: Empowering Minds, Enhancing Defences," resonates well with the government's focus on enhancing the security of the country's digital infrastructure.

She said that cybersecurity remains a major global concern fueled by increased ransomware, breaches affecting core industries and privacy concerns. In 2023, the ITU estimated the average cost for a data breach at USD 4.45 million. Additionally, IT disruptions continue to affect the integrity and availability of systems, services and supply chains.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

KENYA Forest Service

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)
INVITATION FOR BIDS
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE & FORESTRY
KENYA FOREST SERVICE
GREEN ZONES DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PROJECT-PHASE II

PROCUREMENT OF TREE SEEDLINGS BIODEGRADABLE POTTING BAGS
Date 29th October 2024
Loan No:2100150040546

1. This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this Project that appeared in United Nations Development Business (UNDB) online on **18th December 2018.**

2. The Government of Kenya has received a loan from African Development Bank to finance the Green Zones Development Support Project-Phase II and intends to apply part of the proceeds for procurement of tree seedlings biodegradable potting bags.

3. Kenya Forest Service now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the underlisted tender; -

TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	TENDER CLOSING DATE
KFS/TEND/GZDSP II/001/2024-2025 LOT 1	Lot 1: Twenty million (20,000,000) units of length 4" width by 6" length 250 gauge, biodegradable potting bags black colour	Open Competitive Bidding (OCB)	19th November 2024
KFS/TEND/GZDSP II/002/2024-2025 LOT 2	Lot 2: Twenty million (20,000,000) units of 3" width by 5" length 250 gauge, biodegradable potting bags black in colour		
KFS/TEND/GZDSP II/002/2024-2025 LOT 3	Lot 3: Fifteen million (15,000,000) units of 5" width by 8" length 250 gauge, biodegradable potting bags black in colour		

4. The procurement will entail single bid for one or more lots listed above, while the award will be made per lot.

5. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the **Supply Chain Management Department at Kenya Forest Service Headquarters, Karura, off-Kiambu Road, P.O. Box 30513-00100 Nairobi, Kenya and Telephone 020-2397660/020-8023042** during the office hours from 08:00am to 05:00pm (East African Time) on weekdays i.e. Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour **(1300 – 1400 hrs)** and public holidays.

6. Complete set of bidding documents may be obtained by interested bidders upon payment of non-refundable fee of ***Kshs 1000 (Kenya shillings One Thousand only)*** in cash or bankers' cheque payable to the Director, Kenya Forest Service. The document can also be downloaded from Kenya Forest Service website **www.kenyaforestservice.org** or from the Public procurement Information portal tenders.go.ke free of charge. Those who download the tender document and intend to submit a bid are required to submit their particulars to the Supply Chain Management Department's Office for records and for the purpose of receiving any further tender clarification and/or addendums.

7. The provisions in the Instruction to Bidders and in the General Conditions are those of the African Development Bank Standards Bidding Document for Procurement of Goods.

8. Completed Bid Documents should be enclosed in plain sealed envelope, marked with the Tender Number and Name and be deposited in the Tender Box at **Kenya Forest Service Headquarters,** reception area on or before **11:00 am East African Time on 19th November 2024** and must be accompanied by a Bid security of at least **2% of the bid offer price** in the form of **Bank Guarantee or an authorized insurance** firm with a bid validity period of 156 days from submission date.

9. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders' representative who choose to attend at **11.05 East African Time** on **19th November 2024** at the Kenya Forest Service Headquarters Boardroom located in Karura off Kiambu road.

10. The address referred to above is:

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

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P.O. BOX 62000 - 00200, CITY SQUARE, NAIROBI, KENYA.
Office of the Registrar (Academic Affairs)
E-mail: registrar@aa.jkuat.ac.ke

JKUAT 43RD GRADUATION CEREMONY

This is to inform all candidates who qualified for the conferment of degrees and the award of diplomas and certificates of **Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology** during the **2023/2024 academic year** that there will be a Graduation Ceremony on **Friday, 29th November 2024 from 8.00. am** at the Graduation Square, at the Main Campus, Juja. The information regarding preparations for the ceremony is detailed below:

(i) Examination Results

The results of examinations sat in the **2023/2024 academic year** will be available from the offices of the respective Deans/Directors of Schools/Campuses/Institutes during working hours. **Qualified candidates should confirm the inclusion of their names in the graduation list with their respective Deans/Directors, latest Monday, 4th November 2024.**

(ii) Confirmation of the order of names

The list of graduands for the Graduation Ceremony will be available on the website **www.jkuat.ac.ke.** To avoid any penalties, all candidates should confirm the order and correctness of spelling of their names as they should appear on their certificates from **Monday, 4th November 2024.** This confirmation will be done through filling in the relevant form which is maintained in the respective Schools. After this, any changes to the details in the certificate requested after graduation will attract a fee of KShs. 3,000.

(iii) Rehearsal

Graduands wishing to participate in the ceremony **MUST** attend in person the rehearsals at the **Graduation Square on Thursday, 28th November 2024 at 10.00 a.m.** Graduands attending the rehearsal must be seated by the stated hour and be in complete graduation attire. Vital information will be communicated during the rehearsal. Please note that graduation attire will not be issued on the rehearsal day.

(iv) Graduation Fees

A mandatory non-refundable fee as stated below must be paid **NOT** later than **Friday, 8th November 2024**. Graduation fees are paid using eCitizen payment gateway on the JKUAT E-Services portal (**https://eservices.jkuat.ac.ke.**) Login to E-services, and use the Pay Fees menu. On the pay fees screen, service field, select graduation fees and proceed with payment of graduation fees on eCitizen.

In addition, Graduands must have cleared any fees arrears and all other dues owed to the University by the said date, failure to which will lead to disqualification from the ceremony.

The following are mandatory graduation charges for the various categories of graduands, which must be paid not later than **Friday, 8th November 2024.**

S/No	Award	Graduation Fees	Academic Dress	Alumni	Total Payable
1	Ph.D.	KShs. 5,500	KShs. 1000	KShs. 1,100	KShs. 7,600
2	Masters	KShs. 5,000	KShs. 700	KShs. 1,100	KShs. 6,800
3	Post-Graduate Diplomas	KShs. 4,500	KShs. 600	KShs. 1,100	KShs. 6,200
4	Undergraduate Degree/Diploma	KShs. 3,500	KShs. 600	KShs. 1,100	KShs. 5,200
5.	certificate	KShs. 2,000	KShs. 600	KShs. 1,100	KShs. 3,700

Please note that none of the fees paid above will be refundable.

(v) Clearance

Graduands will be required to do the online clearance on the JKUAT E-Services portal (**https://eservices.jkuat.ac.ke**). After online clearance by relevant departments, you are also expected to apply for graduation online, to enable processing of the graduation list and issuance of gowns. To apply, use the Apply for Graduation menu on the JKUAT E-services portal (**https://eservices.jkuat.ac.ke**).

(vi) Academic Dress

During the ceremony, only graduands in full academic attire will be allowed entry into the Graduation Square. Graduands who wish to hire gowns are required to apply and pay as stated above. The forms can be downloaded from the University website, **www.jkuat.ac.ke**. Gowns will be issued from **Thursday, 14th November, 2024 up to Friday, 22nd November, 2024** during working hours. Graduation attire must be returned by **Friday, 16th December 2024** latest; after which a penalty of KShs. 500 (Kenya shillings five hundred only) will be charged per day.

(vii) Electronic Cards

Electronic cards will be sent to the graduands' email addresses. Every graduand will be required to print one (1) invitation e-card and be accompanied by his/her two (2) guests. In addition, graduands will be issued with a car pass when picking their gowns at the respective school.

(viii) Punctuality

On the graduation day, graduands and their guests will be expected to have taken their seats by **7.30 a.m.** Those arriving late will not be allowed into the Graduation Square.

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BasiGo secures Sh5.43b to deliver 1,000 electric buses across Kenya and Rwanda

BY **HELLEN LUNALO,** KNA

Kenyan electric vehicle assembler BasiGo has secured Sh5.43 billion from a group of investors through a combination of equity and debt financing to support the delivery of 1,000 electric buses over the next three years.

The funding includes Sh3.1 billion ($24 million) in Series A equity and Sh2.26 billion ($17.5 million) in debt facilities from British International Investment (BII) and the U.S. Development Finance Corporation (DFC). Spearheaded by Africa50, this equity round marks a significant investment in Africa's e-mobility sector.

In a statement, BasiGo outlined plans to use the capital to enhance its manufacturing capabilities at its electric bus assembly line located at Kenya Vehicle Manufacturers in Thika. The company also intends to expand its Pay-As-You-Drive service and upgrade its technology platform, Jani.

Additionally, the funds will facilitate BasiGo's expansion into Rwanda, with part of the financing allocated to increasing e-bus deployment in the region.

Similarly, the investment builds on the Sh397-million funding the company received from CFAO Group earlier this year, indicating ongoing growth and strong confidence in the electric mobility sector.

Kenya has positioned itself as a frontrunner in African start-up funding, securing $437 million (Sh56.5 billion) in investments. This success is fuelled by a favourable business climate and strong investor interest in the country's expanding start-ups.

BasiGo, founded in Kenya in 2021 by Jonathan Green and Jit Bhattacharya, secured $1 million in pre-seed funding to assemble electric buses in the country with the aim of operating them as commuter vehicles in Nairobi, commonly known as matatus.

Basi Go fleet of buses at their assembly line

Basi Go CEO Jit Bhattacharya and Dr. (Eng.) Joseph Siror, Kenya Power Managing Director and Chief Executive at a past function

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By March 2024, BasiGo's electric buses had effectively transported over four million passengers, contributing to a reduction of 1,175 tonnes in greenhouse gas emissions.

The recent developments have occurred seven months after the Kenyan government introduced a national E-Mobility Draft Policy designed to promote the local manufacturing and assembly of electric vehicles.

BasiGo plans to utilize the funding to expand its fleet of electric buses from 119 to 1,000 in Kenya and Rwanda within the next three years.

The funding will facilitate the expansion of its e-bus assembly line and broaden the application of its pay-as-you-go financing model, enabling customers to lease BasiGo buses and mitigate high upfront costs.

The E9 Kubwa model is priced at approximately Sh7.5 million ($58,000), while standard buses used for public transit in urban areas typically exceed Sh5 million ($37,000).

BasiGo aims to leverage Nairobi's matatu culture, which consists of small buses operated by Savings and Credit Co-operatives (SACCOs) that transport millions of passengers each day. To facilitate this, BasiGo has formed partnerships with various SACCOs, including Super Metro and Citi Shuttle, to integrate their buses into the transportation network across Kenya.

Vihiga, WASH Alliance Kenya ink deal to boost sanitation services

BY **SAMMY MWIBANDA,** KNA

The Vihiga County Government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with WASH Alliance Kenya to enhance coordination in water, sanitation, and hygiene services.

The signing of the agreement aims to establish clear objectives, operational frameworks, and a robust monitoring and evaluation matrix that aligns with the World Health Organization's (WHO) 2015-2025 WASH Strategy.

Governor Wilber Ottichilo stated that the partnership will significantly advocate for preventive and promotive healthcare in the county to eliminate diseases that can be addressed through proper hygiene and sanitation.

"The collaboration is expected to bolster the county's health, water, and sanitation sectors," he said. He added that they will ensure effective human resource management and strict adherence to health, water, and sanitation laws and regulations.

Some of the activities to be undertaken include capacity building for community leaders, health staff, and Community Health Promoters (CHPs). They will also strengthen school health clubs and create awareness of WASH and non-communicable tropical diseases (NTDs) such as malaria, diarrhea, and soil-transmitted parasites.

The Governor lauded the WASH Alliance for its campaign to mass administer anti-helminthic drugs to school children.

Vihiga Governor Dr. Wilber Ottichilo. He has inked a deal with the WASH Alliance Kenya for the improvement of sanitation and hygiene for the residents.

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Kenya set to host AAPSCOMS Sixth General Assembly Nov 6–8

BY **TOM MUEMA** – PSC

Kenya will host the Association of African Public Services Commissions' (AAPSCOMS) Sixth General Assembly from November 6 to 8, 2024.

During the conference, Zambia will hand over the chairmanship and secretariat of AAPSCOMS to Kenya. Preparations for hosting the conference are underway, under the leadership of the Public Service Commission and with participation from all Constitutional Commissions and Independent Offices (CCIOs).

The chairpersons and chief executive officers of the CCIOs will join other delegates from member states across the African continent at the conference, scheduled to take place at the Safari Park Hotel in Nairobi.

Speaking at the Commission House during the conference's preparatory Steering Committee meeting, the PSC's Secretary/CEO, Mr. Paul Famba, underscored the significance of the conference for Kenya. "Hundreds of delegates from across Africa will attend the AAPSCOMS conference, and this is an excellent opportunity for Kenya to show the continent and the world the milestones achieved as far as public service is concerned," said Mr. Famba.

He urged government agencies to utilize the conference's space to highlight their activities, particularly through exhibitions. He disclosed that the Public Service Commission had formally invited Ministries, State Departments and Agencies to participate in the exhibitions.

"As a country, we have done well, leveraging technology to enhance service delivery. I therefore challenge all government agencies to show up in large numbers, book the exhibition booths and make our country proud," the CEO said.

The AAPSCOMS' Sixth General Assembly will bring together 100 international delegates from member Commissions across Africa, and 200 local delegates drawn from Kenya's Constitution Chapter 15 Commissions and Independent Offices (CCIOs) and selected Ministries, State Departments and Agencies.

This year's conference theme is "Driving Public Service Delivery Transformation through Innovation and Technology." The theme seeks to promote one of AAPSCOMS' key objectives: to transform African public services to become more transparent, accountable, and responsive to citizens' needs, with the goal of improving performance and service delivery to citizens.

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TECHNICAL CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT THROUGH TRAINING OF THE SELECTED UNEMPLOYED YOUTH, PROJECT-AFFECTED PERSONS, AND PERSONS LIVING WITH DISABILITIES IN ISIOLO, MERU, WAJIR, AND GARISSA COUNTIES

1. The Government of the Republic of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Horn of Africa Gateway Development Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds towards Technical Capacity Development through Training of the selected Unemployed Youth, Project Affected Persons, and People Living with Disabilities in Isiolo, Meru, Wajir, and Garissa Counties.

2. The selected individuals will participate in a comprehensive technical skills training program at craftsmanship level. This training will be conducted at Nkabune Technical Training Institute, North Eastern National Polytechnic, Bishop Locati Training Institute, Sensei Institute of Technology, and Meru National Polytechnic. The aim of this training is to equip participants with the necessary skills to enhance their employability and economic potential in various fields.

3. The institutions and the courses that will be covered are as follows:

Institution	Course	Duration	Qualification/ Minimum requirement	Examining body
Nkabune Technical Training Institute (Meru)	Electrical and Electronics	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Garment Making	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Food and Beverages	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Plumbing/Pipe Fitter	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Automotive Engineering	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Beauty Therapy and Hairdressing	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
The North Eastern National Polytechnic (Garissa)	Hairdressing	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Welding	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Barber	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Mobile Repair	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Food and Beverages	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Carpentry	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Flooring courses	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Fashion Design	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Motor Vehicle Mechanics	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Computer Packages	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Masonry	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Electrical Installation	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Plumbing/ Pipe Fitter	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
Bishop Locati Training Institute (Isiolo)	Carpentry	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Plumbing	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Tailoring and Dressmaking	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Motor Vehicle Electrical	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Food and Beverage	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Motor Vehicle Mechanics	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Electrical Wiring and Installation	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Masonry	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Welding & Fabrication	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
Sensei Institute of Technology	Plant Construction Mechanic (Offer free Plant Operator Training)	6 Months	Kenyan National ID Card	NITA
Meru National Polytechnic	Plumbing	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Electrical Installation	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Carpentry	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Welding	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Masonry	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Security Management	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Beauty Therapy	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Food and Beverage	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Computer Application Packages	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC
	Motor Vehicle Mechanics	1 Year	KCPE/KCSE	KNEC

4. The Kenya National Highways Authority, a State Corporation under the Ministry of Roads and Transport, established under the Kenya Roads Act, 2007, now invites eligible applicants to submit their applications for the training. Interested Applicants should provide information demonstrating that they meet the basic requirements to be selected for the technical training. The minimum requirements are:

   a) The Applicant must be between 18 and 35 years.
   b) The Applicant must meet the following educational requirements:
      i. For courses examined by KNEC: Possess KCSE and/or KCPE level certificates, demonstrating the ability to read and write.
      ii. For courses examined by NITA: No formal educational qualifications are required. Applicants may have any level of education, including those who have not completed formal schooling or have discontinued their education at any stage. The sole prerequisite is possession of a valid Kenyan National ID Card.
   c) The Applicant must be a resident of either Meru, Isiolo, Wajir or Garissa County.
   d) The Applicant must apply for only one course at ONE institution.

NOTE: Preference will be given to: Applicants who are orphaned and/or those from single parenthood families and/or young single parents.

5. Application Forms can be collected from the office of Area chiefs or at the KeNHA Regional Offices at Isiolo and Garissa, OR at the County Commissioners' offices, at Isiolo, Meru Wajir and Garissa OR downloaded from the KeNHA Website (**www.kenha.co.ke**) and they are **FREE OF CHARGE.**

6. Application forms MUST be verified by the Area Chief or Assistant County Commissioner as proof of the residency status of the applicant.

7. The Applications must be addressed to the address below and should be delivered in hard copy to KeNHA Regional Offices in Isiolo and Garissa, or at the Isiolo County Commissioner's office, Meru County Commissioner's office, Garissa County Commissioner's office, Wajir County Commissioner's office. The application should be clearly marked **TECHNICAL CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT THROUGH TRAINING OF THE SELECTED UNEMPLOYED YOUTH, PROJECT AFFECTED PERSONS AND PERSONS LIVING WITH DISABILITIES IN ISIOLO, MERU, WAJIR AND GARISSA COUNTIES** and MUST be submitted by **Tuesday, 26th November 2024 at 1700Hrs (East Africa Time).**

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NOTE: Interested Applicants are required to continually check the Kenya National Highways Authority website: **www.kenha.co.ke** for any additional information or clarifications that may arise before submission date.

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TARDA seeks strategic investor to revitalize Tana Irrigation Project

BY **EMMANUEL MASHA,** KNA

The Tana and Athi Rivers Development Authority (TARDA) is seeking a strategic investor to revive the Tana Delta Irrigation Project in Tana River County and help it realize its full potential in rice production.

TARDA Managing Director Duba Liban stated that the authority had embarked on rehabilitation works for the project's infrastructure, which was damaged during recent heavy rains, in preparation for the private investor it seeks to engage through a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) arrangement.

During an inspection tour by the National Assembly's Departmental Committee on Regional Development, Mr. Liban mentioned that discussions were ongoing regarding the PPP, aimed at assisting the country in achieving its national food security goals.

"We are trying to leverage private capital and technology to fully realize the project's potential in achieving national food security goals, import substitution, and foreign exchange recovery related to money lost through rice imports," he said.The official said after doing an assessment, the authority had realized massive infrastructural destruction and crop loss and noted that it had done rehabilitation works on the flood protection mechanism by constructing an embankment dyke.

"On our part we have just realized the reconstruction of the main dyke, de-silted the water canal and repaired the Kitere intake," Mr. Liban said, adding that the committee's visit was part of the assessment of those repairs in order to see if the project can be revived to its full potential following the losses experienced during the heavy rains.

The authority's quest received a nod from the departmental committee, which asked the government to speed up the process of getting the private investor through PPP so that the project can help the country end rice importation.

The committee chaired by Sigor Member of Parliament Peter Lochakapong, said it opposed plans to scrap regional development authorities (RDAs) and instead said it would push for more funding to help them realize their potential.

Committee members, who included Mr. Lochakapong, Embakasi South Member of Parliament Julius Mawathe and their Matungu counterpart Peter Oscar Nabulindo, inspected ongoing rehabilitation works and underscored the need for the national government to commit more financial resources to the project even as it seeks to engage the private sector.

Members of the National Assembly's Departmental Committee on Regional Development carry out an inspection tour of the Tana Delta Irrigation Project in Tana River County.

Members of the committee expressed optimism that that through PPP, the project could help address food insecurity in the country as it had the potential of producing more than 80,000 metric tonnes (about 80 million kilogrammes) of rice when fully utilized.

Mr. Lochakapong said apart from the project helping in food security, it had the potential of helping locals around it in terms of employment, food and the provision of clean water.

Infrastructure, equipment upgrades bolster Kenya's Ports performance

BY **SADIK HASSAN AND MARIAM SEFU,** KNA

The Port of Mombasa recorded a remarkable increase in cargo throughput from January to September 2024, handling a total of 29.92 million tons compared to 26.68 million tons registered during the same period in 2023.

This marks a significant growth of 3.23 million tons or 12.1 per cent, showcasing the port resilience and capacity to handle increasing trade volumes.

This has been attained through major infrastructural development in the Ports of Mombasa, Lamu, and Kisumu which has continued to catapult them to efficiency.

In terms of container traffic, the Port of Mombasa processed 1,461,736 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs) during the period under review, a substantial increase from the 1,191,282 TEUs handled in 2023, reflecting growth of 270,454 TEUs or 22.7 per cent.

Transshipment traffic exhibited exceptional growth, registering an increase of 216,339 TEUs or 162.8 per cent. Both imports and exports also demonstrated moderate growth, with imports rising by 27,656 TEUs (5.2 per cent) and exports increasing by 22,273 TEUs (4.3 per cent).

Transit cargo saw significant improvement as well, with total transit volumes reaching 9.83 million tons compared to 8.36 million tons in 2023, a variance of 1,469,540 tons or 17.6 per cent. Uganda played a pivotal role in this upturn performance, contributing to an increase of 1,132,326 tons or 21.9 per cent.The Kenya Port Authority (KPA) has introduced 24-hour service delivery to its customers, streamlined cargo clearing services, upgrades of major equipment, digitization and investment in human resources.

An aerial of a docked vessel at the Port of Mombasa. The Port has recorded improvements.

"Over the years we have continued expanding through the Mombasa Port Development Project," said KPA Managing Director Capt. William Ruto.

The project has three phases: Phase One completed in 2017 increased the Port of Mombasa capacity to 550,000 TEUs.Phase Two saw the construction of berth 22. It has added a throughput capacity of 450,000 TEUs.

"This Port has an annual throughput capacity of 2.2 million TEUs and also not forgetting the private sector who have invested in Container Freight Stations (CFSs) which we consider as an extension of the Port," stated Capt. Ruto.He said the installation of the state-of-the-art Super Post Panamax Ship-to-Shore (STS) gantry cranes and rubber tyre gantry cranes has enabled the Port of Mombasa to handle bigger vessels of up to 10,000 TEUs capacity.

He said that the SGR connected to KPA's Inland Container Depots in Nairobi and Naivasha has assisted KPA in enhancing service delivery to customers. The MD termed the Shimoni Port as a catalyst in the exploitation of the Blue Economy. KPA provides infrastructure to facilitate cold storage facility and processing for export and value addition."We have modernized that port to facilitate better access to both local and international markets which will also attract foreign and domestic investment in the fishing markets and increase the country's fish products competitiveness," Capt. Ruto explained.

KPA Managing Director Capt. William Ruto at the Authority's boardroom.

Transit countries like Uganda are now able to receive petroleum products in a short time through the Port of Kisumu.

"Through the oil jetty in Kisumu, petroleum products are now pumped directly from here to Kisumu through a pipeline. From Kisumu, Uganda has invested in a vessel that can carry about four million litres in one trip," Capt. Ruto said.

This means, "We can now remove more than 160 trucks from the road reducing road damage, creating safety and reducing carbon emissions along the corridor," he said.

The infrastructure investments by KPA have also reduced the cost of doing business. The Port is now able to handle three vessels in a week, with about 12 million litres of petroleum products being transported through Lake Victoria.

Government unveils key strategies to achieve clean cooking for all Kenyans

The PS for Energy Anthony Wachira, the Chairperson for the Clean Cooking Association of Kenya Daniel Wanjohi, Kajiado Deputy Governor Martine Moshisho looking at exhibitions during the 5th edition of clean cooking week in Kajiado.

BY **DIANA MENETO,** KNA

The Government is keen to ensure that all Kenyans have access to clean cooking solutions by the year 2028. To help achieve universal clean cooking, the State Department for Energy has launched the Kenya National Cooking Transition Strategy (2024), the Kenya National Electric Cooking Strategy (2024), and the Knowledge Management Strategy in Kajiado during the fifth edition of the Clean Cooking Week 2024 expo.

These three key strategies will drive the cooking sector by defining a roadmap for clean cooking, linking electrification and cooking policies, and streamlining data management to track progress in the cooking sector, among other benefits.

In his address during the launch in Kajiado, the Principal Secretary for the State Department for Energy, Alex Wachira, stated that clean cooking energy would be a national priority. He emphasized that it would be part of the ongoing review of the energy policy to promote the uptake of clean cooking solutions and sustainable biomass.

"We target to have 50 per cent of the population using Liquefied Petroleum gas(LPG), 30 per cent bioethanol and 10 per cent electric cooking, three per cent biogas and seven per cent sustainable biomass by 2028," the PS said.

He remarked that to achieve this, the government needs to mobilize US$435 million spread over five years to implement Kenya National Cooking Transition Strategy and $57 million to implement the Kenya National Electric Cooking Strategy.

This could be in the form of Government funding, equity debt, grants, result-based financing, carbon financing and crowd funding.

"In this respect therefore, we wish to urge development partners and private sector who have an interest in clean cooking to come forward and identify opportunities for contributing to the national goal of Universal access to clean cooking. We further urge the counties to actively engage in resource mobilization with a view to successful implementation of the clean cooking targets set in their county energy plans," the PS said.

"We look forward to strengthening existing partnerships and establishing new ones. Our aim is to attract investment in clean cooking so as to enable the smooth implementation of the strategies. Let us join hands to reduce the negative impacts of cooking with unsustainable forms of energy," he added.

The PS acknowledged various development partner agencies such as Doreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, UK Partnerships for Accelerating Climate Transitions, GIZ, Green Climate Fund, Energizing Development, Modern Energy Cooking Services, AFD and Loughborough.

The PS pointed out that clean cooking has major contributions to the avoidance of unsustainable wood harvests, reducing mortality associated with household air pollution and reducing the emission of greenhouse gases thereby contributing to the national climate change goals.

Kwale's state-of-the-art park opens doors to leisure seekers

BY **HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI,** KNA

Kwale's new Sh30-million ultramodern recreational park has opened to the public, offering a welcoming aesthetic and a relaxing ambiance for leisure activities. The state-of-the-art park promises to be the ultimate destination for locals and domestic tourists seeking an exhilarating day out. Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Lands, Public Works, Housing, and Urban Development, Alice Wahome, commissioned the Kwale Park, which is funded under the Kenya Urban Support Programme (KUSP). CS Wahome stated that the KUSP is a multibillion-shilling project supported by the World Bank and the Government of Kenya, aimed at establishing and strengthening urban institutions to improve infrastructure and services in the counties.

She said the KUSP is aimed at establishing and strengthening urban institutions to deliver improved infrastructure and services in participating counties.

The minister noted that the national government has dedicated and allocated resources to counties to ensure infrastructural development and services are improved in urban set ups such as the Kwale Municipality.

CS Wahome further noted that the national government is focused and committed to tackling challenges such as poor planning of towns, inadequate housing and poor infrastructure which are brought about by climate change.

The CS inspected ongoing works at the Kombani Settlement Scheme, part of the Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP) initiative and the Matuga Affordable Housing Project.

"I am hopeful that such an investment will enhance Kwale's tourism and leisure sectors as the park has many exciting family-friendly attractions on offer," she said. The CS charged the people to use the facility with a sense of responsibility and maintain the infrastructure put in place to make it conducive for all visitors.

The recreational park is situated in Kwale Municipality and is considered as a safe, green space designed for public use, which will serve as a hub for recreation, relaxation, and social interaction

Kwale Governor Fatuma Achani welcomed the new park saying Kwale town has long been yearning for a centre of fun and play especially children as it is fully equipped with numerous children's recreation and fun facilities.

Achani said the unveiling of the new recreational park signifies the devolved government's commitment to promoting healthy lifestyles and providing accessible recreational facilities for local communities.

She said the new park will be managed by the Kwale Town Municipality, adding that people in Kwale will have no need to travel to Mombasa to seek leisure.

A view of the newly inaugurated Kwale recreational park in Kwale town.

Global Give Back Circle unveils sacco to boost financial literacy among women

BY **ANTHONY MELLY AND AGNES CHEPKOPUS,** KNA

The Global Give Back Circle (GGBC) Organization has launched a Savings and Credit Cooperative (Sacco) to enhance financial literacy among pastoral women in West Pokot County. Named "Her Financial Freedom Sacco," it aims to empower these women financially.

The initiative, led by Caroline Menach, the Director of Perur Ray of Hope and Community Lead of the Global Give Back Circle in the County, seeks to address the challenges faced by women, including the impacts of climate change, financial constraints, and a lack of educational resources.

Menach emphasized that the Sacco is designed to bridge the gaps in access to loans and knowledge about business ventures for rural women, enabling them to achieve greater independence. She disclosed that the Her Financial Freedom program has so far registered 650 members, with plans to recruit even more participants.

She encouraged local women to join in order to benefit from the resources and training offered by the program.

Menach said the primary goal of the Sacco is to positively transform the lives of women in West Pokot through development initiatives and inculcating saving.

She announced that the cooperative has started with a foundational fund of USD 50,000, which will be available for loans at the favourable interest rates tailored to meet the needs of the members and promote the financial security and growth of their savings. ''The Sacco launch represents a significant step towards empowering rural women in West Pokot, equipping them with knowledge and resources necessary for financial stability and growth,'' Menach said.Linda Lockhart, the Chief Executive Officer and Founder of Global Give Back Circle, announced that women in West Pokot County have joined a Savings and Credit Cooperative (Sacco) that will transform their lives for good.

She said the initiative has received support from donor Suze Orman, an advocate for financial freedom for women in the USA and beyond , who contributed USD50,000 to help establish the Sacco for rural women who are unbanked in West Pokot County.

Ms. Lockhart explained that from the total USD30,000 is designated for small business loans to assist women who have previously engaged in small businesses.

KenGen commits to boost national grid with 1,500 MW of green energy by 2034

BY **ERASTUS GICHOHI AND BERNICE NGE'NDO,** KNA

The Kenya Electricity Generating Company (KenGen) has committed to adding an additional 1,500 MW of power sourced from green energy to the national grid over the next ten years.

This remarkable milestone, once achieved, will position Kenya on the world map as a key producer and user of green energy, aiding climate mitigation through reduced carbon emissions.

Currently, the country sources over 90 percent of its power generation portfolio from green energy sources, including geothermal, wind, solar, and hydro, with an output of 1,726 MW.

This has placed Kenya at the forefront of green energy production in Africa, ranking seventh in the world, thanks to the government's commitment to transitioning to 100 percent use of green energy by the year 2030.

Within the next decade, KenGen seeks to marshall more than $4.3 billion(estimated Sh556.8 billion) from its key funding partners to implement the now launched strategy where it seeks to add an extra 1500MW of power from green energy sources, with 800MW sourced from geothermal.

In addition, the company said the achievement would be realised in partnership with Geothermal Development Corporation (GDC) in exploring new sources of geothermal to replace old ones with Kenya estimated to sit on 10,000 MW of geothermal potential.

Speaking during the launch of the strategy in Olkaria, Naivasha, Energy and Petroleum Cabinet Secretary Opiyo Wandayi lauded KenGen's efforts in tapping green energy, which he noted is key to driving the country's economic and social development.

Wandayi said the extra 1500MW of power will be sourced from the expansion and development of Olkaria Six and Seven Power Plants, rehabilitation of the decades-old Olkaria One and expansion of solar and wind projects across the country.

Already, the ongoing rehabilitation of the Olkaria One Power Plant in Naivasha is expected to boost its generating capacity from the current 45MW to 63MW, with the Muhoroni Gas Power plant expected to add an extra 60MW to power Western Kenya industrial sectors and households.

KenGen has already awarded the tender to a Chinese company to undertake the rehabilitation works at the Olkaria One Power Plant, which is expected to be completed by the end of the year 2026.

Energy and Petroleum Cabinet Secretary Hon. Opiyo Wandayi (left) , joined by the ministry office, inspects a geothermal wellhead during his official familiarization tour of geothermal- rich Olkaria area in Naivasha. Photo by Erastus Gichohi.

On the other hand, the government has also committed to revive the Muhoroni gas turbine plant to generate 60MW which is expected to curb frequent power blackouts due to systems overloads within the Western Kenya region.

The CS said the government will continue to support the sector with revamped policies to meet the growing demand of Kenyans seeking reliable and affordable power tariffs.

On his part, KenGen's Managing Director Peter Njenga said currently, the company's energy portfolio stands at 1726MW, including Geothermal 754WM, Wind 25MW, Thermal 120MW and Hydro sources 826.4MW.

Njenga said KenGen will invest the $4.3 billion (estimated Sh556.8 billion) over the next ten years to add the extra 1500MW of green energy to the national grid as well as establish 500MW hours of storage to help stabilize power transmission and curb cost disruptions.

The MD added that the company is undertaking a diversification strategy by helping neighbouring countries of Zambia, Eswatini, Djibouti and Ethiopia in geothermal exploration.

The diversification strategy, Njenga added, will add an extra $2 billion (estimated Sh258 billion) to the company within the next ten years, which will boost its economic contribution to the government.

Njenga said the company has already established a green energy park in excess of 740 acres within the Olkaria-rich geothermal valley, where investors will tap 100 per cent of their energy needs to power their industries.

In addition, the MD said the company has already secured a $1billion (estimated Sh129 billion) investment towards the advancement of a modern data centre by Microsoft that is set to revolutionize data storage for local and multinational companies in the new digital era.

These efforts, Njenga said, will assure investors of a steady and affordable power supply, ensuring competitive power tariffs and lowering the cost of electricity for consumers.

On his part, KenGen's board Chair Frank Konuche said the strategy is in line with the company's commitments to expand power generation to wind and solar sources, stabilize regional energy security through revamped partnerships and achieve carbon neutrality.

State to establish 450 feedlots to address feed shortage in ASAL counties

BY **SADIK HASSAN,** KNA

The State Department for Livestock is establishing 450 feedlots across 21 arid and semi-arid counties as the country grapples with a 60 percent deficit in feed.

This deficit arises because the livestock sub-sector faces challenges related to feed affordability, availability, and quality, according to Mr. Bishar Elmi, the Director of Livestock Production in the State Department for Livestock.

"As a nation, we have a 60 percent feed deficit. In terms of livestock herd size, Kenya ranks third on the continent, yet we are not exporting the much-needed red meat," he stated.

This situation poses a significant challenge to meeting the future nutritional needs of the country's ever-increasing population, which will require livestock as a source of protein, even as there is a shortage of feed, he said.

Other major challenges in the sector include animal genetics, breeding, and disease control.

The director noted that nomadic pastoralism can only be sustainable if combined with modern farming practices.

"We want to establish 450 feedlots in 21 ASAL counties. The purpose of this initiative is to off-take livestock from pastoralists, bring them to the feedlots, fatten and treat them for three months, and then sell them," Mr. Elmi explained.

The feedlots will have pasture lands to help bridge the feed deficit. Three feedlots have already been set up in Chemogoch in Baringo County, Wajir West, and Kibiru in Meru County, which is close to an abattoir in the neighboring Isiolo County.

"In the pipeline, we have four more in Garissa, Wajir, Marsabit, and Isiolo. We aim to complete these before the end of this year," he said.

The government also plans to roll out a commercial livestock breeding program and a national vaccination program to curb trans-boundary diseases, he added.

Director of Livestock Production at the Ministry of Agriculture Bashir Elmi (c) briefs the media in Mombasa.

Additionally, it will sensitize farmers to commercialize and add value to livestock production to boost income.

"We can no longer keep animals for prestige. Once you commercialize, you can produce high-quality animals that meet local and global market demands," the Livestock Director stated.

The market is readily available in the country, as the annual consumption demand for red meat is 600,000 metric tons, compared to a production of 400,500 metric tons. The per capita consumption of red meat stands at 14 kilograms, he noted.

The country is doing well in milk production, and the dairy sector is vibrant and robust.

The Animal Production Professionals and Technicians Bill (APPT) 2023 is undergoing thorough public participation before being tabled in the National Assembly, Mr. Elmi said.

The draft bill will provide a legal framework for the training, regulation, and licensing of livestock production professionals and technicians, aiming to bring order to the animal production sector.

The Director of Livestock also opened the first Grassland and Rangeland Society of Kenya (GRASK) annual conference in Mombasa, themed "Enhancing Community Resilience and Productivity of Grassland and Rangeland Ecosystems to Achieve Food Security."

The two-day conference highlighted sustainable practices in managing grassland and rangeland ecosystems, improving livestock production systems, addressing climate change, and promoting food security in dryland areas.

It emphasized the roles of technology, policy, and inclusivity in agriculture, aiming to support both ecological sustainability and economic resilience for communities reliant on these ecosystems.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNAL SECURITY AND NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION

COUNTY COMMISSIONER – MARSABIT COUNTY

INVITATION TO TENDER

SALE OF BOARDED G.K MOTOR VEHICLES - TENDER NO. MBT/CC/16/2024-2025

Tenders are invited from interested and eligible tenderers for bids of sale of boarded motor Vehicles whose particulars are as below: -

S/NO	REG. NO	MAKE	YEAR OF MANUFACTURE
1.	GK A921B	L/ROVER PICK-UP	1999
2.	GKAA704L	L/ROVER PICK-UP	2004
3.	GKA242M	L/ROVER PICK-UP	2006
4.	GKA983F	ISUZU LORRY	2008
5.	GKA187Q	L/ROVER CARAVAN	2007
6.	GKA226H	L/ROVER PICK-UP	-
7.	GKA703L	L/ROVER PICK-UP	2006
8.	GKA687T	L/ROVER S/WAGON	2007
9.	GKA637T	L/ROVER PICK UP	2009
10.	GKA159Q	L/ROVER CARAVAN	2007
11.	GK. A244M	L/ROVER PICK-UP	2006
12.	GKA003U	L/ROVER CARAVAN	2007
13.	GKA125M	L/ROVER CARAVAN	2006
14.	GKA321E	L/CRUSER PICK-UP	2001
15.	GKA984F	ISUZU LORRY	2003
16.	GKA115M	L/ROVER CARAVAN	2006
17.	G.K A 543V	L/ ROVER PICK-UP	-
18.	GK. A284Y	L/ROVER PICK UP	-

Tender documents with detailed information may be collected by interested bidders from the County Commissioner's, Marsabit County during working hours upon payment of Nonrefundable fee of Ksh.1,000.00, payable at National Sub County Treasury at Marsabit Central from 29th October, 2024 up to the closing date.

Note that Motor vehicles shall be sold on ***"as-is where-is basis***. Sealed bids addressed to: -

COUNTY COMMISSIONER
MARSABIT COUNTY
P.O BOX 1-60500 MARSABIT

and placed in the Tender Box at the entrance of the County Commissioner's Office to reach the above address not later than **6th November, 2024 at 10.00 am.**

Bids will be opened immediately thereafter at the County Commissioner's Boardroom in the presence of bidders or their representatives who chose to attend.

JAMILA M. DIMA
Head of Procurement Services, MARSABIT COUNTY

KENYA VISION 2030

National Drought Management Authority

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TENDER NOTICE

TENDER FOR PROVISION FOR MEDICAL INSURANCE COVER FOR DRYLAND CLIMATE ACTION FOR COMMUNITY DROUGHT RESILIENCE (DCADR) PROJECT STAFF MEMBERS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS

TENDER REFERENCE No . NDMA/DCADR/MED/2024-2025

The National Drought Management Authority (NDMA) is a State Corporation established by the NDMA Act, 2016. The Act mandates the Authority to exercise overall coordination over all matters relating to drought risk management and to establish mechanisms, either on its own or with stakeholders, to end drought emergencies in Kenya.

NDMA is implementing the Dryland Climate Action for Community Drought Resilience (DCADR) Project, a four-year drought risk management initiative co-funded by the European Union and the Government of Kenya. The Authority seeks to procure medical services for the project staff and their beneficiaries.

Interested eligible medical insurance service providers may download the tender document free of charge from the NDMA website **www.ndma.go.ke**.

The deadline for submission of tenders is **28th November 2024 at 2.00 pm.**

Tender documents will be opened immediately thereafter in the **NDMA Boardroom on 17th Floor, Lonrho House, Standard Street, Nairobi,** in the presence of tenderers or their representatives, who choose to attend.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THE NATIONAL TREASURY & ECONOMIC PLANNING

PUBLIC SECTOR HEARINGS FOR THE FY 2025/26 AND THE MEDIUM-TERM BUDGET

The National Government will be conducting Public Hearings on its proposed FY 2025/26 and Medium-Term Budget at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC) from 20th to 22nd November, 2024 starting at 8:30a.m daily. This is in accordance with Article 201 (a) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and Section 36 of the Public Finance Management Act (Cap.412A), which requires public participation on the budget making process.

The event will be officially launched by Hon. CPA John Mbadi Ng'ongo, EGH, Cabinet Secretary, the National Treasury and Economic Planning on 20th November, 2024 at 8:30a.m and will be graced by Hon. Ndindi Nyoro, CBS MP Chairman, Budget and Appropriations Committee, National Assembly.

The programme for the Public Hearings is as provided below:

Time	Sector/Presentation	Session Chairperson
DAY ONE:	**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2024**	
08.30 - 09.00 a.m.	Arrival and Registration	The National Treasury
09.00 - 09.50 a.m.	Introductory Remarks **Dr. Chris Kiptoo, CBS** **Principal Secretary/National Treasury** Remarks: **Mr. James Muhati** **Principal Secretary** **State Department for Economic Planning** Remarks: **Hon. Ndindi Nyoro, CBS MP** **Chairman, Budget & Appropriations Committee, NA** **Keynote Address/Official Launch** **Hon. CPA John Mbadi Ng'ongo, EGH** **Cabinet Secretary/National Treasury and Economic Planning**	PS/NT
09.50 - 10.30 a.m.	Presentation: **Macro-Economic Outlook for the FY 2025/26 and the Medium-Term** **Mr. Musa Kathanje** **Director, Macro & Fiscal Affairs Department**	DG/BF&EA
HEALTH BREAK		
11.00-12.30 p.m.	Presentation: **AGRICULTURE, RURAL AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT SECTOR**	
HEALTH BREAK		
02.00 - 03.30 p.m.	Presentation: **GOVERNANCE, JUSTICE, LAW & ORDER SECTOR**	
HEALTH BREAK		
03.45-05.15 p.m.	Presentation: **EDUCATION SECTOR**	
DAY TWO:	**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024**	
08.30 - 09.00 am	Arrival and Registration	The National Treasury
09.00 - 10.30 a.m.	Presentation: **PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SECTOR**	
HEALTH BREAK		
11.00 - 12.30 p.m.	Presentation: **ENERGY, INFRASTRUCTURE & ICT SECTOR**	
HEALTH BREAK		
02.00 -03.30 p.m.	Presentation: **HEALTH SECTOR**	
DAY THREE:	**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2024**	
08.30 - 09.00 a.m.	Arrival and Registration	The National Treasury
09.00 - 10.30 a.m.	Presentation: **GENERAL ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS SECTOR**	
HEALTH BREAK		
11.00 - 12.30 p.m.	Presentation: **SOCIAL PROTECTION, CULTURE AND RECREATION SECTOR**	
HEALTH BREAK		
02.00 -03.30 p.m.	Presentation: **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES SECTOR**	

The Public can also follow the proceedings through a link to be posted at the National Treasury website and the social media accounts.

Members of the Public are therefore encouraged to participate in the Budget Making Process.

PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
THE NATIONAL TREASURY

KENYA VISION 2030

Kenya advancing the Pact for the Future

BY **HEZEKIEL GIKAMBI**
(PCO)

Kenya is advancing initiatives aligned with the United Nations' Pact for the Future, as the leading force in East Africa's digital ecosystem.

This includes promoting digital inclusivity and economic empowerment through the Ministry of Information, Communication, and the Digital Economy.

During the recent commemoration of the United Nations Day, ICT Cabinet Secretary Dr. Margaret Nyambura Ndung'u underscored Kenya's commitment to "bringing the Pact home" by transforming global ambitions into actionable steps to support present and future generations.

"Today, we convene for a unique intergenerational dialogue to localize The Pact for the Future—a bold vision to ensure no one is left behind in our rapidly evolving world," Dr. Ndung'u stated.

She emphasized Kenya's digital transformation goals by spotlighting initiatives such as Ajira and Jitume, which empower Kenyan youth and women with critical digital skills for global job markets.

"Our goal is to enable every Kenyan to actively participate in the digital economy," she said, aligning the programs with UN goals for sustainable, inclusive digital ecosystems.

Through its National Optic Fibre Backbone Infrastructure (NOFBI), Kenya extends internet access to underserved regions, enhancing citizens' e-commerce and educational opportunities.

These investments in connectivity are foundational to bridging the digital divide and establishing Kenya as a digital economy hub.

ICT and E-Government Secretary, Ms. Mary Kerema, praised Ajira and Jitume, stating, "These programs do not just provide skills; they empower our youth to take control of their economic future by accessing global opportunities from right here in Kenya."

Ms. Kerema was representing the CS, MICDE, as a panelist during the intergenerational dialogue to localize 'The Pact for the Future' at the UN headquarters in Gigiri.

She said Kenya also nurtures its innovation ecosystem with favourable policies and funding for startups, particularly within Nairobi's Silicon Savannah.

This ecosystem is essential for fostering local entrepreneurship, scaling innovation, and placing Kenya at the forefront of Africa's digital transformation, she added.

The Secretary highlighted the importance of incubators across the country, to provide young entrepreneurs mentorship, funding, and collaborative spaces. This support allows Kenyan startups to make unique contributions to the global digital landscape, she observed.

E-government services are another focus, with Kenya digitizing public services to improve transparency, accessibility, and accountability in government-citizen interactions. These services, spanning education, health, and business, exemplify the benefits of integrating digital tools for economic and social development, she said.

Ms Kerema added that in order to ensure secure digital engagement, the Ministry has developed robust data protection and cybersecurity frameworks. These frameworks protect public trust and serve as a model for responsible digital growth. By bolstering privacy and security, Kenya supports a digital landscape that respects both economic growth and citizen rights, she said.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COMPETITION AUTHORITY OF KENYA
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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The Competition Authority of Kenya ('the Authority') is a Statutory Agency established under the Competition Act CAP 504. The Authority's mandate is to promote and safeguard competition and also protect consumers from unfair and misleading market conduct.
The Authority invites applications from suitably qualified, experienced and motivated persons to fill the following vacant positions:

Designation	Department	No. of Positions	Job Reference
Senior ICT Officer	ICT	1	CAK/04.10.2024
ICT Officer	ICT	1	CAK/05.10.2024
Assistant Knowledge Management Officer	Planning, Policy and Research (Registry Unit)	1	CAK/06.10.2024
Young Professional Programme	• Mergers and Acquisitions • Enforcement and Compliance • Consumer Protection • Buyer Power • Legal Services	5	CAK/07.10.2024

Interested candidates can access detailed information and requirements about the vacant positions from the Authority's Website **www.cak.go.ke**

Application Deadline: **5PM on 12th November, 2024**

Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.
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TENDER NOTICE

The Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) invites sealed tenders from eligible firms for the following tenders:

No.	TENDER NO.	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE
1.	KEBS/T004/2024-2025	DISPOSAL OF ASSORTED UNSERVICEABLE AND OBSOLETE ITEMS AND EQUIPMENT	ALL PROSPECTIVE TENDERERS	11th November 20241000Hours (E.A.T)

Tender documents detailing the requirements may be obtained from the **Supply Chain Office, KEBS Centre, Popo Road, Off Mombasa Road, Nairobi,** on normal working days between 0900 hours and 1600 hours upon payment of **a non-refundable fee of Kshs.1,000** (One Thousand Kenya Shillings Only) as indicated in the **Tender Document.** The amount is payable in **Cash** or **Bankers' Cheque** or Tender documents can be downloaded for **free** from **KEBS website:** www.kebs.org or Public Procurement Portal http://www.tenders.go.ke. **All payments shall be made to the Kenya Bureau of Standards, NAIROBI.**

Completed tender documents in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked '**TENDER NUMBER AND TITLE OF THE TENDER**' indicated on the envelope should be addressed and delivered to:

THE MANAGING DIRECTOR,
KENYA BUREAU OF STANDARDS,
P.O. BOX 54974 - 00200
NAIROBI.

Or be deposited in the Tender Box located at KEBS **Centre Main Reception** marked "**TENDER BOX**" to be received as **indicated above.** Tender opening will be carried out immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend the opening at the **KEBS NQI Room One**

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

Project No: P15634 **Credit No: 6030-KE** **Country: KENYA**

Name of Project: Nyandarua Water and Sanitation company Ltd. development Project-Conditional Liquidity Support Grant (CLSG) II

Contract Title: Supply, Delivery and Installation of solar panels and upgrading of 1.5km pipeline.

RFB Reference No.:
NWSC/CLSG11/VOL1/001 Supply, delivery and installation of solar power and
NWSC/CLSG11/VOL1/002 Upgrading of 1.5km pipeline

1. ***The Government of Kenya*** has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Nyandarua Water and Sanitation development Project-Conditional Liquidity Support Grant (CLSG) II, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for S***upply, Delivery and Installation of solar power*** as contract No.: **NWSC/CLSG11/VOL1/001 and NWSC/CLSG11/VOL1/002** upgrading of 1.5km pipeline.
2. ***The Nyandarua Water and Sanitation Company Limited*** now invites sealed Bids from eligible Supply and Delivery of the Goods indicated on the table

No.	Tender Description	Quantity	Location	Pre-tender Site Visit Date	Closing Date
1	Supply, delivery and installation of solar power	34NO. SOLAR	Ol-jororok	5th November 2024 10.00A.M-1.00P.M	12th November 2024 1000hrs
2	Supply delivery and installation of HDPE pipeline	1.5km	Ol-jororok	5th November 2024 1.00 P.M-4.00 P.M	12th November 2024 1000hrs

3. Bidding will be conducted through **National Competitive Procurement** using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated July 2016, revised 5th Edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), which can be found in the following website: **www.worldbank.org/procurement** and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations
4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from WSP physical address and inspect the bidding document during office hours 0900 to 1700 hours excluding weekends and public holidays at the address below
5. The bidding document in **English** may be downloaded f**ree of charge from the company's website www.nyandawas.co.ke.** Bidders who download the bidding documents are required to notify the Purchaser by email with full contact details that they intended to participate, this will facilitate issuance of notifications by the Purchaser, to all bidders where necessary.
6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **12th November 2024.** Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on 12th November 2024, 1200 hours East African Time (EAT).
7. All Bids must be accompanied by a **Bid Security in the form of a Bank Guarantee** as shown below:
   Lot 1: supply, delivery, construction of solar structure and installation of solar panel - Ksh. 44,000/=
   Lot 2: Supply, delivering and installation of HDPE Pipeline – Kshs.18, 000 /=
8. The address (es) referred to above is (are):

Attention: The Managing Director,
Company: Nyandarua Water and Sanitation Company Limited
Address: P. O. BOX 164 - 20300
Town: Nyahururu
Street: Off Sharpe Rd.
Tel.: +254704221336
Email: info@nyandaruawater.co.ke
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REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION

Water Sector Trust Fund

DANIDA

TENDER RE-ADVERTISEMENT

Ishaqbini Hirola Community Conservancy is implementing Sustainable Management and Access to Water and Sanitation in the Asals (SWASAP) Programme, targeting Garissa County funded by Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) supported by The Royal Danish Embassy through DANIDA. The Programme is aimed at Increasing community resilience and adaptation to climate change through sustainable, peaceful use of natural resources including improved access to water and sanitation services in the target ASAL Counties.

Ishaqbini Hirola Community Conservancy invites tenders from eligible bidders as described in the table below.

TENDER NO.	TENDER DESCRIPTION	SUBMISSION DATE
ISHAQBINI/WSTF/SWASAP/02/2024	Supply and laying of rising main, distribution and rehabilitation of water Kiosks for Kotile water supply as per tender	**Date:** 8th November 2024 **Location:** Ishaqbini Hirola Conservancy, Kotile **Time:** 10:00 am **Contact:** 0729991806

Tender Documents are available **Free of Charge** to all qualified contractors and can be downloaded from this website: **https://www.nrt-kenya.org/vacancies**. Bidders who may want to obtain further information or seek clarification can do so by sending an email to Ishaqbini **Conservancy ishaqbini@nrt-kenya.org**

Completed Tender documents in plain sealed envelopes should be submitted in two copies- Original and copy clearly marked **"Do not Open Before 8th November ,2024 at 10am ."** showing the Tender No, Description addressed to:

Conservancy Manager,
Ishaqbini Hirola Community Conservancy Office
Kotile, Masalani Sub-County
P.O Box 46-70105

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

Late tenders will be rejected.

KENYA VISION 2030

UNIVERSITY OF EMBU

UNIVERSITY OF EMBU

INVITATION TO TENDER

The University of Embu invites interested and eligible bidders to submit bids for the tender described below:

TENDER NO.	TENDER NAME
UoEm/RFP/01/2024 - 2025	Consulting Services for Improving Enrollment and Manpower Planning in Public Universities

The documents can be downloaded FREE of Charge from the website www.embuni.ac.ke or in the Public Procurement Information Portal.

Duly completed Documents in a Plain Sealed Envelope clearly marked "Tender No & Tender Name" and addressed to The Vice-Chancellor, University of Embu, P.O. Box 6 - 60100 Embu, should be sent OR deposited in the Tender Box at University of Embu - New Administration Block Reception so as to reach him on or before Wednesday, 13th November, 2024 at 11.00 am.

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of bidder representatives who choose to attend in the Procurement Boardroom, located in the first floor of the New Administration Block.

NOTE: University of Embu does not levy any fees to award tenders

Tel: 0714243682 (Procurement Office)

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NATIONAL OPEN TENDER NOTICE

The National Construction Authority (NCA) is a State Corporation established under the National Construction Authority Act 2011, with the responsibility to oversee the construction industry and coordinate its development. The Authority invites sealed bids from eligible candidates for the following tenders;

No.	Tender No.	Description of Tender	Eligibility	Closing/ Opening Date
1	NCA/T/08/ 2024-2025	Tender for Provision of Dedicated Online Training Platform (Training Module -Webinar & Teleconferencing)	OPEN	6th Nov, 2024
2	NCA/T/09/ 2024-2025	Tender for Framework Contract for Supply and Delivery of Bottled drinking water and Disposable Cups	AGPO	6th Nov, 2024
3	NCA/T/010/ 2024-2025	Tender for Provision of Fortinet licenses	OPEN	6th Nov, 2024
4	NCA/T/011/ 2024-2025	Tender for Provision Of Annual Support & Maintenance of Web based GIS Construction Site Mapping and Identification System	OPEN	6th Nov, 2024
5	NCA/T/012/ 2024-2025	Tender for Provision of consultancy services on Employee Satisfaction Survey	AGPO	6th Nov, 2024
6	NCA/T/013/ 2024-2025	Tender for Provision of Car Tracking services	AGPO	6th Nov, 2024

Tender documents with detailed information and instruction may be viewed and downloaded from the Authority's website; www.nca.go.ke and the Public Procurement Information portal, www.tenders.go.ke at no cost.

Manager, Supply Chain
FOR: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION & IRRIGATION

KENYA WATER INSTITUTE

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN): Invitation for Bids

PROGRAMME: IMPROVING PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENHANCING TECHNICAL SKILLS OF YOUTH IN KENYA THROUGH SANITATION TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

PROCUREMENT OF WORKS

LOT - Contract Title:	CONSTRUCTION OF SAFE TOILETS (SATO) SELECTED PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN KISUMU COUNTY.
Grand No:	100000034
IFB No:	KEWI/TEN/AfDB/002/2024-2025

1. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the African Development Bank in various currencies towards the cost of Improving Public Health and Enhancing Technical Skills of Youth in Kenya through Sanitation Technology Transfer. It is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for **Construction of Safe Toilets (SATO) at Bukna Primary School, Manyatta Primary School, Kosawo Primary School and Mukendwa Primary School in Kisumu County.**
2. The Kenya water Institute now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the execution of the **Construction of Safe Toilets (SATO) at Bukna Primary School, Manyatta Primary School, Kosawo Primary School and Mukendwa Primary School in Kisumu County.**
3. A Pre bid meeting and Site Visit for Safe Toilets (SATO) will take place on 7th and 8th November, 2024 in the selected Primary Schools starting at 10:00am (East African Time). The venue for the Pre-Bid site visit meeting will be at **Bukna Primary School, Manyatta Primary School, Kosawo Primary School and Mukendwa Primary School in Kisumu County**.
4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the office of **The Director, Kenya Water Institute(KEWI), Nairobi south C along Oleshapara avenue. P.O. Box 60013 - 00200 Nairobi, Kenya,** during office hours (8.00am to 5.00pm East African Time) on week days except public holidays.
5. A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the above and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kshs. 1,000 (Kenya Shillings One Thousand Only). The bidding documents may also be downloaded from the KEWI website: **www.kewi.go.ke** or **www.tenders.go.ke** ***free of charge***. Bidders who download the bidding documents from the website **MUST** forward their particulars immediately to **procurement@kewi.or.ke** for records and any further clarifications and addenda.
6. The provisions in the Instructions to Bidders and in the General Conditions of Contract are the provisions of the African Development Bank Standard Bidding Document: Procurement of Small Works.
7. Bids must be delivered to the above office on or before **10.00am East African Time** on **Wednesday 13th November, 2024** and must be accompanied by a Bid security ***(Unconditional Bank Guarantee) of KES. 100,000.00 (One hundred thousand Kenya Shillings Only).***
8. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend at **10.00am East African Time on Wednesday 13th November, 2024** at the offices of:

The Chief Executive Officer
Kenya Water Institute
P.O. Box 60013-00200 Nairobi.
Telephone no. 0722207757, info@kewi.or.ke/procurement@kewi.or.ke, website: www.kewi.go.ke

State launces MSE 2020 policy review process to unlock access to finance

BY **PATRICIA KOMBO** (PCO)

The Principal Secretary for the State Department for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Development, Susan Mang'eni has officially launched a policy review process for the Micro, Small Enterprise (MSE) 2020 Policy in Nairobi.

The MSME policy review is targeting to pull down the barriers in the MSME sector that stifle business growth and development.

The new policy will unlock and Improve access to finance, reduce regulatory burden, enhance market access and upgrade MSME infrastructure as well as nurturing a supportive MSME ecosystem.

The establishment and designation of the State Department dedicated to the MSME sector shows a clear commitment from the government for renewed attention and focus on the sector. You are our strategic partners, and we must walk from the very beginning of the bottom-up economic transformation journey" PS Mang'eni noted.

In addressing challenges revolving around access to credit, regulatory hurdles, infrastructure, access to markets due to market barriers, low adoption of technology and innovation among others, the PS has called on the stakeholders to collaborate and shift their focus on the sector growth strategy which is informing our value chain approach.

To fully realize the sector's potential, the PS has emphasized the immense potential in tapping the youth and women who are a valuable resource in driving economic growth.

"Majority of MSMEs are youth and women owned. There's a need to contextualize our interventions and our financing models to fit their needs. Looking at the Covid-19 pandemic and other shocks like the climate related impacts, that have always crippled our sector, we must ensure our MSMEs sector becomes resilient, and cushioned against shock" she noted

Speaking in the same forum, Micro and Small Enterprises Authority (MSEA) CEO, Henry Rithaa emphasized on the need of MSE policy to align with the current agenda and establish structures that will enable MSEs to transition from Micro to Small and medium enterprises.

"This year, we are taking over 400 MSMEs to participate in the East Africa Community MSE trade fair in Juba, South Sudan, as part of our commitment of creating valuable market opportunities and business growth ''he quoted.

The PS directed the technical working group for the MSME Policy review to ensure that the new policy aligns to current market conditions, technological advancements, and global economic trends.

Additionally, she has urged the review team to identify ways of improving the MSME de-risking mechanism's structure, including grants guarantees to increase access to affordable credit and linkages to sustainable markets to maximize the potential which MSMEs have in our economy.

The policy review process was attended by members drawn from various relevant institutions, including: The State Department for MSME Development, Trade, Industry, Devolution, Parliamentary Affairs, the National Treasury, State Law office, the Youth Enterprise Fund, KEPSA, KNCCI, KNFA, Strathmore University and UON Hub Women.

Government crafts Cooperatives Bill to provide sectoral policy interventions

BY **NELLY KOSGEY** (PCO)

The Government is developing the Cooperatives Bill, which has been necessitated by changing socio-economic, political environment and national development priorities to curb fraudulent activities that have negatively impacted public trust in cooperatives.

Speaking in Nairobi, State Department for Cooperatives Principal Secretary Patrick Kilemi noted that the Bill seeks to recognize the fundamental changes set out in the Constitution, translate and cascade the broad social and economic pillars enshrined in the Kenya Vision 2030 as well as the policy interventions prescribed by the Sessional Paper No. 4 of 2020

The Bill, which is currently at the committee stage in the National Assembly, aims to provide a legal framework that promotes a sustainable and competitive cooperative sector for socio-economic development in a devolved system of governance.

"It is aimed at improving the governance, accountability, and efficiency of SACCOs in Kenya. These features include term limits for directors, enhanced transparency, a structured four-tier cooperative system, and restrictions on the use of the term "cooperative" to ensure only registered entities use it," Kilemi said.

The PS disclosed that all these measures in the Bill are designed to strengthen the cooperative movement and align it with the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda.

"The Bill introduces several amendments and new provisions designed to restructure and enhance the cooperative sector, where members are analyzing its provisions and engaging stakeholders before proceeding to the next stage of debate and approval by the whole house," he said.

Kilemi pointed out that the Bill re-establishes the Commissioner for Cooperatives as an office within the public service.

"While this office existed in the previous Act, it has been restructured to align with Kenya's devolved governance system. This restructuring is based on recommendations from Sessional Paper No. 4 of 2020, which seeks to modernize the office to better accommodate devolved county governments," the PS noted.

He said that a new provision establishes the County Director of Cooperatives to provide oversight mechanisms at the county level, ensuring that cooperative governance and operations align with both national and county policies.

The Bill, Kilemi said, has upgraded the current three-tier cooperative structure, adding a federation level which aims to reduce unhealthy competition between cooperatives and improve sector self-regulation as outlined in Sessional Paper No. 4 of 2020.

He said that County Directors of Cooperatives are now empowered to convene special general meetings for primary and secondary cooperatives when necessary, ensuring continued governance and compliance with policy.

Kilemi observed that the Bill provides for the establishment of a Cooperative Development Fund, which will be financed by cooperatives.

"This initiative aims to support various activities such as research, training, community support, and the celebration of Ushirika Day, which recognizes the contributions of cooperatives to the economy and society," the PS said.

Kenya to commemorate 60 years of Diplomacy

BY **IRENE AGUM** (PCO)

The Kenya has attained 60 years in active engagement in international diplomacy since independence, having established its foreign policy.

Principal Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Korir Sing'oei noted that Kenya's diplomatic journey has remained instrumental in shaping the country's identity on the global stage, notwithstanding the achievements and lessons learnt over the decades.

He was speaking during the commemoration of the United Nations Founding Day in Nairobi.

"As the country introspects into its history during the Diplomatic Week scheduled to take place from November 27 to December 7, 2024, Kenya remains committed to existing partnerships and will continue to explore new avenues for collaboration.

Kenya recognizes that effective diplomacy plays a crucial role in national development," the PS observed.

The Kenya @ 60 celebrations will be graced by President William Ruto as the chief guest and will bring together stakeholders from various sectors including government officials, members of the diplomatic corps, the private sector, civil society, and the public.

The celebrations will see amongst others, the launch of the revised Foreign Policy which has been undergoing public participation over the past five months; the inaugural Ministerial Open Day where the public will engage with the ministry and seek various services.

There will be exhibitions by various governments through their embassies in Nairobi as well as the Diaspora Engagement Forum on all matters diaspora will be discussed.

The Ministry will also unveil an art gallery at the Uhuru Gardens Monument and Museum showcasing rare and unseen photos dating to the pre-independence period.

Dr. Sing'oei sought the support of the Diplomatic community towards the Candidacy of the African Union Commission (AUC) Chairperson nominee, Raila Odinga whose election is slated for February 2025 during the AU Summit in Addis Ababa.

He spoke highly of Odinga, who is recognised as a lifelong Pan-Africanist, visionary, and action-oriented leader with proven competence, noting that Dr. Odinga's leadership and exemplary career made him a perfect fit to sit at the helm of the AUC.

Odinga's key focus and commitment is to harness Africa's rich and vast human and natural resources for the benefit of Africa's Peoples.

He has formulated priorities and strategies to address pressing challenges facing the continent including: economic transformation; enhancing intra-Africa trade; financial independence; gender equity and equality; agricultural transformation; climate action; harnessing youth potential; continental integration; and peace and security.

Kenya and India collaborate in wildlife management

BY **LISPER MACHOKA** **(PCO)**

The Government of Kenya and India is seeking collaboration in capacity building in wildlife management; wildlife security and information exchange in Human Wildlife Coexistence (HWC) management.

The two countries will also share wildlife data and information management; sustainable management and conservation of species; technology and innovation transfer among others.

During their meeting with the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife Rebecca Miano noted that Kenya and India share common objectives on wildlife conservation and management.

Further, the two countries are parties to critical wildlife related Multilateral Environmental Agreements CITES, CBD and CMS among others which are crucial in fostering our partnership in the field of wildlife conservation and management.

The delegation from the Government of India led by Director General of Forests & Special Secretary Mr. Jitenra Kumar had a chance to visit Nairobi National Park and Maasai Mara National Reserve to experience Kenya's Safari and enjoy the Big 5 wildlife species among others.

Kenya and India are proponents of the International Big Cats Alliance (IBCA) which aims to collectively address common challenges to the protection and conservation of the seven (7) major Big Cats in the world i.e., Tiger, Lion, Leopard, Snow Leopard, Puma, Jaguar and Cheetah to secure socio-ecological future and support adaptation and mitigation of adverse effects of climate change.

Kenya's telecom propelling digitalization across economic verticals

BY **EVELYNE GITHINJI** (PCO)

The The Kenya Digitalization Report has revealed how the country's telecommunication sector is driving the economy across various sectors.

The Report, developed by GSMA in consultation with the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy (MICDE), Communication Authority of Kenya (CA), the telecoms industry and stakeholders across the digital ecosystem, enumerated the role of the telecom sector in boosting e-government, data-driven health solutions, digitalization in agriculture, enhancing manufacturing and delivering effective transport systems.

Speaking during the launch in Nairobi, MICDE Cabinet Secretary Dr. Margaret Nyambura Ndung'u highlighted that Kenya has earned recognition as a regional leader in mobile connectivity and a pioneer in mobile financial services, both regionally and globally.

She highlighted the innovation in the mobile industry as a significant promoter of financial inclusion, especially for the unbanked population.

"These position our country to reap further benefits from digitalization across economic sectors. Indeed, digitalization is a key driver of economic growth and government revenue as well as supporting socio-economic development and offering a path towards shared prosperity," the CS said.

She said as per the Report, digitalization has the potential to increase productivity in agriculture, improve access to global value chains and improve the efficiency and transparency of government services.

"This GSMA report estimates the increase in digital adoption that could add value to agriculture and industry by three per cent and 3.35 per cent respectively, and two per cent in government revenue," she said.

She highlighted the launch of the Report as a critical component for setting the stage for further discussions from both regional and global perspectives on how enabling government policies impact on the growth trajectories of ICT and Digital Economy as a strategic sector of the economy.

The CS further stated that CA, through the Universal Service Fund, has in the last five years connected nearly 800,000 people to mobile network services. The result of such connectivity has provided significant transformation of life in various parts of the country.

In his remarks, the Chief Regulatory Officer at GSMA John Giusti stated that Sub-Saharan Africa remains a region with huge potential for growth in mobile connectivity.

He however pointed out the challenge of unaffordability of smart phones and recommended the formation of multi-sector partnerships to ensure the availability of smart phones for increased productivity, job creation and economic growth.

According to the Head SSA at GSMA Angela Wamola, the Report's policy recommendations to drive digital and financial inclusion include to reduce sector specific taxes on mobile sector, support device affordability, remove/reduce excise duty on mobile money and sustainable investment environment.

CA Director General Mr. David Mugonyi emphasized the country's past success with mobile money as an indicator of its readiness for technological advancement, "Kenya is a digital economic powerhouse in waiting."

Mr. Mugonyi stressed the importance of broadband access as the foundation of a digital economy that is critical in the transport, power, or water networks.

He cited an ITU study, noting that "an increase of 10 per cent in broadband penetration produces gross domestic product growth of 0.8 per cent for fixed and 1.5 per cent for mobile connections."

Importantly, the Kenya Digitalization Report illustrates that 35 per cent of Kenyans are using mobile internet and the key barriers to mobile internet adoption are lack of digital skills, inability to afford, lack of relevant content, safety and security concerns.

The Report identifies a series of policy recommendations that if implemented will reduce the internet usage gap from the current level of over 64 per cent of the population to 51 per cent in 2028.

Key recommendations entail the roll out of digital government services, programs to increase the adoption of new technologies by businesses and consumers, increase confidence and trust in digital safety and support of the adoption and access to digital technologies by consumers including digital skills training.

Affordable Housing is a game changer to the lives and landscape of Kenyans

BY **ISAAC MWAURA** (PICTURED)

This year's Mashujaa day was celebrated in Kwale County, the fastest growing tourism destination in the country. Diani has been voted as the best beach in Africa, and amongst the top 50 tourist destinations in the world. In fact, Diani Airport is the fastest growing as a result of this increase in touristic and other economic activities. In addition to this, Affordable houses are being constructed for ownership for as low as Ksh 500,000. This is truly unbelievable that, with as low as Ksh 3,200, a Kenyan can own a home there.

Kwale provided for a better hosting venue as a county for this year's Mashujaa Day, whose theme was; Boma yangu, Nyumba Yangu, Mimi Ni Shujaa. The spirit of this clarion call is to rally Kenyans to embrace home ownership as a heroic act. In fact, many people will tell you that owning a home is one of the greatest achievements that anyone can make, as it takes many years for very few people to realize this dream. Shelter is a basic need together with food and clothing, yet many people aren't able to afford them.

Our country is urbanizing very fast, with over 20% of Kenyans now living in urban areas. With the advent of devolution, this has been accelerated all the more. As a result, Kenya needs over 250,000 houses each year in order to meet this demand, yet currently, there are only 50,000 housing mortgages available annually.

Through the Bottom up economic transformation agenda popularly known as THE BETA PLAN, the government led by H.E President William Ruto has prioritized housing as one of the 5 pillars aimed at transforming the country. Indeed, more than 124,000 houses are being constructed at 75 sites in 37 counties across the country, with over 160,000 jobs already created so far. The houses are at various stages of completion, with a significant number being ready for occupation by December 2024, to June 2025. For example, the houses in Kirinyaga County are 85% complete, while those in Kapsabet Town are as good as done. In fact, some 1,080 new studio units at the Mukuru Meteorological Site in Nairobi will be handed over soon, marking a significant milestone for residents who currently live in not so decent houses. This will make homeownership accessible to a broader population.

One of the most significant steps that the AFP pillar has occasioned is the transformation of the lives of hustlers across the country. The program has set aside Ksh 4.4 billion for artisans and fabricators, who have been given contracts to supply doors, windows, balustrades etc. During the Mashujaa Day celebrations in Kwale, President Ruto handed over a cheque worth Ksh 720 Million from Kibra through their chairman Karl Aura. This will benefit over 300 Jua Cali artisans. The same story has been replicated in places such as Ruiru, whereby the Ruiru bypass fabricators have been awarded a similar contract, to supply building materials to help construct some 1,050 quality and affordable houses in Ruiru town, that are 54% complete.

During a recent tour at the sites, we met Abel, a young man at the Ruiru AHP that is being financed via the Public Private Partnership Model. He narrated to us how crime in the vicinity has gone down, and that many jobless youth like himself can now utilize their skills to earn a living. He is employed a plumber at the site, having trained for the course before at a local technical vocational college. Further, some 213 artisans have been given certificates through the recognition of prior learning initiative that is imbedded in the AHP, in spite of one's formal level of education!

For some women, a lot more are being engaged as construction workers such as engineers, like Nyambura, an engineering diploma student from Thika Technical Training Institute, who is working at the Makenji AHP in Maragwa, Murang'a County. The government aims at increasing the participation of women in the construction industry from the current 20% to 30% as decreed by the President during his Madaraka Day address to the nation. Agnes, a building and construction graduate had tarmacked for long, and she finally got her dream job at the Ruiru AHP, and she narrates how she has been able to acquire some new skills, crafts, and has been able to increase her knowledge in general, ever since she joined the project at its inception last year. Lillian from Homa bay AHP, tells us of how he has been able to pay the fees of her two high school going children, while Mary Wambui from the Makenji AHP tells us of how she is making at least Ksh 30,000 per month from supplying food to about 50 workers. She says that she is glad that she has a job to report to each morning. Most of these construction sites are employing between 150, 300, 900, even 2,000 workers per day, mostly the youth.

Through *832# Boma Yangu Platform, over 547,000 Kenyans have registered for homeownership Boma Yangu Platform, with 52,000 actively saving for their homes. Never before has a government been able to embark on such an ambitious housing program at a go! The demand for the houses is verifiable, and this can only go up, as the government aims at transforming over 1 million Kenyans into home owners. AFP is indeed a true game changer not only for our lives, but the Kenyan landscape.

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National strategy unveiled to address drought, flood control, water storage

BY **SHARON ATIENO,** KNA

The National Water Harvesting and Storage Authority (NWHSA) has launched its strategic plan for the 2023-2027 financial years, WHICH aimS to address climate change, water storage, and flood control solutions.

The Cabinet Secretary (CS) for the Ministry of Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation, Eng. Eric Mugaa, described the strategic plan as a blueprint aimed at actualizing infrastructure that will help end recurring droughts and flood issues.

Speaking on Wednesday during the launch, the CS noted that challenges in adapting to climate change include low investment in infrastructure and development, transboundary natural water resources, inconsistent data and information, and issues related to human settlement.

He emphasized that these challenges present opportunities for learning, fostering mutual collaboration, and resource conservation, noting that the country has traditionally relied on rain-fed agriculture. Due to unpredictable rainfall patterns, the agency has taken the mandate to build key infrastructure projects, including the ongoing Thwake Dam, among others.

Cabinet Secretary for Water,Sanitation and Irrigation ,Eric Mugaa gives a keynote address at Weston hotel Nairobi on 23rd October 2024, during the launch of the strategic plan 2023-2027 for National Water Harvesting and Storage Authority.

The CS highlighted that the strategic plan establishes priorities for both the Agency and the Ministry, providing a foundation for achieving their goals and objectives.

Eng. Mugaa also pointed out that the Ministry has implemented robust strategies to enable institutions and agencies to carry out their mandates effectively and efficiently, ensuring that policies follow a structured framework for decision-making and operations. "We have ensured consistency and accountability with clearly defined roles and responsibilities for agencies to avoid mandate overlap," he said, adding that the plan was developed through extensive consultations with all stakeholders.

He also noted that the plan aligns with the medium-term objective of expanding irrigated land and increasing water storage capacity for multipurpose use to 125 million cubic meters by 2027. This expansion will increase access to safe and clean water while protecting communities from the effects of drought and floods.

Additionally, the CS explained that the plan is in line with the government's transformative agenda and Vision 2030, which prioritizes water for irrigation.

"The plan is based on eight strategic objectives, outlining activities that will help realize the Authority's mission and vision," said Eng. Mugaa.

The CS urged the agency to address key issues such as water harvesting for arid and semi-arid counties, drought mitigation by developing water trucks to supply water in drought-affected areas, and resource mobilization, with a target of raising Sh60 billion over five years.

"If the country addresses these issues and finds solutions, the impacts of climate change will be mitigated, making Kenya a food-secure nation," he stated, adding that national projects will progress smoothly as water is a key development enabler.He further encouraged the Authority to develop programs to transform the country into a global example by providing water for irrigation on over 10 million hectares in the next 25 years, regardless of funding sources totaling Sh25 trillion.

CS urges dairy cooperatives to form partnerships for better market access

BY **DICKSON MWITI,** KNA

Co-operatives and MSMEs Development Cabinet Secretary Wycliffe Oparanya has urged dairy cooperatives in the country to embrace partnerships to protect milk farmers from unhealthy competition.

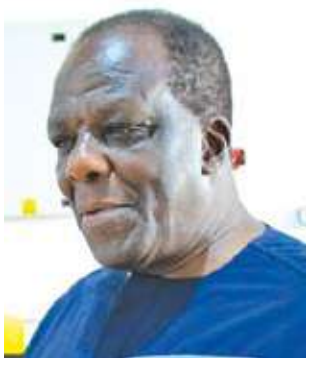
Addressing a group of dairy cooperative leaders and farmers at the Nyambene New KCC factory in Meru County, the CS stated that dairy farmers are concerned with market access and fair prices for their milk produce. He encouraged the New KCC to partner with private dairy cooperatives in the region to increase supply and production at the milk plant.

"All the cooperatives owned by farmers and those privately owned are doing well in Meru. However, the milk supply for processing at the state corporation is too low," Oparanya argued. He lamented the underutilization of the Nyambene New KCC state-of-the-art facility, which was constructed with a budget of more than Sh500 million.

He also challenged farmers to trust the reform process within the corporation, which has already yielded results, with farmers being paid promptly on the first day of each month. "I have given the New KCC management only 90 days to turn around the loss-making entity. This turnaround will involve restructuring human capital, increasing the producer price per liter to Sh55, reducing the payment date to two weeks, and, above all, prioritizing the farmers' welfare," Mr. Oparanya said.

He noted that dairy cooperatives throughout the region were ready to partner with the corporation to ensure farmers access the market easily.

In a separate meeting with Meru Central Dairy Co-operative Union Ltd Board of Management, which is a home for Mount Kenya Milk, during his tour of the facility, the CS highlighted the significant potential within the dairy sector, lauding the farmers' owned cooperative for its commitment and high performance which processes over 450,000 litres of milk and supports over one million livelihoods along the value chain.



CS for Co-operatives and MSMEs Development, Wycliffe Oparanya

Cooperatives Principal Secretary, Patrick Kilemi, said the dairy value chain is central to the Bottom-up economic agenda (BETA).

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Authority bans harvesting of immature avocado to uphold export standards

The Agriculture and Food Authority (AFA) has halted the export of certain avocado varieties to prevent the harvesting of immature fruits and to comply with international quality standards. AFA, through its Horticultural Crops Directorate (HCD), issued a notice to all avocado and mango exporters, as well as value chain players, to stop harvesting popular avocado varieties, including Hass, Pinkerton, Fuerte, and Jumbo, for sea shipment in the 2024/2025 fiscal year.

AFA Director General Bruno Linyiru stated that the directive was implemented to curb the sale of unripe fruits and ensure the protection of Kenya's share in international markets. "Following the closure of the avocado harvesting season and sea exports, some exporters have resorted to mixing consignments of mango with avocado for sea shipment, contrary to the Crops (Horticultural Crops) Regulations, 2020, Section 20(5)," Linyiru said.

He explained that AFA-HCD has been monitoring harvesting trends and recently conducted a nationwide survey in the major avocado production zones to assess current production trends and forecast future production for the main season next year. "The findings of the survey indicate that there are currently insufficient volumes of the main season crop to justify sea shipment," Dr. Linyiru said. "This is to notify you that the closure of the Hass, Pinkerton, Fuerte, and Jumbo harvesting season for sea shipment for the 2024/2025 fiscal year will take effect from Friday, October 25, 2024. The export of these varieties will continue via air shipment." The director added that export clearance should be granted subject to inspection by the directorate, with traceability information required for all consignments.

By Joseph Ng'ang'a, KNA

Duale calls for nationwide tree planting to boost biodiversity

Environment, Forestry, and Climate Change Cabinet Secretary Aden Duale has stated that the national government is determined to surpass the ten-year target of planting 15 billion trees by the year 2032.

Mr. Duale has urged all citizens, regardless of age, to adopt a tree-planting culture to preserve and protect biodiversity in the country.

He spoke at the Kibiri Forest Block, an extension of the tropical Kakamega Rainforest, during an inspection tour of the ongoing fencing funded by Netfund, the Rhino Ark, the Kenya Forest Service, and the Kenya Wildlife Service. He pledged that the government would de-gazette 500 hectares of forest land to settle people living there after they were moved from the Vokoli and Mbale areas in 1984 to pave the way for the establishment of public buildings and amenities.

Duale expressed a preference for fruit trees to achieve food and nutritional security, assuring residents that their long wait for title deeds would be over in two months, as a cabinet resolution on the matter is forthcoming.

The CS, accompanied by Governor Dr. Wilber Ottichilo and a host of national and county government officers, proceeded to Maragoli South Ward, where he led the planting of 15,000 seedlings in a bid to restore the Maragoli Forest.

The minister emphasized the importance of mainstreaming tree-planting at all public functions and expressed his intention to meet with the Council of Governors (CoG) to discuss ways to ensure each devolved unit meets its tree-planting targets.

For his part, Dr. Ottichilo stated that he was the first among his peers to operationalize the Financing Locally Led Climate Action (FLLoCA), a World Bank-funded program that involves setting up ward-based committees to oversee tree planting.

By Sammy Mwibanda

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