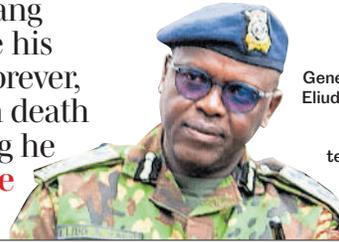


DAILY NATION

Justice Lawmakers warn IPOA against shoddy investigations into teacher's killing on Sunday

Police cover-up

Execution Authorities had attempted to blame Albert Ojwang for injuries that caused his death in their custody. But while his tormentors have succeeded in silencing the vocal teacher forever, they could not hide the truth about the cause of his sudden death — brutal torture. With the postmortem examination finding he was murdered; his killers must now be brought to book. **See Story on Page 2**



Deputy Inspector-General of Police Eliud Lagat made a complaint against the teacher-cum-blogger



FUGITIVE?

Police declare singer Samidoh a deserter, call for his arrest

Mugithi star Samuel Muchoki, popularly known as Samidoh, who was recently transferred to the Anti-Stock Theft Unit by police chiefs unhappy with his 'political' performances, is in more trouble / **P9**

CREDIT RISK

71,000 defaulters blacklisted as HELB owed Sh35 billion

Some 310,942 former students who secured funding from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) have not repaid Sh35bn. The notorious ones have been listed by credit reference bureaus. / **P4**

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We found serious injuries to the head, signs of neck compression... These injuries are consistent with external assault

Dr Bernard Midira



Ms Nevinina Onyango, the widow of Albert Ojwang (inset), at their home in Kokoth village in Homa Bay County on Monday. GEORGE ODIWUOR | NATION



... as widow of slain teacher speaks out

In April this year, Albert Ojwang formally introduced his wife Nevinina Onyango to his family in Kakoth village, Homa Bay County. The young couple settled in Ojwang's simba, a traditional Luo bachelor's house he had built beside the gate within his parents' compound. According to Luo customs, constructing a simba signifies a young man's readiness to support a wife and start a family. Nevinina says her husband had big plans for his family. Last Saturday, Ojwang had just returned from buying tree seedlings to plant around his house that was also undergoing renovations. The father of one was seated with his wife who had served him a meal when six police officers stormed the compound... And ruined their lives.

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Rising levies erode employees' payslips

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Murder While police station officers have been interdicted, the DCI detectives who arrested him remain unknown

Police cover-up of teacher's death exposed amid queries on names of arresting officers

Postmortem report exposes police lie that Ojwang hit his head on a cell wall, and finds that he was assaulted and tortured to death

BY DANIEL OGETTA

An attempt by the police to cover up how a teacher died in custody has unravelled after a postmortem examination yesterday exposed he was tortured to death.

The initial lie by the police that Albert Ojwang hit his head on a cell wall — in an attempt to weave a narrative of suicide — collapsed spectacularly after pathologists found gruesome injuries “consistent with external assault”.

Ojwang had been arrested from his rural home in Homa Bay on Saturday, following a complaint against him by Deputy Inspector General of Police Eliud Lagat, and locked up at Nairobi's Central Police Station only to be reported

dead hours later.

National Police Service spokesperson Muchiri Nyaga on Sunday initially sought to explain the death of the teacher-cum-blogger, saying: “The suspect sustained head injuries after hitting his head against the cell wall.”

But the postmortem examination conducted at the city mortuary concluded the cause of death was head injury and blunt trauma, with pathologists ruling out self-inflicted injuries.

Ojwang's body bore multiple signs of physical abuse, including bruises on the torso, face and limbs. His head was visibly deformed, and blood was seen oozing from his nose. The autopsy revealed he had signs of torture, with injuries that were not self-inflicted.

Speaking after the postmortem examination, lead pathologist Dr Bernard Midira said the team which, included five pathologists representing all parties among them the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA) and civil society groups — had reached a consensus on the cause of death.

“We found serious injuries to the head, signs of neck compression, and multiple soft tissue injuries on the limbs,” said Dr Midira. “These injuries are consistent with external assault. There were also signs of a struggle.”

If indeed he died of “sustained head injuries after hitting his head against the cell wall,” as the police claimed then, Dr Midira said, as an expert and having examined the body, the patterns of the bleeding would have pointed to that direction.

“But the bleeds that we found on the scalp and on the skin of the head were partially spread on all aspects including the face, the sides of the head and also the back of the head. When we tie that up together with other injuries that are well spread in the body, including the upper limbs under the trunk, then this is unlikely to be self-inflicted injury,” he concluded.

“There was frontal bleeding in the brain, though the bleed was partially spread. This is unlikely to be self-inflicted,” Dr Midira said.

Dr Midira added that while the exact timeline of the injuries was difficult to determine, they oc-



Mr Meshack Ojwang, the father of Albert Ojwang, at the City Mortuary in Nairobi yesterday during the post-mortem examination of his son's body. EVANS HABIL INATION

curred within a short span.

Ojwang's father, Mr Meshack Ojwang, said the police had lied to him about the cause of his son's death, adding that going by the findings of the autopsy and the injuries on the torso, it could have been a well-crafted cover-up.

“Kuhusiana ripoti ambayo nilipata kwa polisi, ni kwamba ilikuwa ya uongo kutokana na uchunguzi ya leo. Niliambiwa mtoto wangu alijigonga kwa ukuta,” a teary Mr Ojwang said, calling on President William Ruto to intervene.

“Help me as a taxpayer. They saw our home was humble and assumed we didn't matter.”

And in a heart-wrenching plea, he directly addressed the complainant, Mr Lagat.

“Eliud Lagat, were you the one who sent your people? What did he do to deserve this? Why was my child crucified?” he asked.

The initial official report by the police indicated that Ojwang was lawfully arrested by Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) detectives for false publication and placed in custody.

But the identities of the four DCI detectives who seized him from his home at Kasipul Kabondo and drove with him to Nairobi where he was locked up at Central Police Station have not been revealed.

As at yesterday, only six police officers stationed at Central Police Station had been interdict-

ed. An investigation by IPOA is expected to shed light on when Ojwang was assaulted and by whom.

Records at the mortuary indicate that Ojwang was booked at the facility at 0244hrs and that he was brought in by police from Central Police Station. The cause of death was indicated as sudden. Ojwang's body was driven in a vehicle with a number plate GK764Y, show the records. The officer who brought him is indicated as “CPC” of E/N 69276.

Law Society of Kenya (LSK) president Faith Odhiambo described the injuries as consistent with torture, accusing the perpetrators of extrajudicial execution.

“This is a crime. Someone gave the order to pick him up from Homa Bay. Someone must be held to account,” said Ms Odhiambo. “We will continue to pile pressure until every single officer involved is held personally liable. IPOA must

Eliud Lagat, were you the one who sent your people? What did he do to deserve this? Why was my child crucified?

Mr Meshack Ojwang



act. We won't accept any excuses.”

“We want all those officers held responsible. From the one who issued orders, the one who picked him up to the ones he was handed over to,” Ms Odhiambo added.

The family's lawyer, Mr Vincent Vusugwa, questioned how Ojwang allegedly removed his clothing, including his pullover, in a locked cell, as claimed in earlier police reports.

“Which is the OB number? Who was the investigating officer? Who ordered the detectives to travel all the way to Homa Bay to arrest Ojwang?” Mr Vusugwa wondered.

“This case raises more questions than answers,” he said, adding: “The Deputy Inspector General is listed as the complainant. But where did he file the complaint, and who gave the orders?”

Ojwang was arrested on Saturday from his father's home in Kasipul Kabondo, Homa Bay County, reportedly over a social media post deemed “derogatory” to Mr Lagat.

Less than 24 hours later, his lifeless body was lying at the Nairobi Funeral Home, bruised, bloodied, and swollen — hundreds of kilometres from where he was last seen alive by his family.

The death was recorded under OB number 09/8/06/2025, with officers claiming he was rushed to Mbagathi Hospital where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

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Raila: Ojwang's death erodes State, police credibility

BY JUSTUS OCHIENG

The leader of the Orange Democratic Movement (ODM), Raila Odinga, has condemned the death of Albert Ojwang, a teacher and blogger from Voi, while in police custody. He described this as an erosion of the “authority and credibility of the police and the State”.

Mr Odinga said that it was unfortunate that Mr Ojwang joins the “horrifying” long list of

young and defenceless Kenyans whose lives have been cut short in brutal and senseless circumstances at the hands of the police.

“While these deaths cause tremendous pain to individuals and their families, they seriously erode the authority and credibility of the police and the State; and that is a significant step towards chaos and collapse,” the ODM leader warned in a statement from Bangkok, Thailand.

“Nobody knows who gave the orders for Mr Ojwang to be arrested and ferried all the way to Nairobi — and yet that person should be answering to Kenyans,” said Mr Odinga.

Calling for immediate and credible investigations, the opposition leader said that the incident was not isolated but part of a disturbing pattern of police brutality against defenceless Kenyans.

Lawmakers warn Ipoa over Ojwang murder investigation

BY COLLINS OMULO AND SAMWEL OWINO

MPs are demanding that external investigators be brought in to investigate the brutal killing of social media influencer Albert Ojwang, as they lack confidence in the Independent Policing and Oversight Authority (Ipoa).

The outraged legislators said they will not allow cover ups and will stop at nothing until individuals involved in the death of the 31-year-old are brought to book.

From the Senate to the National Assembly, lawmakers maintained that heads must roll as they called for an overhaul of the entire security apparatus amid rising cases of abductions and extrajudicial killings.

This as Senate Speaker Amason Kingi ordered that Inspector-General of Police Douglas Kanja, Ipoa chairperson Isack Hassan and National Police Service Commission chairperson Eliud Kinuthia appear before the Senate today accompanied by Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen for questioning.

Senate Majority Leader Aaron Cheruiyot said Ipoa lacks the independence to investigate the incident, arguing that it cannot do its job without interference.

"Last month, they (Ipoa) told us they are investigating those who killed people in Ang'ata Barakoi and up to date, we still don't know the people," said the Kericho Senator. "How difficult is it to know who are the officers who went for Albert in Homa Bay yet when it was one of us who was killed, we were being given a blow-by-blow explanation of the investigations?"

Migori Senator Eddy Oketch said Mr Ojwang's tragic death raises serious questions about police brutality, abuse of authority and the lack of immediate accountability by the responsible officers.



Suba North MP Millie Odhiambo addresses journalists at Bunge Tower on Monday over the killing of Albert Ojwang. She is among lawmakers who yesterday called for external investigators to probe the killing. DENNIS ONSONGOI NATION

sponsible officers.

National Assembly Minority Whip Millie Odhiambo said: "To show seriousness, this case should be fast-tracked. If Ipoa is not in a position to, occasionally the government has employed the services of an external investigator. For us to have confidence, the government should consider that."

Tharaka MP George Murugara said there is need to review the training of police officers, saying the country has no room for extra-judicial killings.

"Are there senior officers giving instructions to junior officers to kill our young men?" he asked.

Homa Bay Senator Moses Kajwang described the death of Ojwang as a shameful act and Mr Murkomen should have resigned in a working democracy.

Nominated Senator Esther Okenyuri added: "DCI officers who arrested Mr Ojwang should tell us the people who sent them to arrest the man and who killed him. This is not something normal."

Vihiga Senator Godfrey Osofi said that senior police officers must step aside or be fired by President William Ruto.

"As ODM, we signed an MoU with UDA and one of the things was a stop to abductions and extrajudicial killings and we will consider this as a material breach of the agreement. We want to see action from the government on deputy IG Eliud Lagat. He should not be in office as we speak. Let us not hoodwink Kenyans by going for junior officers," he said.

His Murang'a counterpart Joe Nyutu said: "There is no reason why Mr Ojwang had to be transported to Nairobi on a civil matter of defamation. Lagat should have sued for damages."

Kakamega Senator Boni Khalwale said it "is not enough to tell Mr Lagat to resign, he should be arrested and record a statement".

Inspiration Villagers say his academic achievements inspired their children

Widow: My husband had big plans for family, community

Ms Onyango says he had planned to transform his community through agriculture

BY GEORGE ODIWUOR

In April, Albert Ojwang formally introduced his wife Nevinina Onyango to his family in Kakoth village, Homa Bay County.

The couple was warmly welcomed by both the family and the wider community. They settled in Ojwang's simba, a traditional Luo bachelor's house he had built within his parents' compound.

Upon marriage, the simba traditionally becomes the couple's first home, a practice Ojwang honoured by renovating the structure to welcome his bride.

He had constructed the house more than a year earlier while working as a teacher contracted by the Board of Management at a school in Voi in Taita-Taveta County. When he returned home in April, he began refurbishing the building by plastering walls, repainting and upgrading fittings. At the time of his arrest last Saturday, Ojwang had just returned from buying tree seedlings to beautify the compound.

The father of one was seated outside sharing a quiet moment with his wife who had just served him a meal of vegetables harvested from their farm when six police officers arrived on three motorcycles. Without explanation, they asked him to accompany them.

Ojwang was admired in his village not only for his dedication to farming, but also for being a role model to local youth. His passion for agriculture and community development had made him a beacon of hope.

According to Ms Onyango, her husband had created a seedbed next to their house for vegetable seedlings. She said he dreamed of feeding families, creating economic opportunities and inspiring others through farming.

Ms Onyango, a nursing student at Thika School of Medical Sciences who is due to graduate later this year, described her late husband as visionary.

"He came back home with a plan. The seedbed was just the beginning," she said.

Village elder Benson Ojweke, who had known Ojwang for years, praised both him and his now widow.

"She's still new here but has already started taking part in communal activities," Mr Ojweke said. "Many young people have abandoned farming for quick but unfruitful ventures. Ojwang was different. His commitment to agriculture proved his industrious spirit. Though his project was still young, it held the promise of transforming lives."



Albert Ojwang's mother Eucabeth Adhiambo Ojwang (left) and his widow Nevinina Onyango Omondi at their home in Kakoth Village in Homa Bay County on Monday. GEORGE ODIWUOR | NATION

Raised in humble circumstances, Ojwang's academic journey took him to Pwani University in Kilifi County where he graduated in 2022, an achievement that

inspired many schoolchildren in his village.

"His success gave our children hope. He had the potential to uplift this entire community," Mr

Ojweke said.

An only child, Ojwang supported his parents and wife with the little income he earned. His uncle Joseph Okumu recalled how he had already gathered bricks to construct a permanent home for his parents.

"He wanted to build for them before thinking of his own house," Mr Okumu said.

Ojwang's mother, Eucabeth Adhiambo Ojwang, tearfully said: "He would call nearly every day, asking if we were okay especially if his father had eaten," she said.

She said the family agreed to let him go with the police officers to Nairobi believing he would return after any legal proceedings. But that hope was crushed.

"Even if he had been jailed for life, I could have visited him. No one deserves to die like that," she said. "I braved countless cold nights so he could go to school. That he should die like this is unspeakably cruel."

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Higher education President Ruto's promise to issue interest-free loans yet to be actualised almost three years later

71,000 student loan defaulters blacklisted as HELB owed Sh35bn

Amount owed can fund education of 289,000 students for an academic year

BY DAVID MUCHUNGUH

Some 310,942 former students who benefited from funding for their education by the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) have defaulted on loan repayments totalling Sh35.14 billion, it has been revealed.

Of these, 71,806 have already been negatively listed with Metropol and TransUnion credit reference bureaus (CRBs), potentially locking them out of access to credit facilities. However, 412,194 other individuals have been repaying their loans have been listed positively for performing loans.

According to HELB chief executive Geoffrey Monari, the amount owed is enough to fund the education of 289,000 students in universities and colleges for a full academic year. The board awards study loans to deserving students for their upkeep as well as part of their tuition fees. Upon maturity, the loans are payable at an interest rate of four per cent.

The details of the defaulters come at a time the government is struggling to finance students in higher education as their

HELB LOAN DEFAULTERS OVER THE YEARS

Sh35.1bn
Money can fund 289,000 students in higher education

Sh35.9bn
Last year, Sh35.9 billion was budgeted for the Higher Education Loans Board for provision of loans to university and TVET students

Sh101.4bn
The total outstanding balance is Sh101.4 billion from 774,092 loan accounts of former HELB loan

484,000
484,000 individuals listed with CRBs – comprising both performing (positive) and non-performing (negative)



Sh35.1bn Amount owed to HELB by defaulters over the years since 1975

310,942 Number of defaulters

Sh682.28 million
Defaulters 11,117 (1975-1994)

Sh2.65 billion
Defaulters 23,886 (1995-2009)

Sh7.31 billion
Defaulters 53,208 (2010-2018)

Sh6.7 billion
Defaulters 68,892 (2019/2020)

Sh8.4 billion
Defaulters 87,391 (2020/2021)

Sh10.24 billion
Defaulters 94,216 (2021/2022)

Sh20.1 billion
Defaulters 137,793 (2022/2023)

Source: HELB | Compiled by Jackie Macharia | Illustrated by Andrew Anini

numbers increase and Exchequer funding remains static. In the 2024/25 financial year, Sh35.9 billion had been budgeted for student loans through HELB.

Data from previous years indicates that the number of defaulters has been on a steady increase, which threatens the sustainability

of HELB, which was conceptualised as a revolving fund.

Some 11,117 students whose university education was funded by the government between 1975 and 1994 before HELB was created owe Sh682.28 million.

Mr Monari revealed that the current total outstanding balance

stands at Sh101.4 billion from 774,092 loan accounts of former beneficiaries.

"If all debtors paid their dues, HELB would reduce reliance on the National Treasury funding. It would expand access to higher education and institutional credibility would be strengthened," Mr

Monari said.

He added that 463,150 former students holding Sh66.26 billion in mature loans are currently repaying on a monthly basis.

President William Ruto had promised to "Restructure the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) to offer interest free loans," in the Education Charter he signed with stakeholders during his campaigns for the presidency in 2022. Close to three years since coming to office, this has not been actualised.

Mr Monari told the Nation that a key challenge that HELB faces in its debt collection is a misconception that HELB loans are social or non-repayable. He also blamed high unemployment rates for inability of former students to repay their student loans.

Other reasons he cited are a rise in short-term and 'gig' employment that is difficult to track and migration of graduates to the diaspora.

"HELB uses a multi-pronged approach to debt collection. This includes statutory employer check-off system and strategic partnerships and data-sharing with institutions," Mr Monari said.

Loanees are also sent periodic reminders and penalty waivers extended for lump sum payments. The board also engages loan guarantors to convince the loanees to repay their loans.

Mr Monari ruled out the possibility of writing off some of the loans, saying that it is beyond the mandate of HELB.

"The decision to write off loans lies with the National Treasury through the Ministry of Education, not HELB," he stated.

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VETTING OF NOMINEES TO MERU MUNICIPALITY BOARD

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, 2019, Sections 8 (1) (a) of the County Governments Act, 2012, Section 7 (3) & (4) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, Standing Order No. 46 (3) of the County Assembly of Meru Standing Orders, and Clauses 3.3 of the Meru Municipal Charter, notice is hereby given for the information of the general public and the Nominees that the **Sectoral Committees on Land, Economic and Physical Planning** shall vet the below listed persons for appointment to the Meru Municipality Board Members.

The Approval Hearings will be conducted as specified in the schedule below:

NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT TO MERU MUNICIPALITY BOARD MEMBERS

No.	Name of Nominee	Representation	Date	Time & Venue
1.	Joseph Kaburu Mbogori	Private Sector	Thursday, 19 th June 2025	10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Assembly Chamber
2.	Joshua Kirimi Mungania	Rep. Chamber of Commerce	Thursday, 19 th June 2025	10:45 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Assembly Chamber
3.	Hon. Florence Kajuju	Nomination	Thursday, 19 th June 2025	11:30 a.m. - 12:15 Noon Assembly Chamber
4.	David Ntarangwi Rukunga	Professional	Thursday, 19 th June 2025	12:15 Noon - 1:00 p.m. Assembly Chamber
5.	Latif Kinyua Mbaya	Nomination	Thursday, 19 th June 2025	1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Assembly Chamber

The Assembly therefore requests any member of the public or institution to take part in the exercise by submitting any information and/or reservations in respect to the suitability of the said nominees to serve in the aforesaid offices.

The submissions should be by way of sworn affidavits hand delivered to the Office of the Clerk of the Assembly in sealed envelopes on or before **Wednesday, 18th June, 2025 at 4.00p.m.**

All information received shall be held in confidence and used only for vetting of the said nominees. The nominees should bring along their original academic and professional certificates, National IDs or Passports, and any other relevant testimonials. In addition, the nominees should bring along certificates of clearance from the following institutions:

- Kenya Revenue Authority (K.R.A.)
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- Directorate of Criminal Investigations (D.C.I)
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Shocking The revelations, which impact management of capitation funds, came as audit flagged the ownership of Nemis

Why State may not know the exact number of learners

The management system was manipulated with some learners' details erased, MPs told

BY DAVID MWERE

The government may not know the exact number of learners in public and private schools following revelations that the National Education Management Information System (Nemis), which the Ministry of Education has been using to capture learner data, was manipulated, with some records erased.

The revelations, which impact the management of capitation funds in schools, emerged as Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu flagged the ownership of Nemis in her audit report on the accounts of the State Department for Basic Education for the 2022/23 financial year. The report is currently under consideration by the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) of the National Assembly.

Although Basic Education Principal Secretary Julius Bitok, while appearing before PAC, claimed that 12.6 million is the current number of learners in primary, junior, and secondary schools, disclosures by Mr Fredrick Mujumba, a senior official at the State Department for Basic Education, suggest otherwise.

Mr Mujumba, who heads the Kenya Education Management Information System (Kemis), the platform replacing Nemis, told the committee, chaired by Butere MP Tindi Mwale, that the deletion of learner data from the system may have compromised the accuracy of records.

"We have noticed that some of these learners have been deleted from various points - not necessarily at the school level. In some cases, a cybercafé operator removed learners from the system because they had not been paid



Grade 9 pupils during a science lesson at Fairfield Primary School in Mombasa. KEVIN ODIT I NATION

for the work they did," Mr Mujumba told the committee.

The weaknesses in the Nemis system were highlighted by the Auditor-General, as it emerged

that the government had spent Sh239.8 million to re-engineer the system under the Primary Education Development project.

According to the audit report,

the scope of work for strengthening Nemis included the installation of one of the servers at a secondary site on existing government cloud infrastructure. This was to enable the system to leverage government cloud resources such as processing and storage capabilities, load balancing, intelligent system monitoring, scalability, data security, and business continuity. The secondary site runs on VMware virtualisation software and CISCO or DELL servers.

Bitok assured MPs that the government has accurate learner data, even as PAC members raised doubts and called for an audit.

"We know the number of learners because we have them," said the PS, adding that the migration to Kemis was informed by recommendations of the Presidential Working Party on Education Reforms, chaired by Prof Raphael Munavu.

The PS, however, did not disclose how much the migration to the new system would cost, despite pressure from PAC members. He went on to state that the 12.6 million learners are distributed as follows: 6.4 million in primary schools, 3.3 million in senior secondary schools, and 2.9 million in Junior Secondary Schools.

Mr Mujumba's remarks followed concerns raised by PAC members Dr Wilberforce Ojiambo (Funyula) and Nabii Nabwera

We have noticed that some of these learners have been deleted from various points... In some cases, a cybercafé operator removed learners from the system

Fredrick Mujumba



(Lugari), who questioned the integrity of the learner data held by the Ministry of Education.

"The State Department does not know the number of learners in schools across the country," said Dr Ojiambo. Mr Nabwera added, "Manipulation of Nemis is the greatest threat to capitation management. It has become a channel for the siphoning of funds. Principals have reported that by the end of the day, a school may have 300 learners recorded in the system, only for the number to drop to 100 the next morning."

This is despite the fact that the government allocates and disburses capitation funds to public schools based on learner data captured in Nemis.

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TENDER NOTICE

The National Assembly invites interested, eligible and competent bidders for sale of boarded Motor vehicles as stated in the tender document;

TENDER NUMBER	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE
NA/OT/032/2024-2025	Disposal of Motor Vehicles under The National Assembly	Open	Wednesday, 18 th June, 2025 at 11.00 a.m.

Interested bidders may view the motor vehicles during normal working hours on **11th June 2025 to 18th June 2025** in the locations specified in the tender document. Interested and eligible bidders may download the tender document from the Parliament website: www.parliament.go.ke/tenders or from the Public Procurement Information portal, www.tenders.go.ke free of charge. Bidders who download the tender document must register their contact details with the National Assembly by email to procurementna@parliament.go.ke for the purposes of receiving any tender clarification and/ or addendum.

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Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives at Protection House, 13th Floor at the Junction of Parliament Road and Haile Selassie Avenue, Nairobi.

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Trouble In February 2025, Kenya hosted Sudanese rebels - the Rapid Support Forces

Kenya under Ruto: From a peacemaker to 'meddler'

Since taking over power from Uhuru Kenyatta, Ruto's foreign policy shift has continued to spark diplomatic tensions

IMPORTANT NOTICE

CAUTIONARY ANNOUNCEMENT

SANLAM KENYA PLC

(Incorporated in Kenya under the Companies Act)(Chapter 486 of the Laws of Kenya)
Company Number 10/46

The Capital Markets Act (Chapter 485A of the Laws of Kenya)

Regulation 89(4) of the Capital Markets (Securities) (Public Offers, Listing and Disclosures) Regulations, 2023

Proposed indirect increase of shareholding in Sanlam Kenya PLC by Hubris Holdings Limited and Sanlam Allianz Africa Proprietary Limited and notice of intention not to make a mandatory take-over offer to the shareholders of Sanlam Kenya PLC

Shareholders of Sanlam Kenya PLC (Sanlam Kenya) are hereby advised that on 5 June 2025, Sanlam Kenya was served with a notice of intention not to make a mandatory take-over offer to the shareholders of Sanlam Kenya (the Notice) by Hubris Holdings Limited, a limited liability company incorporated in Kenya under company number C. 87555 and having its registered address at Sanlam Tower, L.R. No. 180/W/72 and of PO Box 44041, GPO Nairobi, Kenya (Hubris) and Sanlam Allianz Africa Proprietary Limited (SAZ), a limited liability company established in the Republic of South Africa and registered under company number 2021/987585/07, having its registered address at 2 Strand Road, Sanlamhof, Cape Town, South Africa, 7532. Hubris is a wholly owned subsidiary of SAZ.

According to the Notice, resulting from the recently concluded Sanlam Kenya rights issue to raise KES 2.5 billion through the issuance of 500,000,000 new Sanlam Kenya ordinary shares at an offer price of KES 5 in the ratio of 125 new ordinary shares for every 36 ordinary shares held in the share capital of Sanlam Kenya (Rights Issue):

- Hubris increased Hubris' shareholding in Sanlam Kenya from a direct shareholding of 57.14% to 66.19% having taken up all its entitlements under the Rights Issue and at the close of the Rights Issue and commencement of trading on 04 June 2025, holding 359,700,000 ordinary shares of KES 5 each in Sanlam Kenya's issued share capital (Initial Allotment); and
- Hubris and/or SAZ is expected to increase SAZ's direct and indirect shareholding to a shareholding of 71.47%, following the close of the Rights Issue and pursuant to the terms of the Rights Issue Information Memorandum dated 3 April 2025 and the underwriting agreement entered into between Sanlam Kenya and SAZ dated 03 April 2025 (Underwriting Agreement) as SAZ and/or Hubris is expected to be allotted a further 100,579,535 of KES 5 each in Sanlam Kenya (Subsequent Allotment), taking their total allotment to 460,279,535 ordinary shares of KES 5 each, being approximately 71.47% of Sanlam Kenya's issued share capital post the Rights Issue, (the Transactions).

The Transactions trigger the provisions of regulations 3(1) and 4 of The Capital Markets (Take-overs and Mergers) Regulations, 2002 (Take-over Regulations) under which Hubris and SAZ will be deemed as having acquired effective control of Sanlam Kenya.

Completion of the Transactions is subject to obtaining all relevant regulatory approvals as detailed in the public announcement of Hubris and SAZ dated 6 June 2025 pursuant to Regulation 4(1) of the Capital Markets (Take-overs & Mergers) Regulations 2002 (the Take-over Regulations).

It is noted that SAZ and Hubris have announced that they do NOT intend to make a take-over offer for the remaining shares in Sanlam Kenya that are not directly or indirectly held by Hubris and SAZ following implementation of the Initial Allotment and the Subsequent Allotment, and that they have applied to the CMA for an exemption under regulations 5(2)(a); 5(2)(f) and 5(2)(g) of the Take-over Regulations.

Shareholders and the investing public are advised to exercise caution when dealing in Sanlam Kenya ordinary shares on the Nairobi Securities Exchange pending further announcement, if required.

By order of the Board

Dr. JPN Simba, EGH, MBS, OGW
Chairman
Sanlam Kenya PLC
9 June 2025

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BY FRED OLUOCH

Since taking office on September 13, 2022, President William Ruto has dramatically altered Kenya's foreign policy, straining diplomatic relations with neighbours including Sudan, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), South Sudan and Somalia.

Once a beacon of peace and trusted regional mediator - credited for helping broker the 2005 Comprehensive Peace Agreement in Sudan and the formation of Somalia's transitional government in 2004 - Kenya is now viewed by some as a partisan actor in regional conflicts.

In January 2024, President Ruto was named the African Union (AU) Champion for Institutional Reforms, taking over from Rwanda's Paul Kagame. But foreign policy analysts argue Kenya's growing economic ambitions, strategic interests, and security concerns have compromised its neutrality. Some now refer to Kenya as a "war facilitator."

Prof Peter Kagwanja, CEO of the Africa Policy Institute, says the Ruto administration has veered from traditional diplomacy anchored in national interests and pan-Africanism, in favour of more transactional engagement.

In February 2025, Kenya hosted Sudanese rebels - the Rapid Support Forces (RSF) - alongside 24 allied political parties and civil society organisations in Nairobi, where they launched a "parallel government." The move drew widespread condemnation, with critics citing Kenya's alleged business ties with RSF leader Mohamed Hamdan Daglo, also known as Hemedti, as a conflict of interest.

Sudan's Vice-Chair of the Sovereign Council, Malik Agar, accused Kenya of violating AU non-interference principles and launching an "assault" on Sudanese sovereignty. In response, Sudan recalled its ambassador, Kamal Jabara, and severed trade ties with Kenya - jeopardising \$48.2 million in annual exports, mainly tea and tobacco.

The Kenya Human Rights Commission labelled Nairobi's decision a breach of international obligations, including the UN Charter, AU Constitutive Act, and Genocide Convention. "This move undermines Sudan's sovereignty, constitutes an act of hostility, and disregards the suffering of Sudanese civilians," read a statement on 28 February.

RSF leaders defended the Nairobi meeting, arguing the "Political Charter for the Government of Peace and Unity" aimed to foster national consensus and peace. Kenya denied backing the RSF, maintaining it was facilitating dialogue in line with its regional peacebuilding tradition.

Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi, who also serves as Foreign and Diaspora Affairs Minister, insisted: "No parallel government was formed in Nairobi. Kenya abhors the balkanisation of sovereign states and supports a unified Sudan."

Still, the fallout reinforced Sudan's 2023 rejection of Kenya's leadership of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Quartet on Sudan, citing perceived Kenyan bias towards Hemedti. Sudanese generals, including Gen Abdel Fattah al-Burhan and Gen Yasser al-Atta, accused President Ruto of meddling. "President Ruto should bring the Kenyan army to face us instead of interfering," said al-Atta in July 2023.

Tensions also flared with the DRC in December 2023 when Kenya allowed the launch of the Congo River Alliance, a rebel political-military coalition led by former electoral chief Corneille Nangaa and M23's Bertrand Simwira. DRC recalled its envoy after Ruto refused to arrest the leaders, saying: "Kenya is a democracy. We do not arrest people for statements - we arrest criminals."

In South Sudan, Ruto's diplomatic overtures through the Tumaini Peace Initiative - launched in May 2024 - have stalled. While Kenya's support for President Salva Kiir mirrors its past posture, opposition groups remain wary. Talks collapsed in February after the government insisted on aligning Tumaini with the 2018 peace deal, which opposition groups reject.

The National Salvation Front (NAS) boycotted the talks, citing Kenya's prior rendition of rebel figures Dong Luak and Aggrey Idri to Juba in 2017. NAS leader Gen Thomas Cirillo told The East African that Kenya could not be trusted as a neutral arbiter.

In Somalia, Kenya's ties with the breakaway region of Somaliland have also raised eyebrows. On 29 May, Somaliland President Abdurahman Mohamed Abdullahi Irro opened a "Mission Office" in Nairobi, two days after the Kenyan government halted its planned launch, citing its commitment to Somalia's territorial integrity and the One Somalia policy. The Somaliland Liaison Office has operated in Nairobi since 2018 but lacks formal diplomatic status.

Somaliland, which declared independence in 1991, has not gained international recognition but maintains informal relations with the UK, UAE, Ethiopia, and Taiwan. Kenya's engagement with the region has drawn repeated protests from Mogadishu, which sees it as an encroachment on Somali sovereignty.



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Economy Reduced worker earnings have depressed demand for goods and services bringing cash flow problems

How rising levies have eroded payslips of Kenyan employees

This has breached Employment Act (2007), which prohibits employers from deducting more than two-thirds of basic pay

BY CONSTANT MUNDA

Last December, Gerald Mbalu received a text from his Sacco stating that Sh35,220.22 had been credited to his salary account. However, he could only withdraw Sh2,681.39 as his available balance. His take-home pay represented just 4.13 per cent of his Sh64,950 salary. This breached Kenya's Employment Act (2007), which prohibits employers from deducting more than two-thirds of an employee's basic pay to safeguard their rightful earnings.

For context, Mr Mbalu has two loans from the Sacco that processes his salary: a development loan and a Fosa loan. The development loan, which he initially secured using a title deed, is deducted from his payslip, while the Fosa loan is deducted directly from his salary account without appearing on the payslip. He also took out a Sh60,000 mobile loan from the same Sacco, repayable over three months, with the first instalment due in December. This repayment is likewise deducted from his salary (Fosa) account without appearing on his payslip.

"I go to work every month to repay loans," Mr Mbalu says. "What remains after deductions barely covers water, electricity and airtime. The loans funded a business that sustains our basic needs, but sales haven't been sufficient in recent years to service the debt. If I lost my job today, I'd return



Workers trek along Thika Road near Muthaiga. FILE | NATION

DEDUCTIONS

Shrinking salaries as deductions mount

Healthcare: Since October 2023, the Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF) deducts 2.75% of gross earnings.

Housing Levy: A 1.5% deduction began in July 2023. Until December 2023, both were subject to double taxation before the Tax Laws Amendment Act 2024 provided relief.

NSSF: From February 2024, minimum contributions rose from Sh420 to Sh480, with the ceiling increasing from Sh2,160 to Sh3,840.

home with nothing but my NSSF pension savings."

Mr Mbalu's situation mirrors that of many workers struggling with existing loan obligations, exacerbated by increased statutory deductions supporting President William Ruto's universal healthcare and affordable housing programmes. Employers warn that shrinking take-home pay since 2023 has created legal compli-

ance challenges for companies and financial institutions.

The Federation of Kenya Employers (FKE) estimates deductions now consume 40-45 per cent of average gross pay, eroding purchasing power in an economy largely driven by consumption. "Continuing to raid payslips means employees will have nothing left, forcing them into perpetual bor-

Monthly Pay	Pay in 2022	Pay in 2025
100,000	76,032	71,618
200,000	146,032	138,643
300,000	216,032	205,668
400,000	286,032	272,693
500,000	356,032	339,718
750,000	531,032	501,935
1,000,000	706,032	659,684

Ruto's broken promises: Youth demands still largely unmet

BY JACKLINE MACHARIA AND NDUBI MOTURI

President William Ruto has struggled to keep pace with promises made to Kenyan youth following the anti-government protests that shook the country in June and July 2024.

An analysis of commitments he made on July 5 reveals that many remain unfulfilled.

One of the youth's key demands was an end to harambees by political leaders in churches, arguing that politicians were misusing the pulpit to promote themselves and waste public resources.

In response, President Ruto announced a ban on public servants participating in church fundraisers and directed the Attorney-General to draft legislation to guide structured and transparent public contributions.

"No state officer and public servant shall participate in public

contributions henceforth," Dr Ruto said.

But on March 9 this year, the President donated Sh20 million at AIC Fellowship Annex in Eldoret, just a week after pledging the same amount at Jesus Winners Ministry in Nairobi. He also promised to rally friends to raise Sh100 million to complete the church, triggering protests from angry youth in Nairobi, who accused him of violating his own directive.

In fact, barely weeks after the decree, Ruto contradicted himself by offering funds for a church in Ndaragwa, Nyandarua County. "I am instructing my Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua and the church leadership to assess what is needed so I can write a cheque," he said.

In November 2024, the Catholic Church returned a donation of Sh2.6 million from the President and another Sh200,000 from Nai-

robi Governor Johnson Sakaja, citing its opposition to using religious platforms for political promotion.

Eight months on, nothing has changed. State officers continue to make donations in churches almost every weekend.

The proposed Public Fundraising Appeals Bill, 2024, introduced by Kericho Senator Aaron Cheruiyot to regulate such contributions, faced stiff resistance in the Senate. Lawmakers argued that overregulating harambees would hurt the poor and stifle community development.

Ruto also promised to form a taskforce to audit public debt. He appointed a team chaired by Nancy Onyango and deputised by Prof Luis Franceschi to evaluate the value for money on loans and funded projects.

However, the High Court blocked its operations after Nairobi-based surgeons Dr Magare

Gikenyi and Eliud Matindi challenged its legality, arguing it usurped the role of the Auditor-General.

"We had planned to do an audit of the public debt; we did not succeed," the President admitted on March 7 while unveiling a 10-point reform deal with former Prime Minister Raila Odinga, which includes an audit of the national debt.

Another promise was to dissolve 47 state parastatals with overlapping mandates to cut costs. On January 21, the government announced nine would be dissolved, 42 merged, and six restructured.

Ruto also suspended the appointment of Chief Administrative Secretaries (CASs). However, many former CASs have since been reassigned to other state roles. For instance, former Nairobi Governor Evans Kidero now chairs the Kenya National Trad-

ing Corporation, while former Rarieda MP Nicholas Gumbo chairs the Kenya Sugar Board.

The pledge to cut the number of government advisers by half has also faltered. Instead, the President has hired more advisers, including Prof Adams Oloo, Joe Ager, Dr Silvestor Okumu Kasuku and Maj (Rtd) Ali Mahat Somane, all appointed in December 2024. In August, former CS Moses Kuria was also named senior adviser to the Council of Economic Advisers.

The offices of the First Lady, Second Lady, and spouse of the Prime Cabinet Secretary were another point of contention during protests, with demands for their closure. Ruto announced that their budgets would be scrapped.

While budget provisions were removed, State House Comptroller Katoo Ole Metito later appealed to Parliament to reinstate Sh591 million to pay staff at the

rowing and eventual distress that could spark social unrest," FKE executive director Jacqueline Mugo warned in January. "This undermines the value of employment, creating a 'working poor' class - something Kenya cannot afford."

The Ministry of Health implemented Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF) deductions at 2.75 per cent of gross earnings last October, over a year after introducing a 1.5 per cent housing levy deduction in July 2023. Until 27 December last year, both deductions faced double taxation as the Kenya Revenue Authority calculated PAYE on gross amounts before the Tax Laws Amendment Act (2024) provided relief.

From February, National Social Security Fund contributions increased, with minimum deductions rising from Sh420 to Sh480 and maximum contributions increasing from Sh2,160 to Sh3,840. On May 1, employers proposed reforms including pegging statutory deductions to basic rather than gross pay, reducing the housing levy to 0.5 per cent, and expanding tax relief bands from Sh24,000 to Sh36,000.

The housing levy collected Sh54.16 billion in its first year (ending June 2024), with projections of Sh65.53 billion by June 2025 and Sh95.84 billion the following year. However, reduced worker earnings have depressed demand for goods and services, compounding cash flow problems in an economy where government suppliers are owed billions.

FKE attributes firms' financial strain to low demand, liquidity constraints, rising costs, an unpredictable tax regime, frequent legislative changes, market contraction and lost competitiveness. This has stifled job creation, with some companies replacing permanent staff with casual workers.

Kenya Revenue Authority data shows private sector average gross monthly pay fell 2.89 per cent year-on-year to Sh75,781 between June-September 2023 - the first such decline in 30 years, attributed to organisational restructuring to manage costs.

First Lady's office, citing potential legal consequences for breaching employment contracts.

Among other austerity measures was the halving of the renovation budget for State House and Lodges, initially pegged at Sh1.5 billion. A revised budget reflected these cuts.

Ruto also ordered all public servants aged 60 and above to retire without contract extensions. But the High Court suspended this directive after Caroline Wambui Mwangi challenged it, warning of legal and financial consequences.

The President's promise to review government transport policy is ongoing.

Treasury CS John Mbadi has since announced a draft policy to cut transport costs. Additionally, the government suspended vehicle purchases for 12 months - except for security agencies - and slashed nearly Sh1 billion meant for new cars in the revised budget.

Order The National Police Service has been instructed to stop his salary immediately and officers to visit his home Police declare Samidoh deserter, faces arrest

A memo states that he failed to report to work after being transferred from Central to Gilgil

BY NYABOGA KIAGE

Twelve days after Mugithi star Samuel Ndirangu Muchoki, popularly known as Samidoh, shared a cryptic post following his transfer, his commander has accused him of deserting duty and called for his arrest.

In an internal memo, a Kennedy Barasa, writing on behalf of Anti-Stock Theft Unit (ASTU) boss Joseph Limo, stated that Mr Samidoh failed to report to work on May 27, 2025, after being transferred from the Central region police headquarters to Gilgil.

"The officer was granted off-duty and was supposed to report back on 27/05/2025 but failed. Since then, he has not been seen, and efforts to trace him have been futile," reads the signal.

Mr Barasa said the singer had been absent for over 10 days with-



Samuel Muchoki, popularly known as Samidoh, during a past music concert. FILE | NATION

out explanation, qualifying him as a deserter under police service regulations.

He directed the National Police Service (NPS) to stop his salary immediately and instructed officers to visit Mr Samidoh's home in Gatumbiro, Nyandarua County, to establish his whereabouts.

Efforts by *Nation* to reach Samidoh were unsuccessful by press time.

According to the NPS, desertion has serious consequences, including dismissal, criminal charges, imprisonment, a criminal record, and loss of benefits. It also reduces police capacity, affects mo-

rale, and undermines public confidence.

Under the National Police Service Act Chapter 84 (Revised 2014), desertion is a criminal offence. Section 94(1) provides that: "A police officer who absents himself from duty without leave or just cause for a period exceed-

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The number of days that the Anti-Stock Theft Unit says Samuel Ndirangu Muchoki, popularly known as Samidoh, has missed work

ing ten days shall, unless the contrary is proved, be considered to have deserted from the Service."

Section 94(3) further states: "Any police officer who deserts from the Service commits an offence and is liable on conviction to summary dismissal or imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years."

However, a separate letter dated April 25, 2025, showed that Samidoh had been cleared by his superiors to travel to the US from May 20 to June 9, 2025.

During this time, *Nation* established that the singer performed in the UK and Ireland and spent time with his family in the US. Before travelling abroad, he had held several shows across Kenya, including Limuru Road, Rongai (Kajiado), Thika, and Githurai 45.

On May 28, the singer posted a photo on his verified social me-

dia pages in Southall, London, captioned: "The tree does not curse the axe; it grows around the wound and reaches higher still."

The next day, he shared a Thomas Jefferson quote: "When justice becomes law, resistance becomes duty," while standing next to a British Transport Police (BTP) vehicle.

Mr Samidoh's transfer had earlier raised public concern, prompting Inspector General Douglas Kanja to clarify that redeployments among civil servants are normal - and that the artist was no exception.

The controversy began on May 16 when a video went viral showing him performing at an undisclosed venue as revellers chanted "wantam," slang for "one term" - a slogan used by President William Ruto's political opponents ahead of the 2027 elections. The video alarmed police leadership and reportedly triggered disciplinary action.

Mr Samidoh was also absent from a State House meeting convened by President Ruto for artists from the Mount Kenya region. The meeting was held on Monday.

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NOTICE OF THE 12TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TO MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY PENSION FUND

Notice is hereby given that the 12th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the COUNTY PENSION FUND will take place both virtually, via electronic means, AND physically, at the Tourist Hotel, Bungoma County, on Thursday 3rd July 2025 starting from 8.30 A.M to 12:00 P.M.

Agenda

1. Introduction & Opening Remarks.
2. Reading the Notice of the meeting.
3. Reading and taking note of the Minutes of the 11th Annual General Meeting held on 20th June 2024.
4. Presentation of the Investment's Managers' Reports.
5. Presentation of the Schemes' Custodian Report.
6. Presentation of the Financial Statements and Audited Accounts for Year 2024.
7. Presentation of the Chairman's Report.
8. Presentation of the Administrator's Report.
9. Presentation by a select list of Stakeholders.
10. Address by Chief Guest.
11. Award Ceremony.
12. Question & Answer.
13. Vote of Thanks.

By order of the Board

DR. HOSEA KILI, MBS
GROUP MANAGING DIRECTOR/CEO
CPF FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD;
THE SCHEME CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR
FOR & ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE
COUNTY PENSION FUND



NOTICE OF THE 22ND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TO MEMBERS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES' PENSIONS TRUST

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSIONS TRUST (LAPTRUST) will take place both virtually, via electronic means, AND physically, at the Tourist Hotel, Bungoma County, on Thursday 3rd July 2025 starting from 8.30 A.M to 12:00 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Introduction & Opening Remarks.
2. Reading of the Notice of the meeting.
3. Reading and taking note of the Minutes of the 21st Annual General Meeting held on 20th June 2024.
4. Presentation of the Investment's Managers' Reports.
5. Presentation of the Schemes' Custodians Report.
6. Presentation of the Financial Statements and Audited Accounts for Year 2024.
7. Presentation of the Chairman's Report.
8. Presentation of the Administrator's Report.
9. Presentation by a select list of Stakeholders.
10. Address by Chief Guest.
11. Award Ceremony.
12. Question & Answer.
13. Vote of Thanks.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

DR. HOSEA KILI, MBS
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THE SCHEME CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR
FOR & ON BEHALF OF LAPTRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES



NOTICE OF THE 11TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TO MEMBERS OF CPF INDIVIDUAL PENSION SCHEME

Notice is hereby given that the 11th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of CPF INDIVIDUAL PENSION SCHEME will take place both virtually, via electronic means, AND physically, at the Tourist Hotel, Bungoma County, on Thursday 3rd July 2025 starting from 8.30 A.M to 12:00 P.M.

Agenda

1. Introduction & Opening Remarks.
2. Reading of the Notice of the meeting.
3. Reading and taking note of the Minutes of the 10th Annual General Meeting held on 20th June 2024.
4. Presentation of the Investment's Managers' Reports.
5. Presentation of the Schemes' Custodian Report.
6. Presentation of the Financial Statements and Audited Accounts for Year 2024.
7. Presentation of the Chairman's Report.
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FOR & ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES OF
CPF (INDIVIDUAL) PENSION SCHEME

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF LOCAL AUTHORITY PENSION TRUST

Opinion
The summary financial statements, which comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits at 31 December 2024 and the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits and cash flows for the year then ended have been derived from the audited financial statements of Local Authority Pension Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

Summary financial statements
The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by IFRS Accounting Standards.

Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements and the auditor's report thereon. The summary financial statements and the audited financial statements do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on the audited financial statements.

The audited financial statements and our report thereon
We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited financial statements in our report dated 28 March 2025.

Trustees' responsibility for the summary financial statements
The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the summary financial statements in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards and the requirements of the Retirement Benefits (Occupational Retirement Benefit Schemes) Regulations, 2000.

Auditor's responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 810 (Revised), Engagements to report on summary financial statements.

Richard Njoroge
FCPA Richard Njoroge, Practising Certificate Number 1244

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For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
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Nairobi
28th March 2025

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ABRIDGED REPORT OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION TRUST STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2023

Statement of changes in net assets available for benefits	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000
Contributions and withdrawals		
Contributions	7,927,075	7,745,251
Transfers out	(30,785)	-
Benefits paid	(3,668,191)	(3,790,123)
Net surplus from dealings with members	4,208,109	3,955,128
Return on investments		
Investment income	2,435,484	1,715,478
Net loss on realization of investments	(52,531)	(52,595)
Other income	2,412	13,328
Investment management expenses	(472,923)	(395,948)
Net fair value gain/(loss) on investments	1,203,351	(1,368,580)
Fair value gain/(loss) on investment property	652,815	(605,650)
Net return/(loss) on investments	3,778,808	(693,927)
Administrative expenses	(1,587,884)	(1,852,104)
Credit impairment losses	(5,305,184)	(5,678,000)
Increase/(decrease) in net assets for the year	1,113,849	(4,268,903)
Net assets at start of the year	26,995,407	31,264,310
Net assets at the end of the year	28,109,256	26,995,407

ABRIDGED REPORT OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION TRUST STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2024

Statement of net assets available for benefits	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000
Assets		
Bank balances	863,112	325,843
Short term deposits	663,947	863,860
Government securities (Treasury bonds)	11,642,071	7,986,330
Real Estate Investment Trust	4,797,128	6,335,378
Corporate bond	49,246	50,021
Receivables and accrued income	2,823,527	2,786,838
Quoted investments	1,986,405	1,454,624
Private equity	190,734	202,956
Unquoted investment	2,122,122	2,214,956
Investment property	7,928,226	8,940,656
Offshore investments	78,584	37,815
Other investments	2,212	1,810
Total assets	33,147,334	31,201,107
Liabilities		
Payables and accruals	(5,038,078)	(4,205,700)
Net assets	28,109,256	26,995,407

The financial statements were approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Trustees on 28th March 2025 and were signed on their behalf by:

[Signature]
Trustee
Dr. Hosea KIL, MBS
Trustee Name

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Trustee
Winfred Symbua Mbal
Trustee Name

ABRIDGED REPORT OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION TRUST STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

Statement of cash flows	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Contributions received	2,932,563	2,785,956
Other income received	5,594	8,235
Transfers out	(30,785)	-
Withdrawals	(3,688,181)	(3,790,123)
Administrative expenses	(1,587,884)	(1,852,104)
Increase/decrease in receivables	(36,889)	300,859
Increase in payables	832,378	2,009,896
Net cash flows used in operating activities	(1,573,004)	(537,311)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Investment income received	1,678,546	1,446,696
Investment management expenses paid	(472,923)	(395,948)
Purchase of government securities	(4,878,089)	(1,583,709)
Purchase of quoted equity investments	(36,740)	(26,467)
Additions to investment property	(792,755)	(153,311)
Purchase of fixed and call deposits	(8,599,623)	(4,274,327)
Private equity investments	(53,104)	16,931
Purchase of offshore investments	(64,961)	(2,831)
Proceeds from sale of property	2,368,950	174,400
Proceeds from sale of equity investments	56,100	103,980
Proceeds from sale of government securities	2,539,306	912,184
Proceeds from sale of corporate bonds	944	839
Proceeds from sale of treasury bills	-	20,020
Proceeds from matured call and fixed deposits	8,799,516	3,250,507
Proceeds from sale of offshore deposits	32,456	-
Proceeds from sales of Real Estate Investment Trust	1,532,520	598,282
Proceeds from sale of unquoted investments	-	263,362
Net cash generated from investing activities	2,110,273	324,746
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	537,269	(212,565)
Cash and cash equivalents at start of year	325,843	538,408
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	863,112	325,843

The audited financial statements and our report thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited financial statements in our report dated 28 March 2025.

Responsibilities of Trustees for the Financial Statements

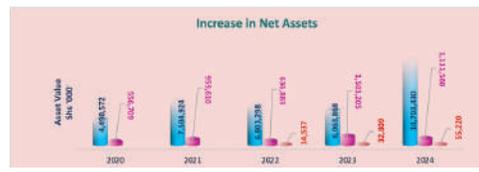
The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the condensed financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Retirement Benefits Act as applicable to condensed financial statements.

Auditors' responsibility

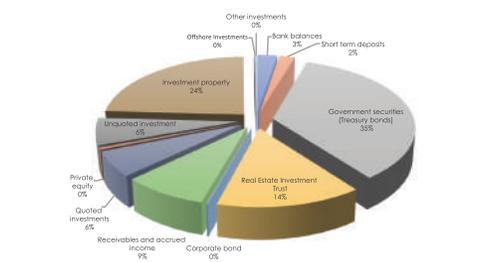
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the condensed financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 810 (Revised), Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

CPA Fred Aloo, Practising certificate No. 1537.
Signing partner responsible for the Independent audit
9 June 2025

ABRIDGED REPORT OF COUNTY PENSION FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



LAPTRUST SCHEME PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION AS AT 31ST DEC 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNTY PENSION FUND

Opinion

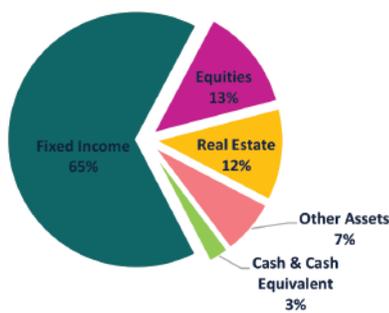
The accompanying condensed financial statements of County Pension Fund which comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as at 31 December 2024, the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, are derived from the audited financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 31 December 2024.

In our opinion, the accompanying condensed financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements of the Fund, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Retirement Benefits Act as applicable to summary financial statements.

Condensed financial Statements

The condensed financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by International Financial Reporting Standards as applicable to annual financial statements. Reading the condensed financial statements and the auditors' report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of the Fund and the auditors' report thereon.

County Pension Fund





CPF-Shariah Compliant Scheme



ABRIDGED REPORT OF COUNTY PENSION FUND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	Conventional Fund		Saiih Fund		Post Retirement Medical Scheme	
	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000
CONTRIBUTIONS AND WITHDRAWALS						
Contributions	10,734,016	8,794,750	1,194,717	1,202,054	38,914	30,482
Withdrawals and risk-based benefits	(1,225,301)	(630,226)	(90,118)	(81,210)	-	-
Net surplus from dealings with members	9,508,715	8,164,524	1,104,599	1,120,844	38,914	30,482
RETURN ON INVESTMENTS						
Investment income	5,070,770	3,738,581	639,101	388,383	9,987	3,183
Investment management expenses	(196,979)	(142,519)	(15,829)	(11,524)	(291)	(110)
Fair value gain/(loss) on revaluation of investments	3,889,239	(2,975,673)	(81,369)	146,065	7,654	(497)
Gain/(loss) on sale/maturities of investments	11,064	24,473	2,448	-	-	-
Other income	(34,878)	1,899	-	-	-	178
NET RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS	8,739,216	646,761	544,351	522,922	17,350	2,754
FUND EXPENSES	(1,630,012)	(1,178,686)	(203,982)	(111,096)	(1,044)	(426)
PROVISION FOR DOUBTFUL DEBITS	(1,914,489)	(1,568,731)	(333,379)	(29,465)	-	-
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR	14,703,430	6,063,868	1,111,588	1,503,205	55,220	32,809
NET ASSETS AT 1 JANUARY	36,966,122	30,902,256	5,429,919	3,926,714	47,347	14,537
NET ASSETS AT 31 DECEMBER	51,669,552	36,966,122	6,541,507	5,429,919	102,567	47,347

ABRIDGED REPORT OF COUNTY PENSION FUND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000
	Conventional Fund	Conventional Fund	Saiih	Saiih	PRMS	PRMS
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES						
Contributions	6,317,852	8,794,750	1,194,717	1,202,054	41,481	30,482
Withdrawals paid	(1,225,301)	(630,226)	(90,118)	(81,210)	-	-
Administrative expenses paid	(1,826,991)	(1,217,825)	(219,811)	(113,262)	(1,517)	(710)
Net decrease/increase in receivables and payables	(1,968,535)	(1,542,253)	(498,804)	1,707,638	4,095	4,892
Net cash generated from operating activities	1,297,025	5,404,476	832,371	2,715,220	44,061	34,664
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Investment income received	4,497,932	3,727,746	517,804	358,186	9,327	3,391
Investment in property	(705,045)	-	(119,273)	-	-	-
Purchase of Treasury bonds	(5,616,131)	(5,196,724)	-	(56,052)	(22,968)	-
Purchase of Treasury bills	(69,408)	-	-	(16,928)	-	-
Purchase of corporate deposits	(22,300,783)	(28,574,016)	-	(18,779,571)	-	(87,200)
Purchase of quoted investments	(175,496)	(1,094,202)	-	-	-	-
Purchase of REITs	(1,567,205)	(606,703)	(1,466)	(24,064)	-	-
Purchase of Unquoted investments	(964,728)	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of private equity investments	-	(32,267)	(4,000)	(100,000)	-	-
Proceeds from sale/maturity of government securities	459,507	226,626	-	-	12,450	3,002
Proceeds from sale/maturity of short-term deposits	24,546,754	27,502,036	590,170	17,868,367	-	79,200
Proceeds from sale of corporate bonds	744	839	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from sale of offshore investments	-	-	82,835	-	-	-
Proceeds from sale of quoted equities	38,001	200,215	3,585	-	-	-
Net cash used in investing activities	(3,335,857)	(3,848,450)	(541,798)	(677,082)	(51,203)	(24,575)
NET DECREASE/ INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(2,038,833)	1,556,027	290,573	2,038,139	(7,143)	10,089
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 1 JANUARY	3,442,571	1,886,544	2,429,857	391,718	10,493	404
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER	1,403,738	3,442,571	2,720,430	2,429,857	3,350	10,493

ABRIDGED REPORT OF CPF INDIVIDUAL PENSION PLAN STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000
CONTRIBUTIONS AND WITHDRAWALS		
Contributions	1,823,410	1,689,600
Withdrawals	(860,019)	(1,834,302)
Net surplus/(deficit) from dealings with members	963,391	(144,702)
RETURN ON INVESTMENTS		
Investment income	397,681	284,864
Fair value loss on investments	(62,839)	(333,280)
Other income	-	7,831
Net return/(loss) on investments	334,842	(40,585)
SCHEME EXPENSES	(74,486)	(75,080)
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR	1,223,748	(260,367)
NET ASSETS AT 1 JANUARY	2,884,203	3,144,570
NET ASSETS AT 31 DECEMBER	4,107,951	2,884,203

ABRIDGED REPORT OF CPF INDIVIDUAL PENSION PLAN STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000
ASSETS		
Cash and bank balances	123,368	94,682
Call deposits	61,853	22,460
Fixed deposit	376,632	189,963
Government securities – treasury bonds	1,330,837	1,550,542
Government securities- treasury bills	66,481	174,502
Corporate bond	47,772	47,740
Quoted equities	441,269	502,837
Unquoted equities	262,449	262,449
Eurobond Investment	1,624,184	173,948
Offshore investment	29,976	28,716
Other receivables and prepayments	1,945	2,119
Due from related parties	56	38
4,366,821	3,049,996	
LIABILITIES		
Payables and accruals	(51,986)	(30,250)
Due to related parties	(206,884)	(135,543)
	(258,870)	(165,793)
NET ASSETS	4,107,951	2,884,203
REPRESENTED BY FUND BALANCE	4,107,951	2,884,203



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ABRIDGED REPORT OF COUNTY PENSION FUND STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000
	Conventional	Conventional	Saiih	Saiih	PRMS	PRMS
ASSETS						
Cash and bank balances	364,306	125,334	87,929	32,732	344	37
Government securities	32,576,051	24,697,091	-	-	99,859	31,234
Fixed deposits	295,442	1,983,477	3,428,804	4,018,974	3,006	8,536
Call deposits	743,990	1,333,041	-	-	-	1,520
Corporate bonds	1,788,066	198,947	1,611,453	-	-	-
Contributions receivable	1,576,818	1,205,445	82,872	529,259	4,227	6,794
Quoted investments	4,450,395	3,001,340	-	3,385	-	-
Unquoted investments	1,430,161	439,671	-	-	-	-
Offshore investments	78,896	75,584	393,487	476,322	-	-
Reits	2,390,831	836,143	70,221	68,755	-	-
Private Equity Fund	1,061,516	444,085	104,000	100,000	-	-
Due from related parties	1,790,778	1,654,221	695,432	188,143	-	-
Investment Property	3,818,079	1,145,000	119,273	-	-	-
Other receivables	344,039	362,983	30,288	21,937	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	52,709,368	37,502,362	6,623,759	5,439,707	107,436	48,121
LIABILITIES						
Payables and accruals	(221,693)	(153,485)	(10,707)	(6,870)	(3,045)	(65)
Due to related parties	(818,122)	(382,756)	(71,545)	(2,918)	(1,824)	(709)
TOTAL LIABILITIES	(1,039,815)	(536,241)	(82,252)	(9,788)	(4,867)	(774)
NET ASSETS	51,669,552	36,966,121	6,541,507	5,429,963	102,567	47,347
REPRESENTED BY FUND BALANCE	51,669,552	36,966,122	6,541,507	5,429,963	102,567	47,347

The financial statements were approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Trustees on 28th March 2025 and were signed on their behalf by:

Trustee [Signature] Trustee [Signature]

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF CPF INDIVIDUAL PENSION PLAN

Opinion
 The accompanying condensed financial statements of CPF Individual Pension Plan which comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as at 31 December 2024, the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, are derived from the audited financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 31 December 2024.
 In our opinion, the accompanying condensed financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements of the Fund, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Retirement Benefits Act as applicable to summary financial statements.
Condensed financial statements
 The condensed financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by International Financial Reporting Standards as applicable to annual financial statements. Reading the condensed financial statements and the auditors' report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of the Fund and the auditors' report thereon.
The audited financial statements and our report thereon
 We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited financial statements in our report dated 31 March 2025.
Responsibilities of Trustees for the Financial Statements
 The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the condensed financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Retirement Benefits Act as applicable to condensed financial statements.
Auditors' responsibility
 Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the condensed financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 810 (Revised), Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

CPA Fred Alo, Practising certificate No. 1537.
 Signing partner responsible for the independent audit
 9 June 2025

ABRIDGED REPORT OF CPF INDIVIDUAL PENSION PLAN STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024 Shs'000	2023 Shs'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Contributions received	1,823,410	1,689,600
Withdrawals paid	(860,019)	(1,834,302)
Administration expenses paid	(64,138)	(75,081)
Net increase in receivables	174	8,502
Net increase in payables	21,736	37,548
Related Party balances	71,323	1,572
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	992,486	(172,161)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Investment income received	433,120	269,229
Proceed from disposal of short-term deposits	5,107,105	2,579,629
Purchase of short-term deposits	(5,306,449)	(2,582,814)
Proceeds from sale of treasury bonds	2,942,769	544,370
Purchase of treasury bonds	(2,648,240)	(299,964)
Proceeds from sale of treasury bills	173,206	-
Purchase of Eurobond	(1,687,068)	(175,597)
Proceed from sale of quoted equities	233,512	-
Purchase of treasury bills	(60,084)	(173,206)
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities	(792,129)	161,647
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	200,357	(10,514)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 1 JANUARY	307,105	317,619
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER	507,462	307,105
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:		
Cash and bank balances	123,368	94,682
Call deposit	61,853	22,460
Fixed deposits maturing within 90 days	322,241	189,963
507,462	307,105	

National News

Matrimonial property Court comes to the aid of Voi woman whose partner tried to walk out

'Marriage by cohabitation' upheld in couple's dispute over property

According to the High Court, cohabitation over a prolonged period is sufficient to raise a presumption of marriage

BY BRIAN OCHARO

Have you been cohabiting with your partner for over a decade without formalising the union, only for it be dismissed later as a casual relationship?

The court may have your back. According to the High Court, cohabitation over such a prolonged period is sufficient to raise a presumption of marriage.

The High Court in Voi has come to the aid of a woman whose partner tried to walk out and deny her any rights to the property acquired during their cohabitation which began in 2003.

"I find that the respondent sufficiently proved, on a balance of probabilities, that a presumption of marriage existed between herself and the appellant based on their prolonged cohabitation, mutual intention to marry, and public acknowledgment as husband and wife," Justice Asenath Ongeri stated in a judgment dated May 30.

The judge said the land they owned, a vehicle and household items constituted matrimonial property under the Matrimonial Property Act, 2013.

She said evidence presented demonstrated that the assets were acquired and developed during the subsistence of the relationship, with contributions from both parties.

The case was first filed before Magistrate D.M. Ndungi at the Taveta Law Courts in 2020, when a woman identified as JLM (respondent) sought several declarations including a presumption of marriage between her and the man, identified as WMG (appellant) and that they were husband and wife under the law.

"I pray for a permanent injunction restraining WMG, whether by himself, his agents, or servants, from intimidating, threatening, or harassing me in any manner whatsoever," she stated.

She further sought a declaration that she was legally entitled to reside in the matrimonial without interference. JLM testified that she met WMG in 2003 and they began cohabiting in 2005, living together in various towns including Mombasa, Nairobi and Taveta. She claimed that all listed properties were acquired during their union.

In his defence, WMG claimed they began cohabiting in 2010 not 2003 as alleged and denied any marital relationship, de-

2003

According to JLM, this is the year when she started cohabiting with WMG. But the latter disputed this in his evidence.



Justice Asenath Ongeri. FILE IN NATION

scribing it as a "simple relationship" that could not be considered a marriage.

He said they cohabited from 2010 until 2021, when JLM discovered he was in a romantic relationship with another woman, whom he referred to as his second wife.

Upon analysing the evidence, the magistrate found that the man regarded JLM as his first wife and the other woman as his second.

Mr Ndungi ruled in favour of JLM granting all her prayers. Although WMG claimed cohabitation began in 2010, the court held that the admitted duration was still long enough to raise a presumption of marriage.

The magistrate also found both parties had the legal capacity and mutual intention to marry and had publicly held themselves out as husband and wife until JLM discovered the second relationship.

Unhappy with the decision, WMG moved to the High Court in Voi, arguing that the magistrate erred in finding a presumption of marriage despite his evidence to the contrary. He also faulted the court for classifying the properties as matrimonial without definitive proof.

WMG argued that some relationships involve cohabitation without any intent to marry and that presumption of marriage no longer applies under the current Marriage Act. He said JLM failed to provide proof of a customary marriage or evidence of having met formal requirements, maintaining that they had separated and were no longer living together.

He also claimed he had built the house in question before meeting JLM and denied her financial contribution. But JLM testified that she constructed a two-bedroom house on the disputed land and submitted photographs.

After re-evaluating the evidence, Justice Ongeri upheld the lower court's findings.

"Consequently, this appeal is hereby dismissed in its entirety. The judgment of the trial court is upheld. The respondent (JLM) shall have the costs of this appeal," the judge ruled.

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Mutunga, Karua sue Tanzania after denial of entry

BY SAM KIPLAGAT

Former Chief Justice Willy Mutunga, senior counsel Martha Karua and four other Kenyans have sued the Government of Tanzania for refusing them entry to attend the trial of opposition leader Tundu Lissu.

Dr Mutunga, Ms Karua, Ms Gloria Kimani, a Law Society of Kenya council member, Ms Lynn Ngugi, Mr Hussein Khalid and Ms Hanifa Adan, were denied entry in Tanzania on May 18. The trial was scheduled for May 19.

In a petition filed at the East African Court of Justice, the six are seeking special damages for contravening their rights, a public apology and removal of "refusal of entry" stamp, from their passports.

"The actions of the respondent (Tanzania government) against the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6 applicants as affected residents of the East African Community, in their detention and refusal of entry constitute a failure on the part of the Respondent to abstain from measures likely to jeopardise the implementation of the provisions of the Treaty and Protocol, as required under Article 8(1)(c) of the East African Community Treaty, 1999 (as amended)," the petition stated.

East African Law Society and Pan African Lawyers Union are also petitioners in the case filed before the regional court.

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 Winning essay (student's award) - **Sh3,000**
 The subject teacher - **Sh3,000**
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How to submit your essay

Once you have written your essay, cut out this coupon (See the marked area written 'cut here') and attach it to your essay.

Put your essay and attached coupon in a clearly labeled envelop addressing it as follows:

To the Editor, Daily Nation Essay writing competition, P.O Box 49010 - 00100.

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THIS MONTH'S ESSAYS

Topic for Primary/ Junior Schools:

Complete the following essay and make it as interesting as possible.

Technology is used in our school every day. Write about how technology has helped you in your studies and explain.

Topic for Secondary Schools:

Write a thrilling composition starting with the statement given.

I had just arrived from work and I was preparing dinner in my exotic basement kitchen. I was exhausted and all I wanted was a royal nap. Suddenly there was a power outage and ...

All essays must be submitted before 30th June, 2025 after which a new topic will be given.

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Essay Writing Grand prize

At the end of the academic year, SIX students (3 from primary and 3 from secondary) will each win a school fees voucher worth:

Sh50,000

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Please note, KNEC regulations will be applied in marking the essays and awarding points.

A school is free to submit as many essays as possible to increase the chances of producing the winning essay.

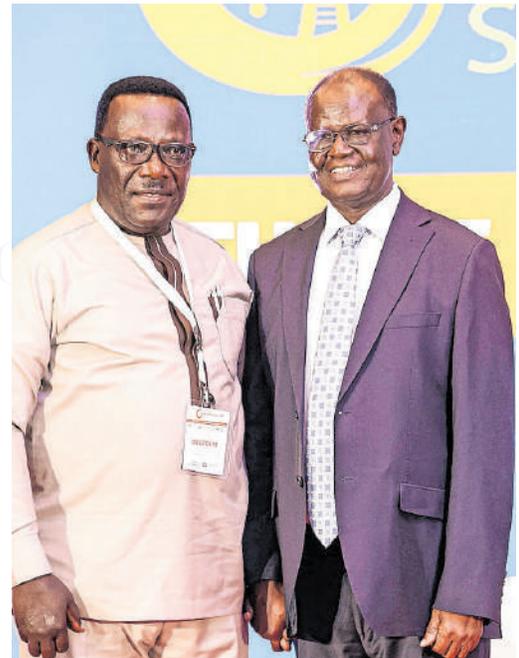
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Exchange of ideas Stakeholders discuss Kenya's petroleum industry at meeting organised by Nation Media Group Industry leaders attend petroleum summit



Some of the participants during the Nation Petroleum Summit at Radisson Blu Hotel in Nairobi on Monday.

Energy and Petroleum Ministry Cabinet Secretary James Opiyo Wandayi delivers his speech during the Nation Petroleum Summit at Radisson Blu Hotel in Nairobi on Monday. PHOTOS | EVANS HABIL



Energy Dealers Association Secretary-General Kepher Odongo (left) with National Oil Corporation of Kenya Chairperson Kiraitu Murungi during the summit.



Former minister Joseph Kirugi Laiboni M'Mukindia speaks during the summit.



Nation Media Group CEO Geoffrey Odundo makes his remarks during the Nation Petroleum Summit.



Petroleum Principal Secretary Mohamed Liban delivers his speech during the summit.



Duncan Karuri, Lubricants Trade Marketing Manager at Vivo Energy, explains the firm's lubricants to, from left: Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority Director-General Daniel Kiptoo, Vivo Energy Kenya Managing Director Peter Murungi, Director, Planning, Office of the Government Spokesperson Victor Lekaram, Principal Secretary, State Department of Petroleum Mohamed Liban and Nation Media Group CEO Geoffrey Odundo during the Nation Petroleum Summit.



Kurrent Technologies Limited CEO James Mwangi speaks during the summit.



Kenya Pipeline Company Marketing and Business Manager Grace Njoroge at the Nation Petroleum Summit.

OPINION

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Why medics cannot be silent on police brutality

It always starts the same way. News of an unlawful arrest. Trumped-up charges. A forced disappearance. An abduction. Unlawful detention of a suspect. Then the unthinkable; another death in police custody. A body lies lifeless. A name begins to circulate online. Grief follows. Then outrage. This is followed by vague and ambiguous justification of the death by the police.

This week, that name was Albert Ojwang, a 31-year-old, an only child, recently married, and a new father. He died at the hands of those who took an oath to protect life. His family is shattered. His infant child will grow up without a father. Another life stolen. Another tragedy that should never have been.

Every time police unleash violence on civilians, it is our health system that is forced to pick up the pieces. Hospitals become trauma centres for victims of baton blows, rubber bullets, tear gas and live rounds. Medical professionals are pulled away from other critical duties to treat preventable injuries. Paramedics and ambulances are routinely obstructed, and health workers themselves are assaulted while trying to save lives.

This is not just brutality, it is sabotage of our health-care system. When State violence overwhelms emergency rooms, consumes medical resources and inflicts long-term physical and psychological damage, the police are not protecting the public, they are creating a health crisis. And it is the doctors, nurses, counsellors and pathologists left to clean up the mess.

Police brutality is more than a legal or human rights issue. It is a public health crisis, an epidemic with consequences that ripple far beyond the moment of impact. We regularly talk about poverty, poor housing and limited access to education as factors that shape people's health. But one critical issue is almost always left out: police violence. And yet, the connection is clear.

The brutality harms health in several ways. First, through deadly force that drives up death rates in certain communities, through the trauma and stress that trigger long-term illness. Secondly through arrests and jail time that destabilise families, and finally a wider system of fear and disempowerment that chips away at people's mental health and well-being.

The so-called "non-lethal" weapons—tear gas, rubber bullets and batons are not harmless. Research has shown that these weapons leave lasting damage: permanent vision and hearing loss, pregnancy complications, worsened asthma and post-traumatic stress. And for communities already living on the edge, the repeated trauma takes a deeper toll, raising the risk of chronic conditions like high blood pressure and diabetes. More shockingly, new studies in epigenetics suggest that this kind of trauma can even imprint on our DNA, with effects that may be passed down to future generations, affecting their health and well-being.

As physicians, pathologists and mental health professionals, we cannot pretend to be neutral observers when police violence is tearing apart the very communities we claim to serve. It maims bodies, shatters minds and strips people of their faith in the health system. And when we say nothing, when we look away or hide behind our white coats, our silence is not neutrality. It is betrayal.



Peaceful protesters in a cloud of tear gas on December 20, 2024. FILE | NATION

This country demands more from us. Not just the skill of our hands but the courage of our convictions. We cannot continue to patch up the broken without challenging the hand that breaks



Stellah Bosire | Health

We are not bystanders. We are the ones who see the bruises up close, who stitch the wounds, who repair the fractures, who amputate limbs too injured to function, who certify the deaths, who cut open bodies to expose the truth. We are the ones who speak to grieving families, who try to calm the terror that lingers long after the sirens. And yet, far too many of us have chosen silence. We have stayed in our clinics, our labs, our lecture halls, safe, detached, unwilling to confront the violence that walks through our doors. In doing so, we have failed in our duty, not just as professionals, but as human beings.

Physicians are not just caregivers; we are witnesses, record-keepers and truth-tellers. Our ethical code binds us to speak truth to power, especially when power abuses the vulnerable. Let us be honest, statements of "solidarity" have become a comfortable shield for our inaction. What use is a declaration that cannot name the violence for what it is? What kind of solidarity refuses to say the words "police brutality"? What is the point of professional neutrality if it only serves to protect those in power while leaving victims to suffer alone?

It is not enough to say "We stand with the victims". That is the bare minimum. We must say, loudly and without ambiguity: "We stand against the perpetrators." And more than that, we must act. Anything less is cowardice dressed up as professionalism. We must begin by calling out police brutality explicitly in our statements, journals, public platforms and lectures. We must teach medical students that systemic violence is a health issue, not just a headline. Medical associations must push for structural reforms in the way police interact with protesters, healthcare providers and civilians.

We must demand that our professional bodies—Kenya Medical Association, Kenya Psychiatric Association, Kenya Association of Clinical Pathologists—join us in calling out State-sanctioned violence. These institutions must not only issue statements, but also support physicians who choose to bear witness, provide care in protests, or speak out publicly.

We must also work with legal and human rights bodies to document, archive and testify to instances of abuse. The autopsy table is not just a place of death; it is a site of truth. Let us honour that.

The brutalisation of Kenyan citizens in the hands of the police is a public health emergency. It is not just the domain of activists and lawyers. It is our fight too. Because when a mother cannot reach an ambulance for her bleeding son, when a paramedic is beaten for administering CPR, when a child dies of asthma triggered by tear gas, we are failing in our moral obligation as health workers.

This country demands more from us. Not just the skill of our hands but the courage of our convictions. We cannot continue to patch up the broken without challenging the hand that breaks.

Police brutality is not merely a law and order issue. It is a health issue. And it is time the Kenyan medical community said so, loudly, clearly and without fear.

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Public apprehension and scepticism remain among the most significant challenges to the acceptance of GMOs in Kenya



Nehemiah Ngetich | Agriculture

Building trust and ensuring safety of GMOs

Genetically modified organisms (GMOs) continue to spark intense debate across Kenya. Since the first GMOs appeared on the world stage in the mid-1990s and Kenya officially authorised their imports in 2011, the country has witnessed significant developments in biotechnology and biosafety.

The National Biosafety Authority is hosting its annual national conference to examine progress in modern biotechnology. Policymakers, scholars, farmers and government officers are meeting in Naivasha for the conference with the theme: 13 years later; building trust and ensuring safety of genetically modified organisms.

The conference aims to assess our progress in the biosafety sector and create a platform for national dialogue on modern biotechnologies and biosafety matters. Further, it seeks to close the gap between science, policy and public perception. The main aim is to enhance public understanding by transparently showcasing the regulatory systems in place to safeguard Kenyans, thereby empowering citizens to make informed, evidence-based decisions regarding GMOs.

Climate change has intensified the frequency of droughts, floods, and erratic rainfall patterns, making food insecurity one of Kenya's most pressing challenges. This crisis is further exacerbated by rapid population growth and recurrent outbreaks of pests and diseases. To address these multifaceted threats, the adoption of modern biotechnology is both timely and essential.

However, the rapid advancement of biotechnology necessitates robust oversight, as it may raise safety concerns if not properly regulated. In response, the government has implemented a comprehensive regulatory framework governing the development, handling, and distribution of GMOs to ensure public health and environmental safety.

Despite GMOs existing for over a decade, most Kenyans still don't understand them. Widespread misinformation creates fear about these products. Other countries invest heavily in modern biotechnologies, and delays may cause Kenyan farmers to miss out on better crops as the country relies heavily on imported products. Stakeholder engagement ensures transparency and dialogue over biosafety concerns.

Public apprehension and scepticism remain among the most significant challenges to the acceptance of GMOs in Kenya. To address this, the authority mandates that all GMOs undergo thorough and evidence-based scientific risk assessments prior to approval for public release. Public engagement is integral to this process; through structured participation and gazettement procedures, we promote awareness, invite public input, and incorporate stakeholder feedback.

Participating in conversations like this annual conference, accepting public participation invites and providing opinions and information to the authority drives the country forward in biotechnology. Through trust and responsibility, we look forward to a future of food sustainability, adaptation and integration of biotechnology advancements while ensuring the safety of humans, animals and the environment.

Mr Ngetich is the acting CEO of the National Biosafety Authority.

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Solve SHIF hitches to ease healthcare

There seems to be no end in sight to the new Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF) nightmare. Since it was rolled out last October under the Social Health Authority (SHA), the new system has faced some serious challenges.

Enough has been said about the chaotic unveiling of the SHIF to replace the National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF). The changeover was intended to improve healthcare delivery in public hospitals and health centres, but it is instead getting worse.

The NHIF had its shortcomings, but it worked and had been in operation for six decades. With hindsight, it is becoming evident that it would probably have been better to retain and improve the old system. Technical challenges and other problems are hampering patients' access to quality healthcare.

Sadly, the system meant to ease access to healthcare for Kenyans has become a source of agony. Patients are now being denied treatment as the SHA demands full payment upfront. This is, of course, literally locking out the majority, who cannot raise the funds at once, and it will adversely affect public healthcare delivery.

Thousands have been denied both inpatient and outpatient services after the SHA began demanding full annual premium payments before providing care. This is already happening across some 10 counties.

Many patients have been left stranded at the health facilities, or have been forced to pay out of pocket, or return home untreated, despite religiously making their monthly contributions to the SHIF.

Given the tough economic times and the runaway cost of living, it's quite unreasonable to demand full payment upfront, especially from poor, critically ill patients. This is a flagrant contradiction of President William Ruto's suggestion that the people should be encouraged to make little daily payments.

Medical Services Principal Secretary Ouma Oluga says the government will address all the concerns that have been raised. It had better do so immediately to curb the suffering of patients and their families.



Avert teachers' strike

Trouble is again brewing in the education sector, with the teachers' unions issuing a strike warning over delayed collective bargaining agreement (CBA) negotiations.

This comes not long after the release of capitation funds to schools after more than a month into the second term. School heads have been struggling to fund recurrent expenditure and clear pending bills to keep the institutions running.

Bearing the brunt, as these hitches disrupt school programmes, are the learners. The teachers, who should be paying more attention to them, are left agitating for what they truly deserve.

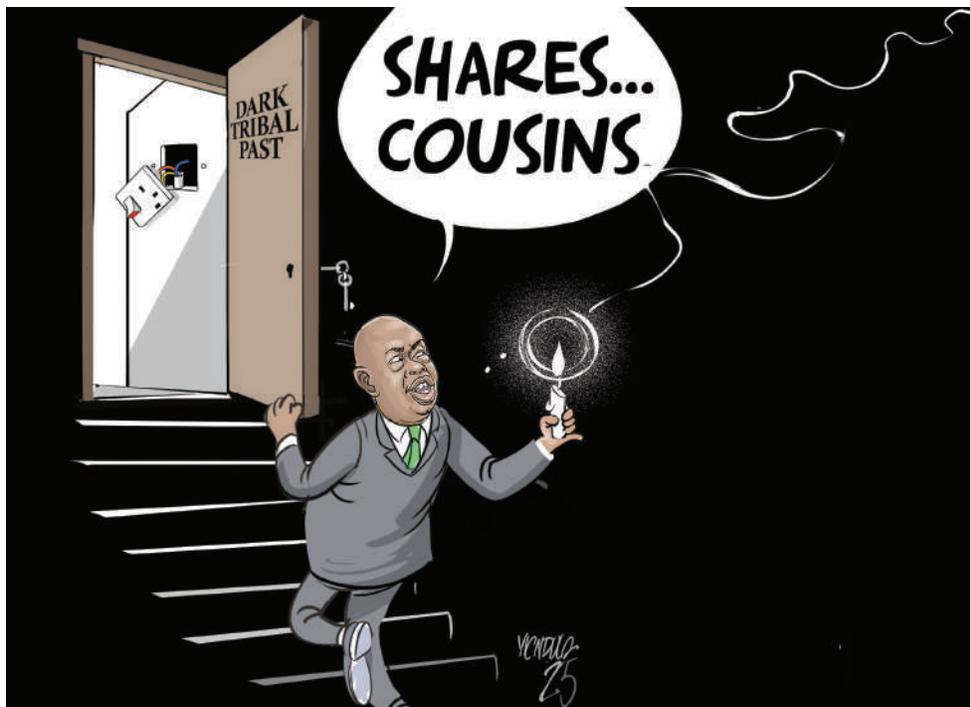
As talks between the unions, on the one hand, and the government and the Teachers Service Commission (TSC), on the other hand, stall, learning in public schools will be disrupted. After all, in only three weeks, the 2021–2025 CBA that the unions signed with the TSC will expire.

To make matters worse, there is no provision for increased salaries for teachers in the 2025–2026 national Budget. The Kenya National Union of Teachers (Knut), the Kenya Union of Post-Primary Education Teachers (Kuppet), and Kenya Union of Special Needs Education Teachers (Kusnet) all want negotiations to begin immediately or they will institute industrial action.

The Knut is demanding a 60 per cent adjustment of the basic salaries over the four years and a 30 per cent increase in allowances. The union also wants promotions based on merit, experience, and qualifications.

Kuppet is calling for a salary increment of between 30 and 70 per cent, and a 100 per cent increase in some allowances.

Negotiations with the unions should begin in earnest so that all the issues being raised can be tackled. Knee-jerk reactions after strikes start only punish the learners more. The unions, too, should make reasonable demands, considering the prevailing dire economic situation.



Think before you make that post

Kenyans hold a remarkable title as the world's top users of social media. According to the Digital 2025 Report, we spend an average of four hours daily on platforms like X, Instagram and TikTok. This shows that we have enablers, including electricity, affordable internet and smartphones within reach. It proves we enjoy freedom of speech. From the bustling streets of Nairobi to the quiet villages upcountry, we are connected, vocal and extremely powerful.

But with great power comes great responsibility. Social media is the most incredible tool humanity has ever created. It can lift us up, open doors and change lives. Or, it can trip us and haunt us for years to come. The choice is ours, especially for our youth, who are shaping their futures one post at a time.

Think of social media as a tool, such as a kitchen knife or a motor vehicle. A knife chops vegetables to feed a family, but in careless hands, it cuts deep. A car takes us to work or school, yet misuse turns it into a danger on the road. Tools can maim, maul and destroy when misused, sometimes unintentionally, sometimes with malice.

Social media is no different. It is our modern-day equivalent of the sharpened stones that propelled early humanity forward. Through it, we have drawn global attention to injustices, rallied for change, and made KOX (Kenyans On X) a force that our local politicians, and even world leaders, cannot ignore.

Yet, too often, we let this tool turn into something darker. Online discourse can slide from passionate debate and de-graded conversations into insults, bullying and harassment. We have seen it all. A disagreement turns personal, a joke becomes a jab and suddenly, dignity is lost in the furious exchanges. Issue-based dialogue descends into personal attacks, tribal slurs, gender-based harassment and threats of violence.

Policing millions of posts is neither practical nor desirable. It is not that we lack laws;

One careless comment could bar you from entry into a country where you are chasing a life-changing opportunity



Musalia Mudavadi
Society



our police have bigger battles to fight than chasing every anonymous troll. The real issue is us. We hold the power to decide whether this tool builds or destroys our future.

Let's consider the latest concerns on social media use. The United States visa process now includes deeper social media vetting, checking your posts, your handles, your digital trail, to gauge if you are a risk to its national security. The US State Department has instructed embassies and consulates around the world to pause new student visa appointments as it moves to expand social media screening and vetting of all applicants for student visas.

Other countries are catching on, expanding their checks on your social media footprint, aided by artificial intelligence. World over, immigration agencies often share notes. One careless comment could bar you from entry into a country where you are chasing a life-changing opportunity. As global migration tightens, many nations coordinate to share persona non grata lists, meaning missteps in one jurisdiction can close doors everywhere.

Do not let online outbursts lock those doors before you even knock. To be young today is to inherit boundless opportunity, and also, boundless risk. You may believe

that a flippant post or a cheeky meme will vanish with time, or that you will never apply to be a judge, need a US visa, a post-graduate scholarship in Europe or a leadership role at a multinational headquarters. But who you are at 18 or 28 is not who you will be at 38 or 48. Maturity reshapes perspectives, ambitions evolve and mistakes recede. Yet the internet never forgets.

Imagine a promising graduate denied a regional CEO role because of an inappropriate tweet made during her or his first year at university. Or a young entrepreneur barred from pitching to global investors after past online vitriol against a foreign head of state comes to light. They are the unintended consequences of digital misadventure.

Your choices today could limit you and your family's opportunities tomorrow. That is not fearmongering, it is reality.

However, social media is also a goldmine. It is the most powerful tool in human history, and it is in your hands. With it, you can message a world leader, learn a skill or spark an ethical movement. Why waste it on petty feuds when you could use it to grow, connect and inspire?

My fellow brothers and sisters, this is not about silencing you. It is about empowering you. Use social media to build a legacy you will be proud of, a digital story that opens doors, not slams them shut.

Social media can be our ladder to greatness or a trap we will regret. For our youth, it is more than a pastime. It is a mirror of who you are and who you will become. And trust me, people in the future will judge you viciously because of your online persona. Every post is a brick in the foundation of your future.

So, let us wield this tool with care and purpose. Think before you type. Be the generation that shows the world what Kenya can do when we harness our voice for good.

Mr Mudavadi is the Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs.

Letters

THE CUTTING EDGE by THE WATCHMAN

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Illicit funds • Deputy President Kithure Kindiki and some Kenya Kwanza MPs cannot continue to fool Kenyans about the source of the millions they have been dishing out in some parts of the country, says David Yator. “As we know how much they earn, their generosity is suspect. It’s worrying as Kenya Ports Authority and NSSF have lost more than Sh100 billion!” His email address is davidyator14@gmail.com.

Border posts • Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi’s assurance that the development of the Mulwanda border post with Uganda is about to start is good news for Busia County, says Jim Okwako. “When this is done, we will have three border points. The others are in Busia and Malaba towns. The new post will boost ties with Uganda and fuel business. The long-promised tarmac roads are coming.”

Expired drugs • Health Cabinet Secretary Aden Duale’s revelation that audits and inspections have uncovered expired drugs in hospitals and pharmacies is alarming, says Tonny Kyule. “As the health sector is sensitive, the State should focus on sensitisation and security. Just the other day, there was shortage of vaccines. Ensure the wellbeing of Kenyans!” His contact is tonykyle006@gmail.com.

Bad roads • The roads in Kyeni Central in Embu County are in quite an appalling state, laments Dennis Munyi. “And yet we have a crop of some very good leaders. The main Kathariro road has become worse since an attempt was made to widen it. Since then, it’s been for us a painful two months with unfulfilled promises. Who will save us from this nightmare?” His contact is dnnsmunyi@yahoo.com.

Wastage • Thinking about the millions spent on hosting the “National Prayer Breakfast” and the Madaraka Day celebrations, Lucas Kimanathi wonders whether they can be marked without spending so much of taxpayers’ money. “They are for the leaders’ self-gratification. Those days should be better observed through personal reflection.” His email address is lmkimanathi@gmail.com. Have a reasonable day, won’t you!

LETTERS

Police brutality must come to an end

According to the International Justice Mission, one in three Kenyans have experienced police abuse or harassment, and over 500 killings by police having been documented between 2019 and 2021. Just last year, dozens of youth were killed, many are still missing and hundreds are nursing injuries thanks to police brutality. Now we learn of the death of Albert Ojwang in police custody. The role of police is to maintain order, preserve peace and to protect life and property. But in Kenya, they are feared for their diabolic reputation of oppression and violence against citizens. We are no longer safe in the hands of our police. Police brutality must stop!

Martin Kipyatich, Baringo

Kenyans should feel safe in police hands

Lately, there have been numerous reports of youth deaths in the hands of the police. It is saddening that deaths are reported in police cells, which should arguably be safe for anyone taken there. There is tight security in the police stations and thus, we do not expect such cases to be happening. Should suspects now be taken to churches? Would they be more safe there? Life should not be taken too casually, especially by the police, who are meant to protect it. Kenyans should be confident that once in the hands of the police, they will be safe.

Naum Ndinda Muli, Machakos

Ruto promise on killings broken so soon

The death of Albert Ojwang in the hands of police have awakened the public wrath that was experienced last year. All this comes after President William Ruto promised to end extra-judicial killings and abduction. No parent wants to bury his or her own child and so it is quite painful to see this happen so often nowadays. The government and authorities have become heartless and inhumane. There is no need of killing someone to make a point. In this era of Gen Z, expect no retreat and no surrender.

Lincoln Kinyua, Kiambu

Kenya Kwanza needs a paradigm shift

After 1,000 days of President William Ruto’s rule, Kenyans would like to see a total paradigm shift. It has been a period where sometimes hopes and aspirations of most citizens have been raised and at most times in the pit of despair. The campaign promises were rosy and made citizens expectant—the time had come for Kenya to become a real “hustler nation”. Now the fear that existed during the Daniel Moi rule has crept back. Further, nothing seems to work; from education to health and other sectors. All is not lost though. Let Kenya Kwanza give the country a new dawn in its remaining days.

David M. Kigo, Nairobi

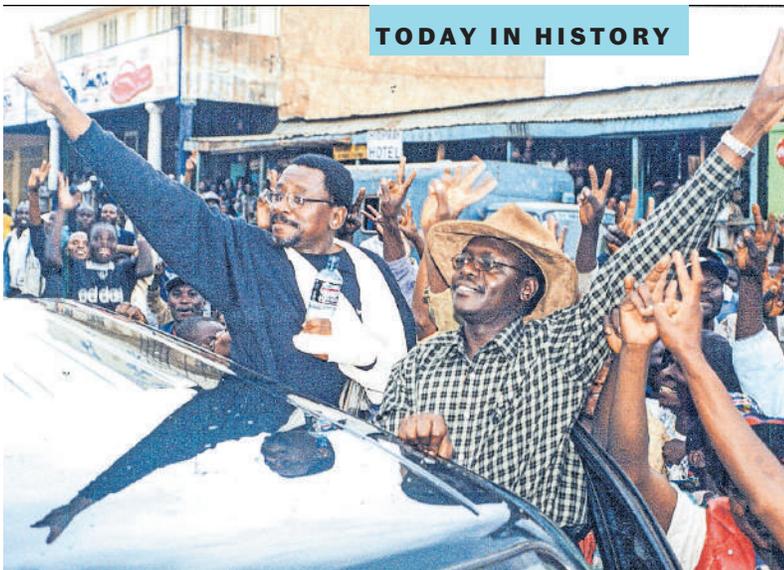
Let us respect God in our actions

We are living in troubling times. Across social media platforms and public conversations, we are witnessing an unsettling trend of individuals claiming divine titles—Yesu wa Tongaren, Jehovah, John the Baptist and even Mary and Joseph. I am not here to judge or deny people’s spiritual experiences; I am a believer, and I know that God works in mysterious ways. However, we must ask ourselves: where do we draw the line between faith and mockery? Further, respecting God’s name is more than just about words it’s about how we live. We cannot say “God bless Kenya” while corruption, injustice and hatred thrive.

Damiana Mwende, Chuka University

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TODAY IN HISTORY



June 11, 1997: Ford Kenya files a historic constitutional motion urging Parliament to pass a vote of no confidence in the government. The motion, endorsed by party Chief Whip and Kimihili MP Mukhisa Kituyi (right), was filed by First National Vice-Chairman and Ugenya MP James Orenge (left). The motion requires 133 MPs (two-thirds) to pass. COMPILED BY ANNIEL NJOKA

LETTER OF THE DAY

Let children play, it’s key to their development

Today, Kenya will join the rest of the world in celebrating the International Day of Play, which highlights the importance of play in every child’s life. This year’s theme, “Choose play – every day”, is a reminder that play is not a luxury—it is a fundamental right, essential for children’s growth, learning and well-being.

Play is at the heart of childhood. It allows children to explore, imagine, create and build vital life skills. From a young age, children use play to make sense of the world around them. It helps them learn how to solve problems, cooperate with others, express emo-

tions and gain confidence. Play supports physical health, enhances brain development and nurtures social and emotional resilience. Yet, in many communities, opportunities for safe and meaningful play are still limited.

Kenya has taken deliberate steps to integrate play into the education system, particularly through early childhood development programmes. The National Pre-Primary Education Policy and the Integrated Early Childhood Development Policy Framework emphasise the use of play-based learning approaches to promote active engagement and creativity among

learners. County governments, which are responsible for early childhood education, have also made investments in improving playgrounds in public schools and early learning centres.

While these efforts are commendable, more remains to be done to ensure that every child, regardless of their background or location, has equal access to safe play environments. In informal settlements and rural communities, children still lack proper playgrounds or structured time to play. The pressure of academic performance and unsafe neighbourhoods also contribute to the de-

cline in play opportunities.

Governments must increase investment in child-friendly play infrastructure and ensure that policies on play are fully implemented and enforced. Educators should continue to embrace play-based learning across all levels of education. Parents and caregivers should make time for play at home and support outdoor activities that enhance children’s physical and mental health.

The private sector, civil society and community leaders must advocate inclusive and accessible play spaces.

Nancy Njeru



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TENDER NO: AMREF/23/04/2025/013-01

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NO.	DESCRIPTION
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2	KPAPS/HRS/006/2025	PROVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES	N/A	1000HOURS ON TUESDAY 1 ST JULY 2025	OPEN
3	KPAPS/PT/001/2025	PROPOSED RE-ORGANIZATION & PARTITIONING OF 7 TH FLOOR AT OLD CANNON TOWERS	18 TH JUNE 2025 AT OLD CANNON TOWERS FLOOR AT 10:00 AM	1000HOURS ON TUESDAY 1 ST JULY 2025	OPEN
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County News

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Taita-Taveta Maize dealers abandon traditional sourcing regions due to shortages

Poor families live off spilled maize from Tanzania imports

Locals flock to the drying fields in Taveta every morning to collect what they can

BY LUCY MKANYIKA

Peter Kamuti, 70, lives alone in a mud-walled house in Bura Ndogo slums, Taita-Taveta County. His wife passed away years ago and his children, who are now grown, have moved on with their lives.

At his age, he can no longer fend for himself as he once did, and it is difficult for him to engage in menial labour.

His day begins at dawn when he rises up and treks to Taveta Airstrip to collect grains that have been discarded by traders who use the open field for drying their produce.

It is painstaking work, since the elderly man has to either bend or sit down on the grass to pick the grains that will sustain him for another day.

"Problems of life have made me come here every day. I don't have anything to eat. Due to my age, I don't have the energy to do menial jobs. Before this, I used to sleep hungry or depend on well-wishers to get food," he said, as he continued with his task.

Kenya has been grappling with a maize shortage in recent months, forcing millers to source supplies from the neighbouring Tanzania. Some dealers now transport the produce through the Taveta/Holili border and offload it in Taveta town for drying.

Drying is an essential process that reduces the moisture content to the required 13 per cent or less before dealers transport the maize to millers.

The maize is repackaged after being spread out to dry in an open field at the Taveta Airstrip. Struggling families flock in to collect spilled maize which has given them a lifeline. They are assured of a meal for the day.

Every morning as the sun rises, residents arrive at the airstrip field with containers and sacks to collect what they can.



Mr Peter Kamuti collects spilled maize at Taveta Airstrip, which he uses for his meal. LUCY MKANYIKA / NATION

Ms Eliza Kasua, a mother of four, has been coming to the field every day for three weeks. Previously, she made a living as a casual labourer. She weeded farms and washed clothes for people at a fee so that she could feed her children.

Ms Kasua said the menial jobs have become scarce, and, on some days, she returned home empty-handed and her children slept hungry. But now she is able to collect up to three kilograms of maize at the airstrip.

"I come here every day because I don't want my children to sleep hungry. Life has become so hard. Sometimes if I don't get money to make flour from the maize I've collected, I cook githeri," she said.

For others like Mr Wambua Mula, this has become the only way to survive.

"There are no jobs. If I get a job I won't come here. I pick up to 10kg of maize on a daily basis," he said.

Locals interviewed by the *Nation* said that food insecurity has been a major challenge, but for now, the maize drying field offers them a glimmer of hope in their daily struggle.

Maize dealers said they have abandoned their traditional sourcing regions in Western and the North Rift due to shortages and have now shifted operations closer to Tanzania where the supply is steady.

"We no longer rely on Western and the North Rift for maize. Tan-

zania has become our saviour. We are now doing cross-border sourcing from the neighbouring country and we buy maize at the Holili border market and ferry our consignment to the Taveta Airstrip field to dry," said Khalid Ahmed, an agent with Kitui Millers.

He said most of the maize arrives with a moisture content of around 16 per cent and traders must leave it to dry for a day or two to the required 13 per cent or less before repacking and selling it to millers.

Mr Ahmed said the shortage is expected to last until October when maize from local farms will

be ready for harvest.

"We leave the locals to pick the grains. It helps them fend for their families," he added.

Since maize millers and dealers in Western and the North Rift have suspended or scaled down operations, over 1,000 workers have followed the dealers to Taveta hoping to find employment in the temporary trading zones.

Mr Elijah Kariuki, a dealer, said the maize shortage has prompted many traders to shift operations to the border areas.

"We have moved with our workers here. That's why you're seeing a huge number of people in this field. We buy maize that is not fully dried so you must have a team to help with the work," he said.

Even porters have found opportunities here and locals are benefiting by selling food to the workers.

Mr John Wambula, a porter from Kitale in Trans Nzoia County, moved with a team of 60 workers to Taveta. With a maize shortage in Kitale and jobs dwindling, they had no choice but to move.

"We came to Taveta because we have to look for work. Our job is to unload, spread, and repack the maize," he said.

Makeshift camps have sprung up near the drying fields, where workers rest at night before resuming their work at dawn.

Problems have made me come here every day. I don't have anything to eat. Due to my age, I don't have the energy to do menial jobs. Before this, I used to sleep hungry or depend on well-wishers to get food

Resident Peter Kamuti



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Turkana

Napeitom rises: County builds new village for bandit attack survivors

BY SAMMY LUTTA

The Turkana County Government has built houses for survivors of the deadly 2022 bandit arson attack which claimed seven lives in Napeitom village.

Turkana Governor Jeremiah Lomorukai, who handed over the houses, said yesterday that the county administration is committed to rebuilding conflict-ravaged areas and restoring livelihoods.

"We are working with the national government to improve security and ensure lasting peace in banditry-prone regions," said Mr Lomorukai.

Napeitom chief Hanson Kaptan said 30 families have been resettled in permanent houses. He also said that more than 800 people were displaced during the attack.

"Only 30 families have permanent houses. Others are building temporary shelters, and many are yet to return. There is enough space though, and we hope that the county government will continue to build more houses," he said.

Survivors fled over 35 kilometres to Lokori where they received temporary shelter from the Kenya Red Cross.

For Mr James Lonyeet, a survivor, the resettlement is bitter-sweet. Four of his children were among the seven people burnt beyond recognition during the tragic raid.

"I was not at home at the time. I had a shop in the village, and sometimes I slept there. That saved my life," said Mr Lonyeet.

His wife, who was severely burned, was admitted to the Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu for more than 10 months. She now lives with a disability.

"My house, savings and belongings were all burnt to ashes. I was reduced to a beggar. But I'm grateful to return to my ancestral home and start rebuilding," said Mr Lonyeet.

Another survivor, Jane Edete, said she would never have rebuilt her manyatta without government help.

"We want President William Ruto's administration to assure us of security," she said.

Residents have asked for help to reconstruct their lives after having lost property and businesses. Most of the survivors now depend on relief food.

But as the restoration efforts get underway, Turkana County Woman Representative Cecilia Ngiti has questioned the sustainability of building walls in volatile areas for security.

"A wall has been built at Napeitom as a desperate measure to secure locals. But is this the Kenya we want? Bandits can still jump over it. We need enough security in Napeitom to protect the people," she said, and urged the government to deal decisively with banditry.

County Police Commander John Tarus said locals should be accompanied by reservists while grazing their animals.

County Commissioner Julius Kavita said that the area will soon have a fully-fledged police station.



A resident of Napeitom walks past a newly constructed security wall and watchtower in the village. SAMMY LUTTA / NATION

County News

NAKURU



Naivasha MP Jayne Kihara

Auctioneers get nod to enter ex-MP's home

BY JOSEPH OPENDA

The High Court in Nakuru has authorised auctioneers to forcibly enter Naivasha MP Jayne Kihara's homestead to recover Sh7.5 million owed to former legislator John Mututho. Justice Julius Ngea issued a break-in order, permitting Mututho's appointed auctioneers, Impair Group of Companies, to access and attach Kihara's property in Maraigushu, Naivasha. The Naivasha police chief was directed to oversee the operation.

The debt stems from a 2008 election petition filed by Kihara against Mututho. In 2019, the court ruled in Mututho's favour, awarding him Sh7.5 million plus interest. However, Kihara allegedly obstructed repayment efforts, with auctioneers violently turned away during previous attempts. Mututho accused Kihara of using legal delays to avoid payment. Despite her written proposal to settle the debt, no meeting materialised. Three execution attempts were thwarted by armed guards.

NAIROBI

Motorists decry poor state of city road

Drivers plying the Aoko Road between Balozi Stage and Nerko interchange have raised alarm over its deteriorating condition, blaming it for mounting repair costs and traffic hazards. A spot check revealed gaping potholes along the stretch, worsened by rains, forcing motorists into risky manoeuvres. "The contractor under former Governor Mike Sonko and MCA Waithera Chege did a shoddy job," said an SBMO Sacco driver. Sammy Kimatu

Infrastructure boost for Landi Mawe, Nairobi South

Residents of Landi Mawe and Nairobi South wards are celebrating after Starehe MP Amos Mwago Maina allocated NG-CDF funds to critical infrastructure projects in the 2024/2025 financial year. Speaking yesterday, NG-CDF Chairman Daudi Obonyo confirmed the projects reflect residents' priorities raised during public participation forums. "These are direct responses to community needs," Obonyo said. Sammy Kimatu

Tharaka-Nithi

Trouble for Njuki as MCAs demand ward fund

BY DAVID MUCHUI

A political storm is brewing in Tharaka-Nithi County after members of the county assembly vowed to reject the proposed 2025/26 budget amid controversy over ward development funds.

The MCAs have taken a leaf out of their Meru counterparts' book, accusing Governor Muthomi Njuki's administration of failing to itemise the Sh6.8 billion budget and distribute resources fairly.

The impeachment of former governor Kawira Mwangaza was sparked by a row over ward fund allocation and the preparation of itemised budgets in October 2022.

As the standoff continued, the Controller of Budget advised that the county should implement development through Ward Community Projects.

The dispute over how to structure the Meru budget dragged on until July last year, with the deadlock eventually requiring mediation by the Controller of Budget's office.

In Tharaka Nithi, the feud was triggered by the allocation of approximately Sh285 million proposed for development projects in certain wards.

Among those who have publicly criticised Governor Njuki's administration are Majority Leader Luke Marengo (Mukothima), Deputy Speaker Leonard Kithuka (Nkondi), Sylvester Mutwiri (Gatunga), Njeru Ing'ara (Igambang'ombe), Kennedy Kamunyu (Marimanti), Murithi Gaturo (Karigani), Joseph Kinyua (Chiakiriga), and Nevert Ntwiga (Mitheru).

However, Deputy Governor Wilson Nyaga accused the MCAs of engaging in petty politics and misleading the public, adding that, for instance, Mitheru Ward had been allocated Sh39 million for the next financial year.



The interior of an enclosed homestead in Kuria, with houses interconnected. ALEX ODHIAMBO | NATION

A fortress of culture, security and heritage

Unlike designs elsewhere, Kuria homesteads are constructed with a deliberate logic

BY GEORGE ODIWUOR

Driving past Masaba from Suna in Migori County feels like crossing into another world.

The architecture that unfolds beyond the car window is unlike the sleek, modern structures familiar to first-time visitors.

Here, the built environment speaks of tradition and culture.

From Migori Town, the road meanders past Masaba, through Kehancha, and on to Ntimaru near the border between Kenya and Tanzania.

This region is home to the Kuria, a small, often marginalised ethnic group whose archi-

tectural identity has stood largely unchanged for generations.

In the heart of Kuria land, homes are not just places of shelter; they are fortresses of culture and protection.

Unlike contemporary designs elsewhere, Kuria homesteads are constructed with a deliberate logic.

A single entry and exit point controls movement, rendering gates optional. This restriction enhances security, particularly at night, guarding both people and livestock.

The houses, mostly circular and mud-walled, are built tightly together, their walls interconnected like clasped hands, form-

ing a solid, unified barrier.

Though roofs may differ in shape and distance, the fusion of walls forms a defensive perimeter. From above, a Kuria homestead resembles a mosaic of rectangular enclosures seamlessly joined, creating a larger, singular

compound.

Windows, especially at the rear, are often absent, another subtle but effective measure against nocturnal intrusions. The design may seem austere to outsiders, but to the Kuria, it is a living inheritance.

"I was born into it. My parents built this way, and my children will do the same," says Mwita Chacha, 49, from Kamasincha Village.

In contrast, neighbouring Luo, Luhya and Kisii communities typically construct homes where the main house stands facing the gate, flanked by separate houses for each wife, if polygamous.

Sons, upon coming of age, build their homes within the same compound, following a strict left-right pattern. Daughters, once married, move away to join

their husband's home.

Though Kuria follows a similar familial structure, house spacing is far tighter.

"Our houses must be close so we can communicate easily and respond quickly if attacked," explains Mr Chacha.

Central to the compound is a shared kitchen, a hearth that nourishes the whole family, both physically and emotionally.

The Kuria's architectural style was born not of whim, but necessity. Night raids and cattle rustling once plagued the region. In response, Kuria ancestors developed this enclosed design, ensuring livestock were penned securely, with only one point of entry and exit.

"It's a defence strategy. Rustlers can only leave the same way they entered, making it easier to protect the animals," Mr Chacha says.

The importance of livestock security cannot be overstated. While other communities might tether animals to trees or build pens beside houses, Kuria farmers often sleep near their animals or even house them indoors, despite the stench, if the compound lacks secure walls.

The circular arrangement also anticipates future needs.

"People build extra houses for their sons, even when they're still young. It's about planning ahead," says Mr Chacha.

Walls can later be modified to accommodate changing family dynamics.

Compact layouts also free up land for farming. Unlike widely spaced Luo homesteads, Kuria homes conserve space, leaving more room for crops like maize.

Yet, this proximity has drawbacks, chief among them, hygiene. Animal waste often collects near doorways, making the compounds pungent to both insiders and outsiders.

However, overtime modernity is slowly nudging change with some families now adding back doors, even though these are typically reserved for family members.

"Sons-in-law are prohibited from using them," warns Mr Chacha.

A few residents are erecting permanent houses, but the traditional design is hard to replicate with concrete.

Despite the winds of change, the traditional Kuria homestead endures, a steadfast guardian of heritage, security and identity.

It's a defence strategy. Rustlers can only leave the same way they entered, making it easier to protect the animals

Mwita Chacha



International

UN: Israel commits 'extermination' in Gaza by killing in schools

VIENNA, TUESDAY

United Nations experts said in a report on Tuesday that Israel committed the crime against humanity of "extermination" by killing civilians sheltering in schools and religious sites in Gaza, part of a "concerted campaign to obliterate Palestinian life".

The UN Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Ter-

ritory, including East Jerusalem, and Israel is due to present the report to Geneva-based UN Human Rights Council on June 17.

"We are seeing more and more indications that Israel is carrying out a concerted campaign to obliterate Palestinian life in Gaza," former UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Navi Pillay, who chairs the commission, said in a statement.

"Israel's targeting of the educational, cultural and religious

life of the Palestinian people will harm the present generations and generations to come, hindering their right to self-determination," she added.

Israel disengaged from the Human Rights Council in February, alleging it was biased.

When the commission's report in March found Israel carried out "genocidal acts" against Palestinians by systematically destroying women's healthcare facilities, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said the findings were biased and antisemitic.

In its latest report, the commission said Israel had destroyed more than 90 per cent of the school and university buildings and more than half of all religious and cultural sites in Gaza.

"Israeli forces committed war crimes, including directing attacks against civilians and wilful killing, in their attacks on educational facilities...", it said.

Harm done to the Palestinian

education system was not confined to Gaza, the report found, citing increased Israeli military operations in the West Bank and East Jerusalem as well as harassment of students and settler attacks there.

"Israeli authorities have also targeted Israeli and Palestinian educational personnel and students inside Israel who expressed concern or solidarity with the civilian population in Gaza...", it said. (Reuters)

BRIEFLY

GRAZ, AUSTRIA

At least 9 killed in school shooting

At least nine people were reported killed and a number of others injured in a shooting at a school in the southern Austrian city of Graz on Tuesday, the city's mayor said. Graz Mayor Elke Kahr, quoted by Austrian news agency APA, said many injured had also been taken to hospital following the shooting, which she called a "terrible tragedy." (Reuters)

PAYNESVILLE, LIBERIA

Politicians accused of arson bailed out

Liberia's former speaker and three other members of the House of Representatives have been released from prison after paying a combined bond of \$440,000. Jonathan Ponati Koffa, Abu Kamara, Dixon Seboe and Jacob Debee were charged over their alleged role in the burning of the Capitol building last December. (BBC)

KYIV

Russia launches largest air attacks

Russia launched one of its largest air strikes on Kyiv in over three years of war and struck a maternity ward in the southern city of Odesa in attacks that killed at least three people, officials said on Tuesday. The overnight strikes followed Russia's biggest drone assault of the war on Ukraine on Monday and were part of intensified bombardments in what Moscow says is retaliation for attacks by Ukrainian forces on Russia.

TRIPOLI

UN condemns truce violation

The UN Support Mission in Libya (UNSMIL) on Monday condemned the violation of the truce in the capital, Tripoli, where clashes broke out earlier in the day between rival armed groups during Eid al-Adha celebrations. In a statement, the UNSMIL urged all parties to respect the agreed-upon truce and refrain from actions that could undermine it. (Xinhua)

Indiscriminate Community members says law enforcement is also arresting non-criminals

Trump's mass deportation drive collides with city of immigrants

Agency working hard to show progress on Trump's signature policy

LOS ANGELES, TUESDAY

This weekend, tensions boiled over in Los Angeles after a week of immigration sweeps sparked violent protests against the President Donald Trump administration and the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency.

Trump's decision to send 700 US Marines and 4,000 National Guard troops to the Los Angeles area to support the federal response to the unrest has opened a volatile chapter in his mass deportation campaign.

The location of the raids and subsequent protests – a liberal-leaning city in a state controlled by Democrats – also gave the White House an ideal public foil as it seeks to show progress on removing illegal immigrants and instilling law and order.

Governor Gavin Newsom, a Democrat and prominent critic of the president, wrote on X that the troop deployment was a "deranged fantasy of a dictatorial President".

The raids in America's second-biggest city are unfolding against the backdrop of an aggressive push to raise arrest and deportation numbers, as the administration has been disappointed with its current pace.

ICE has ramped up its enforcement actions in recent weeks as it faces pressure to show progress



Police detain a person during a rally in solidarity with the Los Angeles protests against federal immigration sweeps, in Austin, Texas, on Monday. PHOTO | REUTERS

on Trump's signature policy initiative. The agency arrested 2,200 people on June 4, according to NBC News, a record for a single day.

The network reported that hundreds of those arrested were enrolled in a programme known as Alternative to Detention, which allows for the release and monitoring of individuals not deemed an immediate threat.

White House Deputy Chief of Staff Stephen Miller, the man widely seen as the intellectual architect of the deportation policy, has repeatedly said the White House hopes that ICE can scale up to 3,000 arrests a day.

"President Trump is going to keep pushing to get that number up higher each and every single day," Miller told Fox News in May. The Department of Homeland

Security said in a press release that the immigrants detained in the recent Los Angeles raids included individuals convicted of sex crimes, burglary and drug related charges, among other offences.

Local immigration advocates and community members, however, say that families have been torn apart and nonviolent immigrants detained.

At a rally on Monday, Los Angeles City councilmember Ysabel Jurado said that a Friday raid at a warehouse in the Fashion District "was not about public safety, it was a fear driven, state violence designed to silence, to intimidate, to disappear".

While opinion polls show that Trump's immigration policies are popular with a majority of Americans, some of his backers

self-fabricated deportation goal," she added.

Federal authorities have conducted more frequent immigration raids across the US, in states that lean both towards Democrats and Republicans. Some Republican-controlled states, like Tennessee, have assisted federal authorities.

Images of violence and resistance on the streets of Los Angeles gave Trump a catalyst for the deployment of the National Guard.

"For his base, it does quite a bit. It shows he's serious, and allows them to show he will use all means necessary to enforce his [immigration] rules," said John Acevedo, an associate dean at Emory Law School.

Protesters in Los Angeles— which calls itself a sanctuary city, meaning it limits co-operation with federal immigration enforcement—did not relish the role they believed the administration had chosen for their city.

"This is my people, you know, I'm fighting for us," said Maria Gutierrez, a Mexican-American who protested for two days in Paramount, a city in LA County that saw protests after residents spotted ICE agents in the area.

The unrest there involved looting and at least one car burning. Authorities used rubber bullets and tear gas.

Ms Gutierrez believed undocumented immigrants who commit violent offences should be targeted, but not those who she believes work hard and aspire to a better life.

"This is our city. We're angry, we know how to protect ourselves and this isn't going to scare us," she said. (BBC)

2,200
Number of suspected illegal immigrants arrested on June, a single-day record

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No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Mandatory Pre-Tender Site visit. Date/Venue/ Time	Tender Closing Date/Opening Date/ Venue/Time
1.	KeNHA/2875/2025	Upgrading to Bitumen Standards of Kangundo- Mwala section of (B63) Road	Friday, 20 th June 2025, Kangundo Town (End of Tarmac) at 11:00am	Thursday, 3 rd July, 2025 at 11:00am Kenya National Highways Authority Headquarters, Barabara Plaza, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA), Nairobi, Off Mazao Road, Block C - 2nd Floor Board Room
2.	KeNHA/2876/2025	Upgrading to Bitumen Standards of Mutomo - Isaa section of (B88) Road	Wednesday, 18 th June 2025, Mutomo Junction at 2:00pm	
3.	KeNHA/2877/2025	Upgrading to Bitumen Standards of Kamuwongo- Kandwia section of (B64) Road	Thursday, 19 th June 2025, Kamuongo Centre (end of Tarmac) at 2:00pm	
4.	KeNHA/2878/2025	Upgrading to Bitumen Standards of Emali-Ukia section of (B107) Road	Wednesday, 18 th June 2025, Emali Junction at 8:00am	
5.	KeNHA/2879/2025	Upgrading to Bitumen Standards of Zombe- Chuluni section of (B64) Road	Thursday, 19 th June 2025, Chuluni Junction at 8:00am	

A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested tenderers from the Kenya National Highways Authority website: www.kenha.co.ke or Public Procurement Information Portal (PIPI): www.tenders.go.ke free of charge or from the KeNHA Offices, Supply Chain Management Department during normal working hours upon payment of non-refundable fee of **Kshs. 1,000.00** (One thousand shillings only) in form of a banker's cheque payable to Kenya National Highways Authority.

Bidders are encouraged to download tender documents from the above websites to minimize physical visits to **KeNHA Offices**.

All interested bidders are required to continually check the Kenya National Highways Authority website: www.kenha.co.ke or Public Procurement Information Portal (PIPI): www.tenders.go.ke for any tender addenda or clarifications that may arise before the submission date.

Deputy Director, Supply Chain Management
For: DIRECTOR GENERAL

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals the charges/financers under their statutory power of sale, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned.

1. ON WEDNESDAY 18th JUNE 2025 AT STARTRUCK STORAGE YARD.

DEBTOR	M/V REG.	MAKE	VIEWING YARD
James Kamau Irungu	KAX 003L	ISUZU MINI BUS	Startruck yard
Joel Wangel Kanianu	KTWB 774J	TUKTUK PIAGGIO	Capital Diamond yard
Samuel Mburu Nyanjiru	KTWB 418X	TUKTUK TVS	Capital Diamond Yard
Andrew Ngunirumu Kihuyu	KCB 328B	ISUZU FRF	Blackbird Storage Yard
Christopher Kamau Mwangi	KDH 023E	NISSAN CLIPPER VAN	Titus Auto Garage - Karurugu Eastern Bypass

2. ON TUESDAY 24th JUNE 2025 IN OUR OFFICE - NATURE HOUSE, 1st FLOOR, ROOM 322

All that parcel of land known as **NDEIYA/MAKUTANO/4366 I.N.O HANNAH NJOKI NDERU GUARANTOR TO TABITHA MUKAMI MWAURA of P.O. Box 450-0100, Thika**. This is a rectangular Agricultural plot of red soil and extends to **0.20Ha or approx. 0.50 of acre** under GPS coordinates **°09°03.5'N 36°36'45.1"E**. This is a well-drained half acre vacant plot situated within Makutano area in Ndeiya Sub-county, Kiambu County, Mains. Electricity and water are available for connection within the neighbourhood while foul drainage would be to a septic tank or pit latrine.

3. ON THURSDAY 26th JUNE 2025 IN OUR OFFICE - NATURE HOUSE, 1st FLOOR, ROOM 322

All that parcels of land known as **KIJABE/KIJABE BLOCK 1/2140 I.N.O GABRIEL MWANGI MUMBA of P.O. Box 1306, Limuru** measuring **0.0454HA or 0.121 of an Acre** within Mai Mahiu area off Old Naivasha Road about 5km West of Maa Mahiu Town - Naivasha Road deviating at the junction to Governor Secondary School and lies about 1.5km North East of the subject property under GPS coordinates **0°58'43.20"S and 36°23.70"E**.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All intending purchaser(s) are requested to view and verify the details themselves as these are not warranted by the Auctioneers or our client.
- A refundable deposit of **Kshs. 20,000/-** must be paid to obtain a bidding number, please note that **NO** bidding whatsoever without a bidding number.
- A deposit of **25%** must be paid in cash, Banker's cheque or RTGS at the fall of the hammer and the balance within 90days from the date of the auction to the charges.
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Business 207

Number of containers that had been stuck with tea in Sudan

Relief as Sudan lets in Kenyan tea cargo

BY ANTHONY KITIMO

Sudan has agreed to clear a consignment of Kenyan tea shipped to the strife-torn country before it imposed a ban on trade in Nairobi on March 11, 2025.

The cargo has been lying at Port Sudan for more than three months with shippers charging the cost of demurrage for the delayed time to return containers.

The East Africa Tea Trade Association (Eatta) has confirmed that they have been given the go-ahead to clear 207 containers of tea with 400 bags each which were in transit and already at the Port Sudan when the ban was effected. However, Eatta managing director George Omuga has maintained that the window is for a few days and the ban has not been lifted.

"It is a relief after Kenya and Sudan allowed us to clear the consignment but back home we have stockpiles at the port of Mombasa and at different warehouses as we cannot sell the stock to the country due to the existing ban," said Mr Omuga.

Grades

He added, "Sudan primarily imports specific tea grades that are not easily absorbed by other markets. The Mombasa Tea Auction is ongoing but without Sudanese special tea." Despite being allowed to clear the containers, tea dealers have expressed concern over the impact of the ban on exporters serving the Sudanese market bracing for cash flow difficulties which will inevitably affect producers and smallholder farmers.

With several containers loaded with special Sudan tea grades, exporters in Mombasa will have to continue paying for the warehouses' costs as specific tea grades cannot be easily redirected to other markets.

"Apart from selling consignment which was on supply chain while the ban was effected, the ongoing ban will significantly impact tea prices," Mr Kariuki Njenga, one of the tea dealers in Mombasa cautioned.

Uasin Gishu, Laikipia leaders in bid to boost coffee output



Laikipia Governor Joshua Irungu (right) and his Uasin Gishu counterpart Jonathan Bii in Eldoret City yesterday before heading to distribute coffee seedlings to farmers in various parts of the county. The governors said the high value crop can fetch Sh1 million per acre unlike what farmer earn from maize. JARED NYATAYA | NATION

Budget Two offices were among casualties in a new purge on spending

COB declined Raila, Ruto Sh650m emergency spend

Cash was to be used on local trips and AUC campaigns in nine months to March

BY PETER MBURU

The Controller of Budget (COB) denied President William Ruto and Raila Odinga Sh649.6 million for spending on local trips and AU campaigns in the nine months to March in a new purge on irregular emergency spending.

While Treasury had in February approved State House to spend Sh1.5 billion on the President's local trips, hospitality and other activities under the emergency clause, COB Margaret Nyakang'o only authorised Sh1.16 billion to be used, declining to approve Sh342 million.

Treasury had also in November last year approved the state department for foreign affairs to spend Sh523.8 million funding Mr Odinga's campaigns for

the African Union Commission Chairmanship. The COB, however, only approved Sh216.67 million in February 2025, slashing the amount by Sh307.5 million.

The two offices were among casualties in a new purge by the COB on public agencies the office accuses of insisting to spend unbudgeted public funds under Article 223 of the Constitution. The COB declined to approve Sh6.6 billion for spending under the emergency clause between July 2024 and March 2025.

On February 27, 2025, Treasury Cabinet Secretary (CS) John Mbadi approved Sh1.5 billion to be spent by State House under the emergency clause "to cater for utilities, rent, local presidential visits, hospitality services, fuel expenses and maintenance of motor vehicles." Between Febru-

TURNED DOWN

6.6bn

Amount of money the COB declined to approve as emergency spend between July 2024 and March 2025

ary 28, 2025 and March 19, 2025, COB Nyakang'o approved a total of Sh1.16 billion for State House to spend on the activities, failing to approve Sh342 million.

High spending by State House under the emergency clause occurred as President William Ruto hosted over 130 delegations and other events at the State House, while making more than 160 local tours across different counties between July 2024 and March 2025.

"State House also benefited from additional funding that

amounted to Sh1.16 billion under Article 223 of the Constitution to cater for utilities, rent, local visits, hospitality services, fuel expenses and maintenance of motor vehicles," Ms Nyakang'o said, citing instances when the government relied on the emergency kitty to fund existing programmes.

Hosting political leaders from different counties at the State House, Nairobi has been a key signature of President Ruto's rule. In March 2025 alone, the President hosted six delegations of leaders from Eastern, Western and Mt Kenya regions, and chaired the Kenya Kwanza Parliamentary Group meeting on March 7.

Expenses incurred when hosting the delegations such as meals, refreshments and other procurement-related activities to facilitate them are shouldered by taxpayers.

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BRIEFLY

FINANCE

Family Bank expands with Kilifi branch

Family Bank has expanded its operations in the country with the opening of its 96th branch in Kilifi County. Family Bank Chief Executive Officer, Ms Nancy Njau, said they are targeting small and medium-sized enterprises to benefit from Sh14.7 billion acquired through a partnership with the European Investment Bank. Small firms account for the majority of businesses in Kenya and are important contributors to job creation and economic growth. Maureen Ongala

ENERGY

Ketraco switches on new S. Nyanza transmission line

The Kenya Electricity Transmission Company (Ketraco) has switched on a new high voltage electricity transmission line in South Nyanza, raising hope of improved and stable power supply in the region. The firm has begun using the Awendo-Isebania (Masaba) transmission line which was built as part of the Kenya Power Transmission Expansion Project that seeks to enhance access to electricity in underserved regions. George Odiwuor

FINANCE

Stanbic alerts its customers to late night fraud wave

Stanbic Bank Kenya has issued a wake-up call to customers over the rising wave of late-night fraud where unsuspecting revellers are tricked into revealing their passwords. Head of personal and private banking at Stanbic Bank Abraham Omenge said yesterday the incidences tend to occur on Friday and Saturday night, with millennials — individuals born between 1981 and 1996 — being the most hit. Patrick Alushula

NAIROBI SECURITIES EXCHANGE

Last 12 Mths	Security	Prices	Shares
High	Low	Yesterday	Previous

AGRICULTURAL

14.50	10.00	Easgard Ord 125	12.45	12.45	600
440.00	240.00	Kakuzi Plc Ord. 5.00		365.00	
280.00	81.00	Kapchoruar Tea Kenya Plc Ord	220.00	220.00	1.800
430.00	320.00	The Limuru Tea Co. Ord 20.00		320.00	
32.60	13.80	Sasini Ltd Ord 1.00	15.30	15.20	4.600
289.00	120.00	Williamson Tea Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	205.00	205.00	1.900

AUTOMOBILES & ACCESSORIES

49.00	18.50	Car & General (K) Ord 5.00	20.45	22.00	700
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BANKING

19.95	10.00	ABSA Bank Ord 0.50	18.35	18.30	281.200
38.00	26.50	BK Group Ord 0.80	32.05	34.00	250.700
83.25	43.05	Diamond Trust Bank Ord 4.00	72.00	72.00	292.000
51.00	33.70	Equity Group Holdings Ord 0.50	44.65	44.35	1,047.000
9.74	2.80	HF Group Plc Ord 5.00	6.48	6.54	55.500
39.00	15.80	I&M Group Ord 1.00	34.00	34.00	203.000
47.00	15.00	KCB Group Ord 1.00	43.25	43.20	1,994.100
56.25	28.50	NCBA Group Ord 5.00	53.75	54.00	86.900
179.00	90.00	Stanbic Holdings Ord. 5.00	162.50	155.00	5.500
15.00	134.00	Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ord. 5.00	269.00	268.25	285.700
18.35	10.10	The Co-op Bank of Kenya Ord 1.00	15.60	15.45	202.300

COMMERCIAL & SERVICES

0.45	0.45	Deacons (East Africa) Ord 2.50		0.45	
1.88	0.59	Eversady EA Ord 1.00	0.85	0.88	201.500
5.40	2.70	Express Kenya Ord 5.00	2.95	2.92	100
4.66	4.66	Homeboyz Entertainment Plc Ord 0.50		4.66	
918	3.83	Kenya Airways Ord 1.00	4.85	4.59	344.100
3.46	2.00	Longhorn Publishers Ord 1.00	2.66	2.42	100
5.00	1.76	Nairobi Business Ventures Ord 1.00	1.84	1.83	20.500
22.40	10.60	Nation Media Group Plc Ord 2.50	11.15	11.10	29.600
3.80	1.80	Samerey Plc Ord. 5.00	3.71	3.65	85.900
10.80	4.50	Standard Group Ord 5.00	6.14	5.78	200
18.70	10.85	TPS Eastern Africa Ord 1.00	14.10	14.05	7.300
0.41	0.16	Uchumi Supermarket Ord 5.00	0.25	0.25	216.800
3.95	1.80	WPP ScanGroup PLC Ord. 1.00	2.57	2.69	96.500

CONSTRUCTION & ALLIED

5.55	5.55	ARM Cement Ord 1.00		5.55	
84.00	21.30	Bamburi Cement Ltd Ord 5.00		54.00	
46.00	29.00	KPS & LC Co Plc Ord 0.50	43.95	43.95	700
3.27	0.72	E. A. Cables Ord 0.50	1.90	1.81	15.100
55.75	4.38	E. A. Portland Cement Ord 5.00	35.35	32.50	900

ENERGY & PETROLEUM

5.40	1.94	KenGen Ord 2.50	5.00	5.00	6,864.400
7.66	1.30	KP & LC Co Plc Ord 250	8.30	8.72	371.900
4.20	4.00	KP & LC Plc 4% Pref. 20.00		4.00	
6.00	6.00	KP & LC Plc 7% Pref. 20.00		6.00	
26.00	14.55	TotalEnergies Marketing Kenya Ord 5.00	23.75	23.35	8.500
18.00	6.30	Umeme Ltd Ord 0.50		16.00	

INSURANCE

8.70	4.01	Britam Holdings Ord 0.10	7.06	7.02	35.000
319	1.60	CIC Insurance Group Ord 1.00	2.83	2.86	50.200
23500	142.00	Jubilee Holdings Ord 5.00	209.25	223.00	2,000
2.97	1.05	Kenya Re Insurance Ord 2.50	1.86	1.86	1,076.600
12.20	3.30	Liberty Kenya Holdings Ord 1.00	10.55	10.85	6,363.600
11.00	4.00	Sanlam Kenya Ord 5.00	6.36	6.40	9.500

INVESTMENT

16.50	7.60	Centum Investment Co Ord 0.50	11.70	11.45	168.200
1.12	0.27	Home Afrika Ltd Ord. 1.00	0.71	0.67	315.600
1,500	1,500	Kurwitu Ventures Ltd Ord. 100.00		1,500.00	
5.60	1.91	Olympia Capital Holdings Ltd Ord. 5.00	3.60	3.29	1,000
1.78	0.29	Trans-Century Plc Ord. 0.50	1.18	1.16	249.800

INVESTMENT SERVICES

7.50	5.22	Nairobi Securities Exchange. Ord 4.00	8.02		7.76	45.900
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MANUFACTURING & ALLIED

95.00	65.00	B.O.C Kenya Group Co. Ord 5.00	85.50	85.50	500	
495.00	325.00	British American Tobacco Kenya Ord 10.00	348.50	347.50	17,500	
23.90	11.00	Carbacid Investments Ord 1.00		20.00	19.75	95.500
204.00	100.00	East African Breweries Ord 1.00	186.25	180.00	3,300	
2.33	0.86	Flame Tree Group Holdings Ord 0.825	1.19		1.18	3,500
77.00	10.40	Kenya Orchards Ord 5.00			56.00	
0.27	0.27	Mumias Sugar Co. Ord 2.00			0.27	
31.00	12.00	Unga Group Co. Ord 5.00			22.00	

TELECOMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY

24.95	11.50	Safaricom Ltd Ord. 0.05	22.60	21.30	133,119.900
20.00	20.00	Lap Trust I-Reit Co. Ord 20.00		20.00	
3330.00	1880.00	Absa New Gold ETF		3910.00	

NSE ALL SHARE INDEX: 01st Jan 2008 -100Up 3.86pts - 140.60NSE 20-Dwn 6.73pts - 2210.04 08st sep 2015-4101.67 Dwn 67.20pts 3650.54 NSE 20-S 1-30 Aug 2023-1000 Up 311.5pts - 1402.54

COMMERCIAL BANK RATES

		Euro	\$	£	C\$	SF	IR	JY	ZR
ABC	buy	147.03	129.00	174.58	94.06	156.74	1.50	89.00	7.24
	sell	147.86	129.50	175.87	94.42	157.54	1.51	89.40	7.31
Absa	buy	147.19	129.10	174.77	94.31	157.43	1.50	90.20	7.23
	sell	147.68	129.30	175.30	94.60	158.06	1.50	90.47	7.25
Co-op	buy	146.34	128.45	173.82	93.70	156.09	1.49	89.83	7.24
	sell	147.50	129.48	175.22	94.45	157.33	1.50	89.33	7.30
Equity	buy	147.05	128.90	174.54	94.05	156.93	-	89.78	7.24
	sell	147.75	129.50	175.37	94.51	157.73	-	90.21	7.30
NBK	buy	147.44	129.05	175.09	94.37	157.25	1.50	89.42	7.26
	sell	147.64	129.45	175.26	94.52	157.59	1.50	89.87	7.28
KCB	buy	147.47	129.00	174.20	94.21	156.95	1.51	89.00	7.29
	sell	147.94	129.40	174.83	94.52	157.52	1.51	89.00	7.31
NCBA	buy	147.35	129.00	174.90	94.20	157.10	1.51	89.40	7.27
	sell	147.60	129.50	175.25	94.40	157.45	1.51	89.55	7.28
Stanbic	buy	146.98	128.95	174.46	94.08	157.03	1.50	89.15	7.27
	sell	147.51	129.40	175.07	94.41	157.57	1.51	89.46	7.37
Gulf African	buy	134.86	129.25	157.56	90.53	142.84	1.50	82.74	6.84
	sell	133.21	129.75	158.18	90.02	142.10	1.49	83.09	6.87
Prime	buy	147.60	129.00	174.50	94.20	157.10	1.50	89.20	7.29
	sell	148.10	129.50	175.00	94.70	157.60	1.51	89.80	7.39

CBK RATES

	Exchange Rate	Swiss Franc	157.7534
US Dollar	129.2356	100 Japanese Yen	90.3125
1 Sterling Pound	174.9592	1 Swedish Kroner	13.4710
1 Euro	147.3157	1 Norwegian Kroner	12.7698
1 South African Rand	7.2861	1 Danish Kroner	19.7674
Ksh/USH	28.0109	1 Indian Rupee	1.5040
Ksh/TSH	20.4278	1 Hongkong Dollar	16.4664
Ksh/RWF	10.9679	1 Singapore Dollar	100.3889
Ksh/BIF	23.0354	1 Saudi Riyal	34.4582
1 UAE Dirham	35.1781	1 Chinese Yuan	17.9859
1 Canadian Dollar	94.0634	1 Australian Dollar	84.2745

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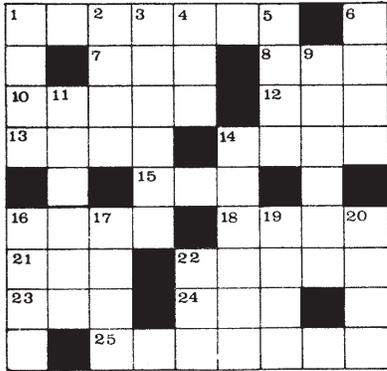
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African Alliance Kenya Enhanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.17%	8.48%
Britam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.72%	11.31%
Britam Money Market Fund	USD	3.08%	3.18%
Absa Shilling MMF	Kenya Shilling	9.75%	10.20%
Absa Dollar Fund MMF	USD	4.34%	4.42%
Gulfcap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	13.06%	13.87%
Gulfcap Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	14.25%	15.22%
Gulfcap Sharfah Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.33%	7.58%
Old Mutual Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.98%	11.56%
Old Mutual Dollar Money Market Fund	USD	5.01%	5.13%
Etica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.08%	12.84%
Etica Money Market Fund	USD	6.08%	6.27%
Co-op Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.49%	9.96%
Arvocap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.01%	12.70%
Arvocap Alimasi Fund	Kenya Shilling	1.27	1.27
Mayfair Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.29%	8.64%
Mayfair Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	14.83	14.83
Erwealth Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.18%	11.78%
CIC Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.49%	9.92%
CIC Wealth Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.50%	7.50%
CIC Dollar Fund	USD	4.94%	5.06%
Equity Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	5.30%	5.44%
Kuza Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.20%	12.97%
Kuza Money Market Fund	USD	5.65%	5.81%
Madison Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.71%	11.29%
Madison Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.86%	12.59%
Orient Kasha Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.76%	12.48%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.74%	11.28%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	USD	5.15%	5.28%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.94%	12.67%
Lofty-Corban Special Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.25%	9.25%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	USD	5.13%	5.25%
Cyotonn Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.87%	13.51%
NCBA Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.06%	8.36%
NCBA Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	3.20%	3.25%
ICEALION Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.42%	9.87%
ICEALION Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	103.65	103.65
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (3 months)	Kenya Shilling	11.62%	12.26%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (6 months)	Kenya Shilling	11.64%	12.29%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (12 months)	Kenya Shilling	11.82%	12.48%
Sanlam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.71%	10.70%
Sanlam US Dollar Fund	USD	4.88%	5.00%
Apollo Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.16%	10.70%
Genghis Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.77%	10.26%
GenAfrica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.32%	13.10%
KCB Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.78%	10.23%
KCB Money Market Fund	USD	5.30%	5.43%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	USD	5.60%	6.80%
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	USD	5.50%	5.68%
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.83%	11.44%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.53%	11.11%
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	USD	5.15%	5.27%
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.27%	10.77%
Dry Associates Special High Yield Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.24%	13.42%
Faulu Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.08%	10.65%
Britam Bond Plus Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.58%	12.28%
Zimele Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling</		

Leisure

SIMPLE CROSSWORD

ACROSS:

- 1.To twist out of true meaning
- 7.An unpleasant, stupid, or rough person, especially a man
- 8.Be indebted to
- 10.'It's no use crying over... milk' means what has already been damaged can't be corrected
- 12.Poetic for 'over'
- 13.Pit
- 14.Game or sport
- 15.Born of
- 16.Clue
- 18.'So be it' (After prayer)
- 21.Frozen water
- 22.Slyly disparaging
- 23.Moisture condensed upon surfaces of cool bodies
- 24.Belonging to us
- 25.Laugh in a suppressed manner



- 11.Law enforcement agency
- 14.Groundnut
- 16.Conceal
- 17.An amphibian
- 19.Bog or marsh
- 20.A report of recent events
- 22.A habitual drunkard.

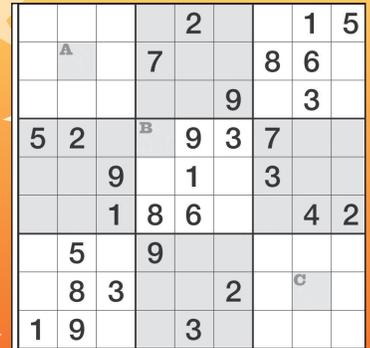
DOWN:

- 1.Something on which you serve, cook, or eat food
- 2.To make dirty
- 3.Flair
- 4.Many times
- 5.Implement
- 6.To an extreme degree
- 9.Acquainted a baby to food other than mother's milk

SUDOKU

Enjoy the Sudoku Game Daily

Use Numbers 1-9. Sudoku is played on a grid of 9 x 9 spaces. Don't Repeat Any numbers. in the upper left square (circled in blue), this square already has 7 out of the 9 spaces filled in. Don't guess. Sudoku is a game of logic and reasoning, so you shouldn't have to guess. Use process of elimination.



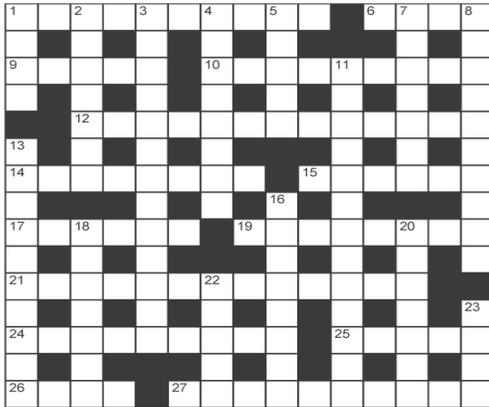
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8	7	4	6	2	1	5	3	9
6	2	5	4	9	3	1	8	7

COMPLEX CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Cats chasing off crabs (10)
- 6 Staunch allies tempting guards (4)
- 9 Hate shown by sailor given chore, edging away (5)
- 10 Smooth joke entertains new recruit with force (5-4)
- 12 Pedestrian's comment about milk bar's limited menu? (2,5,6)
- 14 Overrules sad Cinders, principal character in show (8)
- 15 Margin in book with type to the right (6)
- 17 A chime ringing quietly for prayer (6)
- 19 Liking fleecy jumpers back to front (4,4)
- 21 Conceited film star to pen novel (4-9)
- 24 State individuals must visit home of the Taj Mahal (9)
- 25 Language is Rear Admirals focus (5)
- 26 Loving Persuasion (4)
- 27 Bishop died chopping trees? Nonsense (10)



- DOWN
- 1 Photograph me too! (4)
- 2 Lets go of university employees after November (7)
- 3 Pigeon trainer goes off travelling (13)
- 4 Phase out posters for nits (8)
- 5 Wimbledon winner, always
- 7 Followed plot on the radio (7)
- 8 Myna emptied its great snapping beak (10)
- 11 Miss passing minor tasks, for example? (13)
- 13 Lolly and gum, something to chew on (10)
- 16 Where you might see Heather in low light around river (8)
- 18 Knight's pressure on panto to take a day off (7)

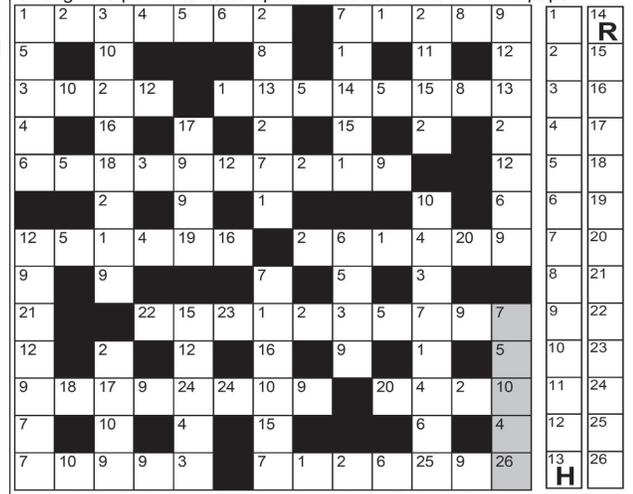
- 20 Plant held up by bonsai nut: epilobium (7)
- 22 Pause at first when covering odd bits of Thai food (5)
- 23 Accompanying Dorothy Parker for one hour (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

- ACROSS
- 1 Rolls
- 4 Underwear
- 9 Character
- 10 Bride
- 11 Rattled
- 12 Creates
- 13 Ensure
- 15 Peasants
- 18 Sneak off
- 20 Oh dear
- 23 On the go
- 24 Espouse
- 26 Sarge
- 27 Respected
- 28 Sidesteps
- 29 Spear
- DOWN:
- 1 Recorders
- 2 Leant
- 3 Smaller
- 4 Untidy
- 5 Directed
- 6 Rubbers
- 7 Existence
- 8 Reeks
- 14 Sheltered
- 16 Surrender
- 17 Of course
- 19 Keepers
- 21 Happens
- 22 Teases
- 23 Oasis
- 24 Untie

CODEWORD

Each number in our Codeword grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. For example, today 14 represents R every time the figure 14 appears in the main grid, then use your knowledge of words to work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you get the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and control grid. Check off the list of alphabetical letters as you identify them.



YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
I	L	F	O	J	K	E	S	W	R	P	H	N	R	X	Z	M	A	U	Q	B	D	G	Y	T	V	C

YOUR STARS

AQUARIUS | JAN 21 - FEB 19

The planets are providing a needed boost of energy to get everything done on time and under budget. Your ambition is at an all-time high, and there may not always be someone to delegate responsibilities to - yet. But your finances will improve as long as you keep your head down and do your work.

PISCES | FEB 20 - MAR 20

This week you're thinking job change, and viola, the forces appear to help out. Planets affecting your day-to-day work ask that you think about how to change your existing situation for the better (raise, anyone?) or start looking for something better.

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20)

You're poised for a major breakthrough, thanks to support from aspects governing family and romance. Your spending has slowly

but steadily decreased, and now it's time to have a little controlled fun. Your friends and social networks might want in on the action, but make sure it's clear that they have to pay their own way.

TAURUS | APR 21 - MAY 20

If you want a study in balance, look to your sign. It's no accident that you make excellent hosts. Currently your career life opposes your home life. Changing your home life to accommodate your work life by turning a spare room into an office.

GEMINI | MAY 21 - JUNE 21

Looking at your house of higher education and travel, you're hankering to trade information. You may be guided to teach now or return to school for a weekend class. Although you're certain to be texting and e-mailing your fingers off, your mind is on the bigger picture.

CANCER | JUN 22 - JULY 22

Your financial life is active this week. You're being asked to change the way you see money in your life. This may open up a new channel to manifest new sources of income if you keep your eyes open. Use your assertion to work on your debt. You have everything you need to make some serious dents in those bills.

LEO | JULY 23 - AUG 22

You're reconsidering your spending patterns as the credit card bills come in this week. If you're surprised by how much you've spent, blame the planets. Starting a home-based business can bring in the extra cash you need in the short term. Use your skills!

VIRGO | AUG 23 - SEP 23

Looking at your house of significant relationships, all is well on that front, but it wouldn't hurt to go over shared finances

to make sure you're both on the same page with saving and debt repayments. Meanwhile, your communication sector is begging the question, how can you use your communication skills to bring in more money

LIBRA | SEP 24 - OCT 23

You're one of the Zodiac's best at manifesting things. With an emphasis on your money sector. Think about people or jobs from an earlier time in your life and you will have the financial answer to your present dilemma

SCORPIO | OCT 24 - NOV 22

It's a strange week. Soirpico. Some planets want you to think about how to make your home more comfortable and accommodating, while others want you to spend more time developing your career. The tug-of-war may create short-term chaos for your social life,

SAGITTARIUS | NOV 23 - DEC 21

This week you may be tempted to expand moneymaking efforts that include writing, the Internet, and content creation. But part of you may be drawn toward additional education so you can charge more for your services. Don't let any situation distract you.

CAPRICORN | DEC 22 - JAN 20

If you want a study in balance, look to your sign. It's no accident that you make excellent hosts. Currently your career life opposes your home life. Careful attention to detail will allow you to achieve all you want and more.

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NCA NAIROBI CHANNELS AUCTIONEERS

PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions received from our principals the chargers, and acting upon the statutory powers of sale conferred upon the chargee, we shall sell by public auction the under-mentioned properties with all improvements therein: **ON 13TH JUNE, 2025 AT 10.30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE-MENTIONED OFFICES**

- LR. NO. NAIROBI/ BLOCK 136/9332 RUAI AREA NAIROBI COUNTY** ino David Kandie. A vacant leasehold interest (for 99yrs w.e.f.1/01/88) measuring 0.126Ha/ 0.3112 acres. Situated along Mwalimu Road, 1.6km off Kangundo Road (1km due South of Ruai Police Station/500mtrs West of Cedar Progressive Academy). Mains services are available for connection & boundaries are marked by chain linked wire fence with live hedges (-1.28490, 37.00109).
- LR. NO. KAJIADO/ KITENGELA/ 39822 OLOOSIRKON/ SHOLINKE WARD KAJIADO WEST SUB-COUNTY, KAJIADO COUNTY** ino Joice Lilian Adongo Malenya. A vacant freehold residential interest measuring app. 0.045Ha/ 0.11Acres. Situated in Maji Mazuri within Olooltepes Area, off Kiserian-Isinya Rd. Mains services are available for connection & boundaries are marked by barbed wire fence with live hedges. (-1.469109,36.762611)

3. ON 27TH JUNE 2025 AT 10.30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE-MENTIONED OFFICES

LR. NO. MAVOKO TOWN BLOCK 3/59996, JOSKA KANGUNDO, MACHAKOS COUNTY ino Fredrick Okoth Jaoko measuring 0.0167 Ha/0.0412 acres. Located in vicinity of Kamulu virtual weighbridge. Approach is 200mtrs. off Kangundo Road via Muya Road. Developed with a 2-bedroom bungalow. Mains water and electricity are connected; drainage is via septic tank soak pit. (-1.284972,37.087417)

TERMS

- Interested purchasers to view the property and verify details themselves, as these are not warranted by the Auctioneers or their principals 2. Highest bidder shall pay a deposit of 25% of the purchase price via RTGS or BANKERS CHEQUE. 3. The sale is subject to reserve price and land board consent if applicable.

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LANDLORD VS 1. ADLEYS BERNARDS REAL 2. SWISS CORPORATE CONSULTANTS LTD 3. MACHINE TECHNIQUE SOLUTIONS LTD

WE SHALL SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION ON FRIDAY 13TH JUNE, 2025 STARTING FROM 10.30 AM AT TRADE CENTRE SYOKIMAU NAIROBI

NISSAN N.P.200 REG. NO KCS 074G, Lots of office furniture, equipment including computers, desks, executive seats etc

CONDITIONS OF SALE

VIEWING -THURSDAY 12TH JUNE, 2025 within normal working hours
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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals /financers, we shall sell by public auction the undermentioned motor vehicle on the **19th JUNE, 2025 at our offices starting at 10:30 AM**

REG NO	Y.O.M	MAKE/MODEL	RESERVE PRICE
KDT 422M	2018	MAZDA CX-5	2,100,000.00
KDP 166Q	2017	TOYOTA AXIO	1,000,000.00

CONDITIONS OF SALE

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TOYOTA LANDCRUISER LX V8 S. WAGONS, TOYOTA LANDCRUISER HARD TOPS, TOYOTA FORTUNERS & TOYOTA HILUX DOUBLE CAB PICK UPS FOR SALE THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION

AV VENTURES LLC, AN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE ORGANIZATION in conjunction with PHILLIPS INTERNATIONAL AUCTIONEERS, shall sell by public auction the under mentioned MOTOR VEHICLES, ON TUESDAY 17th JUNE 2025, AT OUR OFFICES AT KILELESHA ESTATE ALONG KANDARA ROAD NEAR KILELESHA POLICE STATION AND OPPOSITE WHITESTAR CENTRE - NAIROBI - STARTING AT 11.00A.M.





NO.	NO. OF UNITS	MAKE MODEL	B/TYPE	Y.O.M.	DUTY STATUS
1.	9 UNITS	TOYOTA LANDCRUISER LX V8 5-DOOR	S. WAGONS	2024	PAID
2.	4 UNITS	TOYOTA LANDCRUISER HARD TOP 5-DOOR	S. WAGONS	2015	PAID
3.	3 UNITS	TOYOTA FORTUNER	S. WAGONS	2017	PAID
4.	1 UNIT	TOYOTA FORTUNER	S. WAGON	2017	PAID
5.	7 UNITS	TOYOTA HILUX DOUBLE CABIN	PICK UP	2017	PAID

CONDITIONS OF SALE:

- Viewing of the MOTOR VEHICLES to be done at our offices PHILLIPS INTERNATIONAL AUCTIONEERS SITUATED WITHIN KILELESHA ESTATE ALONG KANDARA ROAD, OPPOSITE WHITE STAR CENTRE - NAIROBI during normal working hours (from 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.) - FROM TUESDAY 3rd JUNE to MONDAY 16th JUNE 2025 to verify the details, as these are not warranted by our Principals nor the Auctioneer.
- SALE WILL BE "ON - AS - IS - WHERE - IS - BASIS" & SUBJECT TO REASONABLE RESERVE PRICES.
- Interested bidders are required to pay a refundable deposit as here under: -
 - TO OUR PAYBILL NO. 329329 - AC. NO. 0102487075701
 - KSHS. 500,000.00 PER EACH MOTOR VEHICLE
- NB. THE DEADLINE FOR ISSUING BIDDING NUMBERS AND CATALOGUES WILL STRICTLY BE ON FRIDAY 13th JUNE 2025.**
Kindly forward payment evidence to phillipsinternationalauctioneers@yahoo.com and info@phillipsauctioneers.co.ke, for ease of verification and activation.
- The declared purchaser MUST deposit 25% of the purchase price by close of business auction day and the balance paid STRICTLY WITHIN SEVEN (7) DAYS FROM THE AUCTION DATE, failure to which the money received including the deposit will be forfeited.
- Successful bidder will be required to pay duty and taxes before collection/transfer of the vehicle.
- All expenses and cost in respect of TAXES and CUSTOMS DUTIES where applicable, shall be borne by the buyer within (MAXIMUM 7 DAYS) after the clearing of the 100% payment.
- Collection of motor vehicles will be upon TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP through NTA TIMS from OUR PRINCIPAL to the NEW OWNERS (MAXIMUM FOURTEEN (14) DAYS) from the date of auction, failure to which the same shall attract daily storage charges.
- Final Payments will be through DIRECT DEPOSIT INTO THE PROVIDED BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS TO BE PROVIDED FOR AFTER THE AUCTION.

NB. KINDLY NOTE THAT THE RELEASE OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE WILL BE UPON SUCCESSFUL TIMS TRANSFER TO THE NEW BUYERS.

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Please note that this is the final call being made to you by the WMWG office. Failure to honor this call, it will lead to your name not being included in the verified and proper register of members of WMWG. The office will not take responsibility of your failure to attend for verification.

Our office is located at:
Giwa House, along Moi Avenue, First Floor, Room No. 6.

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By: Geraldine Inyangala Olembo
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A109 Lost

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LOSS of land title number Nzauil/Masumbal/472.

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LOSS of Title deed Isukha/ Shirere/299 Grace Opaka Akwabi

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A279 Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING ACT NO. 13 OF 2019 CHANGE OF USER

The owner of plot L.R. NO. Ndong/ Ndong/85001, Kajjado County. Wish to change its user from Agricultural to Residential (Onestorey Bulding) subject to the approval of the relevant authorities. Objections/ comments to be sent within 14 Days of this notice to: The CECM-Lands, Housing and Urban Development County Government of Kajjado County. P.O. BOX 11-01100, Kajjado.

NOTICE THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT NO.13 2019 CHANGE OF USE

The registered proprietor of parcel UKIA/UTAATI/ 2027 located in Ukia Market area of Makueni County, wishes to change the use of land from Agricultural Use to Industrial Use (Water Bottling Factory) subject to approval by County Government of Makueni. Any individuals, institutions or organizations with any reservations or objections to the above change of use should forward and submit in written form within 14 days of the date of this notice to: The CECM- Lands, Urban Planning & Development, Environment and Climate Change County Government of Makueni. P.O. BOX 78-90300 Wote, Makueni.

FORM PLUPA/DC/3 (r. 3)(a)(i) THE PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

PUBLIC NOTICE: NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE FROM SINGLE DWELLING TO MULTIPLE APARTMENTS ON PLOT No. KISUMU-BLK. 11/136-MILIMANI.

The proprietors of the referred plot of size 0.2677 Hectare, along Got Huma/Busia Road Junction, propose the above development subject to approval by the Kisumu City County Government. Individual(s), institution(s), members of the public, etc., with comments or material objection(s) to the proposal, are asked to forward them in writing within (14) days hereof, pursuant to stipulations of PLUPA's section 58 (7) & (8) and address them to: The CECM

i/c - Lands, Housing, Physical Planning & Urban Development, Kisumu County Government, P.O. Box 2738-40100, Kisumu City. Dated: 11/06/2025 Name of Regd. Planner - J.B. Koyier, RPP. No. 0102, Mobile No. 0734074251.

PUBLIC NOTICE Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019 CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of land parcel No. Donyo Sabuk/Komarock block 1/3350 located off Kagundo road, Koma Area, Matungulu sub county proposes to change its use from Agricultural use to Commercial use (Bar & Restaurant) subject to approval by county government of Machakos. Any individual, institutions/ organization with objection are required to forward in writing within 14 days to: The CECM, Energy, Lands, Housing & Urban Development, County Government of Machakos P.O. Box 1996-90100 Machakos

REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE COURT OF KENYA AT MOLO LABOUR RELATIONS CAUSE NUMBER 0005 OF 2025

CHARLES KIPLAGAT SELE.....CLAIMANT. INTER CITY SECURE HOMES LIMITED.....RESPONDENT.

SERVICE OF MENTION NOTICE AND STATEMENT OF CLAIM BY MEANS OF ADVERTISEMENT

TO: INTER CITY SECURE HOMES LIMITED; BLOCK B SHORE PLAZA MURANGA ROAD; NORTHERN PROVINCE; P.O. BOX 524; NAIROBI.

TAKE NOTICE that the Claimant herein has filed a suit in the aforementioned court station in which you are named as the Respondent and in which service has been ordered to be effected through this means.

TAKE NOTICE that the suit has a date fixed for mention being the 26th Day of June 2025. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you fail to attend either in person or through a duly authorized representative, the matter shall be mentioned and directions given your absence notwithstanding.

DATED AT NAIROBI THIS.....9th.....Day of.....JUNE.....2025

MARAGIA OGARO AND COMPANY ADVOCATES FOR THE CLAIMANT

DRAWN & FILED BY: MARAGIA OGARO & CO; ADVOCATES; GATE HOUSE, 4th FLOOR ROOM 418; P.O BOX 1542-20100; NAKURU. EMAIL: eljahmaraga@gmail.com.

A279 Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE CHANGE THE USER

The registered owner(s) of Land Parcel No: Nandi/Itigo/233 Part located at Mosoriot Area off Kapsabet-Eldoret road Chesumel Sub-County wishes to change the user from Agricultural to Commercial subject to approval by the County Government of Nandi. Individuals, Institutions, etc with objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to: THE CECM, LANDS, ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCE, COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NANDI P.O. BOX 902-30300 KAPSABET



THIKA HIGH SCHOOL

THS/TENDER/25/26
9th June 2025

INVITATION TO TENDER YEAR 2025/2026

Tenders are invited for supply and delivery of goods and services listed below for the school for the period from 1st July 2025 to 30th June 2026.

SN	TENDER NO	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY
1	THS/01/2025/26	Maize flour	Open
2	THS/02/2025/26	Sugar	Reserved
3	THS/03/2025/26	Dry Maize, Yellow Beans and Green Grams	Reserved
4	THS/04/2025/26	Rice	Reserved
5	THS/05/2025/26	Cooking fat, salt, tea leaves, margarine	Open
6	THS/06/2025/26	Fresh cabbages	Open
7	THS/07/2025/26	Fresh milk	Open
8	THS/08/2025/26	Groceries (onions, carrots, potatoes)	Reserved
9	THS/09/2025/26	Fresh meat	open
10	THS/10/2025/26	Fresh bread	Open
11	THS/11/2025/26	Cooking gas	open
12	THS/12/2025/26	Photocopying papers	Open
13	THS/13/2025/26	Exercises Books and General Stationery	open
14	THS/14/2025/26	Students uniform / staff Uniform	open
15	THS/15/2025/26	mattresses	Open
16	THS/16/2025/26	Master, Ink, Toners and Cartridges	Open
17	THS/17/2025/26	Laboratory Chemicals	Open
18	THS/18/2025/26	Hardware materials	open
19	THS/19/2025/26	Furniture	Open
20	THS/20/2025/26	Building materials	Open

PREQUALIFICATION OF SUPPLIERS FOR TWO YEARS STARTING 1st JUNE 2025 TO 30th JUNE 2027

S/NO	DESCRIPTION
1	THS/1/25-27
2	THS/2/25-27
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Tender documents containing specifications for each category may be obtained from the school accounts office upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Ksh 1000/= per document into the school bank A/C No. 1550278138661 at Equity Bank. Duly filled up tender documents in plain sealed envelopes for each category clearly marked the tender number should be addressed to:

The Secretary Board of Management Thika High School P.O Box 7676, THIKA and deposited in the tender Box at the administration block reception area on or before 12 noon 25th June 2025. Tenders will be opened on same day in the boardroom at 12:30pm. Late tenders will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. The tenderer or their representatives are free to attend the opening. All prices should be inclusive of all government taxes where applicable and transport to the school store.

A279 Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (CAP 303)
NOTIFICATION FOR CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of parcel number Mbena/Rtch-na/2945 located at Mutubane, Kiambeere Ward, intends to change its use from **Agriculture to Commercial** Residential subject to approval from **Embu County Government**. Any individuals/organizations with objections or comments to the proposal are requested to forward the same in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice to: **The C.E.C.M Lands, Mining, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development, Embu County Government, P.O. Box, 36-60100 EMBU**

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TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited for supply and delivery of the following goods and services for period beginning 1st July 2025 to 30th June 2026

No	Tender Number	Tender Name	Category
1	KHS/T01/25/26	Supply of Dry clean Cereals (Maize, beans, green grams)	Open
2	KHS/T02/25/26	Supply of Foodstuffs: Sugar, maize meal, rice, cooking fat, soughum, salt, cocoa, and items sennetie, tissue papers	Open
3	KHS/T03/25/26	Supply of Fresh Farm produce (potatoes, onion, cabbages)	Reserved
4	KHS/T04/25/26	Supply of Fresh Milk	Reserved
5	KHS/T05/25/26	Supply of Printed Exercise Books (General Stationery)	Reserved
6	KHS/T06/25/26	Supply of master rolls and ink toners	Open
7	KHS/T07/25/26	Supply of Laboratory Chemicals and Equipment	Open
8	KHS/T08/25/26	Supply of Sports goods and equipment	Reserved
9	KHS/P09/25/26	Provision of insurance cover school bus	Open
10	KHS/T10/25/26	Supply of Prefects and Staff	Reserved
11	KHS/T11/25/26	Supply of Building Materials (Sand, Ballast, Timber, Stones)	Open
12	KHS/T12/25/26	Supply of Hardware materials (Cement, paint, nails Metal Bars)	Open
13	KHS/T13/25/26	Supply of Electrical Goods / services	Open
14	KHS/T14/25/26	Supply of school double decker beds & furniture	Open
15	KHS/T15/25/26	Supply of Dry Fire Wood (Blue gum or Oak)	Open
16	KHS/T16/25/26	Supply of Detergents & disinfectants	Reserved
17	KHS/P017/25/26	Provision of insurance cover - WIBA	Open
18	KHS/PQ18/25/26	Supply of fire extinguisher services	Open
19	KHS/T19/25/26	Supply of fresh meat - beef with bones	Open
20	KHS/T20/25/26	Supply of fresh fruits (in season)	Reserved
21	KHS/T21/25/26	Supply of eggs	Reserved
22	KHS/T22/25/26	Supply of Tea leaves	Reserved
23	KHS/T23/25/26	Toilet exhaustion systems, including sanitary disposal	Reserved
24	KHS/PQ24/25/26	Supply of Diesel	Reserved
25	KHS/PQ25/25/26	Provision Repair and maintenance of energy saving jikos	Open
26	KHS/PQ26/25/26	Provision and Maintenance of computers, printers and accessories.	Open
27	KHS/PQ27/25/26	Automobile servicing and maintenance	Open
28	KHS/PQ28/25/26	Provision of Welding and Metal Work Services	Open
29	KHS/PQ29/25/26	Repair, installation and maintenance of science laboratories	Open
30	KHS/PQ 30/25/26	Provision of insurance cover for school properties	Open
31	KHS/T31/25/26	Security Services	Open
32	KHS/PQ32/25/26	Provision of plumbing services	Reserved
33	KHS/PQ33/25/26	Provision of CCTV cameras & servicing of CCTV equipment	Open
34	KHS/T34/25/26	Provision of students' school identity card and passports	Reserved
35	KHS/PQ35/25/26	Provision of Medical services to students	Open
36	KHS/T36/25/26	Servicing of school generator	Open
37	KHS/PQ37/25/26	Maintenance of Biometric machines	Reserved

Reserved category is for youths, women and persons with disability. Prices quoted must be inclusive of costs of delivery and taxes where applicable.

Tender documents giving full details to be obtained from the school accounts office upon deposit of a non-refundable fee of Kshs 1000/= per document to the School Accounts in KCB Account No 110691794 Kangema Branch.

Tenders are required to attach copies of the following documents: Business registration certificate, Pin certificate/ tax compliance, evidence of prior experience, Youth, Women and persons with disability to attach valid certificate (AGPO). Completed Tender Documents in plain sealed envelopes labeled tender No. for Supply provision of... should reach the undersigned on or before 1st July 2025 at 10.00am. Tenders will be opened same day at 10.00 am.

THE B.O. M SECRETARY KANGEMA HIGH SCHOOL
P.O. BOX 63-10202 KANGEMA

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INVITATION TO TENDER

St. Germaine Gatanga Girls has placed an advert of tender for the year 1st July 2025 to 30th June 2026 supply. Tender application closes on 27th June 2025 at 2pm. For detailed information visit the school and pick tender document during working days and hours.

PRINCIPAL/ SECRETARY BOM

NYERI HIGH SCHOOL
P.O BOX 337 NYERI, TEL: 0758107525
Email: info@nyerhigh.com

TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the supply and delivery of goods and services for the year 2025/2026 as listed below.

CATEGORY I

ITEMS

NHS/01/25/26 - Fruits (Bananas and any other fruit in season)

NHS/02/25/26 - Dry Cereals - White dry Maize and beans

NHS/03/25/26 - Fresh Meat

NHS/04/25/26 - Fresh Milk

NHS/05/25/26 - Building and Hardware Materials

NHS/06/25/26 - Manufactured goods (Sugar, Rice, Cooking fat, Margarine, Tea leaves, maize flour, Salt and Wheat Flour)

NHS/07/25/26 - Fresh Cabbages

NHS/08/25/26 - Potatoes and Green groceries

NHS/09/25/26 - Firewood and Charcoal

NHS/10/25/26 - School and Staff uniforms

NHS/11/25/26 - Sports Uniform & Equipment

NHS/12/25/26 - Cleaning Materials, detergent making chemicals, water chemicals and Disinfectants

NHS/13/25/26 - Laboratory Chemicals & Equipment's Gas servicing

NHS/14/25/26 - Provision of Building and General Maintenance Services

NHS/15/25/26 - Electrical fittings and materials

NHS/16/25/26 - Printing of Exercise Books and office materials

NHS/17/25/26 - Toner's & Cartridges, Masters, Copier Ink and stationery

NHS/18/25/26 - Computer Accessories & Maintenance

NHS/19/25/26 - Comprehensive Insurance Covers for the school vehicles

NHS/20/25/26 - Employee Group Personal Insurance Cover

NHS/21/25/26 - Comprehensive insurance cover for school buildings

NHS/22/25/26 - Motor Vehicle repair & maintenance

NHS/23/25/26 - Fuel, oil and lubricants

NHS/24/25/26 - Farm inputs and Agricultural related items

NHS/25/25/26 - Provision of Fungus and Septic Tanks Maintenance services

NHS/26/25/26 - Provision of Welding and Repair services

NHS/27/25/26 - Supply of Furniture

NHS/28/25/26 - Supply and Maintenance of Energy saving lites

NHS/29/25/26 - Supply of Fire Fighting Equipment & services

NHS/30/25/26 - Provision of Security services

NHS/31/25/26 - Supply of Pharmaceutical items

Tender nos. 1, 8, 12, 17 and 31 are reserved for the SPECIAL GROUPS. Interested applicant should download Tender documents from the school website (www.nyerhigh.sc.ke) and attach the original bank slip for a non-refundable fee of Ksh. 1000/= per document when submitting the completed documents. The amount should be deposited through **Equity Bank Account no. 1150297110210 Kimathi way - Nyeri**. Completed tender forms in plain sealed envelopes marked - Nyeri. The same as above should be addressed to:

The Chairman Tender Committee
Nyeri High School, P.O Box 337, NYERI And
Be placed in the tender box at the reception so as to reach the above on or before 30th June 2025 by 10.00am. Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter.
N.B The school reserves the right to accept or reject any tender either in whole or in part and is not bound to give reason for the same.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (NO.13 OF 2019)
EXTENSION OF USE

The Registered owner (s) of LR No.029/139/30, is proposing to **Extend use to Residential** (to include a **Telecommunication (GSM Base Station)** subject to approval by the **Nairobi City County**. Any individual (s), institution (s) and organization (s) with objection (s) to the proposal are hereby requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice to:

THE C.E.C.M BUILT ENVIRONMENT & URBAN PLANNING, NAIROBI CITY COUNTY, P.O BOX 30075-00100, NAIROBI. Name of the Registered Planner: Plan, Helen Nzangira Reg. No. PP0026.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019
CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of land parcel No. Donyo Sabuk/Komarock Block 1/105252 located off Kagundo road, Joska Area, Matungulu sub county proposes to Change it use from **Agricultural use to Residential Multi- Dwelling use** subject to approval by county government of Machakos. Any individual, institutions/ organization with objection are required to forward in writing within 14 days to:

The C.E.C.M. Energy, Lands, Housing & Urban Development, County Government of Machakos
P.O. Box 1996-90100 Machakos

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Physical and Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

CHANGE OF USER

The Owners of Plot No. MM/VI/2933, Changamwe Mbombasa County wishes to change the user of the plot from **Residential (OPDH) to Commercial (Shops)-cum-Residential (Multiple Dwelling)**, subject to the approval of the County Government of Mbombasa. Any interested person or institution wishing to make any representation or objection to the above application, stating grounds for objection may send them in writing within 14 days from the date of this publication to: **The CECM, Department of Land, Planning, Housing & Urban Renewal, County Government of Mbombasa, P.O. Box 81599-81000, Mbombasa.**

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TENDER NOTICE: 2025/2026

Tenders are invited from competitive firms for the supply and delivery of goods & services to Kangaru School from 1st July 2025 to 30th June, 2026. Details below:

TENDER NO.	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY
KST/01/2025/2026	Supply of Photocopying Papers	Open
KST/02/2025/2026	Toner Cartridges and Masters	Open
KST/03/2025/2026	Stationery	Open
KST/04/2025/2026	Printed Exercise Books	Open
KST/05/2025/2026	Cleaning Materials & Chemicals for Disinfectants	Reserved
KST/06/2025/2026	Vegetables & Green Groceries & potatoes	Open
KST/07/2025/2026	Fresh Milk	Open
KST/08/2025/2026	Sugar and Shop Items/Dry Goods	Open
KST/09/2025/2026	Baking Flour / Yeast/Cocoa & others	Open
KST/10/2025/2026	Electrical Fittings/Materials	Open
KST/11/2025/2026	Dry Cereals (Maize and Beans)	Open
KST/12/2025/2026	Factory teelaves	Reserved
KST/13/2025/2026	Students' and Staff Uniform	Open
KST/14/2025/2026	Clinical Drugs & Equipment	Open
KST/15/2025/2026	Motor Vehicle Repairs	Open
KST/16/2025/2026	Laboratory Chemicals & Equipment	Open
KST/17/2025/2026	Beef Cows	Open
KST/18/2025/2026	Spares Equipment	Open
KST/19/2025/2026	Motor Vehicle Fuels, Oils and Cooking Gas	Open
KST/20/2025/2026	Firewood and Charcoal	Reserved
KST/21/2025/2026	Eggs	Open
KST/22/2025/2026	Student and Staff Insurance	Open
KST/23/2025/2026	School Property Insurance	Open
KST/24/2025/2026	Fire Fighting Equipments, Services & Maintenance	Reserved
KST/25/2025/2026	Supply of Hardware and Plumbing Materials	Open
KST/26/2025/2026	Supply of Quarry Materials	Open
KST/27/2025/2026	Maintenance of CCTV, Student Bookcases and computers and their accessories	Open
KST/28/2025/2026	Farm inputs and animal feeds	Reserved
KST/29/2025/2026	Provision of welding and metal service	Open
KST/30/2025/2026	Supply of bike, repairs & services	Open
KST/31/2025/2026	Supply of Rice	Open

1. Tender forms may be obtained/collected from the Bursar's office upon payment of non-refundable fee of Kshs.1,000/= during working hours.

2. Completed forms in sealed envelopes clearly marked "Tender No." should be addressed to:

The Secretary, Kangaruru School, P.O. Box 17 - 60100 EMBU.

Or delivered to the office and pin in the box marked "Tender Box" on or before 25/06/2025 at 8.00am. Opening of the tenders will be done thereafter at 10.00am.

NB: ITEMS MARKED RESERVED ARE FOR YOUTH, WOMEN AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (NO.13 OF 2019)
NOTIFICATION FOR EXTENSION OF LAND LEASE

The registered owner of Parcel No. NAIROBI/BLOCK 218/6269 located ALONG SPRING VALLEY LANE IN SPRING VALLEY AREA within the jurisdiction of Nairobi City County, intends to **EXTEND THE LAND LEASE** subject to approval by the **NAIROBI CITY COUNTY GOVERNMENT**. Individuals, Institutions and Organizations with comments/objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen days from publication of this notice to:

THE C.E.C.M-BUILT ENVIRONMENT & URBAN PLANNING, NAIROBI CITY COUNTY GOVERNMENT, P.O. BOX 30075-00100, NAIROBI.

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (NO.13 OF 2019)
NOTIFICATION FOR EXTENSION OF LAND LEASE

The registered owner of Parcel No. NAIROBI/ BLOCK 218/6300 located ALONG SPRING VALLEY LANE IN SPRING VALLEY AREA within the jurisdiction of Nairobi City County, intends to **EXTEND THE LAND LEASE** subject to approval by the **NAIROBI CITY COUNTY GOVERNMENT**. Individuals, Institutions and Organizations with comments/objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen days from publication of this notice to:

THE C.E.C.M-BUILT ENVIRONMENT & URBAN PLANNING, NAIROBI CITY COUNTY GOVERNMENT, P.O. BOX 30075-00100, NAIROBI.

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- A university degree preferably in marketing.
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- Considerable experience in marketing and distribution of fast moving consumer goods.
- Strong team player with excellent leadership, interpersonal and communication skills.
- Proven capability in planning, implementing and monitoring sales and marketing action plans.
- Good appreciation of e-commerce marketing.

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INVITATION TO TENDER - YEAR 2025-2026

The school invites tenders from interested bidders for the supply of goods and provision of services as listed below:

TENDER NO.	ITEM / DESCRIPTION
AQHS /1/10/2025-2026	Cereals - Dry maize, Beans and Green grams.
AQHS /1/02/2025-2026	Fresh Vegetables & Fruits.
AQHS /1/03/2025-2026	Meat (beef) and eggs.
AQHS /1/04/2025-2026	Fresh Milk
AQHS /1/05/2025-2026	Industrial Processed food e.g. Rice, sugar, wheat flour, maize flour, cooking oil etc.
AQHS /1/06/2025-2026	General Stationery and printing works.
AQHS /1/07/2025-2026	Laboratory Equipments, Chemicals & Repairs.
AQHS /1/08/2025-2026	Dry Firewood.
AQHS /1/09/2025-2026	Sports Wear, Related Sports Materials.
AQHS /1/10/2025-2026	Cleaning Materials, Detergents & Disinfectants.
AQHS /1/11/2025-2026	Hardware & Building Materials.
AQHS /1/12/2025-2026	Supplies, Maintenance and servicing of office machines (computers and printers).
AQHS /1/13/2025-2026	Electrical supplies and Maintenance.
AQHS /1/14/2025-2026	Fumigation services and sanitary disposal services.
AQHS /1/15/2025-2026	Insurance Services: School assets (Fire and perils), All risk, public liability WIBA and vehicle covers.
AQHS /1/16/2025-2026	Students (Prefectorial body) and staff Uniforms.
AQHS /1/17/2025-2026	Supply and servicing of Fire extinguishers (Pre-qualification).
AQHS /1/18/2025-2026	Kitchen Equipments and repairs e.g. jikos, boilers, surlines, Tea urn etc.
AQHS /1/19/2025-2026	Security Services
AQHS /1/20/2025-2026	Masonry, carpentry and plumbing works (Pre-qualification)
AQHS /1/21/2025-2026	Motor vehicles accessories, repairs and maintenance (Pre-qualification).
AQHS /1/22/2025-2026	Supply of medicines and medical equipments

Tender documents can be obtained upon payments of a non-refundable fee of **Kshs.1000.00** to the school Accounts office. Prizes quoted must be inclusive of V.A.T and other charges attracted by the commodity where applicable.

A completed set of documents, in a plain sealed envelope clearly indicating the Tender No., should be returned, and deposited in the school Tender Box so as to reach the undersigned.

The secretary, Board of Management, Aquinas High School, P.O. Box 72000-00200 Nairobi.

On or before 23/06/2025 by 4.00 P.M. Opening of tenders will be done on Tuesday, 24/06/2025 at 9.00 A.M

Interested bidders or their representatives are invited to witness.

NB: (i) The tender committee reserves the right to accept or reject any tender, without giving reasons, and does not bid itself to accepting the lowest or any tender.

(ii) Youth, women and persons with disabilities are encouraged to tender.



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Death and Funeral Announcement



Mama Rachel Achieng Matiku

We regret to announce the demise of Mama Rachel Achieng Matiku of Seme, Kombija, Kisumu County.

She was the daughter of the late Christopher Koga and the late Rosa Awiti.

She was the wife of the late Simon Odhiambo Matiku.

Doting mother of Sandra Amondi Matiku, Grand mum of Thomas Jaden Omollo.

Mother-in-law of FCPA Hesbon Omollo, Dr Raymond Omollo, Wilfred, Roy, Dr. Ezra.

Sister of Fredrick, Edward, Elizabeth and Joab.

Her brothers-in-law are Edward, Kennedy, Kenneth, Douglas, Peter and Benson.

She was auntie of Victor, Anne, Brenda Catherine, Annette, Nesy, Candy amongst many others.

The cortege will leave the Agakhan Mortuary Kisumu on Thursday 12th June 2025 for an overnight vigil at her residence in Migosi, Kisumu then to Seme, Kombija, Alwala Primary School grounds, Kisumu County on the 13th June 2025.

Burial will be on the 14th June 2025 in Seme Kisumu County.

~ Mathew 5:4 ~

"Blessed are those who mourn for they will be comforted"

Death and Funeral Announcement

With profound sorrow and heartfelt respect, we announce the passing of Joshua Okumu Akach, who departed from us peacefully on June 7, 2025. Born on January 1, 1956, to the late Akach Awino and the late Consolata Nyandiga Ndawa, Joshua hailed from Karayama Location, Kamungu Sub-location, Kobodo Division, in Ndihiwa District of Homa Bay County. Devoted husband of Mrs. Veronica Achieng Okumu, with whom he shared a steadfast and loving partnership. Their union was blessed with four children: Boniface Okumu, Phillip Okumu, Beatrice Okumu, and Kevin Okumu. His family continued to grow with the addition of cherished daughters-in-law Lucy Nyarwai, Linda Muriugi, and Valentine Kerubo, and a beloved son-in-law, Amos Momanyi. Joshua's pride and joy were his grandchildren: Sandra, Kaylah, Aisha, Meghan, Ibrahim, Kenzo, Jamal, Migan, Wesonga, Joel, Idah, Daniel, Alpha. Uncle of Barrack Akach, Evans Odhiambo, Nancy Atieno, and Sharon Anyango, Eric Omondi, Henry Ochieng, Felix Oryango, Jack Omondi, Swirny Ojuda, Michelle Ojuda, Rahael Akach and Prof. Nguka. Beloved brother of the late Warenga Akach, the late Ndawa Akach, the late John Ouma. Also brother of Isaac Okundi, Manash Kidew, Lawrence Ojuda, Grace Ndawa, Leonida Akach, Agnes Ndawa, and Serphina Akach. Joshua will be fondly remembered for his unwavering devotion to his family and the quiet strength he carried with grace. His warmth, kindness, and steady presence touched the lives of many. Through his gentle generosity, wise counsel, and deep love, Joshua left a lasting legacy in the hearts of all who knew him. Though he has departed from this world, his memory lives on - in the hearts of his family, his community, and all who had the privilege of walking part of life's journey with him. Joshua's body is currently resting at Kirindo Mortuary. Funeral arrangements are underway, with his final resting place to be at his rural home in Komungu on June 27, 2025.



Joshua Okumu Akach

Death and Funeral Announcement



Shepherd Mburu

The family of Thomas and Grace Mburu regrets to announce the sudden death of their beloved son Shepherd Mburu which occurred on 7th June 2025 through a tragic road accident.

Brother of Obadiah Kingori and Loise Mwikya.

Brother-in-law of Sammy Mwikya and Grace Kingori.

Family and friends are meeting at his parents' home in Katani, Syokimau.

The cortege leaves Umash Funeral Home on Mbagathi Way Nairobi on Friday 13th at 6:30am.

Funeral service will be held thereafter at their farm in Leshau Pondo, Nyahururu where he will also be laid to rest.

~2 Timothy 4:7~

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is our humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the promotion to glory of our beloved Dancan Outa Ondego, which occurred on the 25th May 2025.

Son of the late Melkizedek Ondego Nyitong and Silibia Ochieng Ondego and Rosidah Obwanga Ondego.

Loving husband of Rose Apiyo Ondego from Karachuonyo Kakdhimu.

Brother of Christopher Osio Ondego, Nashon Otieno, Fredrick Nyitong, Japheth Ng'ambwa (the late), Margaret Ajwang, Philister Odero, Alice Agonda (the late), Helen Simbe (the late).

Father of Caroline Amondi Ondego Wao, Sylvia Akinyi Ondego Otieno, Victor Kevin Ochieng Ondego, Timothy Got Ondego, Aggrey Caleb Odhiambo Ondego.

Father-in-law of Felix Wao, James Otieno, Doeet Kitesa-Ondego, Roselyn Akinyi and Winfred Mutindi.

Grandfather of Rosana Wao, Jasy Otieno, Jayden Otieno, Ochieng Ondego, Marylyn Zawadi Got, Neema Apiyo Got, and Ellie-Rose Apiyo.

The funeral is slated for Saturday 14th June 2025 at his home in Ratta, Seme Sub-county in Kisumu County.

"You have fought the good fight, you have finished the race, you have kept the faith."



Dancan Outa Ondego
Sunrise: 22.12.1953
Sunset: 25.05.2025

Death and Funeral Announcement



Eng. Tony Ngatia Mugo

It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we announce the untimely passing of Eng. Tony Ngatia Mugo that occurred on 08th June, 2025.

He was son of Martha Mugo. Beloved husband of Alice Wamaitha.

Father of Teshi Ngatia. Brother of Maureen Wambui, Andrew Njoroge and Kate Njeri.

He was nephew, uncle and cousin of many.

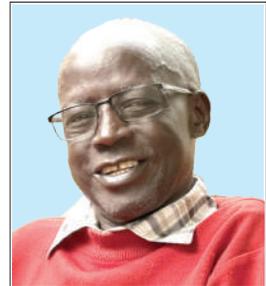
Prayers and funeral arrangement meetings are being held every evening at Katani Estate daily starting 6:00pm.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, 13th June, 2025 at CITAM Valley Road starting at 11:00am.

The cortege leaves Montezuma Monalisa Funeral Home Ltd on Saturday 14th June, 2025 at 7:00am for the funeral set at his farm in Engineer, North Kinangop at 10:30am.

We will miss you. Rest in Peace till we meet again.

Death and Funeral Announcement



Henry Leperes

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Henry Leperes of Uasin Gishu County, who left us on 4th June 2025 at Rapha Hospital. Henry was working with NIS Uasin Gichu County. Henry touched many lives with his kindness, genuine love, and generous spirit.

He was the beloved son of the late Elphas Konyi and the late Fayrose Konyi, a devoted husband of Annah Naibei.

A cherished father of Lewis, Damaris, Eddah, Sharon, Doreen, Joy, Victoria, Ely, Enoch, and Erick.

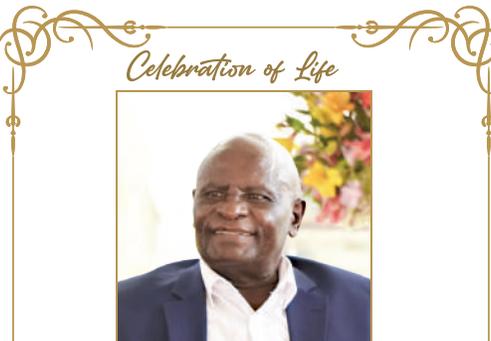
He was a dear brother of Sylvia, the late Eunice, Sammy, Alex, the late Albert, Chebet, Mwanga, Juliet, Rosalyne, and Lucia.

Son-in-law of the late Wilson Senden and Salome Senden. Brother-in-law of Janeline, Ann, Nelly, Lilian, Martin, David, Titus, Manasseh, Rose, Jane Kinjo, and Christopher.

He was also a loving uncle and a dear friend to many, as well as a proud grandfather of Gael Junior and Travis.

Henry will be forever missed.

Family and friends are gathering for prayers at his home. The cortege will leave Racecourse Morgue on 13th June 2025 and his burial will take place on 14th June 2025 in Sukwo Farm, Saboti, Trans Nzoia County.



Celebration of Life



James Njeru Wamae Mbogo
03.06.1959 to 07.06.2025

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of our beloved husband and dad, James Njeru Wamae Mbogo, who left us to be with the Lord after a long battle with cancer.

Loving husband of Colleta Kinanu. Son of the late Diffatha and the late Rwamba. Dad of Martin Mugambi Njeru and Fiona Wanjiru Njeru. Dad-in-law of Dr. Napo Mugoma and Anthony Muthuri. Grand Father of Aziel Njeru Senior, Eliana Kinanu, Austin Muthuri, Janai Njeru Junior and Ivan Mwenda.

Son-in-law of Paskwalina and Justus M'kwiriga. Brother of Marigu, Muriithi (late), Gicuku, Nyagah, Njue, Muthene, Njoki (late), Muthoni, Wegandu (late), Njeru, Ngari, Cecily, Gatavi, Wanjuki, Wegoki and Njiru. Brother-in-law of John, Mburugu, Kinjuru, Muthomi, Grace and Kauro.

Meetings are being held in the following locations from 5:30pm daily: at His Home in Embu, Makengi-Mutira; at his son's home in Kileleshwa; and Deliverance Church Kahawa West (His other home). A memorial service will be held on Thursday the 12th June, 2025 at Deliverance Church Kahawa-West from 2:00pm to 4:00 pm.

James Njeru Wamae Mbogo, will be laid to rest on Tuesday 17th-June, 2025 at his Home in Embu, Makengi-Mutira.

~ 2 Timothy 4:7 ~

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith.

What we have once enjoyed we can never lose. All that we love deeply becomes a part of us."

— Helen Keller.



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~ Helen Keller ~

Celebration of a Life Well Lived



Mama Joyce Mutelesa Wanjala Patisi
Sunrise: 27th September 1949 ~ Sunset: 04th June 2025

It is in deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the promotion to glory of Joyce Mutelesa Patisi Wanjala which occurred on 4th June, 2025 at Oak Tree Centre for Kidney & Chronic Diseases.

She was a loving daughter of the late Elisha Patisi and the late Enes Makonjo. Beloved wife of Shujaa Rtd. Cllr. Mwalimu John Wanjala Masinde. Daughter in-law of Mama Esther and the late Mayor Timona Masinde.

Mother of Susan, Rose, Peter, Henry, Sam, the late Alex, Julius, Timona, the late Marcus and Joseph. Sibling of Msanganjila, Koroti, Sitawa, Wakhsisi, Luvaha, Simiyu, Munyelele, Wemali, Murabwa, Nalaka, Kasaya, Juma, Matofari, Isaiha, Burungei, Sitawa, Rasoah, Weyanga, Rodah, Rael, Simon and Musa.

Mother-in-law of George, Francis, Mary K., Sheila, Mourene, Loyce, Mary M., Ann and Evelyn. Loving grandmother of Lynn, June, Olive, Felix, Rose, Ryan, Joyce, Masinde, Brian, Oliver, Alvine, Ivan, Denzel, Gilbert, JoyNoel, JohnKeith, Joel, Joash, Joab, Sharlyne, Shantel, Shawn, Bridgit, Dan, Marvel, Chris, Grace, Esther and Nathaniel.

Sister in-law and aunt to many. The cortege will leave Delight Funeral Home in Kimilili on 13th June, 2025 and will be laid to rest on 14th June, 2025 at her home in Maresi village - Temba Temba, Chebukwabi Location, Kimilili Sub-County in Bungoma County.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." - 2nd Timothy 4:7

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Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we wish to announce the demise of Charles Wambugu Kimunya, which occurred at Mwai Kibaki Hospital Othaya on 5th June 2025.



Son of the late Kimunya Wachira, the late Wanjira Kimunya and the late Wairimu Kimunya. Brother of Njeri Karithia, Simon, Nderitu, the late Suleiman Kibue, Paul Kagiri, the late Erastus Gitonga, and the late Samson Ndungu. Step-brother of Wairimu, Wachira, Wambui, Wanjiku, Mumbi, Wairagu, Kibui, Wanjiru, Wanjira, Wanjoi and Gitonga. Loving husband of Grace Wangui. Father of Amos Kimunya, Peter Nderi, Isaac Wachira, Shelmith Wambui, Martin Mwangi. Father-in-law of Elizabeth, Sabina and Purity. Grandfather of Wwangui, Kimochu, Njeri, Erick, Muthoni, Mercy, Melvin, Thuku, Precious and Wisdom. He was a cousin, uncle, brother-in-law and friend to many others.

The cortege leaves Mwai Kibaki Funeral Home Othaya on Friday 13th June 2025 at 8:00am. Funeral and prayers at his rural home (Mguu Village) Nyeri on the same day.

In God's hands you rest, in our hearts you live forever. Amen!

Charles Wambugu Kimunya

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT OF PATRIACH



Ernest Nyangweso Nyambergera

It is with deep sorrow we announce the demise of Mzee Ernest Nyangweso Nyambergera of Raigo Scheme which occurred on the 29th May, 2025 after a short illness.

Son of the late Nyambergera Matage and the late Robina Mwangi.

Husband of the Late Penina Mongare and Rebecca Nyaboke. Father of Lucas, Elizabeth, Grace, the late Charles, the late Dickson, Jane, Florence, the late Ndemo, the late Kephah, Apoko, Nchore, the late Siba and Eric. Father in-law of Dr. Teresa, Jane, the late Kasugu, Dorcas, Jimmy Of U.S.A., Ogoti, Alice, Siba, Wivan, Simon and Edna.

Korera of the late Omwoyo, the late Ogenodo, the late Rasugu, Bosire, the late Ombati, the late Ogoti, the late Ochwangi, Ezekia, the late Mwamba, the late Kibiego and Okeyo.

Brother in-law of the late Mariani, the late Isaiha, the late Paul, the late Bethsheba, Bocher: the late Rhoda, Zacharia, Jane, Truphena, Josephine, Makori and Kennedy. Son in-law of Luka and Mosoti. Bother of the late Kinwei, Anastancia, the late Abuga, the late Mweberi and the late Mogi; the late Nyaribari; the late Okero; the late Nyakangi, the late Omayo among Others.

Loving uncle of Milkah, Elizabeth, Omariba, Andrew, Bundi, Peter, Igenda and Pastor Maina among others. Grandfather Lydia, Eric, Susan, Bosires, Faith, Douglas, Charlies, Peninas, Blessing among others and a Great Grandfather of many.

Funeral arrangements are ongoing at his Raigo home and at Kahawa Sakari Nairobi. The cortege leaves Kenyatta University Funeral Home on Thursday 12th June, 2025. The final interment will be on Friday 13th June, 2025 at his Raigo home; Borabu Sub-County, Nyamira County.

"Then Abraham breathed his last and died at a good old age, an old man and full of years and he was gathered to his people." - Genesis 25:8 (nkjv)

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the death of Christopher Wanjohi Kariuki formerly of Ministry of Education, Teachers Service Commission (TSC), Ministry of Interior and Ministry of I.C.T. Son of the late Daniel Kariuki and the late Lydia Wanjiku. Husband of Margaret Wanjiru Wanjohi. Father of Ken Muthee (Crescent Tech), Kevin Mwangi (M.P. Shah Hospital), Anthony Murimi (Paysinc Limited) and Edwin Muriithi-Kanjuri Boys High School. Father-in-law of Esther Wanjiku Mwangi and grandfather of Kelsie Wanjiru Mwangi. Brother of the late Jesse Pwangi, the late Jesse Pwangi, Hellen Muthoni, Jackson Maina (Business Kagoo) and Julie Pwangi (MEDA). Brother-in-law of the late Jane Mathenge, Susan Wwangui, Delphin Kibe, the late Francis Kamau, Patrick Kingori, Lucy Wathuti, Alice Wambaire and Pauline Wairimu. He was a cousin, uncle and a friend of many. Relatives and friends are meeting daily at their Ruai home and Kiaraagana from 6:00pm for prayers and funeral arrangements. The cortege leaves Jamii Nursing Home-Karatina on Friday 13th June, 2025 at 8:00am for a funeral service at P.C.E.A. Kiambogo Church from 10:00am. Thereafter funeral will be at their Kiaraagana home in Kirinyaga County.

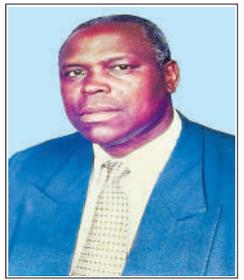


Christopher Wanjohi Kariuki
Sunrise: 31st June, 1961
Sunset: 5th June, 2025

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." (2 Timothy 4:7)

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with profound sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of David Kasolu Munyoli (formerly of presidential escort) on 4th June 2025.



David Kasolu Munyoli
1948-2025

He was son of the late James Muryoli and the late Luisa Mukonyo of Kavilungu sub-location Kakuyuni division Kangundo sub-county Machakos County.

Husband of Loise Mbatha (formerly central bank of Kenya).

Father of Eric Muryoli of USA, Maurice Muthama of KCB bank and the late Darius Musyoka.

Father in-law of Rachael Muryoli (USA) and Eva Muthama of Spinal Injury Referral Hospital Grandpa of Duane Muthama, Ivana Muthama and Jay Jadael Muryoli.

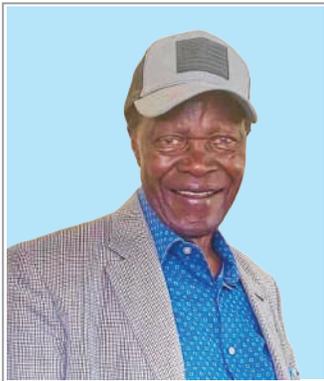
Brother of the late Daniel Kyalie Munyoli and the late Joel Mutiso Munyoli, brother in-law of Cecilia Kyalie Naumi Kyalie and Rodah Joel, the late Titus Makau, the late Isaac, Joyce Muange, Sarah Komu among others.

Son in-law of the late William Makau and the late Rose Makau, uncle of Christine Mbithe, Flora Soo, Stephen Muryoli, Peter Kyalie AC Meru, Simon Ndambo, Shandrack Muinde Kenya Police Mombasa, Lucy Kyalie of Britain, Peter Makau, Paul Makau, Tabitha Steve and Henry Muange among others.

The cortege leaves Montezuma funeral home Machakos on 13th June 2025 for burial at his home ground Ivutu Village, Kavilungu sub location, Katheini location Kakuyuni division Kangundo sub-county, Machakos County.

May will of God prevail in our hearts till we meet again. Amen

CELEBRATION OF A LIFE WELL LIVED



Hon. Raphael Machuki Raini
Sunrise: 30th June, 1936 - Sunset: 20th May, 2025

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the death of Hon. Raphael Machuki Raini which occurred on 20th May 2025 at Kenyatta University Teaching, Referral, and Research Hospital following a short illness. Beloved son of the late Mzee Machuki Akama and the late Mama Mosero Okenyuri of Bonyasiaga Village, Kisii County. Brother of the late Priscilla Ntobo, the late Gabriel Ochngawa, the late Abere, the late Arori, the late Akama, the late Nyamache, the late Kwamboka, Truphena Nyaboke and Lilian. Cousin of the late Samuel Okworo and Florence Okworo, and the late Albert Onkundi and the late Jane Onkundi among others. Husband of Mama Sarah Anastacia Moraa, and Mama Priscilla Morangi Bisier.

Father of Catherine Omweno, the late Elias Ochako, Rosaria Ondari, Veronica Onuko, Pius Nyabuto, the late Samwel Nyang'acha, Jackson Akama, Winnie Momanyi, Gladys Ondabu, Stella Raini, Lillian Hilkene, Jim Eric Ongiri, Emily Miramond, Jackline Moriasi, and Dr. Hilda Nana Igbokidi. Father-in-law of Omweno Ombasa (Director KTD) Among others. A doting grandfather of Timothy, Dr. Dave, Moraa, Meshack, Zipporah, Lilian, Lydia, Mary, Linda, Shem, Michael, Patroba, Aisha, Malaika, Gabe, Mistri, Raini, Annah, Victor, Kerubo, Jacinta, Edna, Sylvia, Ntiome, Malkia, Antony, Ngina, Jake, Jessica, Philemon, Madison, Savannah, Jim Junior, William, Golda, Eli, Josephine among others.

Uncle of Isaac, Stephen, Chris, Ambrose, Zebedee, Brudas, Mxy among others

Great grandfather of Nathan, Matthew, Mosero, Hopebon, Jay, Keon among many others. Korera of the late Omweno, the late Ondari, the late Onuko, the late Ntiome, the late Moriasi, the late Mzee David Moryasi, Mama Martha Moryasi of Charlotte, North Carolina, the late Hilkene of New Jersey, USA, the Miramonds of Cubans, France, the late High Chiefs Mr. Joseph Igbokidi and Dr. Mrs. Josephine Igbokidi of Abor, Enugu, Nigeria. Family, friends and colleagues will meet in Nairobi on Tuesday, 17th June 2025 to honour his legacy at All Saints Cathedral, Kenyatta Avenue, Nairobi starting 5pm. The body will leave Kenyatta University Teaching, Referral, and Research Hospital on Thursday, 19th June, 2025 and the burial will be on Friday, 20th June 2025 at his home in Bonyasiaga Village, Nyangusu, Kisii County.

You will be sorely missed, Tata. Forever in our hearts.



HARAMBEE SACCO

Death and Funeral Announcement



Stephen Mokaya Nyakundi

It is with profound sorrow that we announce the passing on of Stephen Mokaya Nyakundi, on the 2nd of June, 2025 at Pandya Memorial Hospital in Mombasa County. Until his demise, Stephen was diligently working at Harambee DT Sacco as Mombasa FOSA Branch Manager.

Born on 26th January, 1980, to Samuel Getuma and Truphosa Nyaboke of Birongo Location, Keumbu Sub-county of Kisii County. Stephen was a devoted husband of Mrs. Risper Kwamboka Onkoba and their union was blessed with three lovely children: Christine Gesare Mokaya, Joan Nyaboke Mokaya and Brightone Onkoba Mokaya.

He was a beloved brother of the late Stella Nyang'ara, Jared Koroso, Duke Nyangoto and Emmanuel Getuma. He was son-in-law of the late Philip Onkoba Atemba and Dorcas Moraa of Nyang'eni Village, Birongo Location. His in-laws include: Fridah Bosibori, Ruth Monchari, Janet Nyanchoka, Pacifica Mokeira and Damaris Isaboke. He was a loving uncle of Derick Koroso, Daniel Koroso and Junior Koroso.

Stephen will be remembered for his unwavering commitment to his family and the warmth and kindness he extended to all who knew him. His legacy is entrenched in the lives he touched, with quiet generosity, heartfelt counsel, and enduring love.

Though he has left this earthly life, Stephen Mokaya Nyakundi's memory lives on in the hearts of his family, his community, and all those who were privileged to share in his journey.

The late Stephen's body is currently lying at Pandya Memorial mortuary, and the burial is scheduled for Friday, 13th June 2025 at his home in Kisii County Birongo Location.

May his soul rest in eternal peace

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Athletics



Kenyans eye glory at NCAA showpiece

BY BERNARD ROTICH IN OREGON, USA

More than 35 Kenyan athletes will compete in various races at this year's National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) National Championships, set to begin today at Hayward Field in Eugene, Oregon.

A total of 28 athletes from Townhall Athletics will form the majority of participants in the track and field outdoor event.

The four-day championships also serves as a key build-up for the Kenyan trials ahead of the World Athletics Championships in Tokyo, Japan, scheduled for September 13-21.

Among those competing is Ishmael Kipkurui (*above*) from the University of New Mexico, who will lead Kenya's charge in the 10,000m and 5,000m races.

Kipkurui, who clocked the world lead time (26:50.21) of the season in the 10,000m at Sound Running's The Ten meet on March 29, will face stiff competition from fellow Kenyans and international rivals, including Eritrea's Habtom Samuel, who holds the second-fastest time (26:51:06) in the world this season.

Kipkurui expressed confidence in his preparation, but acknowledged the tough challenge ahead.

"We have a battle ahead, and it shall be a tough one. Having competed in the race on various occasions, I will be looking forward to impressing in the distance, but it depends on how my body reacts on that day," he said yesterday.

"It is really competitive because I will be up against some of the top Kenyan athletes from various schools, plus Habtom Samuel," he added.

MOTORSPORTS

Imola axed from 2026 F1 calendar

The 24-race Formula 1 slate for 2026 features a grand prix in Madrid replacing Italy's Emilia Romagna GP at Imola. Governing body FIA approved the calendar yesterday during a meeting of the World Motor Sport Council. The final race on Imola's current contract was last month, won by four-time reigning world champion Max Verstappen. The 2026 race in Madrid, first announced in 2024, is scheduled for September 13. The season opens in Melbourne, Australia, on March 8 and runs through December 6 at Abu Dhabi in the UAE. (Reuters)

CRICKET

Ex-West Indies skipper retires

Former West Indies white-ball captain Nicholas Pooran announced his retirement from international duty on Monday. Pooran hit 13 half-centuries in 106 Twenty20 Internationals and amassed 2,275 runs to become West Indies' leading scorer in the shortest format. One of the world's most explosive batters, the 29-year-old smashed 149 sixes in T20 Internationals to stand fifth overall. He served as West Indies' limited overs skipper but gave up the captaincy after their first-round exit from the 2022 T20 World Cup. (Reuters)

Sunshine Development Tour - EA Swing Final round set for today

Lejirmah on course for victory at Ruiru

Kenya captain seeks strong finish and juicy top prize of Sh400,000



BY LARRY NGALA

Kenya's leading amateur golfer John Lejirmah yesterday maintained his position at the top of the leader board heading into today's third and final round of the Sunshine Development Tour - East Africa Swing second leg at the par-72 Ruiru Sports Club course.

Playing alongside lady golfer Naomi Wafula and Uganda's top professional Ronald Rugumayo, Lejirmah dropped his only shot of the day at the par-four eighth. After pushing his driver left, he chipped from off the green and narrowly missed a par putt.

Despite missing multiple birdie chances in the first seven holes, Lejirmah picked up his first birdie of the round at the ninth, which saw him make the turn at six under par.

He then capitalised on the back nine, sinking birdies at the 10th, 13th, and 18th for a three-under-par 69 and a two-round total of nine under par 135. That score gave him a commanding five-shot lead over senior pro Dismas Indiza.

"I am happy to be in this position going into the final round. I kept things tidy today by sticking to the game plan and I didn't try to force anything. I was solid off the tee and made key putts when I needed to do so. The course, on the other hand, played well and I am looking forward to a strong finish tomorrow," said Lejirmah.

Kakamega-based Indiza climbed to second place after posting a 69. He played a steady back nine with eight pars and a birdie, then started the front nine—his finishing nine—with back-to-back bird-

ies.

He dropped a shot at the par-four fourth after missing a close putt but closed with a birdie at the par-five ninth to reach four under par 140.

"Today was a good day for me. I was able to strike the ball well as has been the case since Monday, minimising mistakes, and tomorrow is about staying patient and sharp and try to give it a final push," said Indiza.

Earlier, Kenya's Samuel Njoroge and Tanzania's Nuru Mollel both shot rounds of 69 and 70, respectively, to tie for third place at three under par 141.

Just a shot behind in fifth place was Windsor Golf Hotel and Country Club's Njoroge Kibugu, who carded his second consecutive 71 to sit at two under par 142.

Kibugu, who won the opening leg at Thika Greens Golf Resort last week, was not short of birdies—rolling in seven—but a triple bogey seven at the par-four fourth and three additional bogeys hurt his chances of challenging for the lead. However, he remains within reach of a top-three finish.

Of the six ladies who entered the tournament, only Naomi Wafula of Vipingo Ridge survived the six-over-par second-round cut.

She followed up her opening 73 with another one-over-par 73 to tie for ninth place on two over par 146 alongside Jastas Madoya, John Wangai, Eric Ooko, and Uganda's Abraham Ainamani.

Besides Lejirmah and Wafula, three other amateurs made the second-round cut: Elvis Muigua and Michael Karanga of Numburi, and Daniel Kitagu of Muthaiga.

John Lejirmah of Royal Nairobi Golf Club in action during the second round of the Sunshine Development Tour East Africa Swing second leg at Ruiru Sports Club yesterday. PHOTO: I POOL

Davis Cup serves off today in Angola

BY GEOFFREY ANENE

Kenya face Burundi today in their Pool 'B' opener of the 2025 Davis Cup Africa Group IV tie in Luanda, Angola.

Led by new captain and coach Peter Rakuom, the Kenyan lads will also battle Côte d'Ivoire and Gabon in the tough group during the four-day competition.

"It is the toughest of the two pools," Kenya coach Peter Rakuom admitted after

yesterday's draw. "But we are here to compete, and our goal is clear—to advance."

The Kenyan squad features a mix of experience and youth, with Ismael Changawa and Albert Njogu leading the charge alongside Kael Shah and, debutantes Raymond Riziki and Brandon Sagala.

Pool 'A' has DR Congo, Ghana, Mauritius and hosts Angola. Only the top two teams will earn promotion to Group III, with the bottom two relegated to Group V.

Rugby profile 'My long term plan is to give rugby its lost glory. Power should be with the affiliates, not the board'

Harriet Okach: I've never played rugby but I'm ready to take game to new level

Harriet Achieng Okach made history on June 5 when she was appointed new chairperson of Kenya Rugby Union, becoming the first woman to head the sports body. She replaced Sasha Mutai who resigned during a Special General Meeting that intended to table a motion of no confidence on him. **AYUMBA AYODI** sought to find out who the new sheriff was and her thoughts and dreams on the game whose administrative side is undergoing trying times

Q Did your appointment come as a surprise and how did it feel being a woman taking charge of what is regarded as a gentleman's game. And a game that is seemingly in turmoil?

A It was a little bit of a surprise but not much because in the brand, we got to learn about each other, our strengths and weaknesses. We were focused on unity because wrangles had created rifts. I believe fellow board members saw that it will be much easier for me to unite the board. I can crack jokes but be serious when it comes to delivery. I focus on doing what is right and what I believe in. There is no gender issue on the board. I call for leadership supersedes so many things, I was engaged in national politics but not now. I worked with Evans Kidero as his finance and campaign manager when he was elected Nairobi Governor in 2013.

Some of my friends will tell you I was a softie when Kidero engaged me because I had just returned from the United Kingdom less than two years earlier and I knew little about politics and Nairobi. I was British-polite and straight, having left the country when I was 18 years. It was baptism by fire but I managed to swim from the deep end. Politics taught me to be impartial and a good listener so that you are able to make wise decisions. That has helped me in rugby especially in the board games where there were so many accusations flying around.

People think that as I am a woman I am not supposed to be at the helm but people will be surprised with what I can achieve. I have built individual relations with everyone in the board, KRU secretariat and the clubs that is what made it easier for my appointment.

Q Who is Harriet Achieng Okach?

A I am over 40 and a mother. I am an international relations and mental health graduate from Oxford Brookes University, United Kingdom and an entrepreneur too. Away from the profession, my other interests are rugby and football. I am an alumna of Aga Khan Primary School and Kisumu and Lwak Girls, Siaya.

Q How did your rugby journey start?

A I have never played rugby in my life. I was introduced to rugby by former Kisumu



mu Rugby Club chairman and patron Fidel Odinga, who wanted me to help him around 2013. I was then working at the office of the Nairobi County Governor. After Fidel died in January 2015, I was approached to stay at the club where I was a committee member before transitioning to treasurer until I resigned in 2017 due to work commitments. When I was treasurer with Gedion Kidenda as chairman, we successfully hosted the Elgon Cup in Kisumu. I wanted to be part of the decision making organ and all went well then. I contested as a KRU director during the elections in March 2023 and I got 22 votes, highest

among the board members elected. So I am not someone's puppet on the board. It was a board resolution that we implement the chairman's 2024/2028 strategic plan. We were united, harmonious and decisions made at the board were decisive. Then wrangles started. Not even a committee made of eminent people comprising some past chairmen picked to mediate resolved things. Trouble broke again with many court cases being filed.

But again, we have achieved a lot. As a director of commercials, and as a team, we helped bring back the sponsors who had quit by instilling confidence in them. We

New Kenya Rugby Union chairperson Harriet Okach at Rugby Football Union of East Africa ground, Nairobi during the interview yesterday.
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have SportPesa, Tusker, Kenya Airways, Crown Paints and Safaricom's Mpesa.

Q There have been a barrage of reactions both positive and negative. Everybody seems to have a comment about you

A Coming from public relations, no news is bad news especially when you are at the helm. It depends on how you use it. It can work for and against you. For me, I have received "all the greetings" from social media with humility and gratitude. At least they all have my numbers and it will be good for communication. I will be happy to pick and answer but I won't take nonsense. I have asked God for wisdom and grace. God has been faithful. We know what we want to achieve as a board and we shall stick to the plan. Let us do it for these players and clubs.

Q Speaking of which, what are your short and long term plans for the game?

A I want to make sure the board and clubs are united. I want to listen to their issues and see how best to solve them. We are now speaking with one voice on the board. We are consulting each other more. I won't push any agenda down the throat of other members hence it will have to be a board decision. We have a plan even though Sasha Mutai, who was part of it, is no longer on the board. We shall adopt the new KRU constitution that was completed last November. It had input from the clubs, government, past chairmen and rugby legends. It has sub-unions that people are fighting about. The previous constitution gave some institutions much power.

My long term plan is to give rugby its lost glory. Power should be with the affiliates, not the board. We need more sponsors in all our leagues and national teams. Our leagues need live coverage in the mainstream media. I want the main product that we have, the players, to get what they deserve: the global stage, permanently.

I won't lie to anyone that I am technical. Everybody has their own strength but when we work in unity then we shall achieve a lot.

Q What is your take on the wrangles that had rocked the board where there were accusations of corruption, certificate forgeries and conflict of interests on service delivery?

A Investigations are going on and the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) officers have picked the cases. People need to allow for investigations to be completed. The issue on term limit was clarified which looks at our constitution vis-à-vis when the Sports Act 2013 came to play. As board members, we must be cautious in what we do and the message we send across members. Arrogance can't take us anywhere when we know that some of these clubs that have no sponsors are the ones that elected us. We must be respectful and do what is right. We the board, we the union, we the fans, we the stakeholders are not the product that the sponsors will come for but the players. If truly we love the game, let us silence the noise.

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Football A new 60,000-capacity facility, Talanta Sports City Stadium is scheduled for completion in December

Winning Chan 2024 and Afcon 2027 bids a brace of goals worth bragging about

According to CAF boss Mosepe, President Ruto made a personal commitment of Kenya delivering Africa's biggest football show

BY CECIL ODONGO

Winning the rights to co-host the delayed 2024 African Nations Championship (Chan) and the 2027 Africa Cup of Nations (Afcon) tournament with Uganda and Tanzania could be considered the biggest sporting coup for administration of President William Ruto.

Kenya is currently in a race against time to prepare the requisite infrastructure to jointly host Africa's premier national football team tournament, Afcon, in 2027 with Uganda and Tanzania, as well as Chan, Africa's second-tier national team tournament reserved for footballers playing in their local leagues.

On September 27, 2023, "East Africa Pamoja bid" put together by the three East African countries surprised many by winning the hosting rights for 2027 Afcon ahead of individual bids by Senegal, Algeria, Morocco and Botswana.

Ruto was sworn in as Kenya's fifth president on September 22, 2022 and on December 6, 2022, just three months after assuming office, the Cabinet approved Kenya's joint bid with Uganda and Tanzania for 2027 Afcon.

"As a stepping stone towards the target of Harambee Stars qualifying for the Fifa World Cup 2030, the Cabinet approved the proposal to host Afcon 2027 along with East African Community partner states. The Cabinet noted that the joint bid would deploy the power of sports in furthering regional integration," a statement from the Cabinet read.

While announcing the winning bid Confederation of Africa President (CAF) Patrice Mosepe talked about the personal commitment the organisation had got from President Ruto in ensuring the project would succeed.

Securing hosting rights for 2027 Afcon was indeed a big deal considering that in 2018, Kenya lost the rights to host 2019 Chan after failing to upgrade Nyayo National



Harambee Stars forward Moses Shumah takes on his Chad markers during their international friendly match at Marrakech Stadium, Marrakech in Morocco on Saturday. Stars are preparing for the delayed 2024 Chan that will be jointly staged in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania in August. PHOTO | FKF

al Stadium and Moi International Sports Centre, Kasarani to the required CAF standards, as well as constructing Kinoru Stadium in Meru County.

Two decades back, Kenya was also stripped of the hosting rights for the 1996 Afcon after CAF rules a lack of seriousness from the host to prepare for the tournament.

On that occasion, President Daniel Arap Moi wrote to Issa Hayatou who was president of Confederation of African Foot-

ball (CAF) to say that Kenya had not done enough by way of getting ready to host the tournament. CAF moved the tournament to South Africa.

Kenya's decision to walk away from an opportunity to host the 1996 Afcon baffled observers, given that President Moi had pulled all stops nine years earlier to construct a spanking new Moi International Sports Centre, Kasarani for the 1987 All Africa Games that was hosted in Nairobi

Observers read politics in the

decision, coming four years after the introduction of multi-party politics in Kenya in 1992.

Kenya was to construct a new stadium in Mombasa for hosting the tournament.

At that time also, the chairman of Kenya Football Federation was Job Omino, who was a member of the opposition Ford Kenya party and MP for Kisumu town.

The government gave lip service to the preparations perhaps not wanting the tournament to success and all the credit go to

the opposition.

After the successful bid of "East Africa Pamoja Bid", Sports Cabinet Secretary then Ababu Namwamba exuded confidence that the tournament wouldn't be taken away from Kenya over failure to provide the requisite infrastructure.

On March 1, 2023 President Ruto presided over a ground breaking ceremony for the construction of the 60,000-seater Talanta Sports City Stadium off Ngong Road, Nairobi, as part of Kenya's preparations to co-host 2027 Afcon.

It was the first time Kenya was constructing a major stadium from scratch after MISC, Kasarani that was inaugurated in 1987. The Talanta stadium is scheduled for completion in December this year at a cost of Sh44.7 billion.

Together with Nyayo Stadium, they are the sports legacy of President Moi's regime.

"We expect that by 2025 we shall be in place where most of the targets we have set will be complete," Namwamba observed on July 26, 2023 after meeting CAF inspectors.

To help them adequately test their facilities and prepare to host 2027 Afcon, and in conformity to CAF's regulations regarding hosting of the continental championships, Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania were awarded hosting rights for the 2024 Chan.

The tournament, originally slated for September last year, was postponed to February this year, and again to August 2025 owing to inadequate preparations.

Kenya and indeed her co-hosts Uganda and Tanzania are racing against time to deliver MISC as the main venue, with Nyayo National Stadium, Ulinzi Sports

Complex (all in Nairobi County), Kirigiti Stadium (Kiambu County), and Police Sacco Stadium (South 'C' in Nairobi) as training venues.

On May 27, CAF Secretary Veron Mosengo-Omba said Kenya had made good progress in its preparation and just a few finer touches were needed.

The CAF official said Kenya could only be sure of hosting the continental showpiece if it maintained the current pace of preparations.

"I came here in December and there was no grass on different pitches but today, you can even play golf there. This shows that a huge progress has been made since then, and even Nyayo National Stadium has hosted two matches," a tough-talking Veron observed.

"Then, there were some seats at Kasarani, but now there are full seats. However, there are some aspects which must be completed before we can say Kenya can host the game," the Cameroonian added.

Sports Cabinet Secretary Salim Mvuraya said Kenya will maintain the pace of preparations, adding that MISC is ready, complete with irrigation channels. He said seats have been fixed at the stadium, the main canopy fixed, and work on the VVIP area, changing rooms, and media tribune completed.

"What we are doing is fixing VAR and other electronic things. We will ensure Kenya hosts this tournament," said Mvuraya.

The CS added that the contractor working at MISC was paid Sh400 million on June 3 to ensure all pending work is completed.

The government has indicated that both tournaments must be held and held successfully.

If and when that comes to pass, it will give President William Ruto's regime the huge bragging rights of hosting Africa's two biggest international football tournaments, and juts two years apart. This has never happened in the country before.

Sh44.7bn

Cost of construction of the 60,000-seater Talanta Sports City Stadium in Nairobi

E2 PARENTING



Mother and son who were high school classmates

BY ELVIS ONDIEKI

The iconic Kapsara Secondary School in Trans Nzoia County witnessed a rare spectacle in the early 2010s.

Damaris Kimani had sat her Kenya Certificate of Primary Education examination at an advanced age and passed enough to gain admission to the school, which is 23 kilometres away from Kitale by road.

She was way older than the other Form Ones who joined in her year. What's more, she was a mother of four children by the time of her admission. Her ambition to discover how far education would take her, and to find out why it was called the "key", kept her going.

When Damaris was in Form Two, her second-born, Webston, joined the same institution in Form One. For the next three years, mother and son were schoolmates.

There were funny moments, like when the son would rush to his mother's class to borrow a pen. Webston knew this would crack up the class, and he confesses that he sometimes did this for the fun of it. He could even go to his mother to demand a gift when she came from an outing, to the amusement of other schoolmates.

By the time Damaris sat her Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education examinations in 2011, she was a boarder at Kapsara, as was her son. Damaris' husband, Samuel, would be left at home to take care of their lastborn, a pre-primary school girl then. He was

ridiculed. Told to remarry. Questioned about the wisdom behind all this. But he defied the critics.

Thanks to Samuel's resolve, his wife is today a government-employed secondary school teacher, having graduated from Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) in 2016.

"He (her husband) has made me who I am, and he has stood with me and the entire family despite the challenges, despite many accusations and derogatory words spoken out there by society," says Damaris.

Nation Lifestyle recently had an interview with Webston, who cracked up the online community earlier this year when he shared the story on Facebook.

Getting Webston for an interview is a lesson in patience, as he

is always a man on the move. He is an international traveller in the making.

We had to wait two months for him to finish a tour of East Africa before he came roaring to the Nation Centre on his Tekken 250 Pro superbike with a camera. He was shooting content while in the Nation Centre, giving a blow-by-blow account of his visit to his viewers. Quintessential YouTube content creator.

We asked him what he learnt from his experience at Kapsara with his mother.

"The first lesson is that you always have to go out of your way to achieve your dreams. It doesn't matter what other people think; it doesn't matter what you go through. You are the one who is responsible for your dreams and

achieving them," he said.

"When we were studying with my mother at the same school, people said a lot of things. They discouraged us, especially her. You know, some people said she wouldn't make it. They said she's too old to understand anything. We come from a village; a proper village setup [in Trans Nzoia County]. We cook with firewood. Some folks used to say that she's cooked with firewood, and so smoke has gone to her head; she wouldn't understand anything. But all this didn't stop her. So, for me, the lesson is determination and ignoring all the outside factors just to focus on what you want to achieve," added Webston.

Damaris was top of her class

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Webston Kimani (centre), with his father, Samwel, and mother, Damaris. Webston and Damaris were schoolmates at Kapsara Secondary School in Trans Nzoia County for three years up to 2011, with the mother being a class ahead of her son. PHOTO | POOL

‘I would go to mum’s class to borrow a pen’

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from Form One through Form Four, eventually earning admission to MMUST. Webston recalls that his mother was never given special treatment.

“She was a student like any other,” he said.

“She would follow school rules. For instance, students were supposed to shave their hair. She had shaved all her hair. They were also supposed to dress in full school uniform. They were supposed to run. There was that rule that you don’t walk; you run. She would run. I remember one time she was punished in school. She forgot to write her admission number in an exam and she was punished. Not caned, but she was asked to write her admission number 300 times,” said Webston.

Now teaching history and CRE at a school close to the Saiwa Swamp National Park, Damaris says her story has inspired many girls to pursue an education even at a relatively advanced age.

She said she had quit schooling to become a mother because of her background.

“I come from a polygamous family. My mother died while I was very young, at the age of five. Imagine the challenges of growing in a polygamous family and your mum is not there. That is how I found myself in the situation,” Damaris told *Nation Lifestyle*. “I was the last born from my mother’s lineage.”

In a video that Webston uploaded on his YouTube channel (*The Time Master KE*) last year, Damaris said she chose to go to school after a challenge from her husband, who is a farmer.

“There was one time we went to

plant trees. And as we were planting trees [my husband] said that that is his retirement benefit. “Then I asked him, ‘What about me?’ Then he told me, ‘Go back to school,’” she recalled.

She accepted the challenge and enrolled for KCPE, though she and her husband chose not to inform their children.

“They were not aware. They did not know what we were doing,” said Damaris.

That is why Webston and his siblings were taken aback to see their mother in uniform, heading to Kapsara.

“I had the passion to be in school like any other person and be able to achieve my goal in life. You see, I was asking myself, ‘How is this education a key to life?’ You know, during those times, the children would recite poems saying that education is the key to life. I was also like ‘I should get this key to open this door to life,’” said Damaris.

In university, she remembers being an encouragement to other students.

“I encouraged them, they would work hard as they saw that I was also working hard,” she said.

In the YouTube video, Webston asked his father to share the challenges he faced during the period when he and his mother were away in school.

“The biggest challenge was the school fees, because you know I’m not employed by any company or the government. So, I used to struggle here, farming. By then, there was no scholarship throughout. That was the biggest problem. Another challenge is that now I was the only breadwinner. Before that, we used to do the farming with [Damaris]. But now,

she was in school as a student,” said Samuel.

He recalled another challenge — taking care of their youngest daughter.

“I used to stay with the girl, take care of her, wash her, wash her clothes, cook for her, and others. Another challenge was the community. You know, they were challenging me. They were telling me, ‘What are you doing? Are you crazy? You are taking your wife to school? This is crazy. This has never happened.’ They had never seen that. So, they were telling me, ‘You are wasting your money because your wife will not make it; she is old,’” the father said.

“Some other people in the church were challenging me. Some were telling me, ‘You should marry another wife because your wife has gone. She will not come back when she has finished her education.’ But I could not do that because it is against our beliefs,” he added.

Webston describes his father, who was supposed to go to Form Six, as a sturdy record-keeper who would meticulously inspect their report forms.

“We used to take [report forms] to my dad. You know, my dad was very strict in academics, very strict in education. And forget even about the report card; my dad would see individual papers. He wants the papers. You know, history, he wants to see the paper, you know, all of them,” Webston told *Nation Lifestyle*.

“He’s a records person,” he added. “He keeps things well. At some point, we used his books that he used when he was doing O Level.”

Webston had a thank-you message for his parents: “They should just know we are proud of them.

Diaper prices rise, parents get creative

BY ESTHER INTABO

Diaper prices have steadily increased over the past five years in Kenya, catching many new and seasoned parents off guard. What used to be a manageable monthly expense is now eating into household budgets, prompting some families to adjust their parenting strategies.

From switching to more affordable brands and using washable nappies to early potty training, parents are discovering inventive ways to manage.

And if the past few years are anything to go by, this basic commodity may soon turn into a luxury item—unless change comes from the top.

According to a spot check done by *Nation Lifestyle*, a newborn uses eight to 10 diapers in a day. That is roughly 300 diapers a month. For most middle families, that translates to at least two to three packs per month.

“Currently, I am spending Sh5,500 every month on diapers alone for my 5-month-old. I use an average of seven diapers in a day,” says Faith Wainaina, an entrepreneur mother from Thika. “And I am not even using the high end brands. I go with what I can afford in the market as long as it is not harming my child.”

Faith has tried switching to cheaper brands but was not impressed. “Some leak, others have a funny smell. So I end up going back to the mid-range options. Comfort and rash protection are worth paying for, but it has not been easy.”

Sometimes, Faith finds herself scrutinising her shopping list and wondering what to sacrifice for the sake of diapers. “It is not just about the money. There is some guilt, too. When you can’t afford your baby’s basic needs, it eats at you.”

Often, Faith makes a trip to Eastleigh and Gikomba markets in Nairobi to shop for diapers in bulk at a more affordable price.

“I get to Gikomba very early in the morning, the baby tied to my back. It is quite chaotic, but it saves me a few thousands each month.”

When Judy Mutinda had her second baby in 2024, she thought she had mastered the art of diaper shopping. After all, she had raised her first child, who was now seven years old. Nothing prepared her for the shock that awaited her the moment she walked into the supermarket to get some diapers.

“Back in 2017, I would spend around Sh1,200 for a decent pack of 60 diapers. Now, the same pack goes for more than Sh2,000. I thought maybe it was the brand, but even the cheaper ones have gone up,” says the 33-year-old mother of two from Kitui.

She decided to use washable diapers and only buys a few disposable ones for when she is going out with the baby. The reusable diapers are easily available in thrift shops and cost Sh300 to Sh500 a piece. They can last up to seven months, depending on how they are used.

“They require lots of washing, but they save money in the long run. I started potty training my son at one and a half years old. I had hoped to wait until he was at least two, but diapers were eating up all my money, espe-

cially here in the rural area.” With the rising costs of diapers, brand loyalty has taken a back seat. Mothers are now more open to trying out cheaper alternatives.

“I used to buy Pampers Premium,” says Teresa Nyabuto, a mother of four in Kisii. “But now I am mixing it up. I use the premium ones at night and cheaper brands during the day when I can change them frequently.”

Like Judy, potty training helped her cut the cost of diapers when her baby turned 15 months old.

“I got tired of budgeting for diapers every month. I couldn’t afford it anymore. I bought a potty for Sh500, and we trained my daughter at 15 months in just a month.”

Our spot check further revealed that most parents are potty training their babies at the age of 15 to 20 months, compared to the traditional 24 to 30 months. The potty training seats have also become more accessible in baby shops and supermarkets. They came in fun designs, some even resembling toilets to make the transition to the regular toilet much easier for toddlers.

Pricing diapers

So, why have diaper prices gone up?

To understand this, we delved into what informs the pricing of this commodity

There are diaper sizes for newborns, small, medium, large and extra-large. The diaper sizes can vary slightly depending on the brand. The larger the size, the fewer the pieces per pack and the more you pay for less.

In 2020, a popular mid-range diaper pack went for about Sh1,300 to Sh1,600. In 2022, prices began rising. By 2024, a combination of global inflation, increased import costs, and currency depreciation had sent prices soaring by more than 30 per cent.

A jumbo pack of diapers cost, on average, Sh1,300 in 2020. Although inflation had not hit as hard at the time, Kenya was still getting over the economic setback caused by the COVID-19 outbreak. The cost of importing nappies increased between 2021 and 2023 due to several global variables, including a decline in the value of the Kenyan shilling, shipping delays, and rising raw material costs. Consequently, retailers passed this cost to customers.

“Even brands manufactured or assembled locally have not been spared,” says Simon Karanja, a diaper seller based in Kamukunji, Nairobi. “Costs of packaging, production, and distribution have gone up.”

Import restrictions have also increased brand rivalry, which has reduced pricing pressure. A year ago, Karanja says packaging papers for diapers cost him Sh2,000. Currently, he purchases them at Sh2,700.

“Most of my customers ask for the affordable diapers. I cannot afford to stock expensive diapers, which will be dead stock,” he says and adds,

“If there were a way to produce affordable, quality diapers locally, it would change everything. Diaper prices are changing every two months.”

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She cheated and got pregnant, do I stop the marriage plans?

Hello,
I have a partner; we've been together for over three years. We're in the process of notifying both sides of the family about our plans to get married. The problem is that she cheated on me about three months ago and became pregnant. We were meant to visit her home in August. I feel hurt and offended, especially since starting another relationship isn't easy. What can one do in such a situation?

Dear reader,

This woman didn't cheat on you. She showed you her ways.

I believe that a woman's most important qualities are her morals, not her physical appearance. It's her mentality, not her sexuality that will make or break your home.

Sexuality is important. But if it's not fenced and safeguarded by sound principles and a chaste lifestyle, what good is it?

This is what I mean: if she can sleep with you before marriage, how do you know that you're the only one she can do that with?

Even if you found her a virgin, you still have a lingering doubt whether

she won't give it to many other men.

This is the dilemma: you want a woman who is sexually enthusiastic or one who is drawn to you sexually. You don't want to feel like you're unwanted every time you get intimate. This may be the reason you're trying out sex with her before marriage.

On the other hand, you also want a loyal woman. One who will be true to you behind your back. One who has done the nearly impossible task of taming her sexual impulses.

People underrate the sexual temptations women go through, and that's why they gloss over this issue. There's an assumption that men have more sexual energy and drive than women. That's a lie. Women and men have the same level of sexual desires and needs.

Variations exist from person to person, but the genders are the same. It's a dangerous assumption to think that a woman is just waiting for you to satisfy you.

She also has her timeline and dynamics.

That said, we move to the next part of the problem - that she's pregnant with another man.

You should never get married when your partner is pregnant, even if you're the one behind it.



Relationships Benjamin Zulu

Pregnancy is a different journey with lots of emotions and hormonal changes.

To make a decision as permanent as a marriage while also going through the physiological and psychological changes of pregnancy is the most imprudent thing a woman can do.

Socially, her identity is changing into that of a mother. Physically, her body is changing, and her priorities on looks are changing for the next year or so.

Financially, some planning and preparation are needed.

There's also anxiety about what type of child will come forth, whether they will be healthy and if the de-



livery itself will be smooth.

With all these things going on in her life, would you also want to burden her with another decision as heavy as getting married?

She may marry you as an escape, but not a mindful choice. That's history that will haunt your marriage.

Lastly, what to do about the plans already underway? Halt everything. Postpone any home visits; you don't have to expose her unnecessarily. Just say that the woman is expecting, and you prefer to resume plans after she gives birth to her baby.

Afterwards, you can move like Joseph of old, who purposed to leave Mary secretly rather than making her a public spectacle.

entlemen are always mindful of their exit. Even when they've been wronged and let down, they don't wield their power unnecessarily. They're humane and considerate. This becomes their permanent legacy: they were justifiably angry, but still, they were not vengeful.

Breakups are always unsettling and disor-

ienting. You're losing something you were deeply invested in. But I think you should take it with equanimity when you consider that you're being spared a worse hell of divorce or living with a disloyal woman.

After you walk away with finality, use the lessons from this experience to improve your future dating experiences.

Do not open the portal of premarital sex. You'll be lowering the bar too much because any woman can give you sex. Instead, set the standard by focusing on character analysis and creating a deeper bond.

When you're not sleeping with someone, your judgment remains very sharp, and you can see if they're living a double life behind your back.

Surprisingly, when you don't compromise sexually, the wrong women will usually flee on their own. Either they feel challenged and judged by your standards, or they're unable to match them.

That's how discipline saves you from the disaster of a bad marriage.

What counts as matrimonial property?

I bought a piece of land two years after getting married. Is this matrimonial property? I didn't think it was important to tell my husband.

Hi, Concerned Spouse,

Property ownership is not a restricted right, nor does it impose conditions on individuals seeking to own property beyond those established by law. According to Article 40, Clause 1, paragraphs (a) and (b) of the Constitution of Kenya, every person, whether acting individually or in partnership with others, has the right to acquire and own property of any kind in any part of Kenya. This right is only limited by the provisions of Article 65, which outlines the conditions under which foreigners may hold land in Kenya. Therefore, individuals have the legal right to purchase and own property without any obligation to inform

others about the acquisition and ownership of that property.

Matrimonial property should be understood in the context of marriage as a larger institution. To determine whether a property falls under the ownership of couples in matrimony, it is essential to first establish the existence of legal records that document and confirm the marriage. Section 3 of the Marriage Act and the Marriage Customary Rules of 2017 serve as the governing law underpinning Article 45 of the Constitution, which defines marriage. Additionally, Sections 17 to 49 of the Act outline the five types of marriage recognised in Kenya, where the possibility of polygamy is restricted to customary and Islamic unions.

In a marriage, as stated in Article 45 of the Constitution and reiterated in Section 3(2) of the Marriage Act, both parties have equal rights at the time of marriage, during the marriage, and at the time of its dissolution. In this



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regard, husbands and wives must be treated equally by the law, as mandated by Article 27(1) of the Constitution. Consequently, matrimonial property is defined in the context of ownership by spouses within a marriage.

What qualifies as matrimonial property? Section 6 of the Matri-

monial Property Act of 2013 outlines this. It includes the matrimonial home or homes, household goods and effects that are part of the matrimonial homes, and any other movable or immovable property that is jointly owned and acquired during the marriage. Based on this definition, it is clear that the property in question does not qualify as matrimonial property.

At what point does property that is not jointly owned become contentious enough for one spouse to seek its designation as matrimonial property? This typically occurs when a dispute arises concerning divorce, separation, or property ownership between spouses. According to Section 7 of the Matrimonial Property Act, ownership of matrimonial property, in the absence of a functional prenuptial agreement (as outlined in Section 6(3)), is determined by the contribution of each spouse towards its acquisition. In the event of a di-

vorce or dissolution of the marriage, this property shall be divided between the spouses. If one is part of a polygamous marriage, then Section 8 of the Matrimonial Property Act applies to help address property-related issues.

The law addresses the situation in which your husband may claim ownership of the land you purchased without his knowledge and presumptively his financial contribution. Section 9 of the Matrimonial Property Act outlines the rights related to beneficial interest. It states that when one spouse acquires property before or during the marriage, that property does not automatically become marital property. However, if the other spouse contributes to the improvement of the property, they acquire a beneficial interest in it that corresponds to the value of their contribution. According to Section 2 of the Matrimonial Property Act, contributions can be both monetary and non-monetary. Non-monetary

contributions include domestic work, childcare, companionship, management of the marital home, and involvement in the family business. It may also encompass support in accessing financial resources, such as loan guarantees, especially when using a credit pay slip to enhance the credibility of the applicant.

The courts in Kenya have examined this matter thoroughly on several occasions. In the case of PNN v. ZWN (2017), the Court of Appeal stated that the framers of Article 45(3) of the Constitution did not intend for parties in a marriage to divide matrimonial property equally on a 50/50 basis. Instead, the Court noted that the term "equal rights" implies that each party's share of the property should depend on the extent of their contributions. Interpreting this to mean an absolute 50/50 division would unnecessarily limit the rights described in Article 40 of the Constitution beyond what is stipulated in Article 65.

Parenting

Be kind to your andropausal spouse

Andropause is a subtle condition, not as dramatic as menopause. Have you reached 50? Perhaps you need to stop believing that you are still 30, because andropause will gently tap you on the shoulder. When you turn to look, you will discover that your wife is a tad disgruntled because conjugal rights have become as infrequent as a flu vaccine, which is a polite way to say, "never happens."



Wife Speak
Karimi Gatimi

Libido becomes a matter of a willing spirit, but the flesh needs an appointment, a nap, and maybe some medical assistance. Andropause will show you things worse than those the KRA agents have shown our hustling businesses. You will roll up your sleeves for serious business, but that officer will refuse to cooperate. I am not talking about taxes or manufacturing. "Sir, your youth has expired." Your officer will remind you, for your testosterone has been declining since the day you celebrated your thirtieth birthday. But he is a gentleman, your testosterone. It allowed you every possible misadventure, but in one day, andropause, like a fed-up wife, screams, "Enough is enough! The ten-year guarantee has expired."

Andropause has wreaked havoc on unsuspecting men—and women—out here. Unlike menopause, which receives its fair share of sympathy, documentaries, and herbal teas, andropause lurks in the shadows like a poorly kept secret. But it is real, it is hormonal, and it does not care if you do ten thousand steps daily or lift weights. Testosterone levels drop, and suddenly, life hits differently. How do you know when a man is under assault by andropause? I posed this question in a group, and more than half the guys caught feelings.

"There's nothing like male menopause. We grind until we're six feet under." Joel Musyoka, 47, smirked. "Our factories don't close."

Vanity is an obvious symptom of andropause. As testosterone retreats like a shy guest at a party, men attempt to trap it with expensive colognes and tight jeans that have not fitted since Moi was president. It is somewhat comical to watch a 52-year-old with a receding hairline and reading glasses perched on his head, saying, "I still feel like I'm 30." Sir, you may feel 30,

but your knees disagree. Loudly. It is not merely a midlife crisis but andropause whispering, "You're not young, but maybe you can look like it... from the right angle, in dim light." The next time you see a middle-aged chap in a Mini Cooper with a suspension too low for his back to endure, whisper a prayer. Andropause is unforgiving. It makes a man say, "I still have it." No one really knows what 'it' is, but often, his wife rolls her eyes when she hears

this.

A man going through andropause will sleep for a complete eight hours but wake up feeling like a Maasai Moran fresh from a lion hunt; bone tired. Even getting out of bed is a whole musical ceremony, with cracks and creaks from your joints as you negotiate with gravity. You forget your middle child's name, and when you bump into her teacher, you stare at them and ask, "You look familiar... how did we meet?" You blame your brain on information overload, not realising your hormones are playing hide and seek with you.

A man experiencing andropause is moodier than his teenage daughter and wife combined during their onslaught of PMS (Pre-menstrual Syndrome). However, andropause lasts longer and can make him grumpy if the remote is not within his immediate reach. One minute, he is eager to fix the leaking tap; the next, he is angry because the tap reminds him of his recently overactive bladder.

Hair takes a toll on andropausal men and menopausal women. It sheds where we want it full and grows in the strangest places: ears, nose, shoulders. Yet men, being vain, still pay an arm and a leg at the barber's. As the barbers are savvy businesspeople, they now offer head massages to justify the one hour they keep a bald man in their shop.

Now, ladies, if you are living with a man in andropause, please be kind. One part of him wishes to age gracefully, while the other desires to dye his beard and dress like a Gen Z. He is experiencing an identity crisis. He is wondering whether he should finally start that avocado farm in Isinya.

Gentlemen? Andropause is simply a rerouting. You have gained wisdom, perspective, and a refined appreciation for naps.



When did you last check up on your bro?

When it comes to men's mental health, a topic that's hardly ever spoken about is that of wellness men-to-men checks. I define these types of checks as unprompted calls a man makes when he deduces or discerns that another brother is in distress. The said brother may not have sent a formal SOS, but some alarm bells rang inside his helper's spirit, which caused him to spring into action.

Got it? Good. Let's make this topic make sense.

Just listen

As men, we have been conditioned to kaa ngumu, even if we are seated, butt-naked, on a live wire. This idea of manning up is the silent killer of many men.

It's because of this inherent internal configuration, which compels us to kaa ngumu, that we can't tell fellow men we need a wellness check.

However, we still send subtle messages. Which, by and large, are ignored or unheard. For instance, we may go missing from our social places. Or, even in these social places, we may become silent.

Men aren't complex creatures. We aren't hard to figure out. Just listen. Listen intently. When you do that, you will pick up the SOS frequency, which will lead you to do a wellness check.

Just call the man

I've realised that, if I have an un-



Just a Man
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conscious ringing in my spirit to call a brother, I should never ignore that voice. Neither should I shush it. I have realised that these are prodding to make a wellness check on a brother in distress.

You know what? Each time I've called, I've been met by the same response from the other end: "Bro, how did you know? This is just what I needed."

Which is why I counsel brothers, "Just call the man."

Just do it

Sometimes a wellness check involves saying less and listening more. Other times it involves just sitting in solitude with a brother and letting your souls commune.

A wellness check can involve watching a game of footie together. Or breaking bread. Or sharing drinks. It can involve building each other's inner man through the word of God.

Whatever you're led to do, just do

it. It may not seem like much, but, believe, it can be the very thing that saves a soul.

Just initiate the call

Sometimes a wellness check will compel us to take certain courses of action. There are issues that need more than words of encouragement. Some situations call for tough decisions. Decisions like seeking professional help. Or referring a brother to someone who may ably walk with him.

Initiate that tough call. Don't wait for someone else to do it. Don't wait for a better time. After you have taken the initiative, walk with the brother as he takes the next steps, which will lead him to a better version of himself.

Just participate

Iron sharpens iron. Which means that, without the tough edge of other men, a man will be blunt, rusty and ineffective.

For a man to cut it - (pun intended) - it behoves other men to participate in communal welfare checks. In such calls, men come with their gifts and talents, however minuscule or humongous, and pour into not only the vessels that are in need - but in all and sundry.

When men pour into each other, regardless of socioeconomic statuses, we all, corporately and individually, become better men. And the ripples are felt in all the spaces we frequent.

Makes sense? Perfect. Now make it work. And while we're at it, let's make every month men's mental health month.



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