

DAILY NATION

Uneasy calm The last deadly attack was the 2019 DusitD2 raid

How police foiled city terror plot



Noordin Haji
Director-General, NIS

SEIZED WEAPONS



5 AK-47 assault rifles



1 Makarov pistol with **24** rounds



20 magazines with **600** rounds of ammunition



6 hand grenades (explosives for close-range attacks)

MEDICAL SUPPLIES IMPOUNDED

- Tekomol (paracetamol for fever and pain)
- 3 elastic bandages (for treating injuries)
- Nexstep 40mg (acid-reducing medication)
- Vitamin K3 injections (helps blood clotting)
- Powermole diclofenac (pain relief, anti-inflammatory)
- 4 disposable syringes

On the eve of the rare coincidental start of Ramadhan and Lent, security agents stormed a hideout in Kajiado and seized 13 men. The operation on Tuesday night followed days of painstaking surveillance on the suspects who were plotting a terrorist attack. **See Pages 4&5**

Why a Nairobi governor is unable to govern in peace



Nairobi stands out as the only county to have had five governors since the advent of devolution in 2013. The incumbent, Johnson Sakaja, joins his predecessors in seeking State House help to run the city. / **Page 10**

'Those Fida women!' Face-off with Moi's minister over sex saga

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'Serial killer' blows his cover with MP's fake murder plot

Man falsely accused DCI officers of hiring him to assassinate a lawmaker. But a subsequent probe exposed his suspected link in deaths of women. / **P.7**



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Rights There was a smear campaign against Fida-Kenya and its members. We were called busybodies who were 'Those Fida women!' Face-off with Moi's

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Lilian Mwaura had a calming and friendly demeanour. Her office was on the first floor of Agip House along Haile Selassie Avenue in Nairobi, where she was practising law with her brother, Kirumba Mwaura.

"You look like my daughter," she said the first time she was introduced to me by Gichuru Mathenge. "My daughter, please come to my office and tell me what areas of law interest you."

I told her I was interested in family law and lamented about my many struggles with issues of maintenance, property rights and succession. This seemed to excite her. She informed me that she was writing a book titled *Women Rights in Kenya*, which intrigued me. Lilian asked me to write a chapter on the property rights of women, which I did.

She was highly impressed with

my work and requested me to write another chapter on marriage. She reviewed the chapter and said that I wrote very well. This boosted my confidence. Lilian explained to me that she was the founder and first chair of Fida-Kenya. Established in 1985, Fida-Kenya aimed to create a society that was free from all forms of discrimination against women. It was initially affiliated to the Mexican organisation formed in 1944 by a group of women lawyers. The organisation's Spanish name is Federación Internacional de Abogadas. I found Lilian to be an excellent mentor offering motherly advice. She quietly helped me understand why I had to join Fida-Kenya, a membership organisation, to have an impact in the legal matters I was struggling with. The challenges I was encountering, she explained,

were structurally embedded in patriarchy and I would not succeed if I decided to act alone. She pulled out a legal pad and started drawing something I could not decipher.

"We must change the Constitution of Kenya. We must change all laws that glorify discrimination on the basis of gender," she said.

The starting point, Lilian explained, was to document the rights of women. That was the purpose of the two chapters I had written for her book. I was hooked. It was a complete paradigm shift for me. The fight for women's rights and vulnerable people in society would start at a policy level; the constitutional level.

"Let us pierce and kill patriarchy embedded in the archaic laws," she said as she continued to draw on the legal pad. Lilian simplified and clarified the gender issues I had struggled with since childhood.

When I joined Fida-Kenya, it lacked a clear organisational structure and did not have an office. Lilian ran it from her chambers. Some members visited Fida-Uganda and were impressed. Our Ugandan counterparts had a functional office, a secretariat and a chief executive officer. The office ran well-structured programmes and was doing a lot in advocating law and policy reforms in Uganda. It played a leading role in the fight against gender violence. The impact was being felt throughout the country.

Mary Gakui from Lolgorian, Transmara, carries a portrait of Father John Kaiser during a peaceful demonstration at Holy Family Basilica in Nairobi on August 19, 2010, marking the tenth anniversary of his death. A special mass was later held at the church. FILE IN NATION



We asked ourselves how we could restructure Fida-Kenya. It was with Lilian's guidance that the members formed a council, which elected Grace Githu—a great lawyer, organiser and leader—as chair. Grace replaced Lilian, a much-respected founder and first chairperson, who graciously allowed a peaceful transition to let her "baby" grow. Grace served as the chair between 1990 and 1993. The baby grew in leaps and bounds, beloved of oppressed women and children and loathed by oppressive men.

We secured an office, set up a secretariat and initiated several programmes. We also hired an executive director, Jean Kamau, to run the office. We set up committees on constitutional and legal

reforms, sexual violence, property rights and political representation by women. We registered Fida-Kenya as an autonomous organisation in 1993. I served as a council member when Grace was the chairperson and worked under the distinguished leadership of Nancy Baraza between 1995 and 1998.

The members elected me to replace Nancy as chairperson for two terms between 1998 and 2003. My leadership coincided with the end of Kanu's rule in 2002, and the coming into office of the National Rainbow Coalition (Narc) government under President Mwai Kibaki. By the time I assumed office, Fida-Kenya had gained international recognition as a leader in women and human rights issues.

During the 2002 General Election, the majority of women who were running for political offices were financially disadvantaged. First, they needed to get visibility for their campaigns, which required funds. Secondly, they had to mobilise their supporters to turn out in large numbers for the women to get nominated by major political parties. As if that was not enough, they had to train election agents to protect their votes. This was an expensive exercise, which would hinder many women from being elected. One donor gave us a tidy sum of money to support women candidates. A good number of the beneficiaries were elected to Parliament.

Fida-Kenya was always in the news. We attracted a lot of attention from the diplomatic community in Kenya, who admired our boldness in confronting controversial issues of the day. Our achievements were, unknown to many, intentional and well-calculated. We trained extensively on the ethos of accountability and clarified where to get donor funds. We understood our boundaries and avoided conflict of interest. We could not, as a value proposition and matter of principle, get funds from corrupt individuals or dubious do-

nors. We had to be aligned in our values with our benefactors. We went for retreats where we thoroughly trained in capacity- and team-building.

We did not have any leadership squabbles and wrangles, remaining collegial and united. We also believed in enjoying our lives to the fullest and exploiting our full potential. It was not always work, pontification about gender inequalities and such like heavy stuff, and no play. We engaged in fun-filled retreats with our families to recharge our overworked batteries. Koome (my husband) was always comfortable in the company of Fida-Kenya women and their children. Due to his support and presence at Fida-Kenya functions, members freely called him a "Fida husband."

We had a functional law firm that was led by Judy Thongori as the first head of litigation. The department had competent lawyers who did public interest cases for women. The clients kept on increasing and we soon realised that we could not handle all the matters that came to us. We decided to train women on how to represent themselves in court. We prepared forms they could fill out and file in court. We also started a mediation programme. Whenever a woman presented a complaint against her husband, a counsellor or lawyer would call the man, mediate the matter and negotiate a settlement that was satisfactory to the two parties.

The mediation programme was very successful. Some couples would be referred to us by parties whom we had assisted in resolving their disputes amicably. We would mediate and have them sign binding agreements. We gained trust such that people started saying that they would rather take their family disputes to the "Fida Court" rather than the courts. Some assumed that we were an arm of government or a department in the Attorney-General's office. With time, we sensitised the courts on our mediation project. This led to the

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establishment of the Court Annexed Mediation Programme.

We also trained paralegals in villages who would take up cases of women and children. There were many successful stories of mediation. There were hilarious ones as well. A story is told of a distressed man who answered to "summons" from the "Fida Court" in Mombasa. The counselor started explaining to him the benefits of an out-of-court settlement of the dispute with his wife. Suddenly, and for no apparent reason, the man started wailing loudly. This attracted a large crowd of men outside the office.

When the summoned man stopped crying, someone addressed the crowd: "Fellow men, we are finished! Fida is now thrashing wayward men senseless. Let us go home and be on our best behaviour," he said as the crowd dispersed.

Inevitably, there was a smear campaign against Fida-Kenya and its members. We were called busybodies who were driven by donors to disturb the status quo. We were also portrayed as divorcees who were out to wreck families.

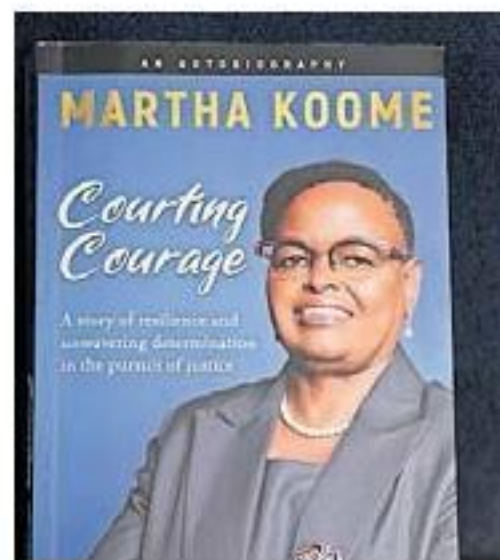
"These Fida women sometimes hire men who they pretend are their husbands," one prominent politician was quoted as saying. This view seemed to have gained traction. Many people I interacted with believed that I was not married. I remember attending a function with Koome. When I introduced him to a woman leader, Tabitha Seii, she was shocked that I was married. We had a good laugh when I joked that I never would have guessed she was married, given that she was such a fierce politician!

Father Kaiser's girls

In the course of my work as a defender of the vulnerable, I met an American priest, John Anthony Kaiser. Father Kaiser was born in Perham, Minnesota, USA, in 1932. He joined the US Army as a paratrooper and was promoted to the rank of a sergeant. He left the

army and joined St Joseph Seminary in Mill Hill, England, where he studied philosophy and theology. He was ordained as a Roman Catholic priest in St Louis for the Mill Hill Fathers and sent to their missions in Kenya. Father Kaiser spent 20 years in missions in Kisii. In 1993, he was reassigned to the Maela Camp for internally displaced persons in Ngong Diocese. People had fled to the camp to seek refuge following tribal clashes in the Rift Valley Province of Kenya after the first multiparty elections in 1992.

Father Kaiser and others thought that the government was fomenting the violence as part of a grand plan to grab land. He painstakingly gathered the evidence to support his views. The Maela Camp was closed by the government, notwithstanding Father Kaiser's protests and international pressure to maintain it. The displaced people were forcibly resettled. Father Kaiser was arrested, beaten and left for dead in the bush. The Mill Hill Fathers reassigned him to preach to the more distant Maasai in Lolgorian Parish. In 1998, at great personal risk, Father Kaiser testified before the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into tribal clashes in Kenya, which was headed by Justice Akilano Akiwumi. Father Kaiser gave a sworn testimony



Martha Koome made history in 2021 when she was appointed the first female Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya. Prior to this, the trailblazing lawyer, who was involved in the pro-reforms movement in the 1980s and 1990s, had distinguished herself as a judge of the High Court and the Court of Appeal. Born in 1961 and married to Mr Koome Kiragu, the mother of three holds a Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Nairobi and a Master of Laws degree from the University of London. *Courting Courage*, her autobiography by Moran Publishers, is described as a story of resilience and unwavering determination in the pursuit of justice. The book will be launched today in Nairobi and will be available in major bookshops.

in public to the commission and named President Moi and prominent Cabinet ministers as instigators of the violence.

In 1999, two underage girls sought Father Kaiser's protection. They claimed that they had been raped by a powerful Cabinet minister. One girl said that she had been defiled in the minister's government office. The second one stated that she had been deflowered in the minister's official car. Both cases resulted in pregnancies and forced the girls to drop out of school.

Father Kaiser referred the two girls to Fida-Kenya with a request that we represent them. We took the girls for counselling to assist them in coping with their forced situations. We also carried out our own thorough private investigations and confirmed the girls' stories. We decided to shelter the girls in the home of a staff member as we took legal action. Fida-Kenya gave the government a 10-day notice to take the minister to court. We informed the Attorney-General, who was then in charge of public prosecutions, that if he failed to prosecute the minister, Fida-Kenya would initiate private criminal prosecution against the suspect.

This triggered a fierce counter-attack. The police stormed the residence of the staff member who was sheltering the girls. The commander leading the raid beat up the children of the staff member and claimed that he had received complaints from the girls' mothers that the teenagers had been abducted by unknown people. He said that in line with their call of duty, *Utumishi Kwa Wote* (Service to All), they were assisting in tracing the girls and reuniting them with their families.

This was outrageous because we were representing the girls and sheltering them with the written consent of their parents. We protested the police action and termed it as obstruction of justice.

We knew who was behind the police action. I stated clearly that the Cabinet minister was obstructing justice by interfering with our private investigations and the intended prosecution. The minister unexpectedly visited our offices in Nairobi with a prominent lawyer-cum-politician, who was representing him. They offered to settle the matter out of court. I was shocked when the minister admitted to having consensual sexual intercourse with one of the girls and denied that she was a minor at the time of their encounter.

Medical tests had revealed that the girl was a minor at the time of the defilement. A council member secretly taped the minister's confession. She intended to adduce the recording as evidence in court in the planned private prosecution. We refused to

negotiate a settlement. The minister and his lawyer left the offices infuriated.

The minister thereafter publicly threatened to sue Fida-Kenya over the allegations and claimed that we were being funded by foreign agents to destabilise the Moi government. He termed the intended prosecution as propaganda being used by two of his political competitors to undermine him. The grapevine had it that the minister had sought the support of President (Daniel) Moi in the matter. The President is reported to have advised him to go and fight his own battles with Fida-Kenya without dragging his (Moi's) name into it. President Moi is said to have informed the minister that he had also been sued by the same women and was in court defending himself.

We prepared a watertight case and presented it in court. When we arrived to prosecute our case, we found the courtroom full of Maasai morans (warriors) who were chanting war songs. They had incredibly been allowed in the court room with rungis (clubs) and simis (swords). The morans had occupied every available space in the courtroom:

the magistrate's podium, the bar, the seats reserved for the court officials and the public gallery. The witness box and dock had been taken over as well. When a semblance of order was restored, the court proceedings commenced and we made a spirited application for leave to prosecute the minister. The Attorney-General opposed the application. He informed the court that even if leave to prosecute was granted, he had instructions to terminate the case by entering a nolle prosequi, a latin phrase which directly translates to "not wish to prosecute". This is a legal notice that the prosecutor has decided to abandon the prosecution.

The case, it was clear to us, would be a non-starter. The police were hostile while the victims, their parents and relatives were intimidated and harassed by all manner of characters. The witnesses were also scared off and induced to recant their evidence.

The case came to an end after the victims were enticed to withdraw the instructions to Fida-Kenya. The case had a good consequence. It increased awareness on the issue of sexual abuse

of girls. This prompted calls for legal and policy reforms which Fida-Kenya, among other organisations, championed.

The saga had a tragic ending after Father Kaiser, a key witness in the case, was murdered. His body was found on 23rd August, 2000, near Naivasha. What followed was a massive cover-up of the murder. It was a sad chapter for the two victims. They never got justice for their troubles. It was also an equally sad ending for their protector and witness. The criminals who killed Father Kaiser have never been brought to book.

The work we did at Fida-Kenya is the stuff that myths and legends are made of. Whether it was President Moi in the manicured lawns of State House, the Cabinet minister in his office with an elegant wall-to-wall carpet or the ordinary folks in Mombasa, Lilian Mwaure's little baby, conceived in her cosy corner office in Agip House, had come of age. It was piercing and killing the patriarchy.

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How police foiled Nairobi terror plot set for holy month

Major operation sees suspects arrested at a hideout in Kajiado County where they were allegedly finalising plans for a coordinated strike in the capital city

BY JUSTUS WANGA

Kenyan security agencies have foiled what officials describe as a major terror attack planned for Nairobi during the holy month of Ramadhan, disrupting a network believed to be linked to the Somalia-based extremist group Al-Shabaab.

The operation, executed late Tuesday night, was the culmination of what sources describe as weeks — possibly months — of intelligence work led by officers drawn from the National Intelligence Service (NIS) supported by the multi-agency Special Operations Group.

Suspects were arrested at a hideout in Kajiado County where they were allegedly finalising plans for a coordinated strike.

Security agents seized 10 Kenyans, two Tanzanians and a Ugandan as they planned to leave for Nairobi. The Dadaab refugee camp has been identified as their operation base.

A cache of weapons and supplies was recovered during the raid, painting a vivid picture of the cell's capability. Among items seized were five AK 47 assault rifles — powerful automatic weapons capable

AT A GLANCE

The seized weapons and suspects arrested

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The multi-agency team also found six hand grenades, small but deadly explosives designed to cause maximum damage in close quarters, and a Makarov pistol with 24 rounds of 9mm ammunition, a compact handgun often used as a backup weapon. Sources said this arsenal alone demonstrated the group's readiness to inflict mass casualties and destabilise communities had the plot not been disrupted.

"This was an intelligence-led operation carried out in collaboration with the Special Operations Group (SOG), a multi-agency unit. We managed to thwart their plan, foiling it at the planning stages. From our initial investigations, the plan was to target densely populated areas in Nairobi during the holy month of Ramadhan. We must remain vigilant and we appeal to the general public to volunteer information on anything that may threaten the peace should they notice anything suspicious," Mr Gilbert Masengeli, Deputy Inspector-General of Police, told the *Daily Nation* on Wednesday evening.

Beyond the weapons, investigators discovered a range of medical and logistical supplies. These included elastic band-



ages for treating injuries, vitamin K3 injections used to help blood clotting, diclofenac (Powermole) — a painkiller and anti-inflammatory drug, paracetamol (Tekomol) for fever and pain relief, and Nexstep 40mg, a medication that reduces stomach acid, often prescribed for ulcers or reflux. The NIS and SOG officers also seized four disposable syringes and two cartons of dates, a high-energy food source.

Together, these items reveal the cell's preparedness not only for combat but also for sustaining operations over time. The medical supplies point to an ability to treat battlefield wounds and manage pain, while food provisions suggest plans for endurance.

"This is a major operation and one which thwarted what would have been

a significant terror attack. We have them in custody. At this stage we do not wish to disclose the number of suspects or the intended target because we are still interrogating them to disrupt the entire network and support system they had established," a highly placed Office of the President source briefed on the mission said.

Security sources said materials intercepted in recent days indicated that Al-Shabaab operatives intended to stage attacks during Ramadhan, which has just begun. This year has a rare coincidence of Islam's Ramadhan and Christian's Lent starting together.

Intelligence also pointed to discussions involving kidnappings — a tactic terrorists have previously deployed to generate global attention and ransom.



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A security tape cordons off the blast site at the Machakos Country Bus Station in Nairobi on March 10, 2012, following explosions in a suspected Al-Shabaab attack that killed at least five and injured over 30. FILE | NATION

gether fragments of encrypted digital communication that hinted at a Ramadhan operation. That information was relayed to specialised teams, who moved in once surveillance confirmed the suspects' location and the operational stage of the plot — culminating in the Tuesday night success.

In recent years, Kenya's counter-terror strategy has shifted decisively toward prevention rather than reaction — a hard-learned lesson from past tragedies. Officials say coordination between intelligence officers and tactical responders has improved significantly, enabling pre-emptive disruption.

"This was not luck," one security official said on condition of anonymity. "It was layered intelligence work, cross-agency cooperation, and disciplined execution."

"They (suspects) were also identified as conduits for receiving and transferring funds to support extremist activities across East Africa. Nairobi remains secure due to the tireless efforts of our security agencies. Our detectives continue to track down all individuals linked to these dangerous networks," counter terrorism policing unit said in a statement.

The foiled plot is the latest chapter in a security story that has defined Kenya's modern history — the spillover from decades of instability in neighbouring Somalia.

Since the collapse of Somalia's central government in 1991, Kenya has faced the consequences of a protracted civil conflict that created fertile ground for militant groups. Emergence of Al-Shabaab in the mid-2000s transformed that instability into a direct and organised threat.

Kenya's 2011 military incursion into Somalia under Operation Linda Nchi,

later integrated into the African Union mission known as AMISOM, marked a turning point. While aimed at neutralising cross-border threats, it also placed Kenya squarely in the group's crosshairs.

Over the past decade, Kenya has endured high-profile attacks — from the Westgate Mall siege in 2013 to the Garissa University massacre in 2015 and the DusitD2 complex attack in 2019 — each claimed by Al-Shabaab. These incidents forced a sweeping overhaul of intelligence sharing, urban surveillance, and rapid-response capabilities.

Security analysts note that extremist networks have since adapted, shifting from large, spectacular assaults to smaller, decentralised cells that are harder to detect. Tuesday's operation suggests that Kenyan agencies are evolving as well.

Security officials say extremist propaganda has historically framed Ramadhan as a period of heightened ideological significance, often encouraging followers to mount attacks. As a result, Kenyan security agencies typically elevate alert levels during the month.

Intercepted communications in this case reportedly referenced both direct attacks and kidnappings — indicating a possible multi-pronged strategy designed to sow fear and erode public confidence.

Authorities are now analysing seized electronic devices and documents to map the network's financing, recruitment pathways, and potential foreign handlers.

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RAMADHAN TIMETABLE 2026

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Nairobi	5:31	18:50	Lamu	5:14	18:35	Kakamega	5:41	18:57
Mombasa	5:18	18:41	Nakuru	5:35	18:52	Tana River	5:21	18:40
Kisumu	5:41	18:58	Eldoret	5:39	18:55	Kitale	5:41	18:56
Garissa	5:21	18:38	Embu	5:29	18:47	Samburu	5:32	18:47
Mandera	5:20	18:31	Isiolo	5:30	18:46	Busia	5:43	19:00
Wajir	5:21	18:35	Voi	5:23	18:46	Nyeri	5:32	18:49
Marsabit	5:32	18:44	Lodwar	5:38	18:50	Kilifi	5:18	18:41



NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 52nd Annual General Meeting of Stima DT Sacco Society Limited shall be held on **Friday 6th March 2026** at **9:00 a.m.** at the **College of Insurance Auditorium, South C, Nairobi** to transact the following business:

AGENDA

1. The Secretary to read the notice convening the meeting and confirm the presence of quorum;
2. To confirm Minutes of the 51st Annual General Meeting held on 28th February 2025;
3. To consider matters arising from the Minutes of the 51st Annual General Meeting;
4. To receive, consider and if found appropriate, adopt the Financial Statements and Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025 together with:
 - i. The CEO's Report
 - ii. The National Chairman's Report
 - iii. The National Treasurer's Report
 - iv. The Auditor's Report
 - v. The Shariah Advisory Committee's Report
5. To receive and consider the Supervisory Committee's 2025 Report;
6. To consider and, if found appropriate, approve the 2026/2027 Society budget;
7. To consider and if found appropriate pass resolutions in respect of the below:
 - i. Dividends, Interest Rebates and Honoraria for the year ended 31st December 2025,
 - ii. Appointment of External Auditors,
 - iii. Maximum liability the Society may incur,
 - iv. Creation of a charge for KMRC facility,
 - v. Appointment of additional Society's Bankers,
 - vi. Establishment of Stima Foundation,
 - vii. Amendment of various sections of the By-Laws as itemized below:
 - a. Section 3 (2) Definitions and interpretation
 - b. Section 10 Membership qualification
 - c. Section 29 (b) Governance Structure
 - d. Section 30 (a) and (e) Electoral Zones and Branches
 - e. Section 31 (a) and (c) Establishment of Electoral Zones
 - f. Section 32 (7) and (10) Election of Delegates
 - g. Section 35 (6) Annual General Meeting
 - h. Section 43 (d) (v) Eligibility for Board members
8. To elect four (4) members of the Board of Directors and one (1) Supervisory Committee member retiring by rotation.
9. To consider any other business for which seven (7) days' notice would have been issued and received.

By order of the Board,


ASMAN KILOH KHATOLWA
 HONORARY SECRETARY
 Dated: 19th FEBRUARY 2026

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Gaps Audit found insufficient stakeholder mapping and weak monitoring of partner activities

Audit ignored as drought worsens

Kenyans suffer as Sh56bn mitigation plan stalls, watchdog warnings unheeded

BY DAVID MWERE

The government's failure to implement the report of Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu may have contributed to the worsening drought crisis.

The number of affected Kenyans in the 23 Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASAL) counties has risen from 2.1 million in January to 3.3 million by mid-February 2026, underscoring the growing humanitarian strain.

A performance audit on drought management by the National Drought Management Authority (NDMA), tabled in the National Assembly in December 2020, identified serious weaknesses and proposed practical remedies. Yet the report remains largely unimplemented.

Had its recommendations been acted upon, the audit suggested, efficiency could have improved in the use of at least Sh56 billion spent on drought mitigation over

the past 11 years.

The audit covered July 2015 to June 2019 and examined four core areas: drought resilience, contingency planning and response, drought information, and coordination. While it assessed all 23 ASAL counties where NDMA operates, field inspections were conducted in seven sampled counties — Baringo, Marsabit, Isiolo, Turkana, Laikipia, Kajiado and Kitui.

According to the report, the audit was triggered by public concern over the government's approach to drought management, expressed through parliamentary debate and media coverage.

Among its findings were weaknesses in the early warning system, raising concerns about the reliability of information used to guide responses. It also identified gaps in European Union-funded Drought Management and Coordination projects, and shortcomings in flagship programmes such as the Hunger Safety Net Programme (HSNP) and the Asset Creation Programme (ACP).

The audit found insufficient stakeholder mapping and weak monitoring of partner activities, leaving NDMA with limited knowledge of project implemen-



Residents and their livestock at River Jirfa in the drought-stricken Tana River County on February 13, 2026. KEVIN ODIT | NATION

tation status. Despite having early warning systems in place, the authority's response often began only after drought conditions had escalated to emergency levels due to delays in approving response plans.

Planning gaps were also evident. Ward-based contingency planning was adopted only in 2018, and even then covered just five wards per county, limiting understanding of local vulnerabilities.

"Good preparations can make the effects of drought less severe

and hence less costly for taxpayers," the audit noted, adding that preparedness continued to face significant challenges.

Auditor-General Gathungu stressed the need for commitment across institutions, not only from NDMA but also from national ministries, county governments, agencies and legislators.

NDMA, led by CEO Lt Col (Rtd) Hared Hassan Adan, did not respond to requests for comment.

However, Public Service, Human Capital Development and Spe-

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The number of Kenyans currently affected by drought in the 23 ASAL counties, up from 2.1 million

cial Programmes Cabinet Secretary Geoffrey Ruku said the government had spent Sh6 billion in December 2025 and January 2026 to mitigate drought impacts. The funds, he said, were used to provide food assistance across the 23 ASAL counties.

Ruku maintained that the government has sufficient food reserves and that distribution is guided by NDMA data. He identified Mandera, Wajir, Kwale and Kilifi as severely affected, with several other counties — including Kajiado, Marsabit, Laikipia, Turkana, Isiolo, Tana River, Kitui, Narok, Lamu, Baringo and Samburu — in a "very critical" stage.

Established in 2011 and anchored in law through the NDMA Act of 2016, the authority is mandated to prevent drought from escalating into emergencies and to mitigate climate change impacts. Drought, though common in ASAL regions, has grown

more frequent and severe due to climate change, raising concerns about economic development and livelihoods.

The audit shows substantial funding has flowed into drought management. Between 2015/16 and 2018/19, NDMA received Sh24.82 billion. From 2019/20 to 2025/26, an additional Sh30.88 billion was spent. Annual allocations ranged from Sh2.3 billion to Sh7.16 billion.

The Auditor-General questioned whether this expenditure delivered value for money, particularly in preparedness.

In early 2024, National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetang'ula directed committees to prioritise performance audit reports. Yet the drought audit's recommendations remain largely unaddressed.

The report emphasised the need for enabling legislation, including fast-tracking the National Drought Emergency Fund Regulations, 2017, and revising Kenya's Drought Response Guidelines to clarify timelines for activating contingency plans. Fixed activation timelines, it noted, could reduce dangerous delays.

The audit also found weak inter-agency commitment, including failure to enact guiding laws, limited participation of senior officials in coordination meetings, and inaction on early warning bulletins. Planning deficiencies and unclear guidelines led to time lags in activating contingency measures.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT | FIFTH SESSION (2026)
THE SENATE

INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA AND PUBLIC HEARING
THE BASIC EDUCATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023
(NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 59 OF 2023)

The Basic Education (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (National Assembly Bills No. 59 of 2023) was read a First Time in the Senate on Thursday, 12th February, 2026 and thereafter stood committed to the Standing Committee on Education for consideration. The Committee is required, understanding order 145(5) of the Senate Standing Orders, to facilitate public participation on the Bill and to take into account the views and recommendations of the public when the Committee makes its report to the Senate.

The Bill seeks to amend the Basic Education Act, 2023 by deleting the provision that mandates the County Education Board to appoint a Sub-county Education Board and, in its place, establish the Sub-County Education Board. The Bill further proposes that the Sub-county Education Board shall consult the County Education Board in the performance of its functions.

In accordance with the provisions of Article 118 of the Constitution and standing order 145(5) of the Senate Standing Orders, the Standing Committee on Education now invites interested members of the public to submit any representations that they may have on the Bill by way of written memoranda.

The memoranda may be submitted to the Clerk of the Senate, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi, hand-delivered to the Office of the Clerk of the Senate, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi or emailed to clerk.senate@parliament.go.ke and copied to educationcommittee.senate@parliament.go.ke to be received on or before **Thursday, 5th March, 2026 at 5.00 p.m.**

In addition, the Committee will hold a public hearing on the Bill on **Tuesday, 3rd March, 2026** at the **Mini Chamber, First Floor, County Hall Building, Nairobi at 10.00 a.m.** Members of the public are welcome to attend the hearing.

The Bill and a digest that summarizes the contents and context of the Bill may be accessed on the Parliament website at <http://www.parliament.go.ke/the-senate/house-business/bills>.

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Investigation Officers granted 30 days to conclude investigations into man suspected of killing several women

How fake report of MP's murder plot blew cover of 'serial killer'

Man who had been questioned over the killing of a woman, falsely accused DCI officers of hiring him to assassinate MP

BY MWANGI MUIRURI
AND MERCY MWENDE

Police in Mathira, Nyeri County, are investigating the murder of two women linked to a suspected serial killer who attempted to hide behind a claim that two detectives had plotted to assassinate the area MP.

On February 12, Mathira MP Eric Wamumbi was alerted by a local official that he was the target of an assassination. The intelligence came from Thiuu Assistant Chief Justus Gathecha who informed the legislator that the would-be assassin had shared information about the alleged plot.

Joseph Njoroge Weru had reported to Mr Gathecha that he had been hired by persons suspected to be Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) officers from Mathira East sub-county to assassinate the MP.

This report was the start of a comic-tragedy script that would in the end expose Weru as the suspect in the murder of Ms Beatrice Nyawira, whose body had been found in Tetu sub-county on February 12, the same day the MP was being tipped off about the alleged murder plot.

With the "leak" on the planned hit, Mr Wamumbi rushed to Karatina Police Station and filed a formal complaint that he had reliable information of a plot to kill him. The MP's report was recorded as OB number 64 of February 12.

When the incident report was circulated to police command centres, Central region DCI boss Abraham Mugambi ordered immediate investigations.

"I detail a team of senior police officers from both Central Region and Nyeri County to partner in extracting the truth out

of the claim fastest possible," Dr Mugambi wrote in his incident command signal on the morning of February 13.

In a communication to his juniors, Dr Mugambi stressed that the complaint by the MP "was by no means a petty report...it was explosive". "It is not always that an MP walks into a police station to report fears on his or her life and quoting an assistant chief as the authority behind the claim," Dr Mugambi wrote.

A source in the police station confided in the *Nation* that the matter caused ripples since it had also attracted the attention of the presidency and police headquarters. The MP is a close ally of President William Ruto.

A senior security delegation was dispatched to reassure the Wamumbi family at their village home. The assistant chief and the self-proclaimed hired assassin were summoned to Karatina Police Station.

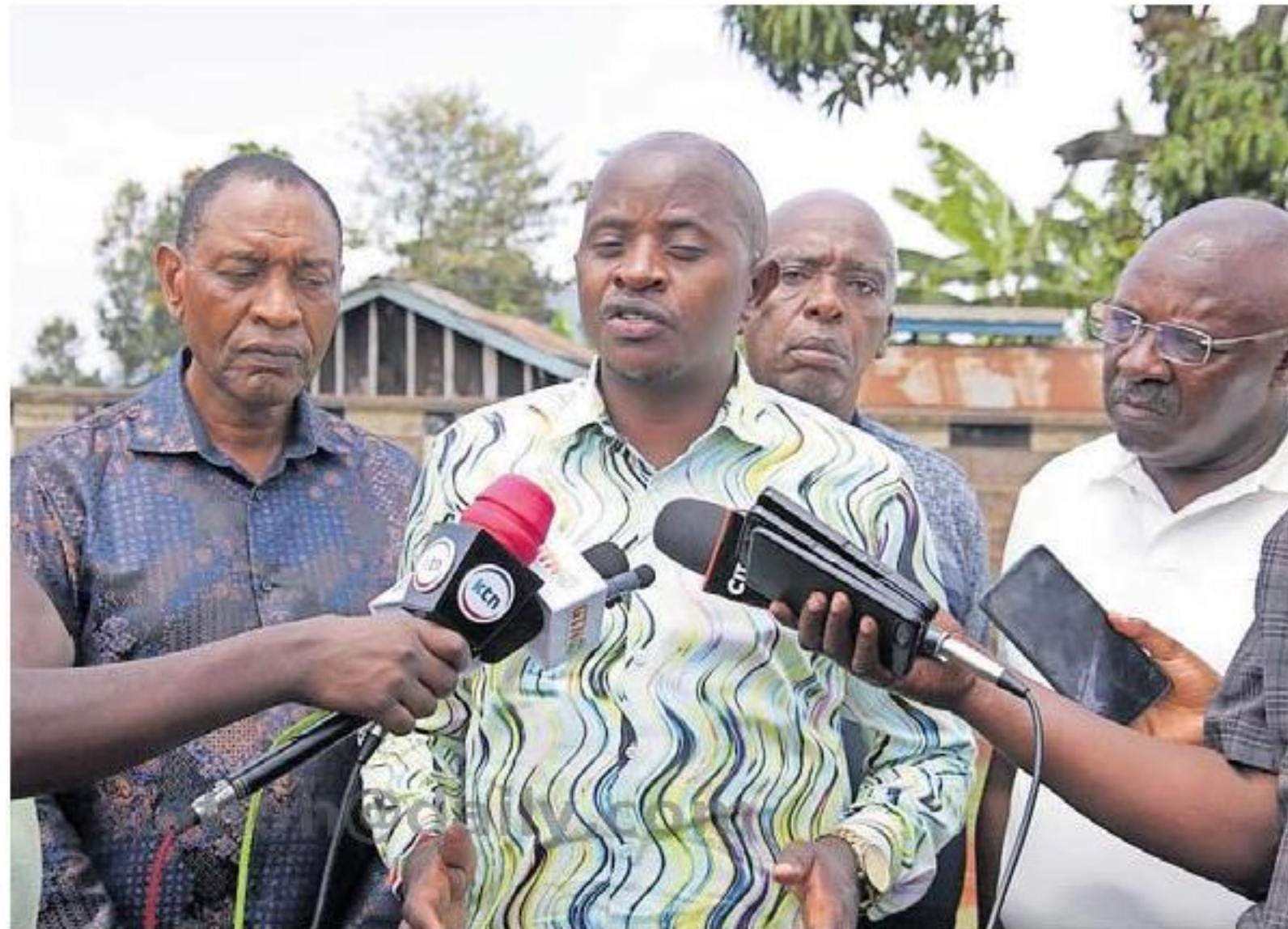
Meanwhile, all DCI officers attached to the station were ordered to report on duty without fail on the morning of February 13. The brief informed them that they were required to participate in a joint operation.

The investigators who were accompanied by both Dr Mugambi and Regional police boss Jasper Ombati then staged an identification parade at the Karatina Police Station.

It was there that Mr Wamumbi came face-to-face with the man who had "been hired" to murder him.

"The said assassin for hire was present and so was Mr Wamumbi," reads the identification parade report.

Weru identified Corporal Richard Boen and Constable Jesse Muriuki, both serving as DCI officers



in the station, as the ones who had hired him to kill Mr Wamumbi.

The two officers were immediately detained for interrogation and possible booking for the offence of planning to commit murder.

Weru was congratulated for being a law-abiding citizen who had refused to participate in the "murder" and instead alerted security agencies.

But in the interrogation room, detectives poked holes into Weru's statements. His version of events raised more doubts. And then a dark secret emerged.

"It was established that on January 29, 2026, a report had been made by Ms Annah Mugure at Karatina Police Station Vide OB number 62/29/01/2026 at 1918 hours that her sister, namely Be-

atrice Nyawira, aged 23, had gone missing," the preliminary investigations report by Dr Mugambi reads. It adds that officers Boen and Muriuki accompanied Ms Mugure to her missing sister's house and it was established that the missing woman was living with Weru.

Weru was found resting in his bed by the two officers and they arrested him. He was interrogated at Karatina Police Station and released the same day.

"It became apparent that Mr Weru was being creative in trying to escape the ongoing investigations about the murder of Ms Nyawira by invoking the name of Mr Wamumbi in an assassination plot said to be planned by the two officers who were on his case," reads the DCI report of February 16.

Mathira MP Eric Wamumbi addresses journalists in Nyeri town on October 22, 2025. JOSEPH KANYI/NATION

Weru was immediately arrested and the two officers cleared of any wrong-doing.

The report notes that Mr Wamumbi, "though devastated, he has agreed he is satisfied by the turn of events including thanking the officers for the genuine concern and speedy investigations".

Weru was subsequently arraigned in court on February 16 and the DCI was granted 30 days to continue holding him at Othaya Police Station pending conclusion of investigations that include suspicion of being behind three more murders.

Investigations have revealed that Weru was a possible serial killer targeting women, with the second victim already identified.

Mary Murutuni, 28, a mother of three, had moved from Mukima in Nanyuki to Narumoru town, where she worked at a boutique and lived alone in a rented house. She went missing on January 17. When relatives went to Narumoru looking for her, they were told she had left in the company of a man. The family reported her missing at Castle Police Post in Laikipia East.

Neighbours said a man identified as Joseph Weru had stayed at Mary's house for three days shortly before her disappearance. Mary had separated from her husband in Laikipia about a year earlier and had since allegedly begun a relationship with Weru.

Her body was discovered on January 19, dumped in a farm along the Karogoto River in Karatina. Police said the body was found partially submerged in water and bore visible injuries.

Police are piecing together the profile of Weru, a 23-year-old from Rwamara-Karogoto village in Nyeri County. He is depicted as a man who operated discreetly and those who have interacted with him in the past say he introduced himself as a Kenya Defence Forces serviceman in Nanyuki. They say that he showed them several photographs of himself posing with police patrol vehicles. DCI officers have identified the Ithekahuno Maingirano-Macemanio forest near River Gura as a possible dumping ground for his victims.

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Date this month when MP Eric Wamumbi was alerted of a plot to kill him

Firearm confusion halts plea taking in police shooting case

BY JOSEPH WANGUI

The High Court has suspended the prosecution of a Nairobi police officer over the fatal shooting of 20-year-old Shukri Adan, citing concerns over procedural fairness and inconsistencies in firearms records.

Simultaneously, the court granted the officer, Patrick Mutunga Titus, permission to challenge decisions by the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (Ipoa) and the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) to charge him with murder.

The court ruled that his judicial review

application raised legitimate concerns and ordered a temporary halt to plea taking in Makadara High Court, where Mr Mutunga and his colleague Godwin Mwashuke Mjomba were scheduled to face charges related to Adan's killing on January 11 in Kwa Njenga slums, Embakasi.

Central to the dispute is the police firearms register, which tracks ammunition issuance and returns. Mutunga claims he was issued with a firearm with 30 rounds and returned all of them to the armoury. He further cites a post-mortem report indicating Adan died from a sin-

gle gunshot to the head, arguing that the evidence clears him of wrongdoing.

In contrast, Mr Mjomba was issued 25 rounds of a different calibre and returned his weapon with 19 rounds.

This discrepancy has intensified legal scrutiny over who fired the fatal shot and whether records were accurately maintained.

Ipoa told the court it investigated the shooting after receiving reports on January 12, gathering witness statements before recommending charges, which the DPP approved. The oversight body maintained that the court's role was not to de-

termine guilt but to assess the legality of the prosecution process.

The DPP argued that both officers were on duty, gave conflicting accounts and were identified as prime suspects by independent witnesses. Prosecutors said Mr Mutunga's application was in bad faith and an abuse of the court process.

Mr Mutunga's defence countered that the firearms register and autopsy findings were undisputed and that proceeding with a murder trial without credible evidence would violate constitutional guarantees of fair administrative action and a fair hearing.

The court acknowledged the seriousness of Mr Mutunga's claims, but clarified that granting leave for judicial review did not guarantee his ultimate success. It emphasised that a stay was necessary to prevent potential prejudice should Mr Mutunga's challenge later prevail.

"No prejudice will be suffered by the State and the family of the deceased as the applicant can still be prosecuted for murder if this court finds that his intended application has no merit, noting that the matter herein shall be fast tracked," the court said.

National News

Education Proposals if approved will increase allocation from Sh387.1 billion to Sh422.9 billion in 2026/27

TSC seeking Sh423bn in budget to hire 36,000 teachers

Tutors' employer sets eyes on recruiting 16,000 tutors and converting 20,000 interns to permanent and pensionable terms

BY MERCY SIMIYU

The Teachers Service Commission (TSC) has proposed a Sh422.9 billion budget for the 2026/27 financial year, outlining plans to recruit 16,000 additional teachers and convert 20,000 interns to permanent and pensionable terms.

In a presentation to the Departmental Committee on Education of the National Assembly, the commission said the new recruitment is aimed at addressing the teacher shortage, which has plagued the education sector for

years despite hundreds of thousands of trained teachers being jobless.

According to the budget estimates, if approved, the TSC's allocation will increase from Sh387.1 billion in the current financial year to Sh422.9 billion in 2026/27.

"In the financial year 2026/2027, the commission proposes to recruit an additional 16,000 teachers to continuously address the existing teacher shortage and achieve the envisioned goal under the government manifesto. Additionally, the commission has on-boarded all teachers



The Teachers Service Commission headquarters at Upper Hill in Nairobi. FILE | NATION

(more than 400,000 teachers and 1,000,000 dependants) on to universal health coverage under the Social Health Authority," said TSC CEO Evaleen Mitei.

The commission said Sh1.9 billion has been set aside for the recruitment of 16,000 teachers for junior and senior schools. Another Sh7.2 billion will be used to convert 20,000 intern teachers to permanent and pensionable terms.

The agency also plans to promote 12,000 teachers annually at a cost of Sh2 billion and implement the second phase of the 2025-2029 Collective Bargaining Agreement at a cost of Sh8.4 billion. Additionally, Sh1.5 billion has been allocated for retooling

teachers to handle new learning areas under the Competency-Based Curriculum.

Further, the commission warned that several critical areas remain unfunded under the current budget framework. It noted that there is no provision within the current ceilings in the Budget Policy Statement (BPS) to cater for group life insurance, personal accident and Work Injury Benefits Act.

"There is no provision under the current ceilings in the BPS for the above covers. The estimated cost is Sh5.3 billion. The commission proposed an allocation in the BPS towards medical cover for teachers of Sh16.5 billion. This amount may not be adequate considering

The commission has on-boarded all teachers (more than 400,000 teachers and 1,000,000 dependants) on to universal health coverage under the Social Health Authority.

TSC chief executive Evaleen Mitei



the number of additional teachers who have been recruited," said Ms Mitei.

On field operations, the commission stated that the funds allocated to it do not match its resource requirements, creating strain in the delivery of quality services. It said it requires an additional Sh700 million to effectively carry out its operations.

Ms Mitei said the TSC is planning to introduce a new administrative structure in junior schools as part of efforts to strengthen leadership and governance. She added that the policy shift is intended to formalise management structures at the junior school level but acknowledged it will come with financial and operational implications.

She explained that the changes would require the appointment of heads of institutions and their deputies in junior schools, a move that will increase expenditure on personnel emoluments.

"The change may necessitate recruitment of more teachers in junior school to comply with staffing norms. There will be need for expansion of school infrastructure as some schools might not have enough space to accommodate two separate administrative units."

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COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NYERI

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC PLANNING & ICT



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR THE DRAFT NYERI COUNTY CAR LOAN AND MORTGAGE SCHEME (EXECUTIVE) FUND REGULATIONS, 2025, THE DRAFT NYERI COUNTY ASSEMBLY CAR LOAN AND MORTGAGE SCHEME (MEMBERS) FUND REGULATIONS, 2025 AND THE DRAFT NYERI COUNTY ASSEMBLY CAR LOAN AND MORTGAGE SCHEME (STAFF) FUND REGULATIONS, 2025.

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 10 (2a) of the Constitution of Kenya, read together with Sections 6(6), 87, 106 (4) and 115 (1) of the County Governments Act on 'Public Participation', the County Government of Nyeri is in the process of developing The Nyeri Car Loan and Mortgage Scheme Fund Act, 2025 Regulations namely;

1. The Nyeri County Car Loan and Mortgage Scheme (Executive) Fund Regulations, 2026;
2. Nyeri County Assembly Car Loan and Mortgage Scheme (Members) Fund Regulations, 2026; and
3. Nyeri County Assembly Car Loan and Mortgage Scheme (Staff) Fund Regulations, 2026

In view of the above, The County, through the Department of Finance, Economic Planning & ICT, invites members of the public, civil society organizations, faith-based organizations, private sector practitioners and all other interested parties to submit written memoranda on the Draft Regulations through the email nyericountytreasury@gmail.com or hand delivered to reach the **Office of the Chief Officer, Finance and Accounting within 14 days** of this publication. The Regulations can be accessed from the County Government website at www.nyeri.go.ke.

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National News



Nairobi Governor Johnson Sakaja (left) and Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi during the signing of the cooperation agreement at State House, Nairobi, on Tuesday. WILFRED NYANGARESII | NATION

City legislators back cooperation deal, say it will boost services

BY NDUBI MOTURI AND MARY WANGARI

A section of members of the Nairobi County Assembly MCAs have endorsed the cooperation agreement between the national government and the county, insisting that the deal will help to restart long-stalled reforms.

The agreement was signed by Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi on behalf of the National Government and Governor Johnson Sakaja on behalf of the County Government at State House Nairobi on Tuesday.

The 30 MCAs, led by Minority Leader Anthony Kiragu, yesterday asked residents to support what they described as a people-centred framework aimed at improving service delivery and infrastructure. They said the partnership would address critical funding gaps that have constrained Nairobi for years.

"We welcome and fully embrace this partnership. This cooperation is people-centred and focuses on the essential services that residents of Nairobi have long awaited. It is an arrangement designed to accelerate development projects and significantly improve service delivery across the city," Mr Kiragu said.

Under the agreement, the national government is expected to inject an additional Sh80 billion into Nairobi, funding pro-

jects in infrastructure, urban renewal and public services.

Mr Kiragu criticised those against the deal, saying that political disputes risk derailing an opportunity to reposition Nairobi as a globally competitive city. They contrasted Nairobi's estimated Sh40 billion annual budget serving a population of more than seven million with the significantly larger municipal budgets of global capitals such as Paris and New York, which also benefit from structured national government support.

"These examples demonstrate that collaboration between city administrations and national governments is not unusual, but rather a proven and practical model for urban growth and modernisation," they said.

Allay concerns

The legislators sought to allay concerns over accountability, noting that the agreement provides for an implementation committee chaired by the governor. They added that MCAs would play an oversight role once the agreement is formally tabled in the House next week for scrutiny and approval.

Separately, a section of city parliamentarians also affirmed their support for the cooperation agreement. MPs TJ Kajwang (Ruaraka), Anthony Oluoch (Mathare), Phelix Odiwuor (Lang'ata), Woman Representative Esther Passaris and nominated senators Tabitha Mutinda, Karen Nyamu and Hamida Kibwana said the deal focuses on priority areas.

"The focus is service delivery, not politics. These are everyday realities affecting families, traders, commuters and businesses across Nairobi," they stated.

Tainted Kidero and Sonko both faced accusations of corruption while in office

County that humbles titans: Nairobi governors' tribulations

Vested interests, fight for control of billions have often seen governors become captives

BY COLLINS OMULO

Nairobi stands out as the only county in Kenya to have had five governors since the advent of devolution in 2013.

Dr Evans Kidero, Mike Sonko, Benson Mutura, Ann Kananu and Johnson Sakaja have occupied the governor's office along City Hall Way.

However, the governorship of Nairobi – Kenya's capital and economic hub – has proven to be more of a poisoned chalice than a seat of power.

Mr Sonko and Dr Kidero are some of the casualties of what is fast becoming a jinxed office that appears to humble political titans who dare occupy it.

Vested interests, fight for control of billions in allocations from the national government and development partners as well as access to billions in own-source revenue have often seen governors become captives of powers-that-be.

Coming in as the inaugural governor in 2013, Dr Kidero walked the corridors of City Hall with mixed fortunes. The technocrat, coming in after a career record straddling the private and public sectors, left City Hall with his reputation in tatters, marred by allegations of mismanagement.

The 68-year-old had served as the chief executive officer of Muias Sugar Company for eight years, resigning in 2012 to join elective politics. He was also Nation Media Group's CEO for two years and worked at Warner Lambert for four years and Smith-Kline Beecham Healthcare International for 12 years.

Despite the more than 26 years in the upper echelons of the corporate world, his tenure was perpetually bogged down by corruption scandals, inefficient service delivery and political inertia.

The pharmacist described his time as Nairobi governor as being marked by constant opposition from "city cartels" and political forces, which he said undermined service delivery and reforms at City Hall.

Nairobi voters spared him more troubles when they voted him out in the 2017 elections. He maintained that he was "rigged out" by the forces that frustrated his work at City Hall.

In 2018, he was arrested on charges of abuse of office, money laundering and bribery, with more arrests following. In Novem-



A man walks outside City Hall in Nairobi on August 27, 2024. BONFACE BOGITA | NATION

ber last year, a Nairobi anti-corruption court acquitted him in a Sh213 million corruption case, with the magistrate ruling that the prosecution failed to prove he authorised or benefited from payments to companies for services not rendered.

In 2022, the Mang'u High School alumnus attempted a political comeback in Homa Bay but was defeated by Gladys Wanga in the gubernatorial race. Dr Kide-

ro, vying as an independent candidate, garnered 154,182 votes against Ms Wanga's 244,559 votes. He is now reported to be eyeing a comeback at City Hall in 2027 on a UDA party ticket.

Nairobi residents replaced the corporate titan with a flamboyant lawmaker in the name of Mr Sonko who swept to power on the back of his grassroots appeal.

The opposite of his predecessor, the former Makadara MP and Nairobi senator assumed office with bravado, but soon, it was that bluster that swallowed him in less than three years. His time in office was characterised by erratic leadership, viral social media rants and public disputes with officials from both the county and national governments.

The flamboyant governor often claimed that he was being sabotaged by the "deep state" and refused to appoint a deputy governor for most of his term, following the resignation of Mr Polycarp Igathe in January 2018, effectively running the county alone.

In March 2020, the national government preferred to leave him with lighter duties when he was forced to surrender key county functions to the Nairobi Metropolitan Services led by Major-General Mohamed Badi.

Nine months later, the City Hall

doors were slammed shut on his face when he was removed from office by way of impeachment in December 2020 for gross misconduct and abuse of office. The impeachment means Mr Sonko will be in the political cold for 10 years before he can think of making any comeback.

He has also been in court over multimillion-shilling graft allegations like his predecessor.

His substantive successor, Ms Kananu, in 2023 painted a grim picture of tribulations one goes through while at the helm of the capital city. She noted that the office being political, there is a lot of interference with the governor not being in control as is in other counties. She added that there are also cartels more powerful than even people in the investigative and justice systems.

"I was captive myself. You would get calls from all over saying pay this, do this, sign this and if you don't, there are consequences even to the extent of impeachment. You always operate under threats," said Ms Kananu in an interview with the *Nation*.

"I would even receive written letters from Cabinet secretaries saying they wanted so and so to be paid," she said.



IMPEACHED

2020

Year Mike Sonko was impeached by the county assembly on allegations of gross misconduct and abuse of office

30

Number of Nairobi County Assembly members who have thrown their weight behind the cooperation agreement with the national government



TENDER NOTICE
TENDER NO.: AMREF/20/02/2026/003

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LOT NO	ITEM DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT OF MEASURE	DELIVERY LOCATION
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2	Supply and Delivery of Tablets	250	Pieces	

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All Tenders must be accompanied by the tender security of the amount specified in the tender document per lot in the form of a bank guarantee from a reputable bank and all other mandatory documents specified in the tender document. Completed tender documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelope(s) clearly marked with the tender name and tender reference and should be addressed and delivered/posted to the following address: -

Group Financial Resources Director
Amref Health Africa in Kenya
P.O. Box 30125-00100
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Interested eligible bidders are also invited to a pre-bid conference on **Tuesday 24th February 2026 starting at 10 am - 11 am**. To access the link for registration of pre-tender conference, log onto the Amref Health Africa website: <https://amref.org/tenders>

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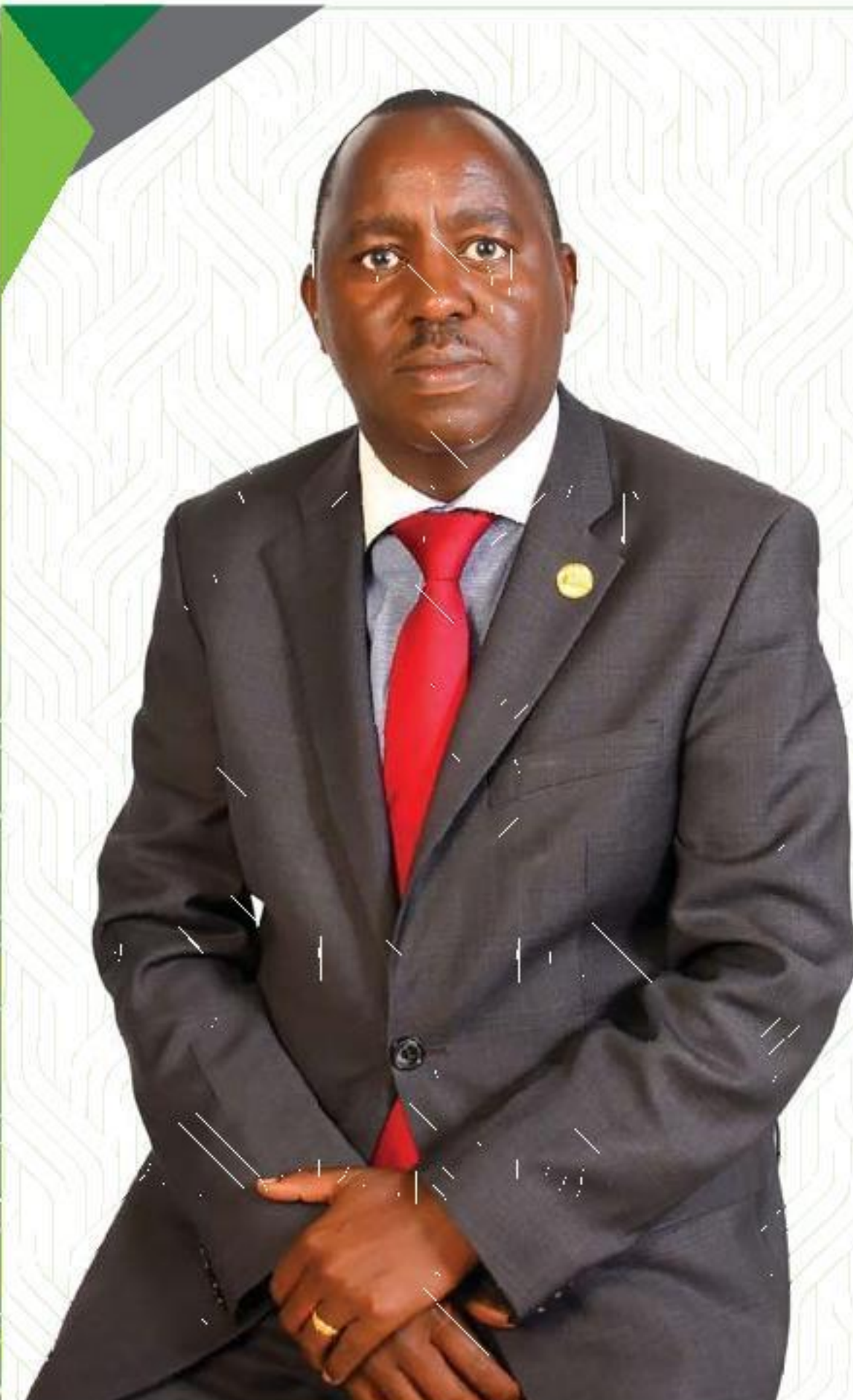
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Appointment of Acting Chief Executive Officer

The Board of Directors of Consolidated Bank of Kenya Limited is pleased to announce the appointment of **Dr. Dominic Murage, PhD, CPA (K), CS (K)** as the Acting Chief Executive Officer, effective 12th October 2025.

Following his appointment, the requisite regulatory vetting process was undertaken by the Central Bank of Kenya, culminating in formal approval and clearance.

Dr. Murage is a seasoned finance professional and strategic leader with over twenty (20) years of distinguished experience in Management, Taxation, Public Finance, Policy Analysis, Consultancy, Corporate Governance, Research, and Training. His extensive career in both Public and Private service has enabled him to build a strong and credible professional network across key Government and Private sector institutions.

He holds a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Business Administration (Finance) and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Accounting from the University of Nairobi. He is a Certified Public Accountant of Kenya (CPA-K) and a Certified Secretary (CS-K), and a member in good standing of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK).

The Board expresses its full confidence in Dr. Murage's ability to provide strong, visionary leadership and to propel the Bank to the next level of growth and performance. Leveraging his extensive public and private sector experience and strategic networks, he is well positioned to strengthen partnerships, enhance operational excellence, and accelerate the delivery of the Bank's strategic priorities.

The Board assures Dr. Murage of its unwavering support as he leads the Bank into its next phase of transformation and sustained success.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
Board of Directors
Consolidated Bank of Kenya

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



THE SELECTION PANEL FOR THE SELECTION OF NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL COHESION AND INTEGRATION COMMISSION (NCIC)
The National Cohesion and Integration Act, 2019 (CAP 7N)

Pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 4 of the First Schedule of the National Cohesion and Integration Act, the Selection Panel invited applications from suitably qualified persons for nomination for appointment to the positions of Chairperson and Members of the National Cohesion and Integration Commission on 30th January 2026. The advert closed on 13th February, 2026 at 5.00 p.m. (EAT) and the applications received were as follows:

(A) LIST OF APPLICANTS

S/No.	Name	Gender	County
1.	Elkana Kathie Nyaga	Male	Embu
2.	Abdisalam Sheikh Mohamed	Male	Garissa
3.	Kauma Jim Gitonga	Male	Embu
4.	Margaret Wanjuhi Chege	Female	Kajiado
5.	Julius Wafula Wabwile	Male	Bungoma
6.	Thomas Letangule	Male	Baringo
7.	Ahmed Osman	Male	Marsabit
8.	Julius Okoth Nudi	Male	Kisumu
9.	Benard Krade Yaite	Male	Busia
10.	Winnie Jeptum Bargarora	Female	Uasin Gishu
11.	William Otieno Oketch	Male	Homabay
12.	Jackson Kiboko	Male	Tharaka Nithi
13.	Nancy Wanjiku Kariuki	Female	Laikipia
14.	Ngairah James Liguyani	Male	Tharaka Nithi
15.	Vincent Kinan Makokha	Male	Trans Nzoia
16.	Ogweyo Peter Ogalo	Male	Siaya
17.	Wilfred Yano Chepkole	Male	West Pokot
18.	Joseph Kyavo	Male	Kitui
19.	Samson Aliton Okello	Male	Not Indicated
20.	Patrick Ayiecho Olweny	Male	Kisumu
21.	Ogotu Edward Obudo	Male	Siaya
22.	Lul Abdwahid	Female	Garissa
23.	Zeth Ouma Omollo	Male	Nyamira
24.	Maurice O. Otsieno	Male	Siaya
25.	Nancy Oundo Dalla	Male	Busia
26.	Nasoore Soloi Seet	Male	Kajiado
27.	Muronga Kadurenge Benard	Male	Vihiga
28.	Ambrose Lkusulan Lochokwe	Male	Marsabit
29.	Juvinialis Atancha	Male	Narok
30.	Joseph Kipkirui Rono	Male	Bomet
31.	Josephine Apondi Opiyo	Female	Migori
32.	Moses Ngemu Somoine	Male	Kajiado
33.	Margaret Wairimu Chege	Female	Nyandarua
34.	Robert Okelo Arunga	Male	Homa Bay
35.	Mohamad Ali Saleh	Male	Wajir
36.	Mary Ciambaka Mwiandi	Female	Tharaka Nithi
37.	Yufnalis Ndege Okubo	Male	Busia
38.	Jacqueline Wawira Mbogo	Female	Embu
39.	Abdirizak Hussein Shafat	Male	Garissa
40.	Dennis Banda Aroka	Male	Homa Bay
41.	Charity Rebecca Wako Kagwi	Female	Kiambu
42.	Celestine Chepchirchir Mutai	Female	Uasin Gishu
43.	Micah Pkopos Powon	Male	West Pokot
44.	Vincent Ongato Rapando	Male	Kakamega
45.	Gilbert William Opanga	Male	Vihiga
46.	Julius Yiega	Male	Homa Bay
47.	Praxedes Chepkoech Tororey	Female	Nandi
48.	Timothy Kariuki Mwangi	Male	Kirinyaga
49.	James Ibrae Abudho	Male	Marsabit
50.	Joseph Riwongole Ngoriakou	Male	West Pokot
51.	Elijah Kiprop Kipkoros	Male	Baringo
52.	Sam Ochieng	Male	Homa Bay
53.	Francis Anyona	Male	Not Indicated
54.	Daniel Juma Omondi	Male	Siaya
55.	Evans Makori Ombongi	Male	Kisii
56.	Joseph Kaberia Arimba	Male	Meru
57.	Murakaru Wahome	Male	Kiambu
58.	Wilson Kuria Thuita	Male	Muranga
59.	Josephine Anyango Oduol	Female	Siaya
60.	Betty Atieno Radier	Female	Kisumu
61.	Beatrice Karwitha Kiragu	Female	Meru
62.	Redempta Kavindu	Female	Machakos
63.	Beatrice Mugeni Meso	Female	Busia
64.	Purity Kithiru Gitonga	Female	Meru
65.	Juma Silas Malemo	Male	Bungoma
66.	Elijah Kitur	Male	Nandi
67.	Kepha Nyamweya Omae	Male	Kisii
68.	Alice Atieno Otuala	Female	Siaya

69.	Nelly Ilongo	Female	Taita Taveta
70.	David Alvin Alkelola	Male	Kakamega
71.	Hassan Mahmoud Haji	Male	Garissa
72.	Geoffrey Kipnetich Korir	Male	Kericho
73.	George Morara Monyoncho	Male	Kisii
74.	John Oloshuro Konchellah	Male	Narok
75.	Jane Apetet Nashida	Female	Turkana
76.	John Otieno Ondego	Male	Kisumu
77.	Bellinda Akoth Akello	Female	Siaya
78.	Pamela Awino Akello	Female	Homa Bay
79.	Kennedy Onyonyi	Male	Homa Bay

(ii) MEMBER

S/No.	Name	Gender	County
1.	Fredrick Mainda Nyang'au	Male	Kisii
2.	Leonard Ndung'u Karau	Male	Kiambu
3.	Kennedy Onyango Ochuka	Male	Kisumu
4.	Rodgers Ombeck Oyoo	Male	Migori
5.	Simon Owawa Nyamolo (PWD)	Male	Nairobi
6.	Justine Anyango Ochieng	Female	Homa Bay
7.	Phobian Simiyu Lusweti	Male	Trans Nzoia
8.	Mibei Kiplangat Geoffrey	Male	Kericho
9.	Hassan Issack Hache	Male	Mandera
10.	Anthony L. Mbocho Mwakaba	Male	Taita Taveta
11.	Benard Lipesa Chetambe	Male	Bungoma
12.	Isaac Wafula	Male	Busia
13.	Ilhan Ahmed Bakir Abass	Female	Mandera
14.	Kennedy Kwoba Ogonji	Male	Kakamega
15.	Joseph King'ori Nguyo	Male	Nyeri
16.	Christopher Simiyu Khisa (PWD)	Male	Bungoma
17.	Gordon Omondi Odhiambo	Male	Homa Bay
18.	Nickson Shedrack Amitai	Male	Lamu
19.	Lucy Wanja Julius	Female	Meru
20.	Ahmed Billow Osman	Male	Wajir
21.	Elkana Kathie Nyaga	Male	Embu
22.	Abdisalam Sheikh Mohamed	Male	Garissa
23.	Wycliffe Obiki Meshuko	Male	Narok
24.	Nixon Gecheo Mageka	Male	Kisii
25.	Eric Kipkoech Ng'etich	Male	Bomet
26.	Lengupae Martino	Male	Samburu
27.	Alexander Mwendwa Kimilu	Male	Makueni
28.	Parkusaa John Merinyi	Male	Nyeri
29.	Jim Gitonga Kauma	Male	Embu
30.	Romeo Ogeto Tom	Male	Kisii
31.	Nelson Mosiborwa Omwoyo	Male	Nyamira
32.	Salma Otunga	Female	Bungoma
33.	Lamech Willy Arisa	Male	Nyamira
34.	Hassan Hajji Kassim	Male	Wajir
35.	Kennedy Ouma Ogindi	Male	Migori
36.	Wesley Muragai	Male	Not Indicated
37.	Jacob Kiprop Chamdany	Male	Narok
38.	Billow Khalid, HSC	Male	Wajir
39.	Margert W. Naserian Gakami	Female	Kajiado
40.	Hannah Njeri Maina	Female	Nakuru
41.	Fred Opiyo Jonyo	Male	Migori
42.	Cornelius Kiprono Serem	Male	Not Indicated
43.	George Onyango Jobando	Male	Migori
44.	Shadrack Kimutai Kiroop	Male	Trans Nzoia
45.	John Kibaso Warioba	Male	Migori
46.	Happi Adan Happi	Male	Isiolo
47.	Jane Musangi Mutua	Female	Kitui
48.	Peter Nyamai Nzuki	Male	Makueni
49.	Joseph Riwongole Ngoriakou	Male	West Pokot
50.	Abdirashid Yussuf Abdinoor	Male	Garissa
51.	Alex Natembeya Matere	Male	Trans Nzoia

52.	Mohamed Rashid Hassan Hussein	Male	Mandera
53.	Mathew Mamo Isako	Male	Laikipia
54.	Jackson Swadi Kedogo	Male	Nandi
55.	Julius Wafula Wabwile	Male	Bungoma
56.	Paul Igweta Mungathia	Male	Meru
57.	Alphonse Bashani Soso	Male	Tana River
58.	Abdirahman Maalim Abdullahi	Male	Mandera
59.	Dennis Kipngeno Cheruiyot	Male	Bomet
60.	Ruth Jelagat Tubey	Female	Nandi
61.	Edward Kibiwott Boor	Male	Uasin Gishu
62.	Kelvin Kiuna Mbae	Male	Murang'a
63.	Anne Lanoi Pertet	Female	Narok
64.	Jacob Etenyi Nyawanga	Male	Kakamega
65.	Johathan Rutto Tyno Rotino	Male	West Pokot
66.	Thomas Letangule	Male	Baringo
67.	Teresia Jerusah Mwaathime Michael	Female	Kitui
68.	Ngahu Daniel Muiruri	Male	Murang'a
69.	William Kipyego Birech	Male	Nandi
70.	Eddy Smith Otieno	Male	Kisumu
71.	Washington Opiyo Sati (PWD)	Male	Kisumu
72.	Junior David Omollo	Male	Homa Bay
73.	Ahmed Abdikadir Nunow	Male	Garissa
74.	Daniel Mwendwa Maluki	Male	Kitui
75.	David Olanana Loolpait	Male	Narok
76.	Elga Jebichii Kiprotich	Female	Baringo
77.	Joel Ongoto	Male	Nyamira
78.	Onyango Ondeng	Male	Not Indicated
79.	Godfrey Irungu Njenga	Male	Nyandarua
80.	Mohamed Abdullahi Abayle	Male	Wajir
81.	Ahmed Osman	Male	Marsabit
82.	Chelang'a L. R. Maiyo	Male	E/Marakwet
83.	Joshua E. Turuga	Male	Not Indicated
84.	Michael H. Mwasho Mwakodi	Male	Taita Taveta
85.	Mohamed Dahir Noor	Male	Garissa
86.	Mwereria Victor Munene	Male	Meru
87.	Lemashon Nicholas Meyoki	Male	Narok
88.	Regina Mutiru Mwendwa	Female	Kirinyaga
89.	Julius Okoth Nudi	Male	Kisumu
90.	Samuel Mwachiro Mwawasi	Male	Taita Taveta
91.	Anisetu Rugendo Justus Makunyi	Male	Meru
92.	Catherine Chepkemoi Mukenyang	Female	West Pokot
93.	Jire Siyat Mohamed	Male	Tana River
94.	Benard Krade Yaite	Male	Busia
95.	Jane Wanjiru Njuguna (PWD)	Female	Kiambu
96.	Winnie Jeptum Bargarora	Female	Uasin Gishu
97.	Issa Ahmed Abdi	Male	Wajir
98.	Fred Lekoren Lengees	Male	Samburu
99.	Andrew Okwach Ayarah	Male	Kisumu
100.	Moses Ekai Erus	Male	Turkana
101.	Issa Garore Irobe	Male	Wajir
102.	Maureen Keeru M'iti	Female	Meru
103.	Razoa M. Kereda-Vitisia	Female	Not Indicated
104.	Kibiwot Tanui	Male	Not Indicated
105.	William Otieno Oketch	Male	Homa Bay
106.	Abdi Ahmed Madey	Male	Mandera
107.	Johnson Mwirigi Rithaa	Male	Meru
108.	Philip Mbaji Kaulu	Male	Kilifi
109.	Simon Kipchirchir Toroitich	Male	Trans Nzoia
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116.	Kennedy Omoro Mosoti	Male	Nyamira
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119.	Bruce Collins Nyaruri Nyagaka	Male	Trans Nzoia
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123.	Dorothy Moirana Mwenchi	Female	Kajiado
124.	Peter Kiplimo Chorwa	Male	Uasin Gishu
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126.	Pius Wamalwa Munialo	Male	Trans Nzoia
127.	Kipkoech Mutai Gideon	Male	Kericho
128.	Ngairah James Liguyani	Male	Kakamega
129.	Joyce Akai Emanikor (PWD)	Female	Turkana
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131.	Alex Cleland Atingo	Male	Vihiga
132.	Margert Iyasi Lesuuda	Female	Laikipia
133.	Hussein Bare Aden	Male	Garissa
134.	Patrick Wakaba Mathu	Male	Kiambu
135.	Mohamed Khalif Abdirahman	Male	Garissa
136.	Jackson Ndere Kiboro	Male	Tharaka Nithi
137.	Elizabeth Cirindi Kirema	Female	Meru
138.	Dennis Kipkirui Koeh	Male	Bomet
139.	Bruce Kiprotich Chtalu	Male	Bomet
140.	Boniface Kalinda Mulli	Male	Machakos
141.	Bartoo Jelagat Francisca	Female	E/Marakwet
142.	Kebene Francis Mangiteni	Male	Migori
143.	Suleman Buko Yesse	Male	Tana River
144.	Jephthan Njagi Karingo	Male	Kirinyaga
145.	Khalid Ashur Mahmud	Male	Kitui
146.	Agnes Waithira Ibara	Female	Embu
147.	Roney Mayow Yussuf	Female	Wajir
148.	Mohamed Abdullahi Abdi	Male	Wajir
149.	Salim Mohamed Ibrahim	Male	Mandera
150.	Caroline Wanjiru Kinyanjui	Female	Nyandarua
151.	Bosco Mutegi Kiura	Male	Embu
152.	Emily Cherono Mosonik Sawe	Female	Bomet
153.	Hassan Sheikh Mohamed	Male	Not Indicated
154.	Irene Chepoisho Tulel	Female	West Pokot
155.	Evanson Kimayo Maiyo	Male	Trans Nzoia
156.	Vincent Kinas Makokha	Male	Trans Nzoia
157.	Ogweyo Peter Ogalo	Male	Siaya
158.	Wilfred Yano Chepkole	Male	West Pokot
159.	Aruasa Chepkirui Evalyn	Female	Bomet
160.	Brian Bwire Juma	Male	Busia
161.	Pamela E. Ayieko Otenyo	Female	Vihiga
162.	Joyce Wanjiru Munyua	Female	Nyandarua
163.	Pauline Petro Mukasa	Female	Kwale
164.	Morris Mung'oma Malaba, (PWD)	Male	Bungoma
165.	Walter Jabali Jilani	Male	Lamu
166.	Kibugi Joel Ngugi	Male	Kiambu
167.	David Ojwang Otiu	Male	Homa Bay
168.	Mark Muma Arbelle	Male	Marsabit
169.	David Ouma Ochieng	Male	Siaya
170.	Laura Nyangasi Kainga	Female	West Pokot
171.	Charity Boke Chacha	Female	Migori
172.	Joseph Kyavoa	Male	Kitui
173.	Saadi Noor Odowa	Male	Garissa
174.	Esther Kalunda Ndile	Female	Kitui
175.	Samson Aliton Okello	Male	Not Indicated
176.	Linet Jessica Kohanya-Amollo	Male	Siaya
177.	Mohamed Mahamoud Idow	Male	Mandera
178.	Emmanuel Mutisya Mulu	Male	Makueni
179.	Hassan Abdi Abdille	Male	Mandera
180.	Elizabeth Atieno Ayoo	Male	Kisumu
181.	Stephen Kapkwang Cheboi	Male	Nakuru
182.	Adan Barreh Dahir	Male	Wajir
183.	Nyabira Ben Christophter	Male	Nakuru
184.	Chepkwang Kurui Elias	Male	E/Marakwet
185.	Jayne Ndegi Mugambi	Female	Embu
186.	Austine Ochieng Dioto	Male	Siaya
187.	John Kipkemoi Koskei	Male	Kericho
188.	Abdirahim Mohamed	Male	Mandera
189.	Daniel Chebukati Wafula	Male	Trans Nzoia
190.	Faith Norah Lukosi	Female	Trans Nzoia
191.	Peter Kamau Munyua	Male	Nyandarua
192.	Martin Juma Achola	Male	Not Indicated
193.	Timothy Kipkogei Kiptum	Male	E/Marakwet
194.	Kennedy Ole Kerei Maapta	Male	Kajiado
195.	Elvira Namenge Lwanga	Female	Trans Nzoia
196.	Daisy Akinyi Ochoro	Female	Not Indicated
197.	Daniel Nakeor Losiru	Male	Turkana
198.	Judy Mwende Mutunga	Female	Makueni
199.	Zeinab Mohamed Jirma	Female	Isiolo
200.	Zahra Tume Abduda	Female	Marsabit
201.	Bernard Monga' re Mogesa	Male	Nyamira
202.	Edward Obudo Ogutu	Male	Siaya
203.	Nasra Muktar Maalim Ibrahim	Female	Mandera
204.	Anne Kathure Ntoiti	Female	Meru
205.	Lul Abdiwahid	Female	Garissa
206.	Zeth Ouma Omollo	Male	Nyamira
207.	Philip Arthur Njuguna Mwanika	Male	Kiambu
208.	Abdilatif Maalim Adan	Male	Mandera
209.	John Lodepe Nakara	Male	Turkana
210.	Robert Okelo Arunga	Male	Homa Bay
211.	Alexander Ldisiyon Labarakwa	Male	Marsabit
212.	Enock Kibet Ngeno	Male	Bomet
213.	Augustine Lojau	Male	Turkana
214.	Felista Nasiandi Lekaram	Male	Samburu
215.	Deka Ibrahim Mohamed	Female	Wajir
216.	Nancy Oundo Dalla	Female	Taita Taveta
217.	Racheal Wangui Mugane	Female	Kirinyaga
218.	Josiah Musili Kang'ulyu	Male	Kitui
219.	Osicho John Oluoch	Male	Migori
220.	Nasoore Soloi Seet	Male	Kajiado
221.	Joyce Murugi Njane	Female	Tharaka Nithi
222.	Walter Malongo Bulimu	Male	Nandi
223.	Rachel Wanjiku Maina	Female	Nakuru
224.	Muronga Kadurenge Benard	Male	Vihiga
225.	Alice Manyange Abuki	Female	Kisii
226.	Christine Chepkurui Rotich	Female	Nakuru
227.	Ambrose Lkusalun Lochokwe	Male	Laikipia
228.	Grace Wanjira Ndirangu (PWD)	Female	Trans Nzoia
229.	Geoffrey Kebut Kosgei	Male	Baringo
230.	Hibo Yussuf Hussein	Female	Not Indicated
231.	Ali Nur Hussein	Male	Wajir
232.	Robert Gesanda Momanyi	Male	Uasin Gishu
233.	Mary Chebet Panga	Female	Baringo
234.	Alex Shiiyia Lekaram	Male	Samburu
235.	Shukri Ibrahim Ali	Male	Marsabit
236.	Victor Ijaika Bulemi	Male	West Pokot
237.	Philip Poghisyo Ptiso	Male	West Pokot
238.	Samuel Mwakio Mnjau	Male	Taita Taveta
239.	Emmanuel Lokicha Kaliakamur	Male	West Pokot
240.	Bilhah Muthoni Ng'ang'a	Female	Nyandarua
241.	Veronica Muthoni Mwirichia	Female	Meru
242.	Gordon Onyango Akongo	Male	Homa Bay
243.	Gideon Maritim K. Birech	Male	Nakuru
244.	Khasandi Tebla Amukanga	Female	Kakamega
245.	Joseph Kipkirui Rono	Male	Bomet
246.	Adhan Nuri Berhe	Male	Tana River
247.	Joel Mwita Daniel	Male	Migori
248.	Stanley Kamau Maina	Male	Murang'a
249.	Josephine Apondi Opiyo	Female	Migori
250.	Duke Ontiro Mobegei	Male	Kisii
251.	Silvester Wanjohi Wambugu	Male	Nyeri
252.	Susan Wanjiru Gitari	Female	Embu
253.	Oguda Bruno Obodha	Male	Migori
254.	Fred Juma Wasilwa	Male	Bungoma
255.	Florence Wairimu Muturi	Female	Nakuru
256.	Festus Mukoya	Male	Bungoma
257.	Purity Kithiru Gitonga	Female	Meru
258.	Winrose Chepkoech Rono	Female	Kericho
259.	Anthony Kiura Ndwiga	Male	Embu
260.	Alfred Mulwa Mueke	Male	Kitui
261.	Nixon Atieno Ondeke	Male	Kisumu
262.	Margaret Wairimu Chege	Female	Nyandarua
263.	Lilian Akinyi Okumu-Obuo	Female	Siaya
264.	Jason Kerandi Nyantino	Male	Kisii
265.	Moses Somoine Ole Sakuda	Male	Kajiado
266.	Philomena Chenangat Loitarengan	Female	West Pokot
267.	Papa Ben Osukuku	Male	Busia
268.	Hezron Cotts Masitsa	Male	Kakamega
269.	Princeley Chepkorir Koech	Female	Bomet
270.	Issa Mohamed Ahmed	Male	Garissa
271.	David Omondi Ondiki	Male	Kisumu
272.	Gertrude Musuruve Inimah (PWD)	Female	Vihiga
273.	Humphrey Tirima Mokaya	Male	Kisii
274.	Hussein Sheikh Muhamad	Male	Wajir
275.	Susan Kajuju Iringo Laimaru	Female	Meru
276.	Nahum Jelagat Tirop	Female	Uasin Gishu
277.	Festus Mutegi M. Marangu	Male	Meru
278.	Japheth Cheruiyot Arap Yegon	Male	Kericho
279.	Abdulaziz Hussein Mohamed	Male	Garissa
280.	Heather Eddah Kipchumba	Female	E/Marakwet
281.	Nasir Matano Ngala	Male	Kwale
282.	Fredrick Odemba	Male	Migori
283.	Catherine Nyaguthii Githae	Female	Nyeri
284.	Susan Chepkisur Chongo-Nakoru	Female	Baringo
285.	Abdiaziz Mohamed Issack	Male	Mandera
286.	Malika Ali Omar	Female	Mombasa
287.	Charles Mureithi Mwaniki	Male	Laikipia
288.	Hardlyne Lusui	Female	Vihiga
289.	Augustine Tioko Logiron	Male	Turkana
290.	Martin Odhiambo Ouma	Male	Homa Bay
291.	Mary Ciambaka Mwiandi	Female	Tharaka Nithi
292.	Gabriel Melita Ndilay	Male	Not Indicated
293.	Eunice Mukami Kiguru	Female	Not Indicated
294.	Hajila Venita Wario	Female	Tana River
295.	Joseph Leboo Masindet	Male	Narok
296.	Peter Mawaitho	Male	Samburu
297.	Yufnalis Ndege Okubo	Male	Busia
298.	Ann Njeri Kioi	Female	Kajiado
299.	Sylvia Jebet Tuikong	Female	Baringo
300.	Ramla Abbas Sheikh	Female	Wajir
301.	Fardosa Abdi Ali Abdulee	Female	Kisumu
302.	Hassan Hussein Abdi	Male	Tana River
303.	Winnie Nyambura Macharia	Female	Murang'a
304.	Pamella Minayo Mackenzie	Female	Vihiga
305.	Anita Cherop Toritich	Female	E/Marakwet
306.	Areba Omwoyo Samba	Male	Nyamira
307.	Grace Ngani Tsuma	Female	Kwale
308.	Mathew Etabo Edung	Male	Turkana
309.	Fredrick Kiriri Gitundu	Male	Tharaka Nithi
310.	Susan Kipketer Chebet	Female	E/Marakwet
311.	Kenton Mutethia Muthaura	Male	Meru
312.	Daniel Jeryot Kirui	Male	Bomet
313.	Dakane Maalim Mohamed	Male	Mandera
314.	Joshua Maboko Echoka	Male	Vihiga
315.	Maruta Abraham Kirema	Male	Tharaka Nithi
316.	Raphael Lakalei Letimalo	Male	Samburu
317.	Terry Mukonza Jillani	Female	Kilifi
318.	Mercy Kalondu Wambua	Female	Machakos
319.	Dennis Banda Aroka	Male	Homa Bay
320.	Maurice Ooko Otsieno	Male	Siaya
321.	Juma Nyunso Budugu	Male	Kwale
322.	Isacko Diba Yattani	Male	Marsabit
323.	Abdirizak Mohamed Abdille	Male	Mandera
324.	Charles Kimiri Mwai	Male	Kiambu
325.	Fridah Jepkoech Lotuiya	Male	Baringo
326.	Ahmed Mohamed Abdi	Male	Not Indicated
327.	Tumaini Victoria	Female	Tana River
328.	Robert Rachami Gutwa	Male	Kisii
329.	Philip Amukoa Owasi	Male	Vihiga
330.	James Kiproop Tuitoek	Male	Baringo
331.	Victor Musyoka Volisi	Male	Kitui
332.	Hassan Mohamed Mutubwa	Male	Kitui
333.	Winnie Atieno Miseda	Female	Siaya
334.	Abdirizak Hussein Shafat	Male	Garissa
335.	Cyrus Kabui Mageria	Male	Nyeri
336.	Osman Hassan Alasow	Male	Wajir
337.	Geoffrey Muneria Cherongis	Male	Bungoma
338.	Stephen Achola Asol Kapinde	Male	Siaya
339.	Dominic Obunga Mitimbo	Male	Homa Bay
340.	Philemon Kipkogei Samoie	Male	Trans Nzoia
341.	Hassein Ahmed Wethow	Male	Mandera
342.	Christopher Galgalo Ali	Male	Marsabit
343.	Richard Mativu Musau, (PWD)	Male	Makueni
344.	Michael Adipo Oyugi, MBS	Male	Kisumu
345.	Kapolon Kaikai Ezekiel	Male	Turkana
346.	Celestine Chepchichirp Mutai	Female	Uasin Gishu
347.	Ali Hussein Abdi	Male	Garissa
348.	Esther Waithira Chege	Female	Murang'a
349.	John Kihara Mwangi	Male	Trans Nzoia
350.	Consolata Adhiambo Owino Onguto	Female	Siaya
351.	Charity Rebecca Wako Kagwi	Female	Kiambu
352.	Joseph Njonjo Nkamasiai	Male	Narok
353.	Mohamed Bunow Korani	Male	Garissa
354.	Ken Njogu Mwangi	Male	Nyeri
355.	Rehana Gobu Bute	Female	Lamu
356.	Zilphah Kageha Andiva	Female	Vihiga
357.	Brian Orieny Oyollo	Male	Kisumu
358.	Emmanuel Kipchirchir	Male	Nandi
359.	Abdikarim Mohamed Abdi	Male	Mandera
360.	Maureen Jemutai Rotich	Female	Baringo
361.	Dickson Lesanayo Keis	Male	Baringo
362.	Fred Wekesa Wafula	Male	Bungoma
363.	Joseph Gathara Mbugua	Male	Kiambu
364.	Rose Njeri Mwangi	Female	Nyeri
365.	Kiambi Stephen	Male	Isiolo
366.	Abdinoor Mohamed Abdi	Male	Wajir
367.	Beatrice Wairimi Gicheha	Female	Murang'a
368.	Abdullahi Siyad Adan	Male	Mandera
369.	Edward Nyongesa Wafula	Male	Bungoma
370.	Graham Amakanji Oluteyo	Male	Kakamega
371.	Samuel Maina Macharia	Male	Murang'a
372.	Dennis Muwira Limungi	Male	Not Indicated
373.	Abduba Mollu Ido	Male	Isiolo
374.	Pascalyn Ntang'anoi Kimirri	Female	Laikipia
375.	Vincent Ongato Rapando	Male	Kakamega
376.	Gilbert William Opanga	Male	Vihiga
377.	Murej Otieno Mak'ochieng	Male	Bungoma
378.	Paul Kimutai Kibet	Male	Uasin Gishu
379.	Micah Pkopos Powon	Male	West Pokot
380.	Abubakar Mohamed Adan	Male	Garissa
381.	Lemarron Kaanto	Male	Kajiado
382.	Polly Lilian Wamaitha Jessee	Male	Nyeri
383.	Jennings Kipkoech	Male	Kericho
384.	Raffaella Adiyakhiso Bulyaar	Female	Marsabit
385.	Asha Osman Aden	Female	Wajir
386.	Solomon Lucas Lemunen	Male	Samburu
387.	Leonard Njenga	Male	Kiambu
388.	Nelson Marwa Sospeter	Male	Migori
389.	Abdul Kakim Aboud Bwana	Male	Lamu

390	Samuel Gacheru Gitonga	Male	Nyeri
391	Edward Ekadali Lokidor	Male	Turkana
392	Hillary Kiprof Rutto Marrirmoi	Male	E/Marakwet
393	Kelly Nandasaba Watimah	Male	Not Indicated
394	Benjamin Kiptanui Rop	Male	Uasin Gishu
395	Korow Dahir Issak	Male	Wajir
396	Cherotich Irene	Female	Kericho
397	Praxedes Chepkoech Tororey	Female	Laikipia
398	Ivy Wambui Muchoki	Female	Nyeri
399	Tonia Adhiambo Ochieng	Female	Homa Bay
400	Stephen Omondi Ochieng	Male	Kisumu
401	Stephen Simiyu Namanda	Male	Bungoma
402	Samow Jamal Abdi	Male	Wajir
403	Oscar Kimani Gathura	Male	Murang'a
404	Josephine Kirion Eregae	Female	Isiolo
405	Timothy Ndiritu Waihura	Male	Nyeri
406	Perminus Nyaga Ndimitu	Male	Embu
407	Linet Mosa Mavu	Female	Taita Taveta
408	Ahmed Kanyara Bishar	Male	Wajir
409	Yaqub Gurre Ahmed	Male	Lamu
410	Yiega Julius	Male	Homa Bay
411	Rukia Ahmed Sheikh	Female	Wajir
412	Shadrack Kipyegon Tonui	Male	Bomet
413	Hassan Omar Guyo	Male	Marsabit
414	Everlyne Chepkurui Milgo Koske	Male	Nakuru
415	Pius Onguso Nyakundi	Male	Nyamira
416	Sarah Pango Mwea	Male	Nyeri
417	Vincent Kipronoh	Male	Kericho
418	Margaret Nyakobo Ogega	Female	Kisii
419	Patrick Muthomi M'auta	Male	Meru
420	Thomas Ewoi	Male	Turkana
421	Adan Dube Hassan	Male	Mandera
422	Maaruf Abdullahi Ismail	Male	Garissa
423	John Mwangi Munyiri	Male	Nyeri
424	Lilian Cherono Kerich	Female	Uasin Gishu
425	Timothy Kariuki Mwangi	Male	Kirinyaga
426	Lula Abdulkadir	Female	Isiolo
427	David Kipsang Bett	Male	Bomet
428	Rebeccah Khakai Atego	Male	Bungoma
429	James Ibrae Abudho	Male	Marsabit
430	Rebecca Chepkemboi	Female	Uasin Gishu
431	Hussein Abdullah Mahmoud	Male	Marsabit
432	Paul Chemjor	Male	Baringo
433	Jacob Waweru Macharia	Male	Nakuru
434	Bett Kipngetich Elon (PWD)	Male	Narok
435	Omino Joel	Male	Kisumu
436	Fidel Ochieng Oduol	Male	Homa Bay
437	Antony Murakaru Wahome	Male	Kiambu
438	Daniel Issaackko Bonaya	Male	Marsabit
439	Wilson Kiptanui Soy	Male	Kericho
440	Clara Samiji Momanyi	Female	Taita Taveta
441	Isaac Juma Mwanzo Matayo	Male	Kakamega
442	Sarah Fedha Barasa	Female	Kakamega
443	Daniel Juma Omondi	Male	Siaya
444	Stephanie Marigu Mbogo	Female	Embu
445	Jarso James Galgalo	Male	Marsabit
446	Eunice Wangui Karanja	Male	Kirinyaga
447	Jackline Saleiyan Dorcas	Female	Kajiado
448	Alois Musa Lentomaga	Male	Samburu
449	Brian Ochieng Waswa	Male	Homa Bay
450	Gethia Adan Mamo	Female	Marsabit
451	Yunia Jilo Josiah	Female	Tana River
452	Guyo Guracha Molu	Male	Marsabit
453	Gloria Edna Wawira	Female	Taita Taveta
454	Farhiya Mohamed Farah	Female	Wajir
455	Elias Jama Noor	Male	Wajir
456	Arabu Metrine Nekesa	Female	Bungoma
457	Halima Ali Omar	Female	Wajir
458	Hussein Adan Haji	Male	Mandera
459	Elijah Kiprof Kipkoros	Male	Baringo
460	Stanley Kiplagat Rotich	Male	Baringo
461	Adam Mwenda Hamisi Mwamburi	Male	Taita Taveta
462	Jane Njeri Mwangi	Female	Murang'a
463	Mercy Esther Muleshe	Female	Kakamega
464	Julius Ouma Jwan	Male	Homa Bay
465	Halima Urgo Omar	Female	Marsabit
466	Carolyn Namarome Muyila	Female	Uasin Gishu
467	Hassan Ahmed Billow	Male	Wajir
468	David Muema Wambua	Male	Machakos
469	Mohammed Hussein Gabbow	Male	Marsabit
470	Vincent Kimutai Kimosop	Male	Baringo
471	Francis Anyona	Male	Not Indicated
472	Evans Makori Ombongi	Male	Kisii
473	Joseph Kaberia Arimba	Male	Meru
474	Qalicha Gufu Wario	Male	Marsabit
475	Wilson Kuria Thuita	Male	Murang'a
476	Anne Jepkoech Sumbeiywo	Female	Trans Nzoia
477	Rachael Adhiambo Omollo	Female	Siaya
478	Josephine Anyango Oduol	Female	Siaya
479	Manasses Sumbi Nthuku	Male	Makueni
480	Ephraim Waweru Ngare	Male	Nyeri

481	Priscilla Chepkurgat Simatwo	Female	Nandi
482	Omar Hassan Mohamed	Male	Isiolo
483	Bishar Maalim Abdullahi	Male	Mandera
484	Lynette Wanjiru Ochieng'	Female	Siaya
485	Javan Ddaddah Bonaya	Male	Tana River
486	Anthony Kipkoech Koskei	Male	Not Indicated
487	Gloria Karambu Nthiga	Male	Tharaka Nithi
488	Alfrique Otieno Mwana	Male	Kakamega
489	Mohamed Ahmed Arai	Male	Mandera
490	Abdirahman Mohamed Adan	Male	Mandera
491	Lewis Shadrack Kario	Male	Busia
492	Felix Etyang	Male	Busia
493	Fatma Mohamed Haji	Female	Mombasa
494	Benson Kairichi Marimba	Male	Meru
495	Abdiaziz Abdullahi Ali	Male	Wajir
496	Edwin Chumo Kimutai	Male	Nandi
497	Abdikheir Sheikh Ahmed Barrow	Male	Mandera
498	Shale Ibrahim Abdile	Male	Mandera
499	Joachim Njui Gachigwa	Male	Nakuru
500	Douglas Maraga Mang'era	Male	Kisii
501	Nancy Shinina Wotune	Male	Narok
502	Beatrice Karwitha Kiragu	Female	Meru
503	Bilha Nyawira Kamuhia	Female	Nyeri
504	Lucy Muthoni Wachira Njora	Female	Nakuru
505	Karen Waithe Saidi	Female	Embu
506	Samuel Nakope	Male	Samburu
507	Jillo Alexi Kasse	Male	Tana River
508	Fredrick Omondi Oyaroh	Male	Siaya
509	Ivy Wanjiku Muruga	Female	Kiambu
510	Andrew Baicha Galgidele	Male	Marsabit
511	Dennis Kiprotich Bii (PWD)	Male	Bomet
512	Alice Atieno Otuala	Female	Siaya
513	Laura Hope Lime	Female	Kakamega
514	Imano Karu Guleid	Male	Not Indicated
515	Noel Kitoipet Taiyai	Male	Kajiado
516	Inyanji Mmasava	Female	Kakamega
517	Mohamed Abdi Farah	Male	Wajir
518	Lemargeroi Patrick Saruni	Male	Narok
519	Abdikani Hassan Gedi	Male	Garissa
520	Grace Wairimu Mwangi	Female	Nyandarua
521	Joseph Kiprotich Ng'etich	Male	Uasin Gishu
522	Bonface Okhya Otsula	Male	Bungoma
523	Laurance Kiboi Kimutai	Male	Bungoma
524	Masayo Pelela	Male	Narok
525	Cleophas Ondieki Nyachieo	Male	Kisii
526	Maryam Dubow Dahir	Female	Mandera
527	Edward Odhiambo Okello	Male	Kisumu
528	Faaizah Mohamed Okash	Female	Mandera
529	Andrew Cherogony Yatic	Male	Baringo
530	Philip Mutooni Mwangangi	Male	Machakos
531	Tecla Naitore Lekhale	Female	Samburu
532	Charles Muriuki Njagagua	Male	Embu
533	John Mutegi Muriungi	Male	Tharaka Nithi
534	Silas Malemo Juma	Male	Bungoma
535	Mohamed Bagajo Duba	Male	Marsabit
536	Fridah Gacheri Kimaita	Female	Nairobi
537	Halima Gurai Saney Sheikh	Male	Wajir
538	Jonah Majau Gaicima	Male	Tharaka Nithi
539	Emmanuel Nashon Owaga	Male	Homa Bay
540	Valary Akinyi Otieno	Female	Kisumu
541	James Wambua Kiilu	Male	Makueni
542	Mary Kalewa Mutungi	Female	Makueni
543	Julius Chacha Maroa	Male	Migori
544	Abdi Osman Abdullahi	Male	Isiolo
545	Stella Kagendo Ndwiga Ndung'u	Female	Embu
546	Kezzy Ray Oluoch	Male	Migori
547	Abdi Ahmed Hassan	Male	Not Indicated
548	Netty Jemutai	Female	E/Marakwet
549	Abdi Adan Roba Boyante	Male	Isiolo
550	Sylas Kipkoech Tochim	Male	Baringo
551	Alex Kenan Joel Manyasi	Male	Bungoma
552	Flaura Kidere Mapinga	Female	Taita Taveta
553	William Kamau Ngoru	Male	Murang'a
554	Grace Chumba	Female	Nandi
555	Abdulqani Ibrahim Saytun	Male	Garissa
556	Yussuf Ahmed Osman	Male	Wajir
557	Saadia Abdi Kontoma	Female	Wajir
558	Daisy Cherono Cheruiyot	Female	Bomet
559	Guyo Liban Dadacha	Male	Marsabit
560	Samuel Kurenya Ole Nairoshi	Male	Narok
561	Amina Challa Abdi	Female	Marsabit
562	Fatuma Nur Ibrahim	Female	Marsabit
563	Redempta Kavindu	Female	Makueni
564	Hassan Mahmoud Haji	Male	Garissa
565	Faith Ngwetwa Kimanzi	Female	Kitui
566	Shadrack Kipmanzi Musee	Male	Kitui
567	Geoffrey Kipngetich Korir	Male	Kericho
568	Roselyn Chepngeno Langat	Female	Kericho
569	Peter Kelvin Kiilu	Male	Machakos
570	George Morara Monyoncho	Male	Kisii
571	Samuel Auchu Ngonela	Male	Trans Nzoia

572	Erick Ndemange Muthoka	Male	Kitui
573	Usaba Abbas Ahmed	Female	Mandera
574	Ignazia Karigu Kaimba	Female	Tharaka Nithi
575	Faiza Hussein Dahir	Female	Busia
576	Angeline Atieno Oduor	Female	Siaya
577	Lamech Odiwuor Ang'ila	Male	Migori
578	John Wanjau Njoki	Male	Nyeri
579	Tom Muindi Peter	Male	Machakos
580	Rose Mumbua Musyoka (PWD)	Female	Makueni
581	John Oloshuru Konchellah	Male	Narok
582	Jacob Muriithi	Male	Tharaka Nithi
583	Samuel Kamau Gitaka	Male	Nyandarua
584	Jane Apetet Nashida	Female	Turkana
585	John Otieno Ondego	Male	Kisumu
586	Shanu Bashuna Abudho	Female	Marsabit
587	Jeruto Barbengi	Female	Uasin Gishu
588	Noor Dahir Yussuf	Male	Wajir
589	Issack Mohamed Alio	Male	Mandera
590	Philip Santamo Wuantai	Male	Kajiado
591	Gladys Andya Bogonko Momanyi	Female	Kisii
592	Essy Jemutai Mugushia	Female	Baringo
593	Abdinasir Hussein Madey	Male	Wajir
594	Martin Mungai Ndung'u	Male	Kiambu
595	Polycarp J. O. Omolo Ochilo	Male	Migori
596	Musa Bashir Ali	Male	Wajir
597	Mohamed Mahat Gurhan	Male	Garissa
598	Bellinda Akoth Akello	Female	Siaya
599	Pamela Awino Akello	Female	Homa Bay
600	Sadiki Mohamed Bakari	Male	Kilifi
601	Joseph Owuor Otieno	Male	Migori
602	Judith Alice Makwali	Male	Kakamega
603	Kennedy O. Onyonyi	Male	Homa Bay
604	Beverly Cherop Moss	Female	Bungoma
605	Juliah Nyokabi Chege	Female	Murang'a
606	Safia Abdi	Female	Isiolo
607	Emma Adikento Alyaro	Female	Marsabit
608	Samuel N. Musumba	Male	Bungoma
609	Haron Rutto Siwatum	Male	West Pokot
610	Jaldesa Mohamed	Male	Isiolo
611	Elijah Leiro Letangule	Male	Baringo
612	Nelly Ilongo	Female	Taita Taveta
613	Allan Chacha Mang'era	Male	Migori
614	Geoffrey Otieno Mboya	Male	Homa Bay
615	Rodgers Omondi Osiango	Male	Homa Bay
616	Norah Lokwakol Dowan	Female	Turkana
617	Gargule Andrew Achiba	Female	Marsabit
618	Tom Shavisa	Male	Vihiga
619	Ali Abdikadir Bulle	Male	Garissa
620	Peter Kibet Goin	Male	Nandi
621	Grace Wagaki Wairagu	Female	Nyeri
622	Isaiah Kiprono Byegon	Male	Bomet
623	Joshua Imadi Ekuleu	Male	Turkana
624	Joyline Chepkemai Mabwai	Female	Nakuru
625	Grace Muthoni Mwenda	Female	Tharaka Nithi
626	Hellen Wangare Ngige	Female	Trans Nzoia
627	Francisco Kalu Kadowe	Male	Kilifi
628	Ibrahim M. H. Bulushi	Male	Mombasa
629	Teresia Chepkirui	Female	Kericho
630	Beatrice Mugeni Meso	Female	Busia
631	Jackson Mengich Rerimoi	Male	Baringo
632	Isaac Kennedy Kunani	Male	Kakamega
633	Eliizabeth J. Maina Mukonye (PWD)	Female	Kakamega
634	Vincent Muyela Omutamba	Male	Vihiga
635	Kiplangat Shadrack Kirui	Male	Bomet
636	Edwin Gichangi	Male	Nairobi
637	Zephaniah Daniel Kipkurui	Male	Baringo
638	Pamela Auma Ahago	Female	Siaya
639	Joshua Kirwa Sanga	Male	Trans Nzoia
640	Sunjeev Kaur Birdi	Female	Nairobi

B. SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES AND INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

The Selection panel considered and shortlisted candidates for the positions of Chairperson and Members as shown in the interview schedule below:

(I) CHAIRPERSON

Interview Date: Monday 2nd March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Patrick Ayiecho Olweny	Male	Kisumu	10.00 a.m.
2.	Mohamud Ali Saleh	Male	Wajir	10.45 a.m.
3.	Pamela Awino Akello (PWD)	Female	Siaya	11.30 a.m.
4.	Yufnalis Ndege Okubo	Male	Busia	12.15 p.m.
5.	Abdirizak Hussein Shafat	Male	Garissa	2.00 p.m.
6.	Charity Kagwi-Ndungu	Female	Kiambu	2.45 p.m.

Interview Date: Tuesday 3rd March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Kepha Nyamweya Omaa	Male		9.00 a.m.
2.	Praxedes Chepkoech Tororey	Female	Nandi	9.45 a.m.
3.	Lul Abdiwahid	Female	Garissa	10.30 a.m.
4.	Julius Yiega (PWD)	Male	Homa Bay	11.30 a.m.
5.	Alice Atieno Otswala	Female	Siaya	12.15 p.m.
6.	John O. Konchellah	Male	Narok	2.00 p.m.
7.	Betty Addero Radier	Female	Kisumu	2.45 p.m.

(ii) MEMBER**Interview Date: Wednesday 4th March, 2026**

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Joseph K. Nguyo	Male	Nyeri	10.00 a.m.
2.	Justine Anyango Ochieng'	Female	Homa Bay	10.30 a.m.
3.	Elkana Kathie Nyaga	Male	Embu	11.00 a.m.
4.	Ruth Jelagat Tubey	Female	Nandi	11.30 a.m.
5.	Lucy Wanja Julius	Female	Meru	12.00 noon
6.	Nixon Gecheo Mageka	Male	Kisii	12.30 p.m.
7.	Margaret W. Naserian Gakami	Female	Kajiado	2.00 p.m.
8.	Kauma Jim Gitonga	Male	Embu	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Thursday 5th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	John Kibaso Warioba	Male	Migori	9.00 a.m.
2.	Jackson Swadi Kedogo	Male	Nandi	9.30 a.m.
3.	Winnie Jeptum Bargarora	Female	Uasin Gishu	10.00 a.m.
4.	Simon Owawa Nyamolo (PWD)	Male	Homa Bay	11.00 a.m.
5.	Anne Lanoi Pertet	Female	Narok	11.30 a.m.
6.	Washington Opiyo Sati (PWD)	Male	Kisumu	12.00 noon
7.	Teresia Jerusah Mwaathime Michael	Female	Kitui	12.30 p.m.
8.	Jonathan Rutto Tyno Rotino	Male	West Pokot	2.00 p.m.
9.	Godfrey Irungu Njenga	Male	Nyandarua	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Friday 6th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Ahmed Osman	Male	Marsabit	9.00 a.m.
2.	Fred Lengees	Male	Samburu	9.30 a.m.
3.	Samuel Mwachiro Mwawasi	Male	Taita Taveta	10.00 a.m.
4.	Jane Wanjiru Njuguna (PWD)	Female	Kiambu	11.00 a.m.
5.	Issa Garore Irobe	Male	Wajir	11.30 a.m.
6.	Florence Chemtai Tirop	Female	Uasin Gishu	12.00 noon
7.	Fredrick Nyagah J. Kibuti	Male	Embu	12.30 p.m.
8.	Margaret Iyasi Lesuuda	Female	Laikipia	2.00 p.m.
9.	Isaac Kipkorir Cherutoi	Male	Baringo	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Monday 9th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Ngairah James Liguyani	Male	Kakamega	9.00 a.m.
2.	Joyce Akai Emanikor, PWD	Female	Turkana	9.30 a.m.
3.	Mohamed Barre Muhumed	Male	Garissa	10.00 a.m.
4.	Jackson Ndere Kiboro	Male	Tharaka Nithi	11.00 a.m.
5.	Suleman Yesse Buko	Male	Tana River	11.30 a.m.
6.	Emily Cheroni Mosonik	Female	Bomet	12.00 noon
7.	Vincent Kinan Makokha	Male	Trans Nzoia	12.30 p.m.
8.	Deka Ibrahim M.	Female	Wajir	2.00 p.m.
9.	John Kipkemai Koskei	Male	Kericho	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Tuesday 10th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Mohamed Mahamoud Idow	Male	Mandera	9.00 a.m.
2.	Irene Chepoisho Tulel	Female	West Pokot	9.30 a.m.
3.	Walter Jabali Jilani	Male	Lamu	10.00 a.m.

4.	Pauline Petro Mukasa	Female	Mombasa	11.00 a.m.
5.	Zeth Ouma Omollo	Male	Nyamira	11.30 a.m.
6.	Josiah K. Musili	Male	Kitui	12.00 noon
7.	Christine Chepkurui Rotich	Female	Nakuru	12.30 p.m.
8.	Alex Shiiya Lekaram	Male	Samburu	2.00 p.m.
9.	Ambrose Lkusulan Lochokwe	Male	Marsabit	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Wednesday 11th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Adhan Nuri Berhe	Male	Tana River	9.00 a.m.
2.	Rachel W. Maina	Female	Nakuru	9.30 a.m.
3.	Joel Mwita Daniel	Male	Migori	10.00 a.m.
4.	Stanley Kamau Maina	Male	Murangá	11.00 a.m.
5.	Obodha Oguda Bruno	Male	Migori	11.30 a.m.
6.	Florence Wairimu Muturi	Female	Nyeri	12.00 noon
7.	Moses Ngemu S. Ole Sakuda	Male	Kajiado	12.30 p.m.
8.	Purity Kithiru Gitonga	Female	Meru	2.00 p.m.
9.	Papa Ben Osukuku	Male	Busia	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Thursday 12th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Hezron Cotts Masitsa	Male	Kakamega	9.00 a.m.
2.	Winrose Chepkoech Rono	Female	Kericho	9.30 a.m.
3.	Nasir Matano Ngala	Male	Kwale	10.00 a.m.
4.	Philomena Chenangat Loitarengan	Female	West Pokot	11.00 a.m.
5.	Juma Nyundo Budugu	Male	Kwale	11.30 a.m.
6.	Heather Eddah Kipchumba	Female	Elgeyo Marakwet	12.00 noon
7.	John Kihara Mwangi	Male	Trans Nzoia	12.30 p.m.
8.	Mary Ciambaka Mwiandi	Female	Tharaka Nithi	2.00 p.m.
9.	Areba Omwoyo Samba	Male	Nyamira	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Friday 13th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Daniel Jeryot Kirui	Male	Bomet	9.00 a.m.
2.	Sylvia Jebet Tuikong	Female	Baringo	9.30 a.m.
3.	Christopher Galgalo Ali	Male	Marsabit	10.00 a.m.
4.	Mativu Richard Musau (PWD)	Male	Makueni	11.00 a.m.
5.	Susan Kajuju Iringo Laimaru	Female	Meru	11.30 a.m.
6.	Michael Odipo Okoth Oyugi	Male	Kisumu	12.00 noon
7.	Hardlyne Lusui	Female	Vihiga	12.30 p.m.
8.	Joseph Ole Nkamasi	Male	Narok	2.00 p.m.
9.	Joseph Gathara	Male	Kiambu	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Monday 16th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Edward Nyongesa Wafula	Male	Bungoma	9.00 a.m.
2.	Rehana Gobu	Female	Lamu	9.30 a.m.
3.	Nelson Marwa Sospeter	Male	Migori	10.00 a.m.
4.	Consolata Adhiambo Onguto	Female	Siaya	11.00 a.m.
5.	Benjamin Kiptanui Rop	Male	Uasin Gishu	11.30 a.m.
6.	Josphine Kirion Eragae	Female	Isiolo	12.00 noon
7.	Waihura Timothy Ndiritu	Male	Nyeri	12.30 p.m.
8.	Stephanie Marigu Mbogo	Female	Embu	2.00 p.m.
9.	Wilson Kiptanui Soi	Male	Kericho	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Tuesday 17th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Julius Ouma Jwan,	Male	Homa Bay	9.00 a.m.
2.	Hassan Billow Ahmed	Male	Wajir	9.30 a.m.
3.	Gloria Edna Wawira	Female	Taita Taveta	10.00 a.m.
4.	Mohammed Hussein Gabbow (PWD)	Male	Marsabit	11.00 a.m.
5.	Jillo A Kasse	Male	Tana River	11.30 a.m.

6.	Pamela E. Ayieko Otenyo	Female	Vihiga	12.00 noon
7.	Bonface Okhiya Otsiula	Male	Bungoma	12.30 p.m.
8.	Lucy Muthoni Wachira Njora	Female	Nakuru	2.00 p.m.
9.	Masayo Pelela	Male	Narok	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Wednesday 18th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	John Mutegi Muriungi	Male	Tharaka Nithi	9.00 a.m.
2.	Sylas Kipkoech Tochim	Male	Baringo	9.30 a.m.
3.	Flaura Kidere Mapinga	Female	Taita Taveta	10.00 a.m.
4.	Abdulqani Saytun	Male	Garissa	11.00 a.m.
5.	Guyo Liban Dadacha	Male	Marsabit	11.30 a.m.
6.	Angeline Atieno Oduor	Female	Siaya	12.00 noon
7.	Philip Santamo Wuantai	Male	Kajiado	12.30 p.m.
8.	Bellinda Akoth Akello	Female	Siaya	2.00 p.m.
9.	Sadiki Mohamed Bakari (PWD)	Male	Kilifi	2.30 p.m.

Interview Date: Thursday 19th March, 2026

S/No.	Name	Gender	County	Time
1.	Elijah Leiro Letangule	Male	Baringo	9.00 a.m.
2.	Beverly C. Moss	Female	Bungoma	9.30 a.m.
3.	Ahago Pamela Auma	Female	Siaya	10.00 a.m.
4.	Sunjeev Kaur Birdi	Female	Nairobi	11.00 a.m.
5.	Pascalyn Ntang'anoi Kimirri	Female	Laikipia	11.30 a.m.
6.	Joshua Kirwa Sang	Male	Trans Nzoia	12.00 noon
7.	Maryam Dubow Dahir	Female	Mandera	12.30 p.m.
8.	Alois Musa Lentoimaga	Male	Samburu	2.00 p.m.

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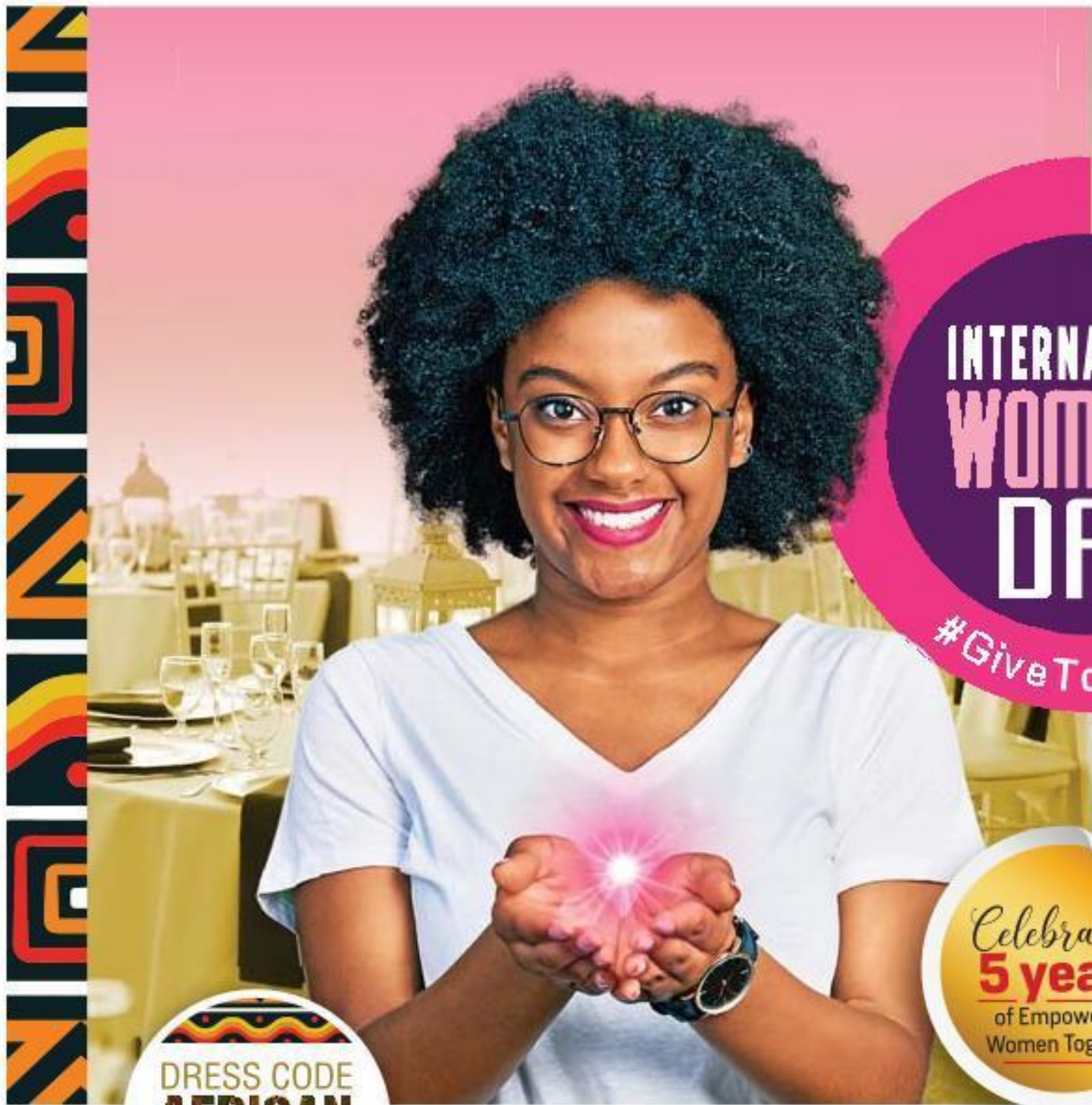


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OPINION

Ruto roadside declarations at expense of national security

In July 2023, Kenya's then-Interior Cabinet Secretary Kithure Kindiki announced the suspension of the planned reopening of the Kenya-Somalia border. A fresh wave of Al-Shabaab attacks had swept through the frontier counties.

Security conditions did not support the move and the border would remain shut until they did. It was, by any measure, the responsible call. That man is now Kenya's Deputy President. And last week, his boss stood in Mandera and announced that the very same border would reopen in April after nearly 15 years.

Pay close attention to the word April. A date two months away provides just enough space for the government to conduct consultations, commission further security assessments, and ultimately arrive at the quiet conclusion that conditions are unfortunately not yet favourable. The border stays shut. But the declaration made in Mandera, to a crowd of people whose votes Ruto urgently needs, already did its job. The announcement is the prize while April is the escape hatch.

The humanitarian case for eventual reopening is real. Mandera families have had kinship ties severed by a hard border for fifteen years. The miraa trade has been haemorrhaging market share to Ethiopian competitors. The UK-funded Deris Wanaag programme has spent years building the intelligence-sharing frameworks that a responsible reopening would require.

But all of that groundwork was already in place in May 2023 when a phased reopening was formally announced, and it was Kindiki himself who pulled the plug when Al-Shabaab reminded everyone why the border closed. The conditions have not materially changed. Six police reservists were massacred in Garissa last March. A minibus of quarry workers was ambushed and five killed in Mandera in April. Two Border Patrol officers were killed by an IED on the Liboi-Kulan road in November. The US Embassy still carries an active travel advisory warning against visiting Garissa, Wajir, Mande-

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ra and coastal border counties.

The political context explains this announcement better than any security assessment does. Ruto's Mt Kenya base is fracturing. The opposition is consolidating. Against this backdrop, the President has been aggressively courting North Eastern Kenya — scrapping the 60-year vetting requirement for national ID cards and making repeated visits to the region.

The border announcement fits the same template exactly: a grand symbolic gesture targeted at a community whose loyalties are up for grabs, packaged as statesmanship. The most dangerous variable is one Nairobi appears to be deliberately ignoring: Jubaland. The semi-autonomous Somali state sharing Kenya's entire northeastern border is in the middle of an acute constitutional crisis.

Jubaland President Ahmed Madobe re-elected himself for a controversial third term in late 2024. Mogadishu declared it unlawful. Reciprocal arrest warrants were issued. By July and August last year, federal and Jubaland forces were shooting at each other in the Gedo region, barely across Kenya's fence. Somali parliamentarians described Mogadishu's plan to build a rival administration in Gedo as a lifeline for Al-Shabaab, be-

cause it pulls security resources away from counterterrorism. They were not wrong. Al-Shabaab has been visibly regrouping in Jubaland since the political row began, exactly as ACLED analysts warned would happen when Mogadishu and Kismayo turned their guns on each other instead of on the militants.

Jubaland under a stable Madobe has historically been Kenya's first line of defence, where Al-Shabaab movements get intercepted before they reach Mandera, Garissa and Lamu. And Somalia is simultaneously heading into a turbulent election year, with presidential polls due in 2026, a contested electoral framework, and clan mobilisations already underway. Opening a major border crossing into this environment is not regional integration. It is an open invitation to move fighters, weapons and money across a line drawn shut precisely because that movement was killing Kenyans.

Consider how Ethiopia handles the same threat. In July 2022, Al-Shabaab pushed 150 kilometres into Ethiopian territory before being repelled. Addis Ababa's response was to create a security buffer zone inside Somalia. Ethiopia shares 1,640 kilometres of Somali border and has its own large Somali-speaking communities with legitimate claims to cross-border connection. It still made a clear-eyed security calculation. Kenya, facing worse cross-border attack statistics, is moving in the opposite direction.

The right approach already exists on paper: a phased reopening anchored in verifiable conditions, not a calendar date. Has the Mogadishu-Jubaland standoff stabilised enough for coordinated border management? What surveillance infrastructure is operational at Mandera, Liboi and Kiunga? What became of the fence project that consumed Sh3.4 billion and delivered 10 kilometres before stalling?

Ruto told Mandera residents that adequate security personnel would be deployed. Adequate is doing enormous work in that sentence, and it is the exact assurance given before every previous attempt to reopen this border, each of which was subsequently aborted. The communities of Mandera, Garissa and Wajir need a border that opens when conditions genuinely support it, not one announced on a campaign timetable and paid for, once again, in blood.

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Why audits on corruption should be enforced

Daily Nation's headline last Monday, "Who Cares?", unsettled me. The montage beneath it told its own story: corruption exposés, scandal after scandal, outrage registered, and yet the same themes return year after year. I found myself asking whether I actually care or whether I too have grown accustomed to the rhythm of exposure without consequence.

This is not apathy. It is collective moral fatigue.

What we are witnessing is not learned helplessness. It is something more structural and more political: the erosion of collective efficacy. Over time, as corruption scandals surface, investigations stall, committees convene, reports are filed, and familiar faces return untouched, something shifts. Citizens do not stop caring; they begin to doubt whether caring produces change. Collective efficacy is the shared belief that when people act together, outcomes can shift. When that belief weakens, civic energy recedes. Not because people are incapable or indifferent, but because repeated institutional inaction quietly conditions the public to expect procedural theatre instead of enforcement. The world has built an impressive global anti-financial crime architecture. Countries' efforts to prevent financial crime are ranked, scored, evaluated, and reviewed through mechanisms such as the Financial Action Task Force, Mutual Evaluations, grey-listing

Without an enforcement architecture, exposure alone breeds fatigue



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processes, the Corruption Perceptions Index, and the Basel AML Index. In the 2025 Corruption Perceptions Index, released on February 10, 2026 by the global Transparency International movement, Kenya scored 30 out of 100, down from 32 points in 2024, indicative of a concerning decline in bold and committed leadership to tackle corruption. Inasmuch as action plans are developed, recommendations are issued, and governments commit to reform, the reality is that citizens live downstream of implementation, not documentation.

For instance, the mother who cannot afford medicine does not experience corruption as an index score. The student studying under a leaking roof does not measure governance in compliance frameworks. The worker whose salary is delayed feels the cost in rent arrears, not in perception metrics. Indeed, every shilling misappropriated is not an abstract

figure. It is insulin unavailable at a public clinic. It is a stalled infrastructure project. It is a small business forced into informal payments just to survive bureaucratic delays. Corruption is not merely a moral failure. It is operational risk imposed on the public, and the deeper injury is inflicted by a lack of accountability.

Investigations are announced. Reports are tabled. Yet reform often remains procedural rather than effective, including necessary punitive measures. Familiar names resurface. Deadlines stretch. Institutions tasked with enforcement cite process. It would seem the system measures everything else with precision; except the one thing that matters most: the will to act, the commitment to enforce, the courage to hold power to account.

Take the Auditor-General as an example. The office produces thorough reports, with irregularities documented. But how many recommendations are tracked to closure? In many cases, implementation is delayed, responses are partial, enforcement agencies move slowly, and parliamentary oversight rarely guarantees resolution. There is no publicly visible system that compels closure. No dashboard that shows which audit findings have resulted in restitution, prosecution, or reform. Exposure, without consequence, is where accountability finds its death.

I don't want this to come across as just another complaint. If we truly care about the citizens who bear the daily cost of corruption, then we must also ask our-

selves what solutions we can propose.

In the private sector, audit findings are not ceremonial. Each issue has an accountable owner, a remediation timeline, and consequences for non-implementation. Boards monitor implementation. Performance is tied to resolution. Public governance must adopt similar discipline. Audit recommendations should be tracked on public dashboards. Statutory timelines for response should be enforced. Coordination between the Auditor-General, Treasury, EACC, and Parliament should be structured and transparent, and performance evaluations should be tied to implementation rates. In short, audits should not be ceremonial; they should be actionable, monitored, and enforced.

Without an enforcement architecture, exposure alone breeds fatigue. And fatigue, if left unaddressed, further erodes collective efficacy. Citizens begin to treat corruption as normal. Civic participation drops. Outrage becomes a repeated pattern. Hope becomes cautious. This is not helplessness; it is what happens when institutional risks aren't managed over time. If we genuinely care about the citizens who absorb the daily costs of corruption, we must go beyond measuring perception to measuring consequence. Move from auditing to enforcing. Move from publishing reports to closing cases.

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Opinion

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End Vitamin A shortage putting children at risk

Children are the future of any nation, as without them, there can be no continuity. As has been said time and again, children are the future leaders, and, it goes without saying, in business, trade, industry, and every other sphere of life.

Adequate resources must be provided to enable the children to survive the various challenges from birth, including diseases, and nurture them to become productive adults in future.

Vitamin A, a health supplement given twice a year to children aged six to 59 months, is a cost-effective child survival intervention. Its shortage has put children's lives at grave risk. Its deficiency is one of the leading causes of preventable childhood blindness and a major contributor to child mortality, especially in low-income areas. Experts say that a shortage is manageable in the short term but can become dangerous if prolonged.

For two months now, the country has been short of these vital supplements that are absolutely critical for immunity.

As a result, the young ones have been left increasingly vulnerable to the preventable illnesses that can fuel child mortality. The mothers are even more desperate, as their children's lives are threatened. Nurturing them through education, healthcare, and protection is essential for a better, more prosperous tomorrow. The healthy development of children is crucial to a society's long-term well-being and growth. This makes it a critical investment for any serious nation.

Children with insufficient Vitamin A are more likely to die from common illnesses. Deficiency, the experts explain, increases the risk of death from diarrhoea by 25 per cent, from measles by 50 per cent and from respiratory infections by up to 45 per cent. Even a mild deficiency impairs the body's ability to fight off infections. This shortage is unacceptable, considering that the country wastes billions on luxury spending by officials and also the endemic public sector corruption. The parents of these children, who are the ultimate future of the nation, must be enabled to access these essential supplements.

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Axe rogue police officers

The people find themselves in a tricky and dangerous situation when the very police officers they expect to protect them and their property are being increasingly fingered as diehard criminals.

The growing involvement of the police in criminal acts, including robberies and extortion, has made many citizens question the reliability of this institution tasked with their protection.

The National Police Service (NPS) is in the spotlight as some of its officers are accused of committing crimes across the country. Two recent armed robberies in three counties have drawn attention to a worrying trend.

In Kisumu County, people who identified themselves as police officers robbed a co-operative society's treasurer of Sh1.1 million that he had withdrawn from a bank. A police investigation has yet to confirm the identities of the suspects who were later killed by a mob.

In yet another robbery, this time at a shop in Siaya County, a police officer based in Kisumu is said to have been one of the suspects. Cash, phones and other valuables valued at about Sh1 million were stolen. Late last year, 14 police officers and a prison warder were arrested in connection with serious crimes. Ten of them were suspected of committing crimes hundreds of kilometres away from their work stations.

Others are suspected of involvement in a robbery in which a businessman was assaulted and his car stolen. At least 18 police officers have been convicted of serious crimes since 2015.

Bribery is often orchestrated by senior officers, who reportedly set daily targets for their juniors, particularly within the traffic department. Some officers are accused of collaborating with goons and just watching as innocent citizens are attacked, particularly during anti-government protests.

The severe erosion of public trust in the police is worrying. The NPS should get rid of the criminals, as it is foolhardy to entrust them with law enforcement.



Why Kenya is a lousy democracy

Daily Nation on Wednesday led with a story that had me go: "Blimey, there goes an editor's nightmare." It was about a closed-door meeting between one President, one Prime Minister and one recently retired President during which, the story says, there was a clash and heated exchange. I couldn't quite figure out whether only the three were present – it would be unprecedented for Kenyan leaders at that level to bicker in front of a foreign leader and staff, but that's really beside my point. By the way, journalism is not called the science of verification for no reason, the editor would know that unless he could speak to one of the three, unless he could establish the facts from primary sources, he would be in danger of trading in faith, rather than golden facts.

My point is this: I have come to understand that the Kenyan presidency is very secretive. It is also very deceptive. In this country, power is won – and kept – by running rings around goats like me, bleating at beans and running away from snakes the whole day.

In Kenya, electoral choice hinges more on the relationship between senior politicians than the welfare of the people. The relationship between Raila Odinga and Uhuru Kenyatta would determine how some of the political blocks voted – not manifestos, not competence, not honesty. During the last election, a lot of voters elected President Ruto because of the bad relationship he was said to have with his predecessor, they rewarded him with sympathy votes. And quite a few voted for Raila because of the good relationship he was said to have with the then President Kenyatta.

By making elections primarily about the personal relationship between senior politicians, the door is flung wide open for deception and emotional manipulation of the electorate to become the thing that determines how we choose leaders. And this is why we are a lousy democracy, electing wash-wash comen and why, as Pastor

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Ng'ang'a has pointed out amidst bursts of mirth, a bishop got far fewer votes than a bhang smoker in the last presidential election.

You need Tarot cards, Ouija boards to consult the spirits, tea leaves and other divination equipment to discern how a crafty politician feels – as opposed to what he says he feels – about his brother in politics of many decades. The people who pull wool over our eyes are diabolically clever; they know our secret weaknesses and desires. And they use them to play us like the rhythm guitar. Remember, Kenneth Matiba was never really popular. He was puffed up by Moi men to make him believe he was the people's choice so that he could split the opposition to give Moi victory over Mwai Kibaki. And it worked.

Our lot would improve if we had a clear agenda against which to judge those who wish to rule us. For me, the most important is the sovereignty of the people of Kenya, that the tendency of successive governments to trample the rights of the people, to jail, torture and kill citizens for exercising protected rights is intolerable. No person who has ever violated the rights of Kenyans or failed to protect them when he was in a

position to, should be given power over the nation. The second one is economic competence – the capacity to manage our resources to meet our needs and position us for further growth. Persons who use public wealth for populist jousts, quixotic escapades and unreasoned experiments, vacuous and ego-driven enterprises, you are outta here! Corruption is a big disqualifier – if you have unexplained wealth, money you couldn't have earned with your talent and application, you should be sent back to your lonely beans in the village.

The final one is tribalism. Truth is, tribalism did not start with the current regime, there has been lots of it since 1963; some tribes have indulged in it so much that we have become desensitised to it. Kenya should go back to the business of building a nation; doing stuff and building symbols that create a credible, effective fiction around which the people can unite and be effectively mobilised for the shared good.

If you must have feelings, let them be for your country.

The graduation ceremony at the National Research and Intelligence University in a location I pass daily struck me as a rather audacious recognition of the absolute importance of improving the talent pool in achieving institutional and national goals. You can't beat good performance out of poor workers, but you can train and motivate them to do better. It reminded me of the great training we got in the course of our careers in the media. Linus Gitahi, our CEO of those days, was a great talent developer. I got strategy training at Stellenbosch Business School; my colleagues and I got some training on how to manage creatives in Hollywood by people who managed Will Smith at Columbia Pictures, no less. Good training pays; the spies are thinking straight.

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The trouble with Business Daily's headline on Nyota startups

Mr Mohammed Doyo, the Secretary for MSMEs (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises), yesterday called out the *Business Daily* over its splash on the Nyota programme. The headline: "Nyota startups face collapse with Sh1 billion" must have startled him, and possibly ruined his breakfast—and rightly so. Not only because he is an interested party, given that the programme falls within his docket, but because the headline is outrightly misleading and unfair. We shall explain how, but let's first reproduce Mr Doyo's complaint, posted on LinkedIn.

"Dear Business Daily Africa. Your front page today warrants a serious conversation. This morning, you published the headline: "Nyota startups face collapse with Sh1 billion." I want to make a clear, evidence-based argument that this headline is not just poorly framed. It breaks foundational rules of responsible journalism.

First, understand what NYOTA (National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement) Project is. This is a \$229 million World Bank-financed Government of Kenya initiative targeting 820,000 unemployed young people, most of whom never progressed beyond Form Four, including women, persons with disabilities, refugees, and youth from marginalised counties. These are not Westlands entrepreneurs. These are Kenya's most vulnerable youth starting businesses for the very first time.

Now interrogate the 20 percent. Your own story says the government projects roughly 20 percent of 120,000 youth-run businesses may not survive. That is a risk projection embedded in the programme design, not a scandal. It means 80 percent, approximately 96,000 young Kenyans, are expected to succeed. In any honest newsroom, that is the headline. Harvard Business School research places the global startup failure rate at between 65 and 90 percent within the first five years. A projected 80 percent survival rate for first-time entrepreneurs from marginalised backgrounds is, by every international benchmark, extraordinary. The numbers your headline buried matter: 120,000 youth, Sh50,000 each. That is more than Ksh. 5 billion deployed, not the Sh1 billion your headline suggests.

Here are the journalistic rules broken: The principle of proportionality: "Collapse" belongs to stories of systemic failure, not a routine risk projection; The obligation of headline accuracy: Your own article does not say NYOTA is failing, but your headline does; The duty to provide context: A 20 percent projection means nothing

A headline serves as a window into the story, summarising up to 2,000 words in a short phrase



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ing without benchmarking it against global norms; The principle of minimising harm: This headline discourages eligible youth from applying and poisons a policy conversation with evidence the story itself does not support; The distinction between fact and inference: These businesses have not collapsed. A forecast is not a fact. 120,000 young Kenyans trying to build something from nothing deserved better framing. So did your readers."

Ironically, the story is based on information attributed to MSME Principal Secretary Susan Mang'eni, and its facts are not disputable. She revealed the government's projection that about 20 per cent of the targeted 120,000 youth-run businesses would not survive. With Sh5.28 billion set aside for these businesses, the 20 per cent would translate to a loss of Sh1 billion. The story's writer proceeds to discuss a previous similar initiative, the Kenya Youth Employment and Opportunities Project (KYEOP), which ended in 2024. Nyota's projected failure rate of 20 per cent pales in comparison to the KYEOP, where auditors could not even reach more than half of the beneficiaries.

The trouble with the Nyota story is the headline, which gave it a total-

ly different meaning. Read alone, it gives the impression that all the Nyota businesses face collapse. No wonder Mr Doyo stresses that the projection of a 20 per cent failure rate is a risk embedded in the programme planning, not a scandal. One has to read the kicker (wording below the headline) to know that the "collapse" refers to 20 per cent of the startups, and that the Sh1 billion is a fifth of the planned allocation. The headline is not just a case of poor or negative framing. It is misleading to the reader.

A headline serves as a window into the story, summarising up to 2,000 words in a short phrase. In this era where people are too busy to read entire stories, many readers skim through the newspaper, reading the headlines and looking at the photographs.

Headline writing is a key skill taught to editors in journalism school and perfected with experience. The first rule is that a headline must be accurate. A professional editor reads the full story to understand it before giving it a headline. Once the headline is written, the editor must step back and ask: Does it represent the story?

This brings us to Mr Doyo's complaint about the lack of context. He notes that reporting a 20 per cent failure without benchmarking with global rates means nothing. We agree. As a reputable business publication, the *Business Daily* can do better than this. Its readers expect analysis and context to frame stories. In fact, going by the discussion of Nyota's predecessor, KYEOP, a projection of a 20 per cent failure rate is ambitious, and the *Business Daily* should have said so. If, as Mr Doyo says, the global startup failure rate is between 65 and 90 per cent within the first five years, then the PS should have been challenged to give reasons for her confidence that the Kenyan programme would perform better.

The framing of the headline is an important point for discussion, too. Is a projected failure rate of 20 percent in Kenya's prevailing business environment a matter of concern, or a routine risk projection expected during programme planning? What is the "so what?" of this story? Why did it warrant not just Page One treatment, but also the prime slot on the cover?

Would the headline writer dismiss Mr Doyo's complaints as a case of seeing a 'half-full or half-empty glass', where he or she chose the negative spin over the positive? It would have been—only if the headline was accurate. It was not.

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Importing more not always a bad thing

The total value of goods imported into Kenya rose from Sh2.699 trillion in 2024 to Sh2.795 trillion in 2025, according to provisional data from the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics, worsening our external trade position.

While the trade deficit widened, the composition of the imports tells a different story. The fact that imports of non-food industrial supplies surpassed food and fuel imports shows that not only is local food production improving but industrial production is also seeing an uptick.

Since it has a bearing on the exchange rate and local economic parameters like inflation, all govern-

... imports foster competition, lowering prices



Joel Revia | Economy



ments usually strive to keep a lid on imports. This was evident last year in United States President Donald Trump's sweeping reciprocal tariffs on more than 90 countries meant to correct the imbalance and reshore manufacturing jobs.

Nevertheless, imports are not always

a bad thing. Although Kenya faces the double whammy of cheap raw material exports and expensive imports of finished goods, the benefits of global trade usually flow from imports.

No country can produce everything it needs. The global economy is therefore a complex system characterised by mutual trade and interdependence. This makes it practical and logical to import products that we can't produce cost-effectively to save on scarce resources, which can be channelled to other productive causes.

This is precisely how some countries have carved out niches in the production of some commodities such as Italy in shoemaking, Cuba in cigar manufacturing, Switzerland in making designer

watches and Japan in car-making.

In addition, imports foster competition, lowering prices while enabling local consumers to access a variety of goods. Much of the goods imported last year were intermediate, such as machines, crucial in producing other goods thus increasing productivity.

Import substitution does not often mean having zero imports but rather reducing the import bill and exporting higher value commodities to increase national income, maintain macroeconomic stability and being prepared to respond to potential changes in business cycles.

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Expecting the police alone to resolve this crisis is unrealistic and unfair. Crime is a social problem that demands a whole-of-society response



Julius M. Kamau | Security

Youth gangs: Why force only won't work

The sight of young Kenyans arrested or killed during police operations has become disturbingly familiar. Each incident ignites outrage and fear, yet it often obscures a deeper question: why are so many of our youth drawn into violent criminal gangs, and why does our response remain largely reactive?

Gang activity is not unique to Kenya. What should alarm us, however, is the scale, organisation and brutality of youth-led gangs in Nairobi, Mombasa and other urban centres. These groups are increasingly coordinated and heavily armed.

A joint study by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the World Bank shows that poverty and unemployment alone do not cause youth crime. They become dangerous only when combined with inequality, exclusion, lack of opportunity, easy access to drugs and firearms, and weak education and justice systems. Unsurprisingly, youth violence has become primarily an urban phenomenon, closely linked to rapid urbanisation without adequate social infrastructure. Gangs thrive where society is weakest, where families are strained, schools under-resourced, communities disengaged and institutions distrusted.

Expecting the police alone to resolve this crisis is unrealistic and unfair. Crime is a social problem that demands a whole-of-society response. Community cooperation with police is essential. Initiatives such as community policing and Nyumba Kumi must be strengthened. Too often, communities ignore the slow emergence of gangs until violence overwhelms them. The Coast and Central regions offer a sobering lesson.

Faith institutions like churches, mosques and temples also carry a responsibility. Gangs exploit a deep human longing for belonging, dignity and purpose. When society fails to meet these needs, gangs step in, offering identity, power and a distorted sense of pride. Reaching troubled youth in ways that resonate with their lived realities is no longer optional. Parents, teachers and counsellors play an equally critical role. Adolescents crave identity and recognition. Without guidance and psychosocial support, many find these in gangs.

The mainstream media must also reflect on their role. Sensational coverage amplifies the mystique of gangs while downplaying law enforcement successes and community resilience. Responsible reporting can demystify gangs and reinforce the message that crime ultimately destroys lives and futures.

Government action must evolve. Intelligence-led policing, proactive crime prevention and continuous research are essential. Equally important are youth economic empowerment, civic education, recreational facilities and better coordination among security agencies.

Ultimately, when we create opportunities for self-determination instead of producing angry, alienated young men, gangs lose their appeal. Violence subsides. Communities heal.

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Letters

THE CUTTING EDGE by THE WATCHMAN

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Suspension • History is repeating itself in Speaker Moses Wetang'ula's suspension of Kitutu Chache South MP Anthony Kibagendi from Parliament, notes John Mukiri. "He was thrown out for saying that the Executive has hijacked Parliament. Fifty years ago, then Butere MP Martin Shikuku was expelled for saying that Kanu was dead and insisting that he couldn't substantiate the obvious." His contact is mukirijohn57@gmail.com.

Security • Following the recent lapses and apparent breaches of President William Ruto's security, Livingstone Mjomba, without explaining his expertise, claims to have figured out what needs to be done. "The dais should be erected at the far end of the ground where he can address the crowd, seeing the people clearly, and it will ease monitoring by security." His contact is mjombalivingstone62@gmail.com.

Shame • During a recent visit to the Survey of Kenya headquarters in Nairobi to purchase maps for some pieces of land that he was interested in, Evans Macharia Mwangi says he was shocked at what he found out. "After moving around several offices, I was told that they didn't have printing papers, and I was directed to private cyber cafes. Can the Lands CS explain this?" His contact is evans_macharia@yahoo.com.

Health risk • Attending a meeting recently at Nyayo House, Allan Kiptotich Koech was dismayed at having to walk up the stairs as the lifts were not working. "But my concern was about the disabled and those battling high blood pressure and other health conditions. The staircase was also overcrowded, posing a health risk. Can the management repair the lifts?" His contact is allankoech.k@gmail.com.

Bail terms • The apparent ease with which the members of even some notorious criminal gangs get released by the courts on bond or cash bail is a source of serious concern for Joseph Nthale. Says he: "Once out, they continue to cause mayhem and bloodshed. The bail terms should be tightened and the threshold enhanced, as this is not an outright entitlement." His contact is joeaffli@gmail.com. Have a tighter day, won't you!

LETTERS

State input key to boosting manufacturing

Africa is a continent of immense wealth, yet we often find ourselves importing things we should be making. However, a powerful voice is rising from our industrial zones; manufacturers across the continent are calling on governments to step up. Industrial leaders are saying to boost growth, strengthen competitiveness and truly expand intra-African trade, the private sector needs a partner in the State. It is hard for local manufacturers to compete when there's no power or it's too expensive, and roads are impassable. Government support isn't about hand-outs; it's about investing in stable power grids, simplifying customs procedures and creating a predictable tax environment where a business can plan for five years, not just five months.

Maxwel Ochieng, Siaya

Opposition should fast put its house in order

The accusations of some leaders within the opposition being "moles" are a reminder of how mistrust and personal ambition tear at the seams of unity. Kenyans are not waking up worried about who betrayed whom, they are worried about school fees, the price of unga and jobs. Every time leaders fight among themselves, these real struggles are pushed further down the list of priorities. Unity in the opposition is not just about winning elections; it is about giving Kenyans hope that someone is truly listening to their needs, that there is a team ready to fight for fairness, accountability, and a better life. The opposition can choose to keep fighting among themselves and fade into irrelevance, or put the people first and succeed.

Hillary Otieno, Kisumu

Ruto, Sakaja deal will be judged by results

As political tensions rise around Governor Johnson Sakaja over his cooperation deal with President William Ruto, Nairobi residents remain divided. Some feel hopeful, believing national government involvement could improve roads, health services, waste management and revenue collection. For them, better service delivery matters more than political rivalry. Others feel anxious or frustrated over issues of transparency, public participation and the county's independence. Ultimately, residents' happiness or disappointment will depend on results.

Pamilla Mugure Mbotella

Church should stop being reactive and lead

It's high time for the Church in Kenya to stop being reactive. It should stop issuing statements only after damage has already been done, responding emotionally to political events, and speaking only when there are crises such as violence or corruption-scandals. The Church should shape national values before elections, teach civic responsibilities continuously, advocate justice, integrity and accountability consistently, and engage political leaders constructively without being partisan. The Church must be a moral voice before injustice escalates.

Minjire Rufus, Nyeri

Plans to ban TikTok must be rejected

Any proposal to ban TikTok or any other social media platform should be rejected. We have worked hard to secure our freedoms of speech and expression, we cannot afford to lose these gains. It is the responsibility of TikTok to enforce its community guidelines and remove content that violates its standards. Instead of restrictions, the government should engage with TikTok on full monetisation so that creators can earn more. Supporting digital opportunities is far more constructive than limiting freedom of expression.

Allan Muriangi, Meru

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TODAY IN HISTORY



February 20, 1987: Nyeri Catholic Bishop Caesar M. Gatimu dies at 66 years after a long illness. He was being treated at Mathari Consolata Hospital in Nyeri. President Daniel Moi sent a message of condolence following the death. Bishop Gatimu was born on May 28, 1921 in Limuru, Kiambu District. He was the first African priest to join Collegio St. Pietro in Rome in 1946. COMPILED BY ANNIEL NJOKA

LETTER OF THE DAY

Development is about impact, not headlines

In a country where billions are allocated, borrowed and budgeted in the name of development, it is deeply disturbing that some of the most basic needs remain unmet.

While leaders sign partnerships worth billions with pomp and ceremony, a school in Bobasi struggles with filthy, crumbling structures that are still referred to as classrooms. The contrast is tragic.

Education is a constitutional right and the backbone of national development. Yet in parts of Bobasi and many other rural constituencies across Kenya, learners sit in broken classrooms with

leaking roofs, cracked floors and insufficient desks. Some share textbooks. Others learn in dusty, overcrowded rooms that are unfit for human occupation.

These are symptoms of a larger governance problem: misplaced priorities. When billions are reportedly looted or projects are implemented only on paper, public trust erodes. Citizens begin to question the sincerity of development agendas.

Announcements of mega partnerships and multi-billion-shilling deals sound impressive, but development must not only be seen in figures—it must be felt in

villages, schools and hospitals.

Prioritisation is a matter of leadership and moral responsibility. Roads, technology parks and international partnerships are valuable, but they should not overshadow essential services. A modern nation is not measured by the size of its budgets but by the quality of life of its citizens.

Classrooms should be safe, clean and equipped. Hospitals should have medicine. Water should be accessible. These are not extravagant demands; they are basic expectations. Transparency and accountability must also move from rhetoric to action.

Moreover, leaders at both national and county levels should engage local communities when setting priorities. Residents understand their needs better than anyone.

Development should not be about political mileage or headline-grabbing figures. It should be about impact. A renovated classroom in Bobasi may not make national news, but it changes lives. It restores dignity. It gives children hope.

If Kenya truly aspires to progress, then the government must start with the basics.

Erick Otieno, Laikipia University



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County News

Migori The firm has denied political ties, saying the lease followed due process fully throughout

BY MOSES NYAMORI
AND GEORGE ODIWUOR

A request by Governor Ochillo Ayacko's administration for the Migori County Assembly to allocate 900 acres of land for mining to a firm owned by the family of his predecessor, Okoth Obado, has raised questions amid talk of possible political realignments ahead of the 2027 elections. The County Executive Committee approved the proposed allocation of the parcel to Global Search Solutions Ltd, a company owned by Mr Obado's wife, Hellen Odhiambo Odie.

The firm is seeking a 30-year lease for the parcel — Muhuru Kadem/Macalder/498 (LR No. 17955). Documents reviewed show that the company intends to use the land for revival of cotton farming and the establishment of a gold processing facility, including a Carbon-in-Pulp (CIP) plant.

Erstwhile bitter political rivals, Mr Ayacko and Mr Obado have recently been seen engaging more publicly, fuelling speculation that the former governor could be positioning himself for a Senate bid.

Mr Obado has since joined the ruling United Democratic Alliance (UDA) ahead of the 2027 General Election, while Governor Ayacko is reportedly keen to tap Mr Obado's support as he seeks a second term. Mr Ayacko is facing stiff competition from several rivals, including Uriri MP Mark Nyamita, who has declared his intention to unseat him in the 2027 race.

Nation contacted Mr Ayacko for comment on his administration's decision to approve the request and to establish whether his political ties with Mr Okoth influenced the move. He did not respond to text messages or return calls by the time of publication. His communications office promised a response, but did not do so despite repeated reminders.

The parcel lies within a known gold belt that has previously been a flashpoint for conflict among local miners. Documents indicate that the land was originally adjudicated as public land held in trust by the former South Nyanza County Council, now succeeded by the Migori County Government.

Part of the land currently hosts county and national government offices, a sub-county hospital, schools, a market, a bus park, an



Outgoing Migori Governor Okoth Obado (second left) hands a copy of the Constitution to Governor Ochillo Ayacko (right) during his swearing-in ceremony at Migori Stadium on August 25, 2022. FILE | NATION

Lease bid by Obado-linked company stirs controversy

Rapprochement between former rivals raises questions over contested public land lease

Aggregated Industrial Park, and Rongo University.

The county government, in a cabinet memorandum, states that the proposed project will revive cotton farming and establish a gold processing Carbon-in-Pulp (CIP) plant. The development will include cotton farms, administrative offices, the processing plant, warehouses, parking and machinery yards, engineering offices, staff quarters and a research centre.

It says the project is expected to promote local development, create jobs and enhance human capital in the region.

On December 3, 2025, Migori County Assembly Majority Leader Ken Ouma tabled a motion seeking approval of the lease. While the motion refers to 350 acres, the cabinet memorandum indicates that 900 acres would be allocated to the company. Mr Ouma also sought approval to lease an additional 50 acres to Joymakers Foundation, 50 acres to Vivatel Networks Limited and 31 acres to Noiya Women En-

terprises Ltd.

Company records (CR12) show that Global Search Solutions and Vivatel Network Solutions were pre-qualified suppliers for Kisumu County between 2018 and 2020. Vivatel Network Solutions shares a postal address — P.O. Box 4923-40100 — with Conton Group.

The motion reads: "That, pursuant to Article 185(3) and (4) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, this assembly approves the lease of 350 acres to Global Search Solutions Ltd for the revival of cotton farming and the establishment of a gold processing Carbon-in-Pulp (CIP) plant."

Mr Ouma told *Nation* that the matter is before the Lands Committee, which has been mandated to conduct public participation before tabling its report for consideration by the assembly.

He confirmed that the request for approval was submitted to the assembly by the county executive and explained that ward representatives are responsible for scru-

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Expense, in acres, of the land that a county memo indicates will be allocated to the Obado family-linked company.

EXPLAINER

Inside the Ayacko-Obado land lease controversy

- A proposal by the Migori County Government under Governor Ochillo Ayacko to lease public land to Global Search Solutions Ltd, a company owned by former governor Okoth Obado's family, has sparked scrutiny due to its political timing and ownership links.
- The land, historically public and hosting key institutions, lies in a gold-rich zone. The move comes as Ayacko and Obado, once bitter rivals, appear aligned ahead of 2027 elections.
- Critics question whether the lease serves public interest or signals political rapprochement.
- The county says due process, including assembly approval, public participation, and National Lands Commission review, must occur before any allocation.

tinising such proposals once they are formally presented.

"It was a paper brought to the House through my office. We reviewed it and referred it to the relevant committee," he said.

Mr Ouma added that the committee will conduct due diligence, including background checks, before presenting its findings.

"They have not yet tabled their report before the assembly. Once they do, a motion will be introduced and debated," the majority leader said.

Global Search Solutions Ltd was founded in 2005 and incorporated in 2009 as a limited liability company under certificate number CPR/2009/3899. The firm submitted its lease application in September 2025 through the Department of Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development.

In its submission, the company said the proposed revival of cotton farming and the establishment of a gold carbon-in-pulp (CIP) processing plant would create employment, stimulate regional development and optimise the use of public land.

Mr Evans Ouma Ogutu, who identified himself as the chief executive officer in charge of operations and finance, told *Nation* that the lease application was not linked to any political interests in the county.

Mr Ogutu, whose contact details appear in the application documents, said the company had followed due process and that the lease was intended to support its expansion. He described the firm as the largest of its kind in Suna West Constituency.

He added that the assembly will conduct public participation before making a decision.

Former Governor Okoth Obado defended the lease application, saying the firm had followed due process and that the county assembly has the authority to approve or reject it. He criticised attempts to politicise the project, noting it would boost the county's economy and create jobs.

"During my tenure, my administration allocated 1,000 acres to an investor, and recently another investor was granted land when the President visited. Why must people see politics in everything? Even good intentions are often viewed negatively," Mr Obado said.

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Nairobi

Traders clash with police over Thika Road demolitions

BY HILLARY KIMUYU

Police yesterday fired tear gas to disperse traders at Githurai Market along the Thika Superhighway after they set tyres on fire and blocked the road.

The unrest followed Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) operations on Wednesday night to remove informal structures along the highway. Excavators demolished kiosks, wooden sheds, and

stalls on the road reserve as traders hurriedly salvaged their goods.

Some traders accused authorities of using excessive force. While many had been warned verbally, few expected the demolitions to be executed so swiftly. For small-scale vendors, the operation represented not just the loss of structures but disruption of livelihoods built over years in one of Nairobi's busiest trading hubs.

Traffic along Thika Road was disrupted

as protesters clashed with police near the Githurai overpass, leaving motorists stuck for hours.

Despite the chaos, residents welcomed the clean-up. "The Githurai roundabout has been chaotic for years, with congestion and mataatu chaos putting pedestrians' lives at risk. It needed fixing," said Wachira, a local resident. Another noted that clearing illegal stalls would make way for safer, more orderly traffic.

KeNHA announced the demolitions following a seven-day notice to vacate the road reserve to allow construction of designated bus bays aimed at improving road safety and traffic flow.

While a modern market built to accommodate traders remains unoccupied, some vendors vowed to rebuild their stalls. "Where will we go? How will we survive?" one asked, reflecting the frustration of many whose livelihoods were affected.



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MESSAGE FROM THE CABINET SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION

To the graduands of the Kabete National Polytechnic, the Governing Council, staff, parents, industry partners, and all who contributed to this journey, I congratulate you on this well-deserved milestone.

This graduation is a celebration not only of individual achievement but of a national vision that is steadily taking shape. As a government, we have made a deliberate decision to place skills development at the heart of Kenya's growth strategy. Our development blueprints – Vision 2030 and the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda – recognise that the future of our economy will not be determined by certificates alone, but by the quality and relevance of the skills our people carry into the workplace, into enterprise, and into the global labour market.

To that end, the Ministry of Education has pursued far-reaching policy reforms designed to make the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) sector more responsive, more competitive, and more accessible.

The National Dual Training Policy, which I had the honour of launching in 2025, is transforming how we train our young people, by integrating classroom learning with structured workplace experience.

We have also fully adopted Compe-

tency-Based Education and Training (CBET), a model that measures what a graduate can do, not merely what they have memorised.

Through the recent Cabinet approval for the merger of Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), the Universities Fund, the TVET Funding Board, and Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service (KUCCPS) into a single Tertiary Education Funding Authority, we are restructuring the placement and funding framework to ensure that no deserving learner is denied an opportunity because of financial hardship. And through the Kenya-China TVET Project, we are equipping institutions with modern

machinery and training instructors to deliver world-class programmes.

The Recognition of Prior Learning policy is now fully operational, and its impact is already visible. Kenyans who spent years perfecting their craft without formal certification are being assessed, recognised, and awarded credentials that open doors to better jobs and livelihoods. This graduating class includes RPL candidates, and it is no coincidence that the national headquarters for this programme sits at the Kabete National Polytechnic. This institution earned that responsibility.

To those graduating today, the certificate or diploma you receive is a powerful tool. But it is what you do with it that will define your contribution to the economy and beyond. Do not simply wait for employment. Be entrepreneurs, be innovators and problem solvers. Kenya needs your imagination, your initiative, and your drive.

To our industry partners and international collaborators, I thank you for walking this journey with us. Strong TVET systems are built on solid partnerships, and your investment in our institutions is an investment in Kenya's future. I assure you of the government's unwavering commitment to creating the policy environment, the regulatory frameworks, and the funding mechanisms that will allow our TVET sector to flourish.

Congratulations once again to the graduating class. Go out and make Kenya proud.

Our development blueprints – Vision 2030 and the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda – recognise that the future of our economy will not be determined by certificates alone, but by the quality and relevance of the skills our people carry into the workplace, into enterprise, and into the global labour market



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We offer CBET courses

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- ✔ Agriculture, Environment studies and Applied sciences
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR TVET

I am honoured to join the Kabete National Polytechnic family in celebrating this graduation. To each of you receiving your award today, well done. You have chosen a path that this country and the world at large desperately need, and you have walked it with commitment.

When I took office, we had approximately 300,000 learners in TVET institutions across the country. Today, that number exceeds 700,000, with more than 10,000 students who qualified for university choosing TVET training instead. The stigma that once surrounded technical and vocational education is fading, and this is because the quality of what our institutions deliver has improved.

To increase access, we have built a training system that bends to fit the learner, not the other way around. Through the national rollout of the modular curriculum, learners can acquire skills in defined stages rather than committing to a full programme all at once. This structure is designed to ensure that Kenyans who need to study as they work are not locked out of the system but can progress at a pace that fits their schedules.



Dr. Esther Thaara Muoria, PhD, CBS

Through bilateral labour agreements and structured placement programmes, Kenyan skilled tradespeople are now accessing employment opportunities in Australia, the Middle East, Europe, and other markets



Our 70-30 training model, where 70 percent of learning happens in the workplace and 30 percent in the classroom, is now fully operational. To ensure it works in practice and not just on paper, we have established a dedicated Industrial and Dual Training Liaison Office, supported by the governments of Finland and Germany, to coordinate these industry linkages nationally and ensure that no institution is left to build employer partnerships on its own. A good curriculum means little if the people delivering it are not well equipped and the facilities are not fit for purpose. The government has recruited over 2,000 new trainers to address staffing gaps across TVET institutions. We are also upgrading workshops, laboratories, and digital infrastructure.

To further give students a structured environment for practical, production-based training that mirrors real business op-

erations, we have directed every TVET institution to mandatorily establish an Income-Generating Activities directorate. This is a deliberate strategy to gradually transform institutions into productive enterprises that generate own revenue.

Through bilateral labour agreements and structured placement programmes, Kenyan skilled tradespeople are now accessing employment opportunities in Australia, the Middle East, Europe, and other markets. They are earning competitive wages, gaining international exposure, and sending remittances that strengthen the economy back home. Our ultimate mission is to make Kenya the country the world turns to when it needs skilled, dependable, and professionally trained workers.

To the graduating class, you are entering a labour market that is hungry for what you have. Be confident. Be curious. Keep learning. The skills in your hands are your greatest asset.




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Sound governance, tangible outcomes

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON, GOVERNING COUNCIL, KNP

On behalf of the Governing Council of the Kabete National Polytechnic, I extend my warmest congratulations to today's graduating class, to your families who have supported you, and to the staff whose dedication has brought us to this moment.

The Governing Council exists to ensure that this institution is well governed, properly resourced, and strategically positioned to deliver on its mandate.

Our foremost priority has been quality assurance. The Council has worked closely with the Kenya National Qualifications Authority, the Technical and Vocational Education and Training Authority, and examining bodies to ensure that every programme we offer meets or exceeds national and international benchmarks. Our ISO 9001:2015 certification is a reflection of this commitment.

We have also been intentional about expanding the institution's revenue base. In any public institution, government funding alone cannot meet every need. The Council has therefore championed income-generating activities that also serve as practical training platforms. Today, Kabete produces and sells yoghurt, jam, sanitisers, detergents, garments, and graduation gowns. These enterprises are also used to teach our trainees about production management, quality control, and business operations, skills that no textbook alone can impart.

Equally important has been the Council's role in building partnerships that deliver real value. We have cultivated collaborations with government agencies, private sector firms, and international development partners; partnerships that have enabled us to introduce new programmes, access modern equipment, open interna-



Ms. Agnes Wanjiru Kamiri

tional market opportunities for our trainees, and create structured pathways for trainee placement and employment.

Appreciating the value of good governance, we have been intentional about transparency, accountability, and prudent use of resources. That is the foundation we have laid, and it is the foundation upon which the next chapter of this institution will be built. We owe it to our trainees, to the taxpayer, and to the partners who have placed their trust in us.



The Council has worked closely with the Kenya National Qualifications Authority, TVET Authority, and examining bodies to ensure that every programme we offer meets or exceeds national and international benchmarks



To the industry leaders and prospective partners, I want you to know that Kabete's Governing Council is open for business. We welcome collaborations that create value for our trainees and for your organisations. Whether it is in dual training, research, product development, or international exchanges, we are ready to engage.

To the graduating class, the certificate you receive today carries a name that this institution has spent over a hundred years building. It is now yours to honour. Go out, do good work, and make Kabete proud.



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This milestone is a testament to your dedication to academic excellence and continued commitment in shaping the future of the trainees.

To the graduands, we celebrate your hardwork, perseverance and achievements. Go out and make an impact through the skills and knowledge gained.

May 2026 intake ongoing
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KABETE NATIONAL POLYTECHNIC 6TH GRADUATION CEREMONY



Kabete National Polytechnic: The TVET powerhouse in Kenya

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF PRINCIPAL

We gather today at Kabete National Polytechnic to celebrate a truly historic 6th Graduation Ceremony, as we confer awards to over 2,561 graduands across Engineering, Applied and Health Sciences, Business Studies, Hospitality, Computing, and other specialised fields.

This cohort is unique. For the first time, we graduate learners from multiple flexible pathways: Competency-Based Education and Training (CBET); Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) – 327 graduands; and Dual Training and digitally integrated programmes producing work-ready graduates equipped to harness the power of the digital economy, including artificial intelligence, automation, robotics, big data, and advanced manufacturing technologies.

In fulfilling the mandate to provide high-quality training, Kabete National Polytechnic comprises four (4) Institutes, twelve (12) Academic Departments, and currently offering one hundred and five (105) Accredited Programmes across diverse fields of study. We train not only what to think or do, but also how to think critically and apply skills effectively. Learning and assessment are delivered by 354 trainers and supported by 108 staff across lecture halls, workshops, laboratories, libraries, and industry worksites, preparing trainees to tackle real-world challenges shaped by climate change, technological advancement, and global megatrends.

The theme of today's ceremony – "Developing Work-Ready Graduates through Flexible, Competency-Based Training for Local and Global Markets" – reflects our ongoing transfor-



Dr. Patrick Wokabi Muchemi, OGW

mation. We are laying the foundation for a responsive, future-focused TVET institution; one that enhances employability, promotes decent work, nurtures entrepreneurship, and fosters lifelong learning. Through continuous training needs assessments and strong collaboration with industry and government as a Qualification Awarding Body, we ensure our programmes stay aligned with Kenya's development agenda and the evolving labour market.

A major milestone this year is the expansion of the Recognition of Prior Learning programme, enabling hundreds of skilled artisans to earn nationally recognised qualifications and supporting the formalisation of skills within the informal sector. Further, Kabete National Polytechnic has upskilled **one hundred and thirty-four** (134) trainers to become RPL practitioners Level 2. The purpose is to scale up implementation of RPL in Kabete National Polytechnic. We have strengthened industrial attachments, modernised workshops and laboratories, enhanced digital systems, and established an In-

come Generating Unit per our operational Departments. One flagship Income Generating Activity is the electric vehicle charging station, one of its own kind, to support institutional sustainability.

Kabete NP continues to expand its national and global footprint. We have signed a total of fifteen (15) Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs), partnerships and collaborations. Our partnership with Signet Institute of Australia creates a practical bridge between Kenya and Australia, offering Australian-accredited programmes in high-demand areas such as Automotive Engineering, Health, Community Services, and Construction. These programmes position our graduates for opportunities in Australia, New Zealand, and other international labour markets.

Through the State Department for Housing and Urban Development under the Affordable Housing Programme, our trainees gain practical industrial exposure, while partnership with FullCare Medical (Kenya) SEZ facilitates upskilling and employment.

We express our sincere appreciation to the Ministry of Education, particularly Cabinet Secretary Hon. Julius Migos Ogamba, EBS, and PS TVET Dr. Esther Muoria, as well as the Mastercard Foundation, Colleges and Institutes Canada, and the Signet Institute of Australia, for their unwavering support. To our graduands: the discipline, competence, and resilience you have demonstrated embody our enduring motto, "*Bidii na Uaminifu*" – hard work and integrity. As you step into employment or entrepreneurship, let these values guide you to serve the public good, foster compassion in times of uncertainty, and draw strength from the unbreakable bonds formed at Kabete National Polytechnic. The future is dynamic – but we have prepared you for it.



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- Automotive Technology
- Food & Beverage Operations
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We are proud to be associated with you as partners in advancing quality TVET education in Kenya.

Congratulations and best wishes for even greater achievements ahead!



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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES					
1	Sustainable Rural and Urban Agriculture	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D
2	Animal Production Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
3	Agriculture Extension	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
4	Dairy Farm Management	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED SCIENCES					
5	Food Processing Technology	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
6	Science Laboratory Technology	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
7	Applied Biology Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
8	Geoscience Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
9	Food Processing Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
10	Geophysical Exploration Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
11	Industrial Chemical Processing	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
12	Science Laboratory Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
13	Analytical Chemistry Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING & CIVIL ENGINEERING					
14	Handywork	3	1 semester	1semester	KCSE
15	Masonry	3	1 semester	1semester	KCSE
16	Carpentry and Joinery	3	1 semester	1semester	KCSE
17	Plumbing	3	1 semester	1semester	KCSE
18	Plumbing	4	2 semesters	1semester	D
19	Carpentry and Joinery	4	2 semesters	1semester	D
20	Masonry	4	2 semesters	1semester	D
21	Building Technology	5	4 semesters	1semester	D+
22	Carpentry and Joinery	5	4 semesters	1semester	D+
23	Plumbing	5	4 semesters	1semester	D+
24	Interior Design	5	4 semesters	1semester	D+
25	Interior Design	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
26	Architectural Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
27	Building Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
28	Civil Engineering Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
29	Land Surveying Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
30	Quantity Surveying Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS STUDIES					
31	Co-operative Management	5	4 semesters	1semester	D
32	Supply Chain Management	5	4 semesters	1semester	D
33	Business Management	5	4 semesters	1semester	D
34	Office Administration	5	4 semesters	1semester	D
35	Office Administration	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
36	Banking and Finance	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
37	Business Management	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
38	Project Management	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
39	Cooperative Management	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
40	Supply Chain Management	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
41	CPA Intermediate Level I		6 months		CPA Foundation
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTING AND INFORMATICS					
42	ICT Operations	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
43	Software Developer	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
76	Library Information Science	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
44	ICT Operations	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
45	Broadcast Media Journalism	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
46	Software Developer	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
47	Library Information Science	6	6 semesters	1Semester	C-(minus)
DEPARTMENT OF COSMETOLOGY & FASHION DESIGN TECHNOLOGY					
48	Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy	3	1 semester	1Semester	KCSE
49	Fashion Design Technology	3	1 semester	1Semester	KCSE
50	Fashion Design Technology	4	2 semesters	1Semester	D
51	Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy	4	2 semesters	1Semester	D
52	Fashion Design Technology	5	4 semesters	1semester	D+
53	Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy	5	4 semesters	1semester	D+
54	Fashion Design Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING					
55	Solar PV Installation T1	3	1 semester	1Semester	KCSE
56	Electrical Installation	3	1 semester	1Semester	KCSE
57	Electrical Installation	4	2 semesters	1Semester	D
58	Industrial Automation and Robotics	4	2 semesters	1Semester	D
59	Electrical Installation	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
60	Industrial Automation and Robotics	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
61	Industrial Automation and Robotics Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
62	Electrical Engineering (Power)	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
63	Telecommunication Technology	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
64	Instrumentation and Control	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
65	BioMedical Engineering	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SCIENCES					
66	Health Records & Information Technology	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
67	Community Health	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
68	Nutrition & Dietetics	5	4 semesters	1Semester	D+
69	Health Records & Information Technology	6	8 semesters	1semester	C
70	Community Health	6	6 semesters	1semester	C-(minus)

S/ NO	COURSE TITLE	LEVEL	COURSE DURATION	IN-SESSION INDUSTRIAL TRAINING	Minimum Requirements
71	Medical Laboratory Sciences	6	8 semesters	1 semester	overall C with grade C in cluster units
72	Nutrition & Dietetics	6	8 semesters	1 semester	C-(minus) grade D+ in cluster units
73	Pharmaceutical Technology	6	8 semesters	1 semester	overall C with grade C in cluster units
DEPARTMENT OF HOSPITALITY					
74	Catering & Accommodation Management	5	4 semesters	1 Semester	D+
75	Food and Beverage Technology	5	4 semesters	1 Semester	D+
76	Catering & Accommodation Management	6	6 semesters	1 semester	C-(minus)
DEPARTMENT OF LIBERAL STUDIES					
77	Social Work and Community Development	5	4 semesters	1 Semester	D+
78	Counselling Psychology	5	4 semesters	1 Semester	D+
79	Counselling Psychology	6	6 semesters	1 semester	C-(minus)
80	Library Information Science	6	6 semesters	1 semester	C-(minus)
81	Social Work and Community Development	6	6 semesters	1 semester	C-(minus)
DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL & AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERING					
82	Automotive Technology	3	1 semester	1 Semester	KCSE
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84	Welding and Fabrication Technology	3	1 semester	1 Semester	KCSE
85	Welding and Fabrication Technology	4	2 semesters	1 Semester	D
86	Mechanical Production Technology	4	2 semesters	1 Semester	D
87	Automotive Technology	4	2 semesters	1 Semester	D
88	Automotive Technology	5	4 semesters	1 Semester	D+
89	Mechanical Production Technology	5	4 semesters	1 Semester	D+
90	Automotive Technology	6	6 semesters	1 semester	C-(minus)
91	Mechanical Plant Technology	6	6 semesters	1 semester	C-(minus)
92	Mechanical Production Technology	6	6 semesters	1 semester	C-(minus)
93	Welding and Fabrication Technology	6	6 semesters	1 semester	C-(minus)
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4	Advanced Civil Engineering		1 year		Diploma in Civil Engineering
5	Certificate III in Automotive Diesel Engine Technology		1 year		KCSE
6	Certificate III in Light Vehicle Mechanical Technology		1 year		KCSE
SHORT COURSES					
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2	Mushroom Production		12 weeks		open
3	Horticulture Nursery Technician		12 weeks		open
4	International Computer Driving Licence (ICDL)		12 weeks		KCSE
5	Computer Repair & Maintenance		12 weeks		Digital literacy
6	CCTV Installation		8 weeks		Basic Electrical
7	Motor Rewinding		8 weeks		Basic Electrical
8	Programmable Logic Controller (PLC)		12 weeks		Basic Electrical
9	Electrical Installation Inspector		8 weeks		Electrical Installer level 5
10	Bio gas Installation		12 weeks		Open
11	Archicad		4 weeks		Open
12	Painting & Decoration Technology		4 weeks		Open
13	Construction Works Inspector		16 weeks		Building Technician level 6
14	Revit		4 weeks		Open
15	Plumbing Inspector		16 weeks		Plumbing level 5

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17	AutoCAD		4 weeks		Open
18	Construction Foreperson		16 weeks		Civil Eng/ Building Tech level 6
19	Driving Class (B2, C1)		4 weeks		open
20	Motor Cycle Rider		4 weeks		open
21	German Language A1/ONLINE		12 weeks		open
22	Chinese Language HKI/ONLINE		12 weeks		open
23	Book Keeping & Tax Return		8 weeks		open
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County News

Trans Nzoia Row sparked by board's decision to cancel an advertisement for new chief officers

BY EVANS JAOLA

A bitter power struggle erupted this week between Trans Nzoia Governor George Natembeya and the County Public Service Board (CPSB) after the governor ordered the immediate closure of the board's offices, accusing it of gross misconduct and rogue operations.

In a directive, Governor Natembeya suspended the board's operations until March 2, citing unlawful recruitment, sabotage of his administration's workforce plans, and improper conduct. The move, coming days before the board's tenure expires on February 28, intensifies a volatile standoff over control of the county's human resource function, with potential legal implications.

In a letter seen by *Nation*, the governor accused the board—constitutionally mandated to manage county staffing—of actions that “severely disoriented” government operations. Documents and interviews indicate the shutdown is the culmination of a long-running dispute over recruitment, promotions, and staffing authority.

The immediate trigger was the board's decision on January 23 to cancel an advertisement for new chief officers. Governor Natembeya described the cancellation as “unfounded and unilateral,” warning it disrupted county operations, especially as most current chief officers' terms had ended. He also accused CPSB Chairperson Peter Maloba Wamoto of using personal funds to cancel the advertisement and sanctioning other alleged irregular actions. The dispute has also intensified in the health sector. The governor's office alleges the board hired eight nurses who had not been shortlisted, prompting a court injunction and delaying employment of 134 nurses. Board members were further accused of refusing to proceed on terminal leave from January 26, despite their tenure nearing expiry, and of continuing business in contravention of constitutional provisions.

Within hours, the CPSB rebutted the closure, citing executive interference. In a letter referenced CGTN/CPSB/30VOL 1/53, addressed to County Secretary Truphosa Amere and copied to the Governor, County Assembly, and Council of Governors, the board described the suspension as illegal. Invoking Article 253 of the Constitution, Mr Wamoto insisted the CPSB is an independent organ and cannot be suspended by executive order. He demanded immediate reopening of offices, reversal of staff transfer directives, and disclosure of the legal basis for the shutdown.

“This is not the first clash with the governor over alleged illegalities. It is a calculated move to paint the board as incapable,” Mr Wamoto said, noting prior invasions,

property destruction, and intimidation. He stressed the conflict stems from resisting unlawful directives, not recruitment.

Tensions date back to 2024, with disputes over recruitment timelines, promotions, and delegated authority. In October that year, Governor Natembeya accused the

board of failing to recruit health workers, linking delays to a strike. Earlier, some county assembly members called for the board's disbandment over alleged misuse of power. The matter has also reached court in a case involving county casual workers, drawing Senate attention to payroll automation and revenue systems.

Correspondence between the governor and the board highlights growing mistrust, including selective approval of delegated authority for senior staff. With the board's tenure expiring in days, the timing of the shutdown carries political weight and risks administrative paralysis. Should the board seek judicial intervention, the case could test the limits of executive authority over independent county organs. Meanwhile, human resource operations, particularly in the health sector, remain in limbo.

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Trans-Nzoia Governor George Natembeya greets supporters from atop his vehicle along the Luanda-Majengo highway in Vihiga County in September last year. FILE IN ACTION

Employee management in a crisis as governor clashes with county's hiring board

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Governor Natembeya has suspended County Public Service Board operations, escalating long-running disputes over county staffing and recruitment authority



DISPUTE

10,000

The approximate number of county casual workers whose employment status has been affected amid the ongoing standoff between Governor Natembeya (left) and the County Public Service Board.

Kiambu wins Sh1.6bn funding boost

BY SIMON CIURI

Kiambu County is set to launch major infrastructure projects following the approval of Sh1.6 billion under the Kenya Urban Support Programme (KUSP) Two, a joint initiative with the World Bank.

The National Treasury, through the County Government Additional Allocations Act, has allocated Sh6.7 billion across 35 counties for 62 municipalities in the

2025-2026 financial year. Governor Kimani Wamatangi said the funds will upgrade roads, lay cabro stones, improve drainage, install solar streetlights, enhance sewerage systems, and support other municipal projects.

Ruiru Municipality will receive Sh480 million, Kikuyu Sh371 million, Thika Sh246 million, Karuri Sh190 million, Juja Sh152 million, Kiambu Township Sh144 million, and Limuru Sh79 million. County Chief Officer Martin Kangiri noted the allocation increased from an

initial Sh1.3 billion after some counties failed to meet funding requirements, allowing Kiambu to receive an additional Sh300 million. Wamatangi highlighted that previous administrations missed out on over Sh15 billion due to failure to grant municipality status to key areas. The county now has 12 municipalities—including six new ones—ensuring broader access to development funds and allowing local administrations to manage resources and projects more effectively.

Coast naps by day as its nightlife roars to life during Ramadhan

BY FATUMA BUGU

Barely a day into the fasting period, Coast businesses are already feeling Ramadhan's impact, with many eateries remaining closed during the day.

As the holy month settles in, its effect extends beyond mosques and prayer mats. Across towns, daily life shifts, reshaping trading hours, household spending, and consumer habits.

For families, the changes are tangible. Ms Rehema Ismael, a mother of three in Mombasa, says her food expenses nearly double during Ramadhan.

“On a normal day, I cook ugali and sukuma wiki or rice and stew, but during Ramadhan, you prepare something special for iftar, like viazi karai, samosas, and fresh juice. Then there is still the main meal like maharagwe na chapati or biryani,” she said.

Seasonal reallocation

Economists describe this as seasonal reallocation: households spend more on food, preparing multiple meals for suhoor and iftar while prioritising hospitality.

Daytime businesses, however, slow down. Many hotels and restaurants post notices announcing closures until sunset. Streets once bustling with activity fall quiet.

Mr Mohammed Ali, proprietor of Crave Hotel, says the shift is not a loss. “During Ramadan we close by day and open at night, even for suhoor. We offer complimentary iftar starters. Sustenance comes from Allah,” he said.

As dusk approaches, the economy pivots. Temporary stalls selling samosas, dates, juices, and grilled delicacies spring up. Night markets come alive, and traders work late to meet demand.

'Ramadhan economy'

“The Ramadhan economy does not shrink; it reorganises,” says Mr Ali Nur, a Mombasa snack vendor.

Religious leaders urge moderation. Sheikh Abubakar Bamkuu reminds believers that the month is for worship, reflection, and charity, not extravagance.

“This blessed month could be the last we witness. True success in Ramadan is not the abundance of food, but the sincerity of our hearts,” he says. For families like Rehema's, balancing spirituality with financial pressure is delicate. “We want to make it special because Ramadan comes once a year,” she says.

International



Former UK prince arrested over Epstein files exposé

LONDON, THURSDAY

King Charles' younger brother Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor was on Thursday arrested on suspicion of misconduct in public office over allegations he sent confidential government documents to Jeffrey Epstein.

UK police have a general practice of not publicly naming suspects but they gave details that identified the former prince, who has been under investigation over allegations that he had passed documents to the late convicted sex offender while working as a trade envoy.

Thames Valley Police, which earlier this month said it was looking into the allegations, said a man in his 60s had been arrested and was now in police custody.

"Following a thorough assessment, we have now opened an investigation into this allegation of misconduct in public office," Thames Valley's Assistant Chief Constable Oliver Wright said in a statement.

"It is important that we protect the integrity and objectivity of our investigation as we work with our partners to investigate this alleged offence. We understand the significant public interest in this case, and we will provide updates at the appropriate time."

King Charles said on Thursday it was with "deepest concern" he had learnt about the arrest of his younger brother, former Prince Andrew, adding that the law must take its course.

"I have learned with the deepest concern the news about Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor and suspicion of misconduct in public office," Charles said in a statement. "What now follows is the full, fair and proper process by which this issue is investigated in the appropriate manner and by the appropriate authorities... Let me state clearly: the law must take its course."

The former prince, the second son of the late Queen Elizabeth who was celebrating his 66th birthday on Thursday, has always denied any wrongdoing in relation to Epstein, and said he regrets their friendship. (Reuters)

Yoon's trial Prosecutors had sought the death penalty in the case



Former South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol waves to his supporters as he moves out of the presidential residence in Seoul, South Korea, in April 11, 2025. PHOTO | REUTERS

S. Korea ex-leader gets life penalty over insurrection

Former president found guilty in case liked to attempt to impose martial law

SEOUL, THURSDAY

A South Korean court sentenced former President Yoon Suk Yeol to life in prison on Thursday, after finding him guilty of masterminding an insurrection linked to his December 2024 attempt to impose martial law.

Prosecutors had sought the death penalty in the case, closely watched in a deeply divided country. It is the most consequential of a series of trials for the ousted leader, whose bid triggered a national political crisis and tested democratic resilience.

Yoon conspired with his then-defence minister, Kim Yong-hyun, to subvert the constitutional order by deploying troops to parliament, intending to paralyse its functions, Judge Jee Kui-youn told a packed courtroom.

"It is the court's judgment that sending armed troops to parliament ... and using equipment to try to make arrests all constitute acts of insurrection," he said, speaking for the panel of three judges.

Yoon led a number of officials and troops in criminal activities

on December 3, 2024, and "because of the martial law declaration, an enormous social cost was incurred," Jee said as he handed down the life term for the former leader.

Wearing a dark navy suit without a tie, Yoon, 65, stood ash-faced as the sentences were read out for him and seven other defendants, including Kim, the former defence minister, who received 30 years, and former top police officials.

Yoon's defence team will discuss with him whether to appeal the ruling, with one of his lawyers, Yoon Kab-keun, saying it completely ignored the key legal principle of basing findings on evidence.

A lawyer for Kim said the former defence minister would "of course appeal".

A prosecutor said the team had some "regret" over the sentencing but declined to say whether they planned to appeal.

Before delivering the verdict, Judge Jee reviewed the long history of treason and insurrection, from the Roman Empire and medieval era to the trial and execution of England's Charles I for waging war against parliament.

Masterminding an insurrection carries a maximum sentence of the death penalty or life imprisonment under South Korean law. The country last handed down a death sentence in 2016, but has not executed anyone since 1997.

Yoon denied the charges. The conservative former career prosecutor said he had presidential authority to declare martial law and his action was aimed at sounding the alarm over opposition parties' obstruction of government.

The ousted former leader is likely to remain held at the Seoul Detention Centre. He can appeal the ruling and again challenge any appellate court decision at the Supreme Court.

Judicial guidelines say the first trial should conclude within six months and the entire process, including appeals, in two years, but trials often exceed that.

Yoon, who has faced eight trial proceedings, is appealing a five-year jail term handed him in January in a separate trial on charges including obstructing attempts by authorities to arrest him after his martial law

It is the court's judgment that sending armed troops to parliament ... and using equipment to try to make arrests all constitute acts of insurrection

Judges



declaration. While Yoon's bid to impose martial law lasted only about six hours before it was met by large street protests and voted down by parliament, it sent shockwaves through Asia's fourth-largest economy, a key U.S. security ally, and long considered one of the world's most resilient democracies.

Ko Jeong-suk, 65, who watched the court decision at Seoul Station, said the martial law bid deepened social divisions. "I really think it should have been the death sentence so that this doesn't become an example to repeat."

But hundreds of Yoon supporters rallied outside the court complex calling for him to be freed.

In a post on X, President Lee Jae Myung, a liberal who won the presidency in a snap election in June after Yoon's removal, commended the actions of the Korean people to thwart the martial law.

"It was possible because it was the Republic of Korea," Lee said, using the official name of the country, whose people would set an example for history, he added.

His post ahead of Thursday's ruling was attached to a newspaper report that some academics had recommended a Nobel Peace Prize nomination for the Korean public, which faced down troops and police to oppose martial law without violence. (Reuters)

BRIEFLY

KHARTOUM

UN in Sudan to help over 130,000 people

A joint United Nations (UN) humanitarian convoy has reached the major cities of Dilling and Kadugli in Sudan's South Kordofan state, delivering life-saving aid to support more than 130,000 people, several UN agencies announced Wednesday.

It marks the first large-scale delivery to the area in three months, according to a joint statement by the World Food Programme (WFP), the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the UN Development Programme.

The convoy, comprising 26 trucks, transported over 700 metric tonnes of food commodities and 70 metric tonnes of medical supplies, it said.

"After weeks of delays and a difficult detour, these life-saving supplies, including food assistance, are finally reaching Dilling and Kadugli," said Makena Walker, acting country director for WFP in Sudan. Intensified hostilities along the main El Obeid-Dilling-Kadugli route forced the convoy to halt for more than 40 days. (Xinhua)

ABUJA

38 miners killed in gas explosion

At least 38 people have been killed and many others injured following a gas explosion at a lead mining site in central Nigeria's Plateau State, local officials said on Wednesday.

The incident occurred on Wednesday morning at a site operated by Solid Mining Company in the Zurak community of Wase Local Government Area, affecting mainly miners working underground. Preliminary reports showed that an accumulation of toxic gases, believed to be carbon monoxide, triggered the explosion in underground tunnels during peak operations. Local tribal authorities described the scene as "catastrophic." Aliyu Adamu Idris, the acting district head, told local media that most of the victims were young men aged 20 to 35.

"It is a dark day for our community. We have lost 38 of our energetic youths to this tragedy, leaving many families in mourning," Idris said. (Xinhua)

Business

600

Tonnes of carbon dioxide that Kenya's green fertiliser project will help the country avoid annually

State now targets new regulator for non-Sacco cooperatives

BY WINNIE ATIENO

The government plans to establish a new regulatory authority to safeguard billions of shillings in non-Sacco cooperatives, addressing a critical oversight gap that has left thousands of Kenyans, especially farmers, vulnerable to financial loss.

Cabinet Secretary for Cooperatives and MSME Development, Wycliffe Oparanya, said the new regulator will operate within his Ministry to enforce accountability and transparency across all cooperative models.

The CS revealed that while the Sacco Societies Regulatory Authority (SASRA) has successfully stabilised deposit-taking Saccos, other cooperatives remain under-regulated and prone to mismanagement.

"Because we have also learned that members in the coffee, cotton, and other agricultural sectors lose significant amounts of money. The government has a regulatory authority, the Sacco Societies Regulatory Authority (SASRA), to oversee the Saccos. Unfortunately, the other cooperatives, apart from the Saccos, are overseen by the Commissioner of Cooperatives," said Mr Oparanya.

Non-Sacco cooperatives in Kenya are member-owned outfits that focus on specific economic activities such as agriculture and housing and do not engage in savings and credit. They fall under the Commissioner for Cooperative Development, unlike Saccos, which are regulated by SASRA.

The CS decried mismanagement of Saccos, which has left many financial institutions struggling.

"People have saved all their lives, they retire, but cannot access their money due to mismanagement."

He was speaking at the 11th Sacco Leaders Convention in Shanzu.

'Mv World Odyssey' docks at port with 609 passengers



Guests disembark from the *MV World Odyssey*, a cruise ship commonly known as the 'Floating Campus' for the Semester at Sea programme, as it docked at the Port of Mombasa yesterday with 609 passengers.

KEVIN ODIT | NATION

Emissions Carbon credits permits allow owners to emit carbon dioxide

KWS now eyes race for carbon credits billions

State agency recruiting an expert to guide preparatory work for a carbon project

BY DOMINIC OMONDI

The Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) has joined the growing club of Kenyan organisations seeking a slice of the lucrative carbon credit billions.

The State agency is already recruiting an expert to guide preparatory work for the development of a carbon project—an initiative the agency hopes will unlock a new revenue stream and provide a long-term alternative to traditional tourism-based funding.

Carbon credits are permits that allow owners to emit a certain amount of carbon dioxide or other greenhouse gases. One credit permits the emission of one tonne of carbon dioxide or the equivalent in other greenhouse gases.

The KWS noted that protected areas in Kenya face several climate-change risks, including habitat degradation, droughts and floods, heightened risks of wildfires, shifts in species distribution, and rising pressure on ecosystem services.

This tends to drive up management costs for agencies like the KWS as they work to maintain ecological integrity and connectivity.

However, it noted that these protected areas also present opportunities for climate mitigation and resilience.

"The feasibility study will consider these ecosystem-service dimensions primarily as co-benefits of potential carbon and blue-carbon interventions, rather than as stand-alone payment for ecosystem services schemes,"

GREENHOUSE GAS

32%

Kenya's goal of cutting greenhouse gas emissions by 2030

said KWS in a tender call for a consultant to an environmental and social impact study on the targeted carbon project.

KWS's interest in carbon credits is coming at a time when the State disagreed with clean-energy start-up Koko Networks over its plan to sell its Article 6 permits into the compliance market, leading to its shutdown.

Article 6.2 refers to a provision of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change under the Paris Agreement that allows countries to trade carbon emission reduc-

tions directly with each other through bilateral agreements. A compliance market is a government-regulated scheme for trading carbon credits.

Trade Cabinet Secretary Lee Kinyanjui said Koko Networks wanted to sell more credits, leaving little for other players, as the firm's request would have exhausted Kenya's entire global quota.

Kenya's first \$832.76 million (Sh107.3 billion) green fertiliser project that is backed by State-run Kenya Electricity Generating Company (KenGen) and China's Kaishan Group, also targets to sell carbon credits in the compliance market.

In a regulatory filing on the green fertiliser project and its associated geothermal power plant, the backers of the project sought to demonstrate that the project will help Kenya avoid about 600,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent annually.

BRIEFLY

ACQUISITION

PwC now seeks buyers for Koko Networks assets after collapse

Koko Networks's administrators are seeking investors to acquire the business and assets of the clean-cooking startup, which folded last month after failing to secure approvals from Kenyan authorities for its carbon-credit export model. George Weru and Muniu Thoithi of PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) said they are pursuing options for a sale of KOKO or the acquisition of specific assets.

TAXATION

Taxman set to spend Sh640m on ICT as tax drive plan intensifies

The Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) is set to spend over Sh640 million to upgrade its ICT systems, as it races to collect Sh2.63 trillion in taxes by June. Procurement plans show the taxman will acquire new computers worth Sh227.6 million, spend Sh3 million on mobile phones, Sh15.6 million on laser printers, Sh24.4 million on IP phones, and Sh25 million on computer workstations this fiscal year.

COURT

Receiver ordered to give report to creditors of firm

The Official Receiver has been ordered to convene a meeting of all creditors of the once-giant road construction firm, Put Sarajevo General Engineering Company Limited, which is under liquidation. The High Court directed the Official Receiver to assemble all creditors and file a report within 45 days. The order followed complaints from creditors that they had not been updated on the status of the company's assets or the liquidation process.

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35.25	10.00	Eaagads Ord 1.25	30.20	30.20	13,094
440.00	240.00	Kakuzi Plc Ord. 5.00	436.50	416.75	194
424.25	81.00	Kapchoruar Tea Kenya Plc Ord	248.25	248.25	4,053
550.00	310.00	The Limuru Tea Co. Ord 20.00	531.00	531.00	24
33.90	13.60	Sasini Ltd Ord 1.00	29.60	29.40	11,096
350.00	120.00	Williamson Tea Kenya Plc Ord 500	143.75	144.00	18,637

AUTOMOBILES & ACCESSORIES

73.50	18.50	Car & General (K) Ord 5.00	70.75	71.50	18,500
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BANKING

30.35	10.00	ABSA Bank Ord 0.50	29.45	29.85	1,800,572
48.00	26.50	BK Group Ord 0.80	45.75	46.05	18,381
170.00	43.05	Diamond Trust Bank Ord 4.00	150.25	157.00	56,043
76.75	33.70	Equity Group Holdings Ord 0.50	74.25	74.75	870,412
11.35	2.80	HF Group Plc Ord 5.00	10.70	11.00	578,703
50.75	15.80	I&M Group Ord 1.00	49.05	49.25	637,265
76.50	15.00	KCB Group Ord 1.00	74.75	75.00	1,650,416
100.00	28.50	NCBA Group Ord 5.00	89.75	88.25	1,617,847
257.50	90.00	Stanbic Holdings Ord. 5.00	254.25	254.25	132,808
359.75	134.00	Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ord. 5.00	336.50	336.50	150,776
30.00	10.10	The Co-op Bank of Kenya Ord 1.00	29.40	29.50	385,613

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0.45	0.45	Deacons (East Africa) Ord 2.50		0.45	
1.88	0.59	Eveready EA Ord 1.00	1.46	1.60	1,826,005
10.00	2.70	Express Kenya Ord 5.00	7.74	7.96	3,838
4.66	4.66	Homeboyz Entertainment Plc Ord 0.50		4.66	
9.18	3.30	Kenya Airways Ord 1.00	5.26	5.38	857,577
3.46	2.00	Longhorn Publishers Ord 1.00	3.26	3.34	52,979
5.00	1.37	Nairobi Business Ventures Ord 1.00	1.56	1.61	201,237
22.40	10.60	Nation Media Group Plc Ord. 2.50	14.50	14.80	4,657
21.90	1.80	Sameer Africa Plc Ord. 5.00	20.65	21.10	30,550
10.80	4.90	Standard Group Ord 5.00	6.28	6.34	1,536
18.70	10.85	TPS Eastern Africa Ord 1.00	17.30	17.15	1,456
1.93	0.16	Uchumi Supermarket Ord 5.00	1.72	1.60	2,450,876
3.95	1.80	WPP ScanGroup PLC Ord. 1.00	2.48	2.52	223,583

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	
70.75	29.00	Crown Paints Kenya Ord 0.50	68.50	64.75	3,434
3.27	0.72	E. A. Cables Ord 0.50		1.71	
101.00	4.38	E.A. Portland Cement Ord 5.00	82.50	84.25	119

ENERGY & PETROLEUM

10.65	1.94	KenGen Ord 2.50	9.60	9.60	1,520,846
19.00	1.30	KP & LC Co Plc Ord. 250	17.80	18.55	881,185
5.00	4.00	KP & LC Plc 4% Pref. 20.00		5.00	
6.00	6.00	KP & LC Plc 7% Pref. 20.00		6.00	
47.00	14.55	TotalEnergies Marketing Kenya Ord 5.00	42.70	43.40	97,287
24.75	6.30	Umeme Ltd Ord 0.50	9.22	9.04	208,479

INSURANCE

13.40	4.01	Britam Holdings Ord 0.10	11.95	12.95	363,734
5.62	1.60	CIC Insurance Group Ord. 1.00	6.46	6.02	1,423,453
360.00	142.00	Jubilee Holdings Ord 5.00	353.75	359.00	1,003
4.02	1.05	Kenya Re Insurance Ord 2.50	3.70	3.80	4,716,668
12.20	3.30	Liberty Kenya Holdings Ord 1.00	9.98	10.00	321,539
11.00	4.00	Sanlam Kenya Ord 5.00	9.98	9.34	40,315

INVESTMENT

16.75	7.60	Centum Investment Co Ord 0.50	14.80	14.65	138,605
1.83	0.27	Home Afrika Ltd Ord. 1.00	1.50	1.56	673,123
1,500	1,500	Kurwitu Ventures Ltd Ord. 100.00	1,500	1,500.00	3
9.00	1.91	Olympia Capital Holdings Ltd Ord. 5.00	7.92	8.48	5,723
1.78	0.29	Trans-Century Plc Ord. 0.50		1.12	

INVESTMENT SERVICES

25.90	5.22	Nairobi Securities Exchange. Ord 4.00	22.90	22.25	129,589
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MANUFACTURING & ALLIED

144.75	65.00	B.O.C Kenya Group Co. Ord 5.00	138.75	135.75	338
505.00	325.00	British American Tobacco Kenya Ord 10.00	504.00	495.75	10,844
32.50	11.00	Carbacid Investments Ord 1.00	32.15	31.95	21,352
351.00	100.00	East African Breweries Ord 1.00	248.75	250.75	160,859
2.33	0.86	Flame Tree Group Holdings Ord 0.825	1.97	1.90	180,753
102.50	10.40	Africa Mega Agricorp Ord 5.00	95.75	99.25	2,189
0.27	0.27	Mumias Sugar Co. Ord 2.00		0.27	
31.00	12.00	Unga Group Co. Ord 5.00	27.15	29.85	28,105
9.28	5.90	Shri Krishana Overseas. Plc 0.20	10.05	9.26	31,786

TELECOMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY

34.10	11.50	Safaricom Ltd Ord. 0.05	32.15	33.10	2,167,265
20.00	20.00	Lap trust I-Reit Co. Ord 20.00		20.00	
6800.00	881.00	Absa New Gold ETF	5985.00	5920.00	198
1050.00	761.00	Satrix MSCI World Feeder ETF	864.00	864.00	79

NSE ALL SHARE INDEX.01st Jan 2008 -100 Dwn 3.15pts - 211.19 NSE 20-Dwn 36.79pts -3641.21 1st sep 2015=4101.67 Dwn 63.18pts 5745.05 NSE 20-S I -30 Aug 2023=1000 Dwn 29.48pts -2190.03 Dwn 1.34 pts to close at 234.85

COMMERCIAL BANK RATES

		Euro	\$	£	C\$	SF	IR	JY	ZR
ABC	buy	151.78	128.80	173.62	93.93	166.41	1.41	82.95	7.97
	sell	152.51	129.20	174.42	94.22	167.14	1.42	83.26	8.04
Absa	buy	151.83	128.90	173.66	93.99	166.50	1.42	83.01	8.00
	sell	152.32	129.10	174.19	94.27	167.19	1.42	83.25	8.03
Co-op	buy	152.12	128.40	174.33	94.10	166.77	1.42	84.00	7.89
	sell	153.47	129.60	175.95	94.96	168.22	1.42	84.00	8.21
Equity	buy	151.64	128.85	173.43	94.08	166.22	-	83.25	7.96
	sell	151.85	129.15	173.74	94.25	166.52	-	83.39	7.97
NRK	buy	151.96	128.80	173.90	94.09	166.71	1.42	83.04	8.03
	sell	152.18	129.20	174.12	94.26	167.05	1.42	83.17	8.05
KCB	buy	152.96	128.80	175.62	94.85	167.29	1.41	84.00	8.11
	sell	153.46	129.20	176.19	95.17	167.86	1.41	84.00	8.13
NCBA	buy	151.90	128.85	173.74	94.01	166.62	1.41	83.02	8.01
	sell	152.16	129.05	174.06	94.18	166.97	1.41	83.17	8.03
Stanbic	buy	151.67	128.75	173.82	94.00	166.62	1.41	82.97	8.01
	sell	152.16	129.15	174.06	94.29	167.14	1.42	83.23	8.11
Prime	buy	152.65	128.85	174.90	94.40	167.30	1.42	83.85	8.00
	sell	153.15	129.35	175.40	94.90	167.30	1.43	84.45	8.20

CBK RATES

	Exchange Rate	Swiss Franc	166.88
US Dollar	129.02	100 Japanese Yen	84.05
1 Sterling Pound	174.00	1 Swedish Kroner	14.32
1 Euro	152.12	1 Norwegian Kroner	13.49
South African Rand	8.02	1 Danish Kroner	20.36
Ksh/USH	27.62	1 Indian Rupee	1.42
Ksh/TSH	20.11	1 Hongkong Dollar	16.50
Ksh/RWF	11.28	1 Singapore Dollar	101.76
Ksh/BIF	22.98	1 Saudi Riyal	34.40
1 UAE Dirham	35.12	1 Chinese Yuan	18.67
1 Canadian Dollar	94.15	1 Australian Dollar	90.97

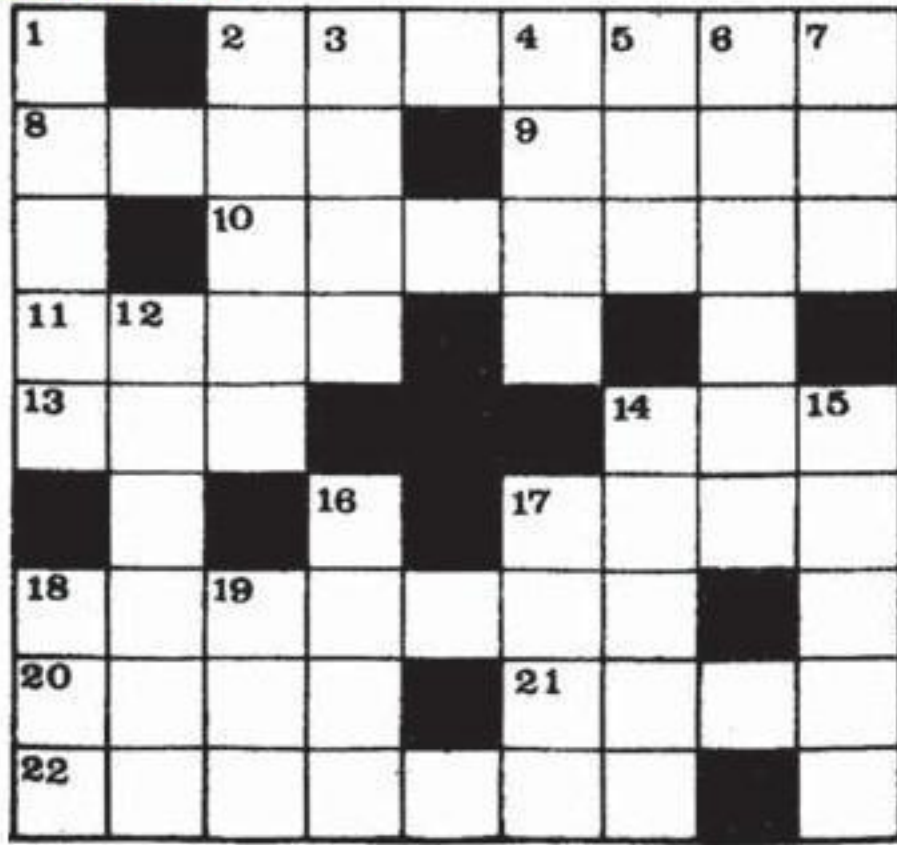
UNIT TRUSTS

		Daily Yield	Annual Rate
African Alliance Kenya Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	5.77%	5.93%
African Alliance Kenya Enhanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	6.97%	7.20%
Britam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.41%	9.86%
Britam Money Market Fund	USD	4.36%	4.46%
Madison Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.54%	10.01%
Madison Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.67%	11.27%
Gulfcap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.81%	12.47%
Gulfcap Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.61%	13.36%
Gulfcap Shari'ah Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	6.93%	7.15%
Absa Shilling MMF	Kenya Shilling	7.28%	7.52%
Absa Dollar Fund MMF	USD	4.02%	4.09%
Old Mutual Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.65%	10.11%
Old Mutual Dollar Money Market Fund	USD	5.30%	5.42%
Etica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.57%	10.04%
Co-op Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.95%	8.27%
Co-op Bond Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.14%	9.57%
Arvocap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.62%	11.66%
Arvocap Alimasi Fund	Kenya Shilling	1.44	1.45
Mayfair Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	6.72%	6.95%
Mayfair Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	16.50	16.50
Enwealth Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.32%	10.84%
CIC Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.18%	8.49%
CIC Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.61%	10.14%
CIC Dollar Fund	USD	4.46%	4.56%
CIC Equity Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.14	8.91
Equity Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	4.81%	4.92%
Kuza Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.95%	10.46%
Kuza Money Market Fund	USD	5.10%	5.23%
Orient Kasha Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.44%	9.90%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.75%	10.20%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	USD	5.16%	5.29%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.28%	10.80%
Lofty-Corban Private Debt Special Fund	Kenya Shilling	14.32%	15.40%
Lofty-Corban Bond Fund	Kenya Shilling	13.35	13.35
Cyttonn Money Market	Kenya Shilling	10.93%	11.55%
NCBA Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	6.75%	6.96%
NCBA Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	3.92%	3.99%
ICEA LION Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.72%	8.02%
ICEA LION Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	108.52	108.52
ICEA LION Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	126.32	126.32
Britam Bond Plus Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.39%	10.95%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (3 months)	Kenya Shilling	9.30%	9.70%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (6 months)	Kenya Shilling	9.32%	9.73%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (12 months)	Kenya Shilling	9.49%	9.92%
SanlamAllianz Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.92%	9.33%
SanlamAllianz US Dollar Fund	USD	5.09%	5.22%
Apollo Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.22%	8.57%
Genghis Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.69%	9.08%
GenAfrica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.11%	9.50%
KCB Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.86%	9.23%
KCB Money Market Fund	USD	3.54%	3.60%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	USD	6.06%	6.25%
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	USD	5.79%	5.96%
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.91%	11.53%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.04%	11.54%
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	USD	5.33%	5.46%
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.21%	9.51%
Dry Associates Special High Yield Fund	Kenya Sh		

Leisure

SIMPLE CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
 2: To list in detail
 8: Political party in Kenya founded in 1960
 9: Perfect tennis serves
 10: To split into thirds
 11: To work hard for
 13: ___ de Janeiro, Brazil
 14: A poetic tribute
 17: The pinnacle
 18: Satisfactory
 20: To change course suddenly
 21: A film spool
 22: An infamous Colombian drug lord
- DOWN**
 1: A winter Olympics participant
 2: Opening remarks
 3: A chance to play
 4: The pole on a sailboat
 5: Skating surface
 6: To separate from a country
 7: Superlative suffix
 12: Supermarket sections
 14: A decision maker
 15: To glorify
 16: The ballpoint pen inventor

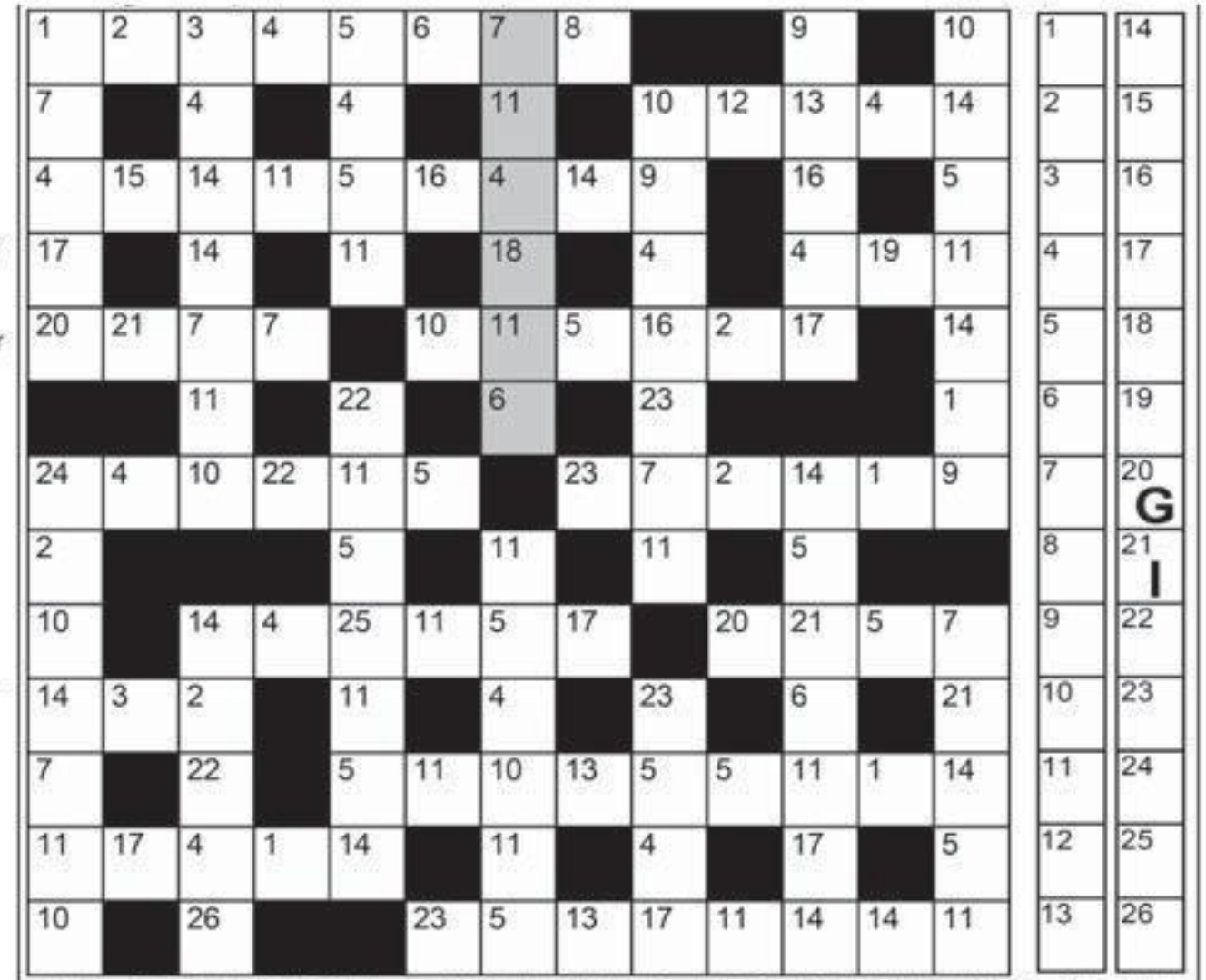


- 17: African Human Rights Alliance (abbreviation.)
 18: Hail, to Caesar
 19: A video camera button

- YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION**
ACROSS:
 1: Flamingo
 7: Lan
 8: Org
 10: Ibsen
 12: Mia
 13: Lion
 14: Mags
 15: Ago
 16: Adhd
 18: Rams
 21: Rio
 22: Ambit
- DOWN:**
 1: Foil
 2: Also
 3: Maenad
 4: Inn
 5: Goma
 6: Origami
 9: Gas
 11: Birdied
 14: Mormon
 16: Arm
 17: Hone
 19: Abba
 20: Sty
 22: Ago

CODEWORD

Each number in our Codeword grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. For example, today 20 represents G appears. You have two letters in the control grid to start you off. Enter the appropriate squares 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.

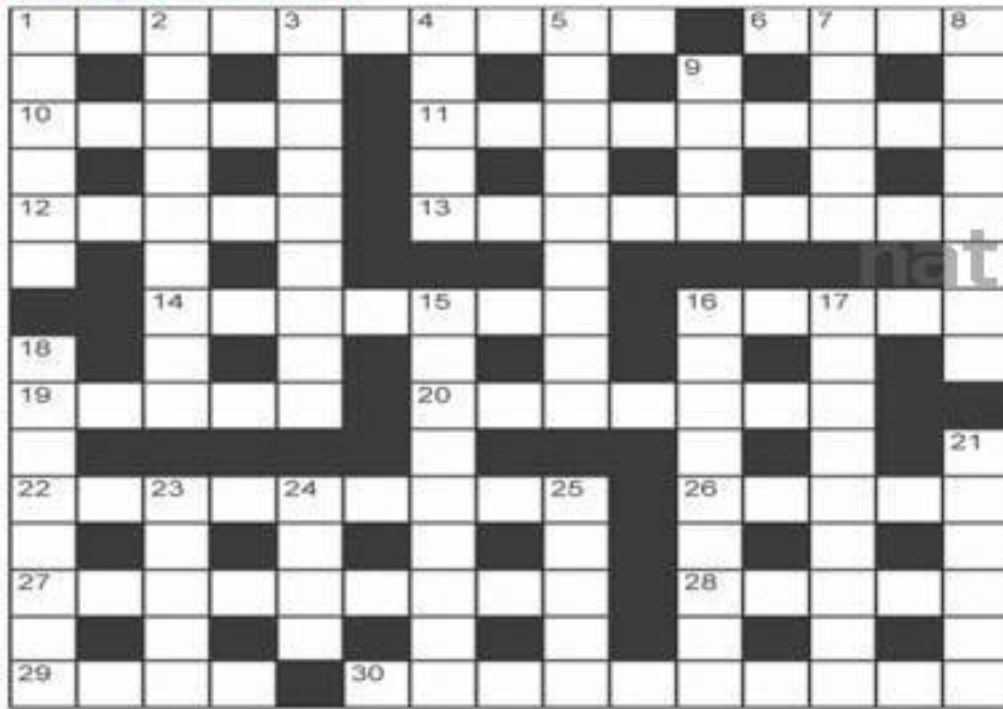


YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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

COMPLEX CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
 1 & 23 Down Cuban ecologist possibly right? Almost (5,3,2,5)
 6 Slender model debuts in wild action in film (4)
 10 Proceed with little effort when in bed (5)
 11 What held up fleet sailing for Troy? (6,3)
 12 Doctrine a male deity backed (5)
 13 Old weapon in cold storage for life (9)
 14 Carriage cutting horse in two - gruesome (7)
 16 First chapter on current subject (5)
 19 Conservative article by news boss given stick (5)
 20 Porridge-maker Oscar sitting down to eat? (7)
 22 Where will chamberpot be put out? (9)
 26 Hand out lots regularly (not for children) (5)
 27 Girl in Rome ironing as ordered (9)
 28 & 17 Down Environmental problem we hear? (5,9)
 29 Move rapidly in river (4)
 30 Being there two hours



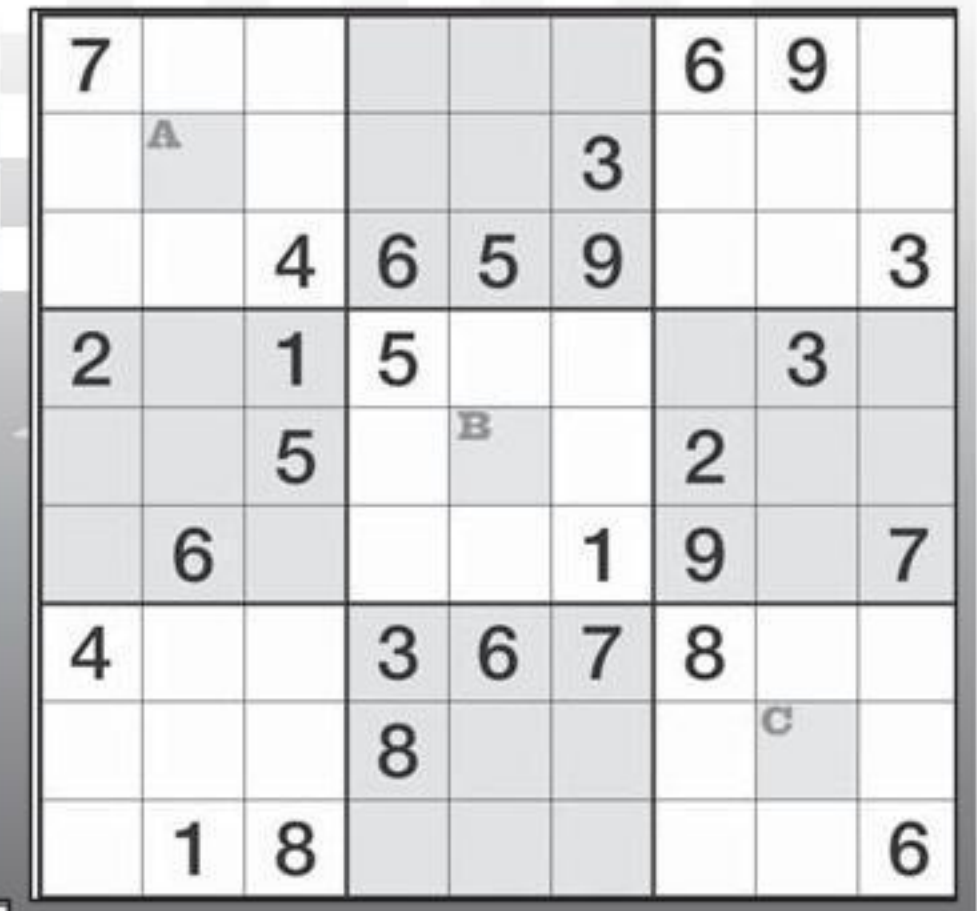
- before Cinders left ball? (10)
DOWN
 1 Bug Langley spies used to trap villain (6)
 2 Protestant to rove freely in Arab state (9)
 3 Opening day was charming (9)
 4 Packing sausages is common practice (5)
 5 Careless having initially lost info about one chap (9)
 7 Offence committed by one coming to light? (5)
 8 Hobbling soldier with female on Spanish Steps? (8)
 9 Skill needed to follow piano piece (4)
 15 Igloos remodelled in part for scientist (9)
 16 Article denounced punk band (3,6)
 17 See 28 Across
 18 Hidden crop covered with fresh seed (8)
 21 Goddess having chicken devoured sandwiches (6)
 23 See 1 Across
 24 Display behind Medical Officer at work (4)
 25 Times English clear (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

- ACROSS**
 1 Mahogany
 5 Isobar
 10 Slate
 11 Appraised
 12 Insincere
 13 Salsa
 14 Cavort
 15 Pinocle
 18 Matador
 20 Sesame
 22 Cache
 24 Interpret
 25 Black hole
 26 Padre
 27 Empire
 28 News desk
- DOWN**
 1 Muslin
 2 Head start
 3 Green woodpecker
 4 Nearest
 6 Stars and stripes
 7 Basel
 8 Radiates
 9 Upkeep
 16 Cambridge
 17 Amicable
 19 Rhinos
 20 So there
 21 Streak
 23 Clasp

SUDOKU

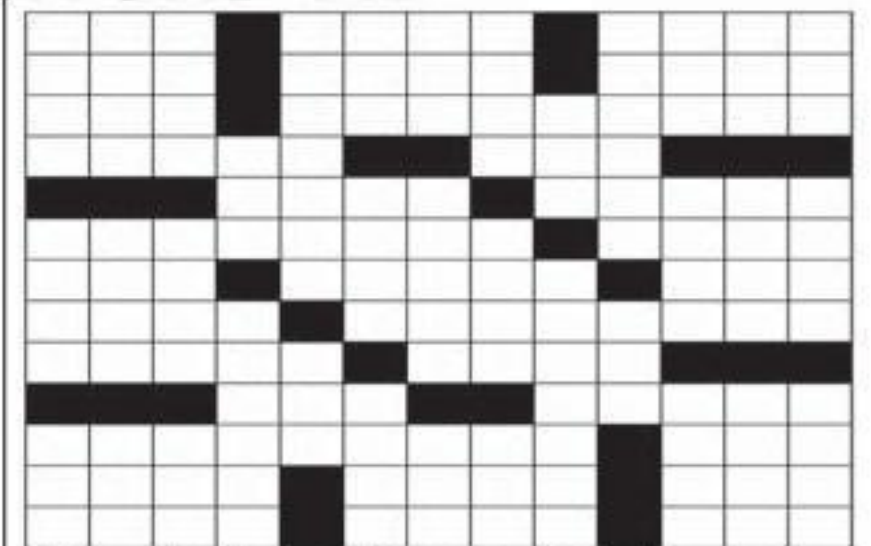
ENJOY THE GAME OF SUDOKU DAILY
 Use Numbers 1-9. Sudoku is played on a grid of 9 x 9 spaces, and 3x3 box. Don't Repeat Any Numbers. Start with some numbers filled in. Don't Guess. Sudoku is a game of logic and reasoning, so you shouldn't have to guess. Use Process of elimination.



YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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

WORD FIT



Fit the words into the grid to create a finished crossword

- 3 LETTERS**
 ACE
 ADD
 AGE
 ATE
 AXE
 BYE
 EGO
 ERR
 EWE
 EYE
 FIN
 FIR
 GAY
 GEL
 GOO
 GOO
 IRE
 LET
 LOG
 LOT
 ORE
 ERR
 OWL
 ROB
 ROE
 TWO
- 4 LETTERS**
 AXEL
 BYTE
- 5 LETTERS**
 CELT
 CLEF
 DREG
 EDEN
 ERGO
 GALA
 INCA
 IRIS
 IRON
 LIES
 NEED
 ODES
 ORBS
 OSLO
 REAM
 SAGO
 SEER
 SEND
 SNOW
 SPUN
 TILL
 YELP
 YETI
 YOGI
 ZEAL
- 6 LETTERS**
 ALIBI
 EERIE
- 7 LETTERS**
 SNOOKER
 SOCIETY
- 8 LETTERS**
 NICETIES
 STUNTMAN
- 9 LETTERS**
 COLLECTOR
 FIREBREAK
- ESTER**
OOZED
PELTS
YELPS
- 6 LETTERS**
CYCLES
LEGEND
- 7 LETTERS**
SNOOKER
SOCIETY
- 8 LETTERS**
NICETIES
STUNTMAN
- 9 LETTERS**
COLLECTOR
FIREBREAK

Take 5
 by Simon Shuker

No. 1115
 Enter the letter given, then solve.
4 = T
 Solution 1114

WordWheel
 No. 1115

Insert the missing letter to complete an eight-letter word reading clockwise or anticlockwise.
 Solution 1114: WORSHIPS

WORD-BUILDER
 1115

How many words of three or more letters, including plurals, can you make from the five letters, using each letter only once? No foreign words or words beginning with a capital are allowed. There's at least one five-letter word.

TODAY'S GOALS:
 Good - 9 Excellent - 12 Amazing - 14

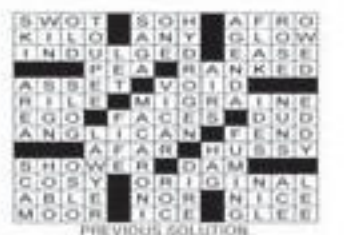
SOLUTION 1114: ale, all, dale, deal, dell, eid, ell, lad, lade, ladie, lea, lead, leal, led

TRIO 1115

These four words can be completed using the same three-letter sequence. Can you find it?

___D
 WOR___
 ___SE
 CON___T

TRIO 1114 SOLUTION
SED



**SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)
DONHOLM**

**TENDER NO. DONHOLM/2026/001
INSTALLATION OF WATER RETICULATION SYSTEM – DONHOLM**

The Management Committee invites sealed tenders from qualified contractors for the **installation of a water reticulation system for over 150 residential units in Donholm**. Tender documents may be accessed at the Management Office upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kshs. 1,000 or downloaded online through this provided link:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15X7npNw8fXeuE0S1ZK-DMnXyMWNkbeqx?usp=drive_link

All bids must be paginated/serialized and accompanied by all mandatory documents. Completed tenders must be submitted in sealed envelopes by 13th March 2026 at 11:00 a.m. Tender opening will take place immediately thereafter. Prices shall be inclusive of all taxes and remain valid for 120 days. For enquiries, contact **0706899592**

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT OF KENYA AT NAIVASHA
LAND CASE NO. E047 OF 2025
GATHENGERA INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED (WAIREGI KIARIE & ASSOCIATES LLP.....
PLAINTIFF
against**

**ROSE WANJIRU MUROKI
TERESIA WANJIRU MWANGI
PETER NGUGI
PETER MUHORO KIMANI
JOE GITHINJI NJORGE
NJEHU WA GITAU
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LEAH WANGUI GACHUHI
SAMSON GITHURA GICHUHI
JAMES MBUGUA KAHURIA
MOSES KARANJA JOHN
MWIRIGI.....DEFENDANTS**

**SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY
ADVERTISEMENT**
(Under Order 5 Rule 17 [14] of the Civil
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To
1. ROSE WANJIRU MUROKI
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13. SAMSON GITHURA GICHUHI
14. JAMES MBUGUA KAHURIA
15. MOSES KARANJA JOHN MWIRIGI**

TAKE NOTICE that the plaint has been filed at the Environment and Land court being **ELCLC NO. E047 OF 2025-NAIVASHA** in which you are named as the Defendants. Service of Summons and Notice of Motion dated 24th November, 2025 together with the orders of 16th December, 2025 issued on 8th January, 2026, you have been ordered by means of this advertisement by **Hon. Justice Oundo M. Clausina-Judge**. Copies of the Summons, Plaint and other pleadings may be obtained from the Environment and Land court Naivasha of from the offices of the Plaintiff's Advocates. **AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** that unless you enter appearance within 21 days from the date of this advertisement and file relevant responses to claim within the stipulated timelines hereinabove the matter shall be heard your absence notwithstanding.

**WAIREGI KIARIE & ASSOCIATES
ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFF**

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**REPUBLIC OF KENYA
THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT, 2019
(No. 13 of 2019)**

CORRIGENDUM NOTICE

**RE: NOTICE OF AMENDMENT OF KATORONG'OT INFORMAL
SETTLEMENT LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The County Government of Baringo wishes to notify the general public that the Notice of Amendment of the Katorong'ot Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan published in the Daily Nation and Taifa Leo Newspapers on 19th February 2026 was published in error with regard to the intended date of commencement of the sixty (60) days public inspection and comment period.

The correct position is that the sixty (60) days period for public inspection and submission of comments shall commence seven (7) days from the date of this Corrigendum Notice.

All other contents of the Notice remain unchanged.

The County Government of Baringo regrets any inconvenience caused.

Dated this **19th day February 2026**

**Hon. Lekonyia Kibwalele
CECM, Lands, Housing and Urban Development
BARINGO COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

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PUBLIC AUCTION

DISPOSAL OF ASSORTED OLD FURNITURE, SCRAP METAL, AND CERAMICS.

Duly instructed by our principals **The Nairobi Hospital-Argwings Kodhek Road** we wish to notify and invite the public to our public auction, **disposal of assorted old furniture, scrap metal and ceramics** etc.

AUCTION VENUE	AUCTION DATE	TIME
THE NAIROBI HOSPITAL -Argwings Kodhek Road Nairobi	Thursday 5 th March 2026	10:00 am

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

- Interested Purchasers are required to view the items and verify details for themselves as these are not warranted by the auctioneer or instructing client as the items will be sold **As-is-where-is-basis** at **The Nairobi Hospital Argwings Kodhek Road** during normal working hours on **Wednesday 25th February 2026 and Thursday 26th February 2026**.
- Bidders are required to obtain a **non-refundable** deposit of Kshs. 1,000 to buy the catalogue, **Kshs.20,000 refundable** deposit to obtain a bidding number for the items to the account that will be provided by the auctioneer.
- Successful bidder shall pay for the items purchased through **LIPA NA MPESA Paybill Number: 998151 A/C No: Company Name or purchaser Name** and receipt to be collected at the hospital **ADT Cashier's desk**.
- No entry to the auction without an original catalogue.
- Declared winner/highest bidder must pay a deposit of 25% of the purchase price at the fall of the hammer and the balance within 24 hours after completion of the auction failure to which the deposit will be forfeited.
- Successful bidders will make payment directly to the above account of The Nairobi Hospital.
- Declared winner/highest bidder will be given one day to clear and remove the items from **The Nairobi Hospital Argwings Kodhek Road**, preferably on or before **6th March 2026**, the Auctioneer/principal shall not be responsible for any loss thereafter.
- Sale is subject to reserve price, and the auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid without giving reasons for doing so.



**MACHE
HARDWARE STORES**

PUBLIC NOTICE



AREBA RONALD MOMANYI

The above mentioned person is no longer an employee of Mache Hardware from 30th January 2026. Any transaction on behalf of Mache Hardware Stores Nakuru will be considered null and void and monies sent to him will be lost monies.

Management.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals the chargee, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned property with all the improvements thereon.

ON WEDNESDAY 11th MARCH 2026 AT 11:00 A.M AT OUR OFFICES 4th AVENUE TOWERS, ALONG 4th NGONG AVENUE, 9th FLOOR SUITE NO. 2 NAIROBI.

All that piece of land known as **LR: NO. 12715/4348 (l.r. no. 99448/1) Machakos County** registered in the name of **SILVERIUS ISANYA BUKHALA**, the parcel extends to (0.0448) Hectares which is equivalent to (0.1107) acres or thereabouts. The property is located in Syokimau area, Machakos County. This is approximately 100 meters due West of Fairfield Gardens, approximately 255 meters due South East of Jabulani Court. The property lies within G.P.S Coordinates **1°22'27.5"S, 36°56'33.9" E. (-1.374296, -1.374296, 36.942743)**. Main water and electricity are available for connection to the property upon application. Foul drainage disposal would be to a septic tank. Immediate neighbors have developed their property with mansions and are already occupied.

- All intending Purchaser(s) are requested to view and verify the details for these are not warranted by the auctioneer or the chargee.
- A 25% deposit must be paid in cash or bankers cheque at the fall of the hammer and the balance to be paid within 90 days to the chargee's office from the date of sale failure to which the deposit money will be forfeited.
- Sale is subject to a reserve price and land control board consent (where applicable).
- Further details and conditions of sale are available on request at our offices.



Polish Humanitarian Action (PAH) in Kenya is currently looking for a Country Director to provide leadership and direction to the Country Office, ensuring high-quality, compliant and strategically aligned programming within the Country Office.

General information:

Organization:	Polish Humanitarian Action (PAH), Warsaw-based international non-governmental organization with a representation office in Kenya;
Position:	Country Director
Duty station:	Nairobi, Kenya
Job terms:	Full time
Type of employment:	Employment contract for 6 months with option to extend
Starting date:	ASAP

About PAH:
Polish Humanitarian Action (PAH) is an international non-governmental organization which since 1992 has been providing humanitarian and development help worldwide. So far, the interventions have been carried out in 52 different countries. By possessing long-standing expertise in the implementation of projects in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, Food Security and Livelihoods, Shelter NFI, as well as Protection and Education, PAH concentrates its global activities on ensuring sustainable and stable development of regions suffering from the consequences of armed conflicts, natural disasters and other humanitarian crises. PAH has been present in Kenya since April 2018 delivering development and humanitarian assistance to the most vulnerable populations. We assist Kenya's growth, through addressing challenges such as water accessibility, conducting hygiene promotion, climate change mitigation, and agriculture entrepreneurship. In collaboration with local specialists, we implement innovative methods of collecting and treating water, such as building sand dams, shallow water wells and water tanks in schools. To empower the local agricultural sector, we organize diverse training programs covering project management, leadership, administration, and modern farming techniques for agricultural cooperatives. Our projects contribute to improving the quality of living of those we serve. Our current activities include FSL, DRR, WASH and MPCL.

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- Strategic Leadership & Direction**
 - Develop and implement Country Strategy consistent with PAH's global framework
 - Represent PAH in Kenya; Establish and maintain links with local authorities, donors and partners
- Programme & Operational Oversight**
 - Supervision over implementation of project activities
 - Secure financial resources for the Country Office and contribute to regional development
 - Responsible for project development, including leading in writing project proposals.
 - Responsible for the Country Office compliance with PAH's internal procedures and with the requirements of donors.
 - Coordinate with the Internal Auditor to monitor if audit recommendations are implemented in a timely manner, if control mechanisms are strengthened, and if lessons from audits are implemented
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 - Line-manage CO SMT and oversee their performance and development.
 - Support recruitment and onboarding of senior CO positions

- Identify capacity gaps in the CO and coordinate targeted support with HQ teams

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- Responsible for planning and implementation of external audits in the Country Office
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- Represent PAH regionally and with in-country donors and coordination mechanisms in line with delegated authority
- Strengthen regional partnerships and operational collaboration between COs

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- Solid experience in representing the organization in front of local authorities as well as international donor agencies
- Sound understanding of donor rules and risk management
- Previous extensive experience in staff management in the cross-cultural environment
- Excellent interpersonal and problem solving skills across cultures
- Strong sense of personal and professional integrity
- Master's Degree in International Development, Humanitarian Assistance, Management or any other related field required
- Languages: Full proficiency (C1) in spoken and written English required
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- CONDITIONS OF SALE**
- All interested buyers/purchasers are requested to view the property and verify the details for the property; these are not warranted by the auctioneer or our clients.
 - A deposit of **25%** of the purchase price must be paid in cash or banker's cheque at the fall of the hammer and balance paid within 30 days.
 - Conditions of sale are available on request at our offices and viewing of the property can be done on prior arrangements through the above-mentioned contacts.



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LOSS of lease of Title No. Maisonette No. 64 on LR No. 1338/109 (IR No. 138613)

LOSS of title deed Kagari/Kanja/2577 of Moses Njeru

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LOST title Donyo Sabuk/Komarock block1/27367

LOST Title Kwale/Msambweni/A/3098

LOST title LR No 38276 Ndovoini for Fidelis Kamene (deceased)

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FORM PLUPA/DC/3 PUBLIC NOTICE
Physical and Land Use Planning Act (No.13 of 2019)

CHANGE OF USE
The registered owner(s) of **LONGONOT/KIABE BLOCK 4/547B (RARE)**, situated in Naivasha Sub-county, within Nakuru County proposes to change use from **Agricultural to Light Industry**, subject to approval by County Government of Nakuru. Individuals, Institutions or members of the public with comments and or objections to proposal are requested to forward them in writing within **14 Days** of this notice to: The C.E.C.M - Lands, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development, County Government of Nakuru, P.O. Box 2870, Nakuru.
Reg. Planner: Dr. Moses Kola | Registration No.: R.P.P.0099

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REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE HIGH COURT OF KENYA
AT NAIROBI
IN THE MATTER OF THE
INSOLVENCY ACT
(ACT NO.18 OF 2015)

AND
IN INSOLVENCY CAUSE NO.
HCCOMM / E171 / 2025
RE: IN THE MATTER OF
COLLECTION AFRICA LIMITED

(the Company)
APPOINTMENT OF SUPERVISOR

TAKE NOTICE that Phillip Ibrahim Onyango, of P.O. Box 773 – 00606 Nairobi, was duly appointed as the Supervisor of the Company Voluntary Arrangement approved by the Company's creditors on 8th December 2025 (which arrangement took effect on 31st December 2025) in accordance with the provisions of Part IX of the Insolvency Act, 2015.
Dated the 17th day of February 2026

PHILLIP IBRAHIM ONYANGO
(OR/II/033)
c/o P.L. Onyango & Co., The Westwood, 4th Floor, Ring Road Westlands
P.O. Box. 773-00606
Nairobi
Telephone: +254 113 804 990
Email: caladministrator@pio.ke

PUBLIC NOTICE
PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT No. 13 of 2019

EXTENSION OF USER
The Registered owner (s) of Title No: LDC/17/ Kamahuru/3737 situated within Kahani Nyangati Area, is proposing to extend use of the Property to include a Telecommunication GSM Site subject to approval by the County Government of Murang'a
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 CECM-In Charge of Lands, Physical Planning and Urban Development, County Government of Murang'a P.O Box 52-10200 Murang'a.

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

CHANGE OF USE
The registered owner of parcel No. Njoro/Ngata Block 7/728 (Chumo) situated in Ngata proposes to change the use of the land from **Agricultural to Residential Multidwelling**. This is subject to approval by the County Government of Nakuru. Individuals, institutions, or organizations with objections or comments should submit them in writing within **14 days** of the date of this notice to: The CECM, Land, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development County Government of Nakuru, P.O BOX 2870-20100, Nakuru .

FORM PLUPA/DC/3 PUBLIC NOTICE
Physical and Land Use Planning Act (No.13 of 2019)

CHANGE OF USE
The registered owner(s) of **LONGONOT/KIABE BLOCK 4/5482 (RARE)**, situated in Naivasha sub-county, within Nakuru County, proposes to change use from **Agricultural to Light Industry**, subject to approval by County Government of Nakuru. Individuals, Institutions or members of the public with comments and or objections to proposal are requested to forward them in writing within **14 Days** of this notice to: The C.E.C.M - Lands, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development, County Government of Nakuru, P.O. Box 2870, NAKURU.
Reg. Planner: Dr. Moses Kola | Reg. No.: R.P.P.0099

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE SENIOR PRINCIPAL
MAGISTRATE'S COURTS AT ENGINEER
CIVIL CASE NO. 055 OF 2025

AGNES WANJIKU WACHAGA & DAVID NJOROG GATHURA
Suing on behalf of the dependents and estate of
ANTHONY WACHAGA KANGETHE
(Deceased)-----PLAINTIFFS

VERSUS
WILLIAM GUCHU IRUNGU--DEFENDANT
SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY
ADVERTISEMENT
(ORDER 5, RULE 17)

TO: WILLIAM GUCHU IRUNGU
TAKE NOTICE that the plaintiffs named above have filed a plaint in the Senior Principal Magistrate's Court at Engineer, SPMCC No. E055 of 2025, in which case you are named as the defendant. Service of summons on you has been ordered by means of this advertisement. Copies of the summons, the plaint, verifying affidavit, and supporting documents may be obtained from the court at the Senior Principal Magistrate's Court's Civil Registry, Engineer. And take further notice that, unless you enter an appearance within 15 days of today's date, the case will be heard in your absence.

Dated at Nairobi this 19th day of February, 2026.

NGONYO MUNYUA & COMPANY
ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFFS
MAENDELEO HOUSE, 7TH FLOOR, MONROVIA STREET, P.O. BOX 25137-00100 NAIROBI

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT
AT VOI
ELC CASE NO. E002 OF 2026

JAMES M. MBOGA & 120 OTHERS PLAINTIFFS

VERSUS
DISTRICT LAND ADJUDICATION AND SETTLEMENT OFFICER TAITA TAVETA

.....1ST DEFENDANT
LAND REGISTRAR TAITA TAVETA

.....2ND DEFENDANT
ATTORNEYGENERAL

.....3RD DEFENDANT
MAUNGU INDUSTRIAL CENTRE LIMITED

.....4TH DEFENDANT
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HALIMA TUNDA

.....36TH DEFENDANT

SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY ADVERTISEMENT

TAKE NOTICE that a suit has been filed in the High Court at Voi ELC No. E002 OF 2026 in which you are named as a defendant. Service of the Court Process on you has been ordered by means of this advertisement. Copies of Plaint and the Notice of Motion 27th January 2026 may be obtained from the court at the High Court Environment and Land Court's registry Voi, or from the Plaintiffs' Advocates' Offices.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the matter is scheduled for mention on 4th March 2026 and you must enter appearance and file defense within 15 days from the date entered and or issued against you in default.

(IN OPEN COURT BEFORE HON. JUSTICE E.K WABWOTO - JON 4TH FEBRUARY 2026)

ORDER
This matter coming up for Hearing of application Notice of Motion dated 27th January 2026 and upon considering the submissions by the counsel of for the applicants.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:
1. **THAT** the matter shall be mentioned on 4th March 2026 for further directions.
2. **THAT** in the interim there shall be no eviction of any party currently residing on the suit parcel as at 9th January 2026.
3. **THAT** if any party is served with this order and disobeys the same and/or fails to comply with the terms thereof shall be in contempt of this Honorable Court and shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six (6) months.
Issued at Voi this 4th February 2026
Given under my hand and seal of this court this 4th February 2026
DEPUTY REGISTRAR
ELC VOI
DATED at Voi this 6th February 2026
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ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFFS/ APPLICANTS
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REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE HIGH COURT OF KENYA AT NAIROBI
IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT (ACT NO.18 OF 2015)
AND
IN INSOLVENCY CAUSE NO. HCCOMM/E171/2025
RE: IN THE MATTER OF COLLECTION AFRICA LIMITED
 (Under Administration)
NOTICE BY ADMINISTRATOR UNDER SECTION 596(2) OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT AND RULE 129 OF THE INSOLVENCY REGULATIONS 2016
 The Administrator of Collection Africa Limited (Under Administration) (the Company) having been duly appointed on 29th September 2025, to manage the affairs of the Company believes that the purpose of administration has been sufficiently achieved. Accordingly, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 596 of the Insolvency Act, the Administrator lodged and filed a Notice of Termination of Administration with the Court on 17th February 2025.
 The Administrator shall provide a copy of the Notice of Termination of Administration to any creditor of the Company who applies for the same in writing to the Administrator at the address specified below (including by email).
Dated the 17th day of February 2026
PHILLIP IBRAHIM ONYANGO
 (OR/1P/033)
c/o P.I. Onyango & Co., The Westwood, 4th Floor, Ring Road Westlands
P.O. Box. 773-00606 Nairobi
 Telephone: +254 113 804 990
 Email: caladministrator@pio.ke

FORM PLUPA/DC/4 PUBLIC NOTICE
 Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019
NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE
 The registered Owners of **Mavoko Municipality Block 86/247** located in Milongo, off Mombasa Road proposes to change its use from **Agricultural use to Educational use** subject to approval by the County Government of Machakos. Individuals, organizations and institutions with objections or comments etc. should forward them in writing within **14 days** from the date of this notice to:
The CECM, Lands, Urban Development & Housing, County Government of Machakos P.O BOX 1996-90100, Machakos.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT AT MERU
ELC CIVIL CASE NO. 32 OF 2018
NILESH KUMAR KRISHNAKUMAR LAKHLANI SUIING AS THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF KRISHNA KUMAR SHIVALAL ALIAS KRISHNAKUMAR SHIVLAL LAKHLANI (DECEASED), PLAINTIFF/RESPONDENT
VERSUS
PRAVIN CHANDRA SHIVALAL LAKHLANI, ...DEFENDANT/APPLICANT
SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY ADVERTISEMENT
 [Under Order 5, Rule 17 of the Civil Procedure Rules]
To: NILESH KUMAR KRISHNAKUMAR LAKHLANI [Suing as the Legal Representative of the Estate of Krishna Kumar Shivalal alias Krishnakumar Shivlal Lakhiani] P.O Box 100-60200 Meru.
TAKE NOTICE that a Bill of Costs has been filed against you in this suit where you are named as the Plaintiff/Respondent. Service of the Notice of Taxation has been ordered by means of this advertisement and the same may be obtained from the Court Registry at Meru or through the Applicant's Advocates Office. The Bill of Costs will be taxed on **3rd March, 2026**. **FURTHER**, note to attend Court as in default of your attendance, the matter shall proceed and orders made your absence notwithstanding. **DATED at NAIROBI this...19th ...day of... FEBRUARY.....2026**
MICHUKI & MICHUKI ADVOCATES FOR THE DEFENDANT
 Drawn & Filed By:
 Michuki & Michuki
 Advocates
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PUBLIC NOTICE
THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT NO 13 OF 2019
EXTENSION OF USE FROM INDUSTRIAL TO INDUSTRIAL-CUM-COMMERCIAL ON PLOT L.R. NO. 209/15364 (NAIROBI/BLOCK 71/246)
 In pursuant of the provisions of:-
 -The County Governments Act, 2012
 -The Urban Areas and Cities Act, 2010
 -The Physical and Land Use Planning Act, No. 13 of 2019
 -The Physical Planners Registration Act (1996), Section 21
 The owners of Plot L.R. No. 209/15364 (NAIROBI/BLOCK 71/246) situated on Lusaka Road, Industrial Area, Nairobi propose to extend the use from **Industrial to Industrial-cum-Commercial**, subject to approval by Nairobi City County. Individuals and institutions with any objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within **14 days** from the date of this notice to:-
CECM - Built Environment and Urban Planning Sector, Nairobi City County City Hall Way, P.O. Box 30075-00100 Nairobi, Kenya
Regd. Physical Planner, Muryua Mwaura (0101)
Dated: 20th February 2026

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019
CHANGE OF USE
 The registered owner of plot number **Ngong/Ngong/86099** wishes to change the use from **Agricultural to Church Facility** subject to approval by county government of Kajiado.
 For any objection, comments: write and submit within 14 days of this notice to:
Physical Planning department County Government of Kajiado P.O BOX 11-01100, Kajiado

Summons to Enter appearance CIVIL IB O.V.r

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE COURT AT MURANG'A
CIVIL CASE E162 OF 2021 (MULTI-TRACK)
SALOME NJERI NGONDI PLAINTIFF
-VERSUS-
JAMES MWAURA NDERITU 1ST DEFENDANT
MONICA MUTHONI 2ND DEFENDANT
(SERVICE OF SUMMONS SHALL BE SERVED THROUGH THE PLAINTIFF'S ADVOCATES OFFICE)
WHEREAS the above-named Plaintiff has instituted a suit against you upon the claim, the particulars of which are set out in the copy plaint with annexure attached hereto.
1) YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED within fifteen (15) days from the date of this advertisement hereof to enter an appearance in the said suit. Should you fail to enter an appearance within the time mentioned above, the Plaintiff may proceed with the suit and judgment may be given in your absence.
Given under my hand and the Seal of the Court this 3rd Day of DECEMBER, 2025
BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Note: You may appear in this by entering an appearance either personally or by duly appointed advocate at **Murang'a Chief Magistrates Court**. Appearance can be entered by filing with the Court Memo of Appearance in duplicate, showing the defendant's address for service.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
 Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019
CHANGE OF USER
 The Registered owner of **LR No. Gilgil/Karunga Block 2/781** located within Chokkeria Area off Gilgil-Nyahururu Road Proposes to Change the use of the land from **Agricultural to Residential (Town houses)** subject to the approval of the County Government of Nakuru. Any individual or institution wishing to make any representation or objection to the above application is requested to forward the same in writing within **14 days** of the date of this notice to:
The County Executive Committee Member Land, Housing, Physical Planning & Urban Development, County Government of Nakuru P.O Box 2870, Nakuru. PURITY E.M RPP NO.0272

PUBLIC NOTICE
 (Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 Of 2019)
DENSIFICATION OF USER
 The registered owner of Plot No. **NAIVASHA / MWICHIRINGIRI BLOCK 4 / 11180 (MIRERA)**, situated within Naivasha Sub-county in Nakuru County is applying for Densification of user from **Residential to Residential Multi-dwelling (Units)** use, subject to approval by the County Government of Nakuru. Any Individuals, Institutions, Organizations etc. with substantive material comments or objections to the proposal should forward them in writing within **Fourteen (14) Days** of this Advertisement to:-
The CECM-Lands Housing and Physical Planning, County Government of Nakuru, P.O.Box 2870-20100, Nakuru. R.P.P.ONESMUS MUSYOKI | REG. NO. 0229.

PUBLIC NOTICE
 PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT NO. 13 OF 2019
EXTENSION OF USER
 The Registered owner (s) of Title No: **Naromoru Block I(Ragati)/152**, situated within **Nanyuki Ragati Area**, is proposing to extend use of the Property to include a **Telecommunication GSM Site** subject to approval by the **County Government of Nyeri**.
 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 CECM - In Charge of Lands, Physical Planning and Urban Development, County Government of Nyeri, P.O BOX 1112-10100, NYERI.

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019
EXTENSION OF USER
 The Registered Owner of Plot Title No. **MN/I/14804 (CR 43858)**, located off Old Malindi Road within Bamburi Fisheries area is proposing to Extend Use of the land to include **Telecommunication GSM/ Base Transceiver Station** subject to approval by the County Government of Mombasa. Any individual(s), Institution(s) or Organizations with Objection(s) to the proposal are hereby requested to forward them in writing within 14 Days of publication of this notice to:
The CECM- Lands, Housing & Urban Planning, Mombasa County Government, P.O. Box 81599-80100, Mombasa. Plan: Betty A. Ong'yo | Reg. No. 0248

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019
EXTENSION OF USER
 The Registered Owner of Plot Title No. **MOMBASA/ MAJAONI SCHEME/1429**, located off Old Malindi Road within Majaoni Zowerani area is proposing to Extend Use of the land to include **Telecommunication GSM/Base Transceiver Station**, subject to approval by the County Government of Mombasa. Any Individual(s), Institution(s) or Organizations with Objection(s) to the proposal are hereby requested to forward them in writing within 14 Days of publication of this notice to:
The CECM- Lands, Housing & Urban Planning, Mombasa County Government, P.O. Box 81599-80100, Mombasa. Plan: Betty A. Ong'yo | Reg. No. 0248

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019
NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE
 The registered owner of Plot No. **NAIROBI/ BLOCK91/271** located along United Nation Avenue, Gigiri within Nairobi City County, proposes to change its use from **Residential Single Dwelling to Commercial (Shops & Offices)** subject to approval by Nairobi City County Government. Individuals, Institutions, Members of the Public etc. with comments and or objections to the proposal should forward them within **14 days** of this Notice to:
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First Anniversary


It has been one year since you left us to be with the Lord.

Time may pass, but the love, wisdom, and guidance you gave us remain deeply rooted in our hearts.

We thank God for the blessing of your life and the legacy of faith and strength you instilled in us.

You are dearly missed and forever remembered by your children Alex Simbiri, Lynda Songon, Allan Ayuko, Andrew Kiptunge, Arthur Kibet and Cynthia Muhadia, grandchildren, relatives and friends.

"Forever in our hearts"



Wylie Keith Chebwao Songon

16th Memorial Anniversary

Dear Mum,

You were our home, the place our hearts returned to, the quiet strength that steadied our steps.

Sixteen years have passed, yet your wisdom still speaks in our choices, your love still echoes in our lives, guiding us gently forward.

We miss you in the spaces words cannot reach.

And when grief feels like a valley too deep to cross, we remember the promise of Psalm 23:


"The Lord is my shepherd... Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me."

So we walk on, carrying your light within us, held by faith, strengthened by love.

For grief is love that endures, and because we loved you so deeply, you remain with us — always.

Forever in our hearts.

Your daughters **Mumbi, Wanjiku, Wangari and Wambui**



Dr Nancy Naomi Njeri
 Sunrise: 20th May 1954
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Celebrating A Matriarch



Mama Rispah Bwari Okioga Onsase
 Sunrise: 25th December 1949 ~ Sunset: 29th January 2026

It is with great sorrow and grief that we announce the passing of Mama Rispah Bwari Okioga Onsase on January 29th 2026.

Daughter of the late Mzee James Okioga and Mama Jerusha Okioga. Wife of Peter Onsase. Mama Rispah was the mother of Doreen, Olivia, Stephen Amos (USA), Emmanuel (USA) and Victoria Onsase.

Grandmother of Charmine, Chloe (USA), Evangeline (USA) and Marie Onsase. Great grandmother of Abigail and Liam Onsase.

Sister of the late Sarange Angogo, late Mariam Okioga, Jemimah Claessen, the late Ishmael Okioga, Dr. David Okioga, the late Benson Okioga, the late Professor Hezron Okioga, Stella Rioba and George Morara.

Sister in law of the late Eusebio, late Rose, Njeri, Susanna, late David Rioba, late Anthony Classen, late Felix Ombasa, late Thomas Oigo, late Agnes Onsase, late Julia Onsase, late Teresa Onsase, Robina Onsase, Susan Onsase, Joseph Onsase, the late Esther Okioga. Mother in law of Albert Ongeru.

Aunt of Ruth Angogo, Kefa Nyabaro, Ombati, Karume, Edgar, Musila, Mable, Jackline, Askefa, George, Theresa, Theresa, Felix, the late Gabriel, John James and many more.

Mama Rispah funeral entourage will leave Montezuma Funeral Home on 19th February 2026 at 3pm and proceed to the residential area at South B.

Requiem Mass will be held on 20th February 2026 at 10am at Our Lady Queen of Peace, Catholic Church, South B. Then after proceed to the final resting place.

May the Lord Our God rest her soul in peace.

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with profound sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Roselyne Kibowen Tandui of Kapchepsir, beloved wife of the late David Kibowen Tandui, which occurred on Monday, 9th February 2026. She was a loving mother to Martha (Benonin), the late Alice, Julius (Mumias Co.), Peter (Kabarnet), Catherine (MOE), Rodah (Tenges), Nancy (KNH), and Joan (Kabarnet). She was a cherished grandmother to Sheila (POSTA), Irene (Ministry of Gender), Sirma (Ravine), Brian (Kajiado), Candy (AMREF University), Samantha (MEC High School), Jessica (Saudi), Edwin (Kabarnet), Kimberly and Babra (Ossen Girls), Faith and Kiboino (Kapropita Primary), Sharon (Atlanta, USA), Jeff (Chicago, USA), Cohen (Catholic University), Kiplenge (Sun and Shield), Kevin (Eldoret Polytechnic), Sandra (Maseno University), Stella (Kapropita Girls), Andrea (Riara University), Brandin and Chloe (White Star Academy), Ray (DeKUT University), Ruby (Moi Girls Eldoret), and Randy (Sun and Shield). She was mother-in-law to William Chemallan, Veronica Muthoki, Gladys Chelelgo, the late Julius Cheboiwo, Justin Kiptoo, Nicholas Chemell, and Francis Ronoh. She was also a great-grandmother to seven great-grandchildren. Funeral service and burial will be held today Friday, 20th February 2026 at her home Kapchepsir Village, Kapropita Ward, Baringo County, starting at 8:00 AM.



Roselyne Kibowen Tandui

In God's hands you rest, in our hearts you live forever

Death and Funeral Announcement

We are deeply saddened to announce the passing of Angela L. Ursin, also known as Angela Adongo Ngunne, wife of the late Ole Ursin and an alumna of Alliance Girls' High School. Angela passed away on 6th February 2026 at Kenyatta University Hospital (KUTTRH) following a brief illness. She was the eldest daughter of Sylvia A. Ngunne and the late William A. Ngunne. Angela was a beloved granddaughter of the late James Robert Ngunne, Alice Ngunne, Mzee Abednego Okungu Ogal, Mary Okungu, Elizabeth N. Okungu, and Teresa Okungu. She was a cherished sister of Camilla Ngunne Paul; the late Beryl A. Ngunne; Brenda A. Ngunne; James R. (Caesar) Ngunne; and Hogan (Ramogi) Udoakang. Angela was a devoted mother and aunt of Darryl, Ole Ursin; the late Sylvia Achieng Ngunne; Yvonne A. Ngunne; Faith A. Ngunne; Bianca M. Ngunne, and Sharwin N. Ngunne. She was a loving niece on her father's side of the late George O. Ngunne and the late Pamela Ngunne; the late Douglas Ngunne; the late Joseph O. Ngunne and Peris Ngunne; the late Francis Odera and Addah Odera; the late Jane Ngunne; the late Fred Ngunne; the late Walter A. Ngunne and Juliana Agak; and George Olang and Elizabeth Olang. On her mother's side, she was niece of the late Gordon Onyango and Crystabel Onyango; George Ogal and the late Rose Ogal; the late George Donde and Margaret Donde; the late Aggrey Luseno and Marie Luseno; Dixon Obel and Monica Mbori Obel; Jane Sulwa; Grace Ogal; Rebecca Okungu; Michel Dinga; Nicholas Otieno; Rtd. Major James Andere; Isaac Opany; Anastancia Achieng; the late Anne Akinyi, among others. Angela was also a treasured cousin to many. Hospital Bill & Support The family kindly requests support towards settling the hospital bill. Contributions may be sent via Paybill 522533 - Account Number 8062143. Your support and prayers are deeply appreciated. Details regarding Angela's final farewell and resting arrangements will be shared once her body is released from the hospital.



Angela Adongo Ngunne

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Death and Funeral Announcement



Maurice Harun Gitau

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of Maurice Harun Gitau of Key West, Ambala Road, Nyamakima, which occurred on Sunday the 15th February 2026 suddenly at his Loresho Residence Nairobi.

Father of Nathan Watitu Gitau of Kiota School, Karen.

Son of the late John Watitu and Nancy Njeri of Loresho Estate Nairobi. Brother of Anne Nyokabi Purnell of Minneapolis, Minnesota (USA).

Nephew of Senator David and Beatrice Musila, late Susan Wangui, Muiruri wa Nyokabi of Lowell, Ma, Abraham Makima (NKU), Winnie Kamande (USA), Pastor Janet Nginyo, Danson Githumbi, late Wanjiru, Gathiuni, Gichuhi and Betty.

Cousin of Eng. Francis Musila, Aaron, Dr Nyokabi, Muli, Aaron Gitau, John both of Lowell, Ma, Greg Mwaura Muiruri, Ruth, Racheal Makima (UK), late Hurmphony and Lennie.

Cousin of the Kamandes, the Nginyos, Githumbis, Wanjirus, Gichuhi's and Gathiunis.

Brother in-law of Lamont's Purnell of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The body is lying at Lee Funeral Home, Nairobi and funeral service to Follow at Langata Cemetery same day 25th, Wednesday, 2026 from 8:30am and burial at the same place.

Gitau Wa John, You will be treasured in our hearts forever.

Rest in Glory.

Celebration of a Life Well Lived

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of CLLR. Josphat Kiragu Waichahi, which occurred on 16th February 2026 after a short illness.

Son of the late Josphat Waichahi Nduru and late Margaret Wangui Gachomo.

He is brother of the late Consolata Wanjugu, Godfrey Gachomo, Philip Gikonyo, Jane Wakarima, Sophia Wothaya, Jimmy Munene and Jane Watiri.

Loving husband of Susan Wanjiku Kiragu and devoted father of Anthony, Nancy, Samuel, Margaret, Elizabeth, and John.

Loving grandfather of Ethan, Arianna, Karl, Myles, Alani, Zayne, and Shayan.

A loving uncle, friend, and mentor to many.

Burial arrangement meetings are held at his Utawala residence and Gatoyo in Eastleigh Section 3.

The burial date is set for 25th February 2026 at his rural home in Kagonye, Othaya in Nyeri County.



Councillor Josphat Waichahi Kiragu
 Sunrise: 1951
 Sunset: 16th February 2026

Family Appreciation and Acknowledgment

We the family of the late Martin Macharia Kibicho wish to first express our gratitude to God for the life of Martin and to all those who stood with us during the preparations leading to the final send off of our beloved "Martoh". He was the son of Mr. Gilbert Kibicho & Jennifer Kibicho, a sibling of Maureen Wandia Kiumi & Stephen Kiumi and Cynthia Muthoni Kibicho.



Martin Macharia Kibicho

Sunrise: 22nd February 1992
Sunset: 30th January 2026

Beloved grandson of the late Charles & Eunice Kagarii Kibicho of Maironi, Othaya and the late Joseph Gatunduh Kihurani & Mrs Peris Muthoni Gatunduh of Kamatu, Mathira.

Martin was a wonderful and loving uncle of Leilani Njoki Kiumi, Micah Waitaha Kiumi, and Talei Ruguru Kibicho, who will forever cherish his warmth, guidance and affection. He was a nephew, cousin and uncle to many.

We express our heartfelt gratitude to the team at Madras Hospital, India, for their professionalism, care and compassion throughout his treatment. We extend very special thanks to Dr. Charles Kariuki and his associates, who walked faithfully with Martin throughout his illness with dedication, patience and genuine concern.

Our sincere appreciation also goes to the ICU team at the Nairobi Hospital for their tireless efforts, kindness and dignified care during a very difficult time.

We also extend deep appreciation to PCEA St. Andrews Parish, PCEA Kileleshwa Church for the spiritual nourishment, prayers, generous financial support and physical presence. Your encouragement and fellowship gave us strength and comfort.

We gratefully acknowledge Lee Funeral Home for their professionalism, compassion and support in handling Macharia and the funeral arrangements with dignity and respect.

Since it is difficult to list all those who stood with us during our hour of need, kindly accept our deep appreciation for being there for us. To all friends, relatives, colleagues from State Law office and well-wishers who supported us through prayers, messages, visits and acts of kindness, we remain deeply thankful. Your love and support was of immense comfort to our family.

Mash you will forever be in our hearts, your memory and impact will never fade.

"The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord." (Job 1:21)

Death and Funeral Announcement



Carolyn Mbula Musyoki (Dream Roxx)

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Carolyn Mbula Musyoki (Dream Roxx) which occurred on the 10th October 2025 at Life Care Hospital (Kikuyu) following a sudden illness caused by small bowel gangrene.

She was the beloved mother of Faraji Mwasame Wateba. Daughter of Phillip Musyoki Kituku and Jennifer Munini Mutunga (USA).

Sister of Arthur Mutava Musyoki (USA), Allan Muendo Musyoki (USA) & Judy Mbinya Musyoki (USA). Sister-in-law of Julie Mutava (USA) & Pauline Muendo (USA). Aunty of Skye, Tamara, Jelani, Arthur Junior, Levi, Austin and Adrian (all of USA). Niece of Peter Kituku (formally of Kenya Airways), Mary Kiio, David Mull, Sarah Mull, Joseph Waita, Julius Muthini (formerly of Police Service), the late Josephine Kalekye, late Boniface Mutinda, late Joshua Mutie, Angelina Waita, Angelica Muthini, Agnes Mutie, late Selina Mutinda, Stephen Mutisya, Elizabeth Mbithe, Christine Mutisya and Jonathan Muema (Mks).

Her maternal uncles and aunts are Obadiah Mutunga (formerly of Kenya Railways), Prof. Harrison Maitiwa (SEKU), Jones Mulandi, Dr. Rose Musyoka (UoN), Josephine Wanza (UoN), Pauline Mbinya, Janet Mueni and Monica Mulee. Carolyn Mbula had many cousins including: Shadrack Kituku, Mirriam Kalondu, Margaret Mwangeli, Joseph Mutiso, Phillip Muisyo, Benjamin Muia, Stephen Musyoka, William Muthoka, Kennedy Kyalo, Dennis Kioko, Anne Muthina, Felix Mwendwa, Cleophas Wambua, Irene Mwendu, Maureen Ndunge, Juliana Nthenya, Ian Muema, Mercy Muthu, Dan Mathuku, Mwendwa Musyoka, Urbanus Mua, Yvonne Mulandi, Collins Mulandi, Eric Aiko, Hellen Aiko, Sylvia Mutila, Eric Nzioki, Carol Muthu, Evans Muia, David Nabwera, Hawi Kasio and Naserian Apiyo among many others.

The cortège leaves Montezuma Funeral Home (Mbagathi Road) on Friday 20th February 2026 at 6:30a.m. The funeral service will be held on Friday 20th February 2026 at her home in Ndakuma Village, Muvau Sub - Location, Mandoi in Makueni County.

We thank God for the gift of her life and the time we shared together.
She will be remembered for her brilliance, kindness, laughter, dedication & friendship.

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

"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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Death and Funeral Announcement

With gratitude to God for a life well lived in Christ, we announce the promotion to glory of our beloved Paul Kimani Kamau on 14th February, 2026.

Son of the late John Kamau Ngotho and Mary Njoki Kamau. Beloved husband of Alice Kinaga Kimani.

Devoted loving father of Maryann Nyambura Kimani, John Kamau Kimani and Emmanuel Kinaga Kimani. Loving brother of Catherine Wangui, Rosemary Wangare, the late Lydon Ngotho, Martin Ngotho and Edwin Kanani.

Prayers and funeral arrangements are taking place daily from 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM at Ebony Meeting Chambers Tom Mboya Street Nairobi 3rd floor room 14 and Matimbei Lari Kiambu County the home village. The cortege leaves Chiromo Funeral Parlour, Nairobi on 24th February 2026 for burial at his home village.

Daddy you fought a good worthy and noble fight, you've finished the race and have kept the faith. Till we meet again. We love you dad.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints" Psalms 116:15



Paul Kimani Kamau

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the demise of Mrs. Angelinah Nduge Kyania on the 03rd Feb, 2026.

She was the daughter of the late Mwanja Mbovu and Agnes Muniyva of Kaiti Village. Wife of the late William Kyania Kilonzo.

She was a loving mother of the late Stephen Kioko, Jennifer Mbithe Gikono, Mathews Musyoki, Diana Mumo and Dennis Mutua. Mother-in-law of George Gikono, Elizabeth Wanjiku, Jennifer Wanzila. She was a proud grandmother of Wendy, Mwangi, Jude, Daphne, Sean, Kayle and Trizah. Relative, sister-in-law and aunty to many.

The funeral service and burial will take place on Friday, 20th February, 2026 at her home in Kyambai, Makueni County.

John 11:25-26


"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die."

May God grant her eternal rest and comfort all who mourn her.



Angelinah Nduge Kyania
Sunrise: 31st Dec. 1947
Sunset: 03rd Feb. 2026

DEATH AND FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT



ARTHUR KARIA GICHU

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of Arthur Karia Gichu, which occurred on **Tuesday, 17th Feb 2026**.

Karia was the son of the late Charles Kabui and Dr. Jane Kabui.

Loving brother of Duncan Kabui and Michelle Muthoni, the late Phillip Muraguri and the late Andrew Wachira.

Doting father of Zara Makena and Phillip Gichu.

Uncle to Gakenia Kabui, Kenan, Makena, Ciku, Nguru, Nguru Nkonge, Jonathan, Walla, Noni and Luke.

He was a cherished friend to many.

A Prayer meeting will be held at Nairobi Baptist Church, Ngong Road at **5:30pm on Friday, 20th February 2026**.

The Funeral Service will be held at Nairobi Baptist Church, Ngong Road on **Tuesday 24th February 2026 at 7:30am**.

Burial will follow thereafter at the family home in **Karatina, Nyeri County at 1pm**.

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want."
Psalms 23:1 NKJV

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Stephen Kabogo Ndegwa of Mbari ya Igi Village, Komothai Location, who rested on Tuesday, 17th February 2026, after a short illness.

Son of the late Ndegwa Kang'ethe I and the late Pauline Wanjiru Ndegwa. Step-son of the late Janet Wamuni Ndegwa.

Beloved husband of Lucy Wanjiru. Loving father of Brenda Wanjiru, Esther Wangari and Lucy Mwhiki.

Brother of the late George Kariuki, Anthony Kang'ethe, Mwhiki Kinyanjui, Jane Wambui and Joyce Wanjiku.

Step-brother of the late Simon Kang'ethe, Wairimu Kamanu, Beatrice Wanjiku, the late Lydia Nyandia, the late Francis Kabogo, the late Esther Wambui, Mwhiki Mbugua and the late Fred Njoroge. Son-in-law of the late Amos Mukundi and the late Esther Wangari.

Brother-in-law of Eunice Syombua, the late Kinyanjui Kahugu, Dan Gitonga and Muiruri Njane.

The cortege leaves KU Referral Funeral Home on Tuesday, 24th February 2026 at 8:00A.M. The funeral service will be held at Thuita Primary School grounds at 11.00 A.M. followed by burial at his Farm in Thuita.

Family and friends are meeting daily at his home in Komothai near PCEA Komothai Church from 4.00 p.m. for prayers and funeral arrangements.

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

Rest in Peace.
May the Name of the Lord be Glorified



Stephen Kabogo Ndegwa

4th Anniversary

Hours turn to days, days to months and months to years. Today, marks the 4th long and painful years since you sadly went to be with the Lord.

Losing you Eddie was the hardest thing to accept but remembering you is the easiest thing to do. We do it every day.

Missing you is the heartache that never goes away. Your memories are our keepsake with which we will never part. Eddie, God has you in his Kingdom but we have you in our hearts. Eddie, your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure and your smile our therapy.

You are most loved beyond words and missed beyond treasure. To God we give thanks for the life He gave you. While tears still roll in our cheeks, you are deeply missed by your dad, mum, brothers, sisters, uncles, aunties, nephews, nieces, namesake and friends.

John 2:25

And this is the promise that he has promised us - eternal life
Rest in Peace our cherished Hassan



Edmon Hassan Owino (Eddie)
Sunrise: 21/10/1994
Sunset: 202/02/2022

What is lovely **NEVER DIES,** but passes into another **LOVELINESS.**

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Death and Funeral Announcement



Joyce Nzisa Mwangela

It is with deep sorrow and humble submission to God's will that we announce the passing of Joyce Nzisa Mwangela, which occurred on 16th February 2026.

Joyce was the beloved daughter of the late George Zakayo Mwangela and the late Mary Alice Nthoki Mwangela. She was mother of Naomi Muthama, Alice Muthama, the late Janet Muthama, Margaret Muthama and Patricia Muthama. She was a doting and devoted grandmother of Ayden Nduya, Sophie-Anne Mbesa, Melissa Nzisa, Olivia-Rose Kathule, Zachary Nduya, Ella Atieno and Etta Nzisa.

She was sister of Connie Mbithe Muia, Mary Mudachi, Leila Monica Nduge Jaffer, Ngala Mwendwa Mwangela, the late Jane Mukulu Mwangela and the late Patrick Mutua Mwangela. She was sister-in-law of the late Dr. Tom Kyendo, the late Edwin Mudachi, the late Jaffer Hilal and Christine Mwendwa.

She was aunty of Betty Ndulu (USA), George and Terry Muia, Kasiki and Lorian Egesa, David and Sheila Mudachi, Dr. Faith and Mungai Githiome, Joseph Mwangela, Hilal and Aisosa Jaffer and Chantal Jaffer, George Zakayo Mwangela Mwendwa and Julee Njeru Mwangela, Imelda Koki Were and Kevin Kafuko Were, Daniel Katungo Mwendwa and Debra Muthoki Katungo and Arthur Kaviu Mwendwa among many others. Joyce was cousin of Morris Nicodemus Mwanja, Eng. Nyamasio Mwanja, Mueni Mwanja, Malelu Peter, Mumo Vetelo among many others. Meetings will be today Friday 20th, Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th at her house in Woodley.

Burial will take place on Friday 27th of February 2026 in Kilome, Kilungu, Makueni County.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" 2 Timothy 4:7

Death And Funeral Announcement



Elder Elijah Teya Sitimah

It is with profound sorrow that we announce the death of Elder Elijah Teya Sitimah, which occurred on 14th February 2026.

He was the loving son of Jane Machoka Onchiri and Samuel Onchiri. Grandson of Sitimah Nyamaiko, Priscah Nyamisa, Magembe, Barnabas Teya Nyamaiko and Obachi Machoka from Kiamokama Kisii County.

Beloved husband of Beatrice Bonareri. Loving father of Dr. Nyamisa, Barongo (KSL) and Motende Teya (Mangu High School). Brother of Manani, Nyamagera, Onserio, Bitengo, Rwozi, Nyaega, Magoma, Margaret, Ondati and Moraa. Nephew of Peter, Jerry, Nyokwoyo, Onwong'a, Gesare, Mary, Isabella, Peris, Sitimah, Fred Obachi Machoka and others. Son-in-law of the late (Caleb Motende and Truphera), Machogu, Ngige, Martha and Jerusha Motende. Cousin of Jared, Jacky, Momanyi, Ondati, Kennedy Nyamao, Abel Ondati, and others. Brother-in-law of the late (Evans and Nyarangi), Jane, Elijah, Kepha, Mobisa, Jackson, Gladys, Robert and Dr. Motende. Uncle of many.

Elijah Teya Sitimah built a distinguished career as a Human Resource Manager, serving in various capacities across several organizations in the country including Lloyd Masika, the Nairobi Hospital, Safaricom, Nestlé Kenya, East African Breweries Limited, ISON BPO and G4S, where he served as Regional Human Resource Director.

He also served as Chairperson of the Institute of Human Resource Management in Kenya and is specially credited with leading the first Council following the enactment of the Human Resource Management Professionals Act, laying a strong foundation for the Institute's governance, growth and professional standards.

His legacy of integrity, service and commitment remains firmly embedded in the hearts of the many professionals he mentored, guided and inspired throughout his distinguished career, and in the hearts of all who knew him.

Daily meetings are being held at his home in Nairobi. The main fundraiser to offset medical and funeral expenses will be held on 24/2/2026 at 5:00 PM at Maxwell SDA Church Old Sanctuary (Paybill Name: Elder Elijah Sitimah Funeral Fund, Paybill No: 4814559, Account No: Your Name).

The funeral service will be held at Newlife SDA Church, Nairobi, on 25/2/2026 from 12:00 pm. The cortege will leave Montezuma Funeral Home on 26/2/2026 at 10:00 am. Burial will take place on 27/2/2026 at his home in Narok.

May God comfort the family as we await the resurrection day.

Romans 8:38-39 (KJV) "For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creatures, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord".

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Tradition kept as two sets of Kenyan siblings join hunt for Sh60 million winner's prize
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Gor Mahia players Frank Odhiambo and Jackson Dwang during a past league match at Nyayo stadium. CHRIS OMOLLO | NAIROBI

Underdogs BB Bread face Gor in FKF Cup

BY VICTOR OTIENO

Underdogs BB Bread Football Club have described their draw against the giants, Gor Mahia, in the round of 32 of the Football Kenya Federation (FKF) Cup as a 'good challenge', and have expressed hope of causing another upset by eliminating the record winners from the competition.

Competing in the FKF Nairobi East County Branch, BB secured a place in the knockout competition by beating AFC Leopards 4-3 on penalties after the two teams played to a 2-2 draw within the allotted time in the round of 64 on February 8.

"Facing Gor is a good draw. It is a good challenge for my boys," said BB's team liaison officer, William Gitonga, after yesterday's draw at Kasarani stadium. "It is another reason for them to be accountable, and we can cause another upset," he added. The round of 32 matches are scheduled for March 7 and 8. Winning the FKF Cup earns a place in the CAF Confederation Cup.

Similar to the last three editions, this year's competition is known as the MozartBet Cup, as the gaming firm has renewed its partnership with FKF for another three years. Consequently, MozartBet has increased its sponsorship from Sh60 million to Sh90 million. Sh30 million is allocated to each season, with the winner pocketing Sh3 million.

It promises to be a tough challenge for BB, as Gor have vowed to reclaim the title they last won in 2021. K'Ogalo, who have won the trophy nine times, will play as the home team.

"It feels good that we are meeting a team that knocked out one of the Kenyan giants," said Gor's administrative manager, Ronald Ngala.

He added, "There are no small teams in this tournament. You have to play as if you are facing an equal opponent."

ROUND OF 32 FIXTURES

Murang'a Seal v FC Dynamo	Ulinzi Stars v Zoo TBM Health v Kenya
Kuta Collections v KSG Ogopa	Police Shabana v Muhoroni Youth
Bandari v Bumbani Stars	Bidco United v Tusker
L15/Nairobi United v BMC AllStars	Chebaiywa Lions v Gucha Youth
Gor Mahia v BB Bread 3K v Denmark	Kakamega Homeboyz v Kipchimchim
Zetech University v KCB	Posta Rangers v Oinopsos
Kariobangi Sharks v KU Hardnuts	Mfalme v Wisdom Soccer

CRICKET

Zimbabwe hit Sri Lanka in T20 WC

Zimbabwe fired a warning shot towards the heavyweights who have reached the Twenty20 World Cup Super Eight stage as they beat co-hosts Sri Lanka by six wickets to top Group B yesterday, chasing down a target of 179 with three balls to spare. Opener Brian Bennett scored an unbeaten 63 and captain Sikandar Raza made a quick 45 as Zimbabwe, who stunned Australia last week, handed Sri Lanka their first loss in the campaign, with both teams having already qualified for the Super Eights. "I am pretty excited with how we have gone about our business," player of the match Raza said. "We are unbeaten so far... nice position to be in as a captain but I will try and enjoy at least tonight." Zimbabwe won three of their four group games while Tuesday's match against Ireland was washed out, which meant Zimbabwe qualified for the Super Eights with Australia eliminated. (Reuters)

GOLF

McIlroy buoyed as Riviera test calls

As a student of the game from an historical standpoint, five-time major champion Rory McIlroy has an appreciation for playing in a tournament like this week's Genesis Invitational at Riviera Country Club. The event returns to its home in Pacific Palisades, Calif., after a one-year hiatus because of the fires there and the Los Angeles area. McIlroy, ranked No. 2 in the world, was asked why Riviera, started 100 years ago, has stood the test of time. "The green complexes are a big part of it," McIlroy said. "Yeah, we haven't been here in a year, obviously, and I just, I don't know why I was surprised but some of the movement and some of how much break you have to play on a lot of the putts out here, it just, I don't know why I didn't remember but it's like wow, this is -- so the greens provide a challenge in themselves. (Reuters)

CAF Confederation Cup Only Gor Mahia has reached group stage

Nairobi United's bagful of lessons

Club shifts focus to premier league flopping at continental tournament

BY VICTOR OTIENO

From North Africa to East and Central Africa, Nairobi United's whirlwind continental tour ended with harsh but valuable experience, which they hope to capitalise on in their pursuit for domestic success.

In their first appearance in the CAF Confederation Cup, Nairobi United's campaign came to an end on Sunday with a 3-0 defeat to Association Sportive Maniema Union of the DR Congo at the Stade TP Mazembe in Lubumbashi.

Having failed to win any of their six Group B matches and managing to score just one goal, the 'Naibois' finished bottom of the pool.

Morocco's Wydad Athletic Club and Maniema progressed to quarter-finals, having topped the group with 15 and 12 points respectively. Tanzania's Azam FC finished third with nine points.

Despite their poor performance, Nairobi are pleased with their debut campaign in CAF inter-club competitions. They have become only the second Kenyan team, after Gor Mahia in 2019, to reach the group stage of the event.

"Post-group stage 2026 CAF rankings place Nairobi United at 59th in Africa, reflecting their debut status at this level," the club said in a statement.

By beating Gor 2-1 in last season's domestic cup final (the Mozart Bet Cup), Nairobi qualified for the Confederation Cup and exceeded expectations by reaching the group stage.

'Naibois' began their continental campaign with a hard-fought 2-2 draw against Uganda's National Enterprise Corporation (NEC) at the Hamza Stadium in Kampala on September 20 last year. After the teams drew 1-1 in the return match at Nyayo stadium in Nairobi a week later, Nairobi progressed to the second preliminary round on the away goals rule.

It was at this stage that Nairobi United shocked many by upsetting Tunisian giants Etoile Sportive du Sahel to reach the group stage. After Sportive equalised to make it 2-2 on aggregate, erasing Nairobi's 2-0 win in the first leg at Nyayo Stadium, Naibois won 7-6 on penalties at the Sousse Olympic Stadium in Tunisia. However, they lost all their match-



Nairobi United's Mustafa Kizza (left) with teammate Lesley Owino, tackle Hakim Ziyach, of Wydad AC, during CAF Confederation Cup match at Kasarani, on February 8. CHRIS OMOLLO | NAIROBI

es in the group stage. Duncan Omala scored their only goal at this stage.

They went down 4-0 on aggregate against Wydad - 3-0 at the Larbi Zaouli Stadium in Casablanca, Morocco, and 1-0 at Kasarani. Nairobi lost 1-0 to Maniema at Kasarani, and lost 3-1 on aggregate to Azam - 2-1 at Nyayo and 1-0 at Amaan Stadium in Zanzibar.

Nairobi said they were at a disadvantage due to their rivals' 'years of continental experience, established technical teams and institutional continuity'.

Unlike their rivals, no Nairobi United player had played in the CAF interclub competition before this season. Speaking after their first-leg loss to Azam at Nyayo stadium, Nairobi's interim coach, Salim Ali, attributed their struggles to a lack of continental experience.

"During the match, you could see the difference between experience and inexperience," he said.

Throughout the group campaign, Ali complained about lapses in concentration by his players and their failure to

capitalise on the chances they created. In their statement, Nairobi also cited being forced to make a coaching change midway through the competition as a factor in their poor performance.

Coach Nicholas Muyoti, who guided the team to the Confederation Cup and was in charge of the matches against NEC, as well as the first-leg encounters against Sportive Maniema and Wydad, resigned in mid-January.

"Furthermore, a mid-campaign coaching change added instability at a crucial point, compounding challenges on the field," the statement said.

"While the results may have been inconsistent, the campaign offered invaluable lessons in logistics, mental resilience, recovery management and squad rotation — experience that will pay off in both domestic and future continental competitions," it added.

Nairobi, placed 10th on 25 points in the Football Kenya Federation Premier League standings, are confident of challenging for the title.



Magical Kenya Open At least six former champions are seeking rare double in this year's tournament

Swede, South African share lead

Kibugu impresses to keep Kenya's hopes alive on the first day of the 57th edition of the tournament at Karen club

BY LARRY NGALA

Swedish professional Niklas Lemke closed round one of the 2026 Magical Kenya Open with an eagle at the par-five 18th hole, finishing with an impressive eight-under 62 to share the lead with South Africa's Casey Jarvis at the par-70 Karen Country Club yesterday. Lemke, who earned his European Tour card for 2019 with a sixth-place finish at Qualifying School's final stage, had rolled in six birdies before his closing-hole eagle. Two of these came on the front nine and four on the back nine. Lemke had enjoyed an early lead before the South African arrived with his bogey-free 62, which included a total of 10 birdies — six of which came on the opening nine. "I think I've shot eight under before, but not a 62, so I'm pleased with that. It was a nice way to finish. I played fairly solidly the whole day. I like these kinds of golf courses; they are a little short," the Swede said during the event.

Kenyan Njoroge Kibugu, 22, showed steady improvement on the back nine. After a single birdie on the front, Kibugu rolled in four more—including one on the 18th—to finish with a four-under-par 66. This performance tied him for 16th and kept Kenya's hopes alive in the tournament's 57th anniversary year. "I got out of the gate hot and gave myself chances. It could have been better, but it could have been worse, too. I am happy with the result," Kibugu told journalists after his first round. But back at the top of the leaderboard, Scotland's David Law produced a seven-under-par 63 to share second place with Thailand's Kiradech Aphibarnrat. The Thai also carded a 63 in the opening round, which attracted a small crowd. Kiradech made his 63 with eight bird-

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Njoroge Kibugu, Kenyan golfer



David Law, from Scotland, tee off from 17th tees off during Magical Kenya Open at Karen Golf and Country Club yesterday. CHRIS OMOLLO | NATION

ies, while Law also fired eight birdies to move to the top. Among past winners, South Africa's Justin Harding and Sweden's Sebastian Soderberg shot a best-of-the-day four-under 66, to join Kenya's Kibugu in an 18-player tie. Home player Edwin Mudanyi carded a level-par 70, while Mutahi Kibugu finished with a one-over-par 71, tying with Kenya's leading amateur John Lejirmah and pro Jastas Madoya. However, Rwanda's Celestin Nsanzu-

wera finished with a score of one under par, putting him in the red. But it's not over yet for the rest, as they can still climb to the top in what looks set to be a low-scoring week, given the number of players who shot under par. A total of 84 players out of the field of 144 fired one-under-par or better, a very impressive opening round. Meanwhile, the team of Kenya Open Golf Limited and the Kenya Golf Union, partnered by South African pro Zander and Frenchman Romain Langasque,

topped the leaderboard in the afternoon session of the 2026 Kenya Open Pro-Am at Karen Country Club on Wednesday. The combined efforts of the two professionals and the amateurs Collins Ojiambo, Patrick Wanjau, and Brian Akun, who is the vice chairman of the Kenya Golf Union (KGU), produced an impressive score of 40 under par, beating the Kenya Ladies Golf Union team of Rosemary Mkok, Patricia Wangong'u, and Rita Waruinge, who were playing with professionals Alex Fitzpatrick and Casey Jarvis. They posted a total of 37 under par, while the ABSA team of professionals Richard Sterne and Mikael Lundberg, and amateurs Josephine Njoroge, Duncan Sifunah and Steve Gitau, finished third on 30 under par.

A total of 88 professionals took part in the Pro-Am: 44 in the morning session and a similar number in the afternoon. During the afternoon session, the Kenya Golf Federation team of professionals, Adrian Otaegui and Ángel Ayora, who were supporting the amateur team of Janealice Mutuota, Caleb Cositany and Eric Nyongesa, carded a total of 41 under par to win by a large margin. The government team of professionals, Stefano Mazzoli and Ewen Ferguson, who were supporting the amateur team of Carol Karanja, Kate Murima and David Onyoka, produced a score of 35 under par.



Friday, 20th February 2026 at Karen Country Club

DAY 2 DRAW - CUT DAY

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Nairobi United shifts focus in search of local glory after CAF Confederation Cup lessons P.34



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Bidding introduced for tourney's hosting rights

BY AYUMBA AYODI

For the first time in the history of the Magical Kenya Open Golf Championships, clubs were invited to bid to host the event.

Patrick Obath, chairman of Kenya Open Golf Limited, said that this year's DP World Tour event marks another milestone, as clubs across the country will now have the opportunity to bid to host the event in future.

Since its inception in 1967, only two clubs have hosted the Magical Kenya Open: Muthaiga Golf Club and Karen Country Club. Muthaiga Golf Club, home of the Kenya Open Golf Championship, which was a European Challenge Tour event before transitioning to the European Tour and now the DP World Tour, has hosted 45 events.

Karen Country Club, which hosted the first DP World Tour event in 2019, has staged the championship 11 times, including the second edition in 1968, after which it took a 33-year break before staging it again in 2004 for five consecutive years.

Muthaiga had hosted the event for four years before the organisers opted for the bidding process.

"We went through a procurement process and Karen Country Club won out over Muthaiga Golf Club," said Obath, adding that clubs from within and outside Nairobi have already expressed their desire to host the DP World Tour event.

However, Obath said that hosting the event would not be easy, as clubs would need to invest heavily, especially in their courses. This makes Windsor Golf and Country Club and Vi-

pingo Ridge, Kilifi, potential hosts for future DP World Tour events.

"We needed to professionalise our operations and improve the standard of our facilities. It's good that Karen took up the challenge and secured a three-year deal," said Obath, adding that fresh bids will be invited after two years, following a thorough selection process.

He said they are working with Royal Nairobi, Windsor and Vipingo to raise their standards.

"Royal are already upgrading their fairways, as is Vipingo. Windsor is creating a fan-friendly course," said Obath, adding that the distance to Vipingo won't be a challenge.

"This is a tourist town where good accommodation facilities are being built."

He explained that transport to Vipingo from Kilifi, Malindi and neighbouring towns would not be an issue, as free shuttles would be organised for fans.

"Hosting a major event outside Nairobi will be quite historic and a good venture," stated Obath, explaining that Vipingo hosted the Ladies European Tour in 2019, as well as in 2022, 2023 and 2024. The 2020 and 2021 tours were cancelled due to the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic. Obath noted that history is repeating itself at Karen this year, as the weather is dry, just as it was in 2019 when the venue hosted the first DP World Tour event. "Apart from the rain on the eve of the event, it has generally been dry. We had stripes of green in 2019, but our greenkeepers have done a good job with the fairways and greens," Obath said yesterday.

Magical Kenya Open Tournament Director Patrick Obath during a recent interview at Muthaiga Golf Club. EVANS HABIL



MAGICAL KENYA OPEN

Kenyan siblings in race for Sh60m prize at Karen

The oldest golfing tournament in EA has had a soft spot for siblings over the years

BY LARRY NGALA

From the Molinaris to the Elviras, the Magical Kenya Open has always welcomed siblings. The 2026 edition continues this tradition, but with a distinctly local flavour: Mutahi Kibugu and his brother Njoroge Kibugu, as well as John Wangai and Samuel Njoroge, have joined 144 other golfers from around the world in competing for the top prize of Sh60 million.

These two pairs of siblings learnt the game from their fathers. Wangai and Njoroge were taught by their father, Joseph Chege, while Dan Kagwe introduced his sons, Mutahi and Njoroge, to the game. Nacho, 37, and Manuel, 28, are Spanish brothers who compete on the DP World Tour. They frequently compete together in professional tournaments. Brothers, Edoardo (born 1981) and Francesco (born 1982) are Italian professional golfers.

The Kenyan siblings have all played in the Kenya Open, the oldest professional golf championship in East Africa, which started way back in 1967. The Italian siblings competed in the Open before it became part of the DP World Tour series.

Molinari, the winner of the 2018 Open Championship, was successful in winning the Kenya Open trophy. His brother won the Tusker Kenya Open in 2007, a significant victory that improved his standing, eventually topping the 2007 European Challenge Tour Order of Merit. Nacho and Manuel Elvira also participated in the 2024 Magical Kenya Open at Muthaiga Golf Club.

The 2026 edition has a prize fund of \$2.7 million (about Sh348 million) and features 18 local players, including 12 professionals. Among them are the Kenyan sets of siblings. Wangai said he started playing golf at the age of nine, guided by his father, Chege,



Mutahi Kibugu, of Nyeri Golf Club, follows the progress of his tee shot during Magical Kenya Open Golf Pro-Am tournament on Wednesday at Karen Golf and Country Club. CHRIS OMOLLO | NATION

who had a handicap of 12 at Njoro Country Club. Chege maintained a single-figure handicap for over two decades.

"It's such an achievement that we are both playing in the open. It's a great feeling," said Wangai, who is the chairman of the Professional Golfers of Kenya (PGK).

His brother Njoroge, who belongs to the Kenya Railway Golf Club, started playing golf at the age of seven. Like Wangai and his brother, the Kibugu brothers, Mutahi and Njoroge, were inspired to take up golf by their father, Kagwe, who was also a golfer. He was based in Uganda, where he served as captain of the Uganda Golf Club on Kitante Road in Kampala.

Njoroge was the first and only Kenyan to qualify for the Kenya Open in 2022. He was 18 at the time and a junior amateur. He started playing golf at the age of three. His game improved when he was five. At the time, he was based at Muthaiga Golf Club.

The Kibugu brothers did well on the local PGK Equator Tour, to qualify for the Open.

"Karen has been exceptional for me. In terms of preparation, however, I must say the Sunshine De-



John Wangai during Magical Kenya Open at Karen yesterday. SILA KIPLAGATI | NATION

velopment Tour East Africa Swing provided Kenyan players with a great opportunity," he said.

"Coming into the season, I heard the Sunshine Tour was up for grabs. I knew I needed to work hard. I was happy when I secured a place on the Sunshine Tour. I train from 8am to 5pm daily and rest on Sundays," said Kibugu.

He added, "I put in the work, and I would like to thank my friends who helped me get to where I am today. Taimur Malik, Daniel Kiragu, Mutahi, Ken Mbugua and Dan Chelogy have all been very supportive. They help me prac-

tise." My team also has my swing coach, who is based in South Africa, and my girlfriend. They have contributed immensely to my game. We have both professionals and amateurs in the team."

Before the 2026 Kenya Open, they held a training camp to assess their preparations for the upcoming season and events.

"We make a lot of sacrifices to play good golf. I wake up early to go to the gym for up to four hours. I train all day. It's not easy, but I enjoy it. I'm happy to see the results of my efforts," said Kibugu.

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

KENYA PIPELINE COMPANY PLC

(Incorporated in the Republic of Kenya with registration number PLC-VY7TPQMRK)

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

The Capital Markets (Securities) (Public Offers, Listing and Disclosures) Regulations, 2023

INITIAL PUBLIC OFFER OF 11,812,644,350 ORDINARY SHARES AT AN OFFER PRICE OF KES 9.00 PER SHARE

ISSUANCE OF SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION MEMORANDUM NO. 2

Further to the approval granted by the Capital Markets Authority ("CMA") and the publication of the Information Memorandum dated 17 January 2026 and Supplementary Information Memorandum dated 18 February 2026, in respect of the Initial Public Offer of 11,812,644,350 Ordinary Shares in Kenya Pipeline Company PLC, investors and the general public are hereby notified that a further Supplementary Information Memorandum has been issued with the approval of the Capital Markets Authority. The purpose is to provide the investing public with information regarding a change in the status of Material Litigation, Amendments to the Articles of Association of the Company to incorporate Investor Feedback ensuring Broad-Based Ownership Objectives, Governance Alignment and Strategic Positioning of Kenya Pipeline Company PLC as a Regional Entity.

The changes include an extension of the Offer Period. The revised timetable now reflects the new dates as shown below;

Important Date	Revised Date
Offer Period Opens	19 January 2026
Offer Closes	24 February 2026
Announcement of Allocation Results	4 March 2026
Final Date of Payment on Guarantees (Domestic & International)	6 March 2026
Electronic Crediting of Shares to CDS Accounts	6 March 2026
Processing of Refunds	6 March 2026
Trading of KPC Shares Commences at the NSE	9 March 2026

The Supplementary Information Memorandum No. 2 dated 19 February 2026 is available on <https://kenyapipelineipo.co.ke>

All other terms and conditions of the Offer remain unchanged.

By Order of the Board

Faith Boinett

Chairman

19 February 2026

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION MEMORANDUM No. 2 TO THE INFORMATION MEMORANDUM DATED 17TH JANUARY 2026

KENYA PIPELINE COMPANY PLC

(Incorporated in the Republic of Kenya with registration number PLC-VY7TPQMRK)

ISSUED IN RELATION TO THE INITIAL PUBLIC OFFER (IPO) OF 11,812,644,350 ORDINARY SHARES (65% OF THE TOTAL ISSUED ORDINARY SHARE CAPITAL OF KENYA PIPELINE COMPANY), WITH A PAR VALUE OF KES 0.02, AT AN OFFER PRICE OF KES 9.00 PER SHARE BY THE NATIONAL TREASURY

The date of this Supplementary Information Memorandum is 19th February 2026.

1. IMPORTANT NOTICE AND STATEMENTS

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CONSIDERATION WHICH REQUIRES YOUR CAREFUL ATTENTION

On 17th January 2026, Kenya Pipeline Company PLC ("KPC" or the "Company") published an Information Memorandum ("IM") inviting applications for 65% of the issued ordinary shares of Kenya Pipeline Company, being shares offered for sale by the Government of Kenya acting through the Cabinet Secretary to the National Treasury.

A copy of the Information Memorandum and this Supplementary Information Memorandum are available on the IPO offer website (<https://kenyapipelineipo.co.ke>).

This document is NOT the Information Memorandum. It is a Supplementary Information Memorandum and MUST be read together with the Information Memorandum, which contains important information necessary for making an informed investment decision in respect to the Initial Public Offering.

This Supplementary Information Memorandum requires your careful consideration as it provides additional disclosures and updates to certain matters contained in the Information Memorandum, as detailed herein. If you are in any doubt regarding the contents of this Supplementary Information Memorandum or the action you should take, you are advised to consult your investment bank, financial adviser, stockbroker, or other professional adviser duly authorised by the Capital Markets Authority, who specialises in advising on the acquisition of shares and other securities.

The directors of the Company, whose names appear in the Information Memorandum, accept responsibility for the information contained in this Supplementary Information Memorandum. To the best of their knowledge and belief, and having exercised all reasonable diligence to ensure its accuracy, the information set out herein is true and correct in all material respects and does not omit any material fact the omission of which would render any statement herein misleading. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Supplementary Information Memorandum, terms used herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Information Memorandum.

Introduction

Pursuant to the Government of Kenya's policy on the divestiture of its interests in public enterprises, the Government of Kenya, acting through the National Treasury of Kenya, is offering for sale 11,812,644,350 ordinary shares of par value KES 0.02 each in the Kenya Pipeline Company, representing 65% of the Company's total issued ordinary share capital from the Government's existing shareholding.

The shares are being offered to eligible individuals, institutions, and qualifying international investors at an Offer Price of KES 9.00 per share. The Offer opened on 19th January 2026 and was scheduled to close on 19th February 2026.

Additional Information with respect to the offering for sale 11,812,644,350 ordinary shares of par value KES 0.02 each in the Kenya Pipeline Company, representing 65% of the Company's total issued ordinary share capital from the Government's existing shareholding

i) Material Litigation

Prospective Investors are informed of a change in the status of the Material Litigation section of the IM following the dismissal of the petitions challenging the constitutionality of the Privatization Act save for the Petition HCCHRPET/E001/2026 – Okiya Omtatah Okoiti & 2 Others v The National Executive & Others with respect to which the presiding Judge has recused himself on the basis that he has issued contrary orders in the consolidated petitions which raise similar issues.

ii) Governance Alignment and Strategic Positioning

To further enhance minority investor protections, strengthen the Company's governance framework and in recognition of the strategic regional importance of the Company's business, its stakeholders and to promote the long-term success of the Company, the board has further proposed amendments to the Company's articles of association and these amendments have been approved by the Cabinet Secretary of the Treasury. A summary of the changes is set out below and a detailed summary available for inspection:

- i. The amendment of the articles to grant nomination rights to the Government of Uganda (GoU) acting through its Minister of Energy and Mineral Resources to appoint at least two (2) directors so long as they hold not less than twenty per cent (20%) of the issued share capital of the Company
- ii. The amendment of Article 21 (Reserved Matters) to require an affirmative vote of a GoU Director, in addition to a director appointed by the Government of Kenya, acting through the Cabinet Secretary Treasury, in respect of certain reserved matters as set out in the amended and restated Articles of Association, and to provide for the inclusion of the additional reserved matters
- iii. The amendment of the articles to enhance board composition considerations incorporating the consideration of regional interests reflecting the Company's strategic positioning as a regional entity

iii) Voting Rights

The proposed amendments do not affect the existing voting rights of shareholders including the Cabinet Secretary of the Treasury representing the Government of Kenya, nor do they create or introduce any new class of shares.

iv) Status of the Company

The Company shall retain its status as a Public Company Limited by Shares incorporated in the Republic of Kenya.

v) Revision of The Offer Timetable

Further to the approval granted by the Capital Markets Authority ("CMA"), the Company hereby informs investors and the general public that the Offer timetable has been amended. The updated timetable is set out below:

Important Date	Revised Date
Offer Period Opens	19 January 2026
Offer Closes	24 February 2026
Announcement of Allocation Results	4 March 2026
Final Date of Payment on Guarantees (Domestic & International)	6 March 2026
Electronic Crediting of Shares to CDS Accounts	6 March 2026
Processing of Refunds	6 March 2026
Trading of KPC Shares Commences at the NSE	9 March 2026

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Basis for the Revision

Investor Feedback, Broad-Based Ownership Objectives, Governance Alignment and Strategic Positioning of Kenya Pipeline Company PLC as a Regional Entity

Following investor feedback and extensive investor engagement during the Offer Period, the board of directors of the Company, with the approval of the Cabinet Secretary of the Treasury as the sole member of the Company has approved the extension of the offer period to encourage retail participation in the offer.

To further enhance minority investor protections, strengthen the Company's governance framework and in recognition of the strategic regional importance of the Company's business, its stakeholders and to promote the long-term success of the Company, the board has further proposed amendments to the Company's articles of association and these amendments, as set out above, have been approved by the Cabinet Secretary of the Treasury.



Magical Kenya Open putting the country on the global map

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Magical Kenya Open is one of the most prestigious golf tournaments in the world, and the 2026 edition is set to be a landmark event for Kenya. The tournament, which is part of the DP World Tour, is being held at the Karen Country Club in Nairobi from February 19th to 22nd, 2026. The event is being organized by Kenya Open Golf Limited, a joint venture between the Ministry of Youth Affairs, Creative Economy and Sports and the Karen Country Club. The tournament is expected to attract a large number of international players and spectators, and is expected to generate significant revenue for the country. The event is also expected to provide a platform for showcasing Kenya's hospitality, infrastructure, and competitive spirit to the world. The tournament is being presented by Absa and is part of the DP World Tour. The event is expected to be a major success for Kenya and will help to put the country on the global map.



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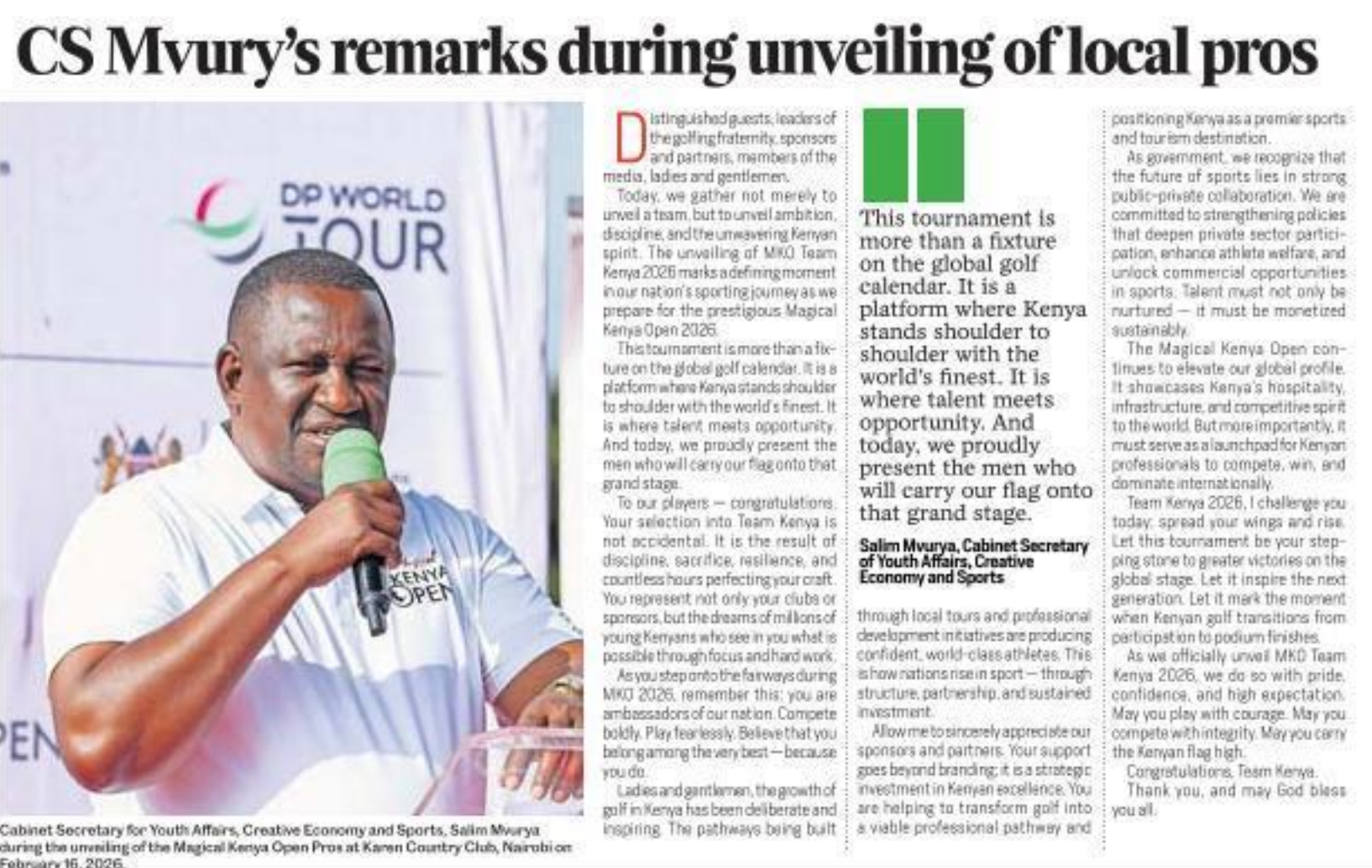
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CS Mvurya's remarks during unveiling of local pros



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Salim Mvurya, Cabinet Secretary of Youth Affairs, Creative Economy and Sports

Distinguished guests, leaders of the golfing fraternity, sponsors and partners, members of the media, ladies and gentlemen,

Today, we gather not merely to unveil a team, but to unveil ambition, discipline, and the unwavering Kenyan spirit. The unveiling of MKO Team Kenya 2026 marks a defining moment in our nation's sporting journey as we prepare for the prestigious Magical Kenya Open 2026.

This tournament is more than a fixture on the global golf calendar. It is a platform where Kenya stands shoulder to shoulder with the world's finest. It is where talent meets opportunity. And today, we proudly present the men who will carry our flag onto that grand stage.

To our players — congratulations. Your selection into Team Kenya is not accidental. It is the result of discipline, sacrifice, resilience, and countless hours perfecting your craft. You represent not only your clubs or sponsors, but the dreams of millions of young Kenyans who see in you what is possible through focus and hard work.

As you step onto the fairways during MKO 2026, remember this: you are ambassadors of our nation. Compete boldly. Play fearlessly. Believe that you belong among the very best — because you do.

Ladies and gentlemen, the growth of golf in Kenya has been deliberate and inspiring. The pathways being built through local tours and professional development initiatives are producing confident, world-class athletes. This is our nation's rise in sport — through structure, partnership, and sustained investment.

Allow me to sincerely appreciate our sponsors and partners. Your support goes beyond branding; it is a strategic investment in Kenyan excellence. You are helping to transform golf into a viable professional pathway and positioning Kenya as a premier sports and tourism destination.

As government, we recognize that the future of sports lies in strong public-private collaboration. We are committed to strengthening policies that deepen private sector participation, enhance athletes' welfare, and unlock commercial opportunities in sports. Talent must not only be nurtured — it must be monetized sustainably.

The Magical Kenya Open continues to elevate our global profile. It showcases Kenya's hospitality, infrastructure, and competitive spirit to the world. But more importantly, it must serve as a launchpad for Kenyan professionals to compete, win, and dominate internationally.

Team Kenya 2026, I challenge you today: spread your wings and rise. Let this tournament be your stepping stone to greater victories on the global stage. Let it inspire the next generation. Let it mark the moment when Kenyan golf transitions from participation to podium finishes.

As we officially unveil MKO Team Kenya 2026, we do so with pride, confidence, and high expectation. May you play with courage. May you compete with integrity. May you carry the Kenyan flag high.

Congratulations, Team Kenya. Thank you, and may God bless you all.



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How the Magical Kenya Open Strengthens Local Communities



From left: Kenya Open Golf Limited Public Relations Director of Public Relations, Sustainability and Marketing Zuhara Okada Odhiambo with ST Mary's Comprehensive Primary School Head Teacher Mildred Mvuro, and Deputy Head Teacher Sneider Caroline Mwangangi on February 18, 2026 in Karen, Nairobi.

The Magical Kenya Open delivers measurable benefits to local communities beyond the sporting competition. The annual four-day DP World Tour event in Nairobi generates structured engagement across education, youth development, infrastructure, and local enterprise, creating long-term value that extends beyond tournament week.

Education and skills development form a central pillar of community engagement. Students from BOMA University of Kenya and Technical University of Kenya participate in operations including media coordination, hospitality management, and technical logistics. Exposure to international event standards provides practical training in event planning, coordination, and operational management, strengthening professional capabilities in hospitality, media, engineering, and event management.

These structured roles offer students applied experience within a global sporting environment, enhancing employability and professional readiness.

Local schools also benefit from direct infrastructure improvements. At St Mary's Primary School in Karen, Kenya Open Golf Limited has undertaken painting, classroom upgrades, and general facility maintenance. The improvements create lasting enhancements to learning spaces, providing students with safer, more functional environments and leaving a tangible legacy in the surrounding community. These interventions are designed to complement broader educational initiatives and integrate seamlessly with existing school infrastructure.

Youth development programs form another critical element of the tournament's community engagement. Structured activities, including the "Be the Pro" challenges, allow emerging golfers to interact directly with professional athletes, fostering interest in the sport and building talent pathways. Additional training sessions and workshops focus on skill development, rules, and discipline in golf, while tournament-related infrastructure upgrades ensure that facilities meet DP World Tour standards. These improvements strengthen the host venue for future competitions and create multi-use spaces for community activities throughout the year.

The tournament's global broadcast amplifies the impact on the local community. Coverage reaches international audiences while highlighting Nairobi-based schools, student engagement programs, and venue improvements. This visibility positions Nairobi as a capable host city and reinforces Kenya's reputation as a destination for sporting and leisure events.

Economic participation complements these community initiatives. Licensed vendors at the venue are allocated designated spaces to sell food, merchandise, and other services. Access to both local and international spectators generates revenue opportunities, while structured planning ensures that operational logistics are managed efficiently. Vendors expand staff, increase stock, and extend operating hours to meet demand, integrating local enterprise into the tournament's framework and linking community engagement to economic benefit.

Through investments in education, youth programs, infrastructure, and enterprise, the Magical Kenya Open generates sustained commercial value. The event develops skills, enhances facilities, supports talent pathways, and provides structured economic opportunities. By connecting global attention to local engagement, the tournament ensures that its impact endures well beyond the final putt, delivering long-term benefits for communities across Nairobi and the surrounding region.

Kenyan golfers take on the world at Karen Club

Twelve Kenyan pros, and six amateurs are in a world-class field of 144 players who will do battle in the 57th edition of the Magical Kenya Open Golf Championship at Karen Country Club for a share of the total prize purse of US\$2.7 million, or the equivalent to Sh348.3 million



Greg Snow
Muthaiga Golf Club



Mutahi Kibugu
Nyeri Golf Club



Njoroge Kibugu
Windsor Golf Club



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Daniel Nduva
Nyali Golf Club



David Wakhu
Golf Park Golf Club



From left: Edwin Mudanyi, Mutahi Kibugu, Dismas Indiza, John Wangai, Kenya Open golf limited Chairman Patrick Oboth, Greg Snow, David Wakhu, Mohit Mediratta, Justus Madoya and Mike Kisia during the unveiling of the Magical Kenya Open Pros at Karen Country Club, Nairobi on February 16, 2026.

How Magical Kenya Open Is Benefitting Players



State Department for Sports Principal Secretary Elijah Mwangi during the unveiling of the Magical Kenya Open Pros at Karen Country Club, Nairobi on February 16, 2026.

For many professional golfers in Kenya and across East Africa, the Magical Kenya Open is both a prestigious date on the calendar, and one of the most consequential tournaments in their careers financially, competitively, and professionally.

As part of the DP World Tour, the event carries a prize purse that runs into millions of dollars. For local professionals who often compete in lower-paying regional circuits, this level of prize money can be career-defining. A strong finish means a trophy or headlines. It can also fund travel for the season, pay for coaching, upgrade equipment, and provide stability in a profession where income is rarely guaranteed.

The tournament also exposes Kenyan and regional players to a standard of competition they would otherwise need to travel abroad to experience. The course set-up, media scrutiny, and competitive intensity reflect global benchmarks. Playing alongside seasoned international professionals tests technical ability, demands patience, strategic discipline and mental strength. Those lessons, difficult to teach on practice ranges are earned

inside the ropes.

In addition, the event offers Official World Golf Ranking points. For players seeking to climb the professional ladder, these points are currency. They influence eligibility for bigger tournaments and determine long-term progression in the sport. Through qualifying pathways and feeder circuits linked to the Open, including the Sunshine Development Tour, emerging professionals have clearer routes into top-tier competition than ever before.

The organisers have also expanded opportunities for homegrown talent. Extra slots are routinely allocated to Kenyan professionals and top amateurs. That inclusion matters. For a young golfer, competing against DP World Tour regulars on home soil can as much accelerate belief as skill. It also allows local fans and sponsors to see their own players performing on a global stage, strengthening the connection between the sport and the public. Financial backing from corporate sponsors has reduced some of the barriers that traditionally limit participation. Local corporates have supported elite amateurs and professionals with funding to help cover preparation and participation costs. In a sport where travel, coaching, and equipment expenses quickly add up, that backing can determine whether a player competes or watches from the sidelines. Visibility is another tangible gain. The Magical Kenya Open is broadcast to

international audiences, and coverage extends well beyond local sports pages. For emerging players, a solid performance can attract new sponsors or invitations to other tournaments. Exposure at this level builds professional credibility and signals that a player can perform under pressure and hold their own in a world-class field.

The tournament's impact is also visible at the grassroots level. Initiatives such as the "Beat the Pro" challenge allow junior golfers to engage directly with professionals during tournament week. For a young player, standing on the same fairway as established pros shifts golf from a distant dream to a reachable goal. It nurtures ambition while reinforcing the importance of preparation and discipline.

The event also strengthens the wider golf ecosystem. Hosting a DP World Tour tournament requires international standards in course preparation, officiating, and event management. Local coaches, caddies, and administrators gain exposure to best practices that filter back into domestic competitions. Over time, this raises the quality of the sport across the board.

In practical terms, the Magical Kenya Open is helping players earn more, compete more intensely, and see further. It provides prize money that sustains careers, ranking points that open doors, and exposure that builds reputations. For Kenyan and regional golfers, it has become a proving ground that offers prestige and real opportunity.

Kenyan amateurs



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Jay Sandhu - Muthaiga Golf Club



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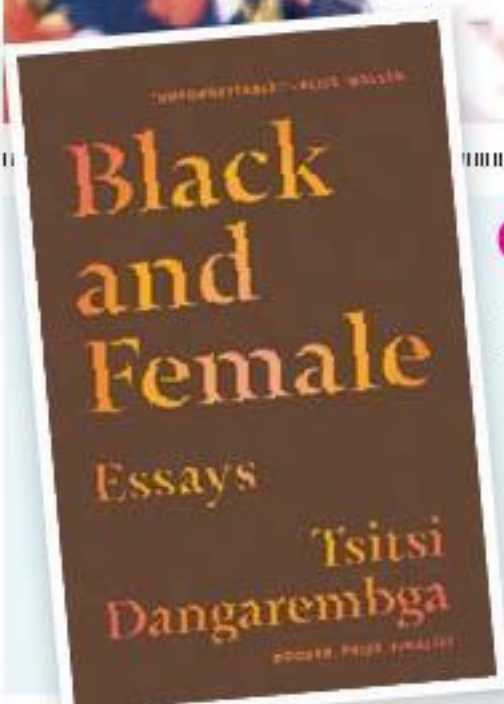
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ON THE RADAR

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Princess Zahra Aga Khan

Princess Zahra Aga Khan was recently awarded the Elder of the Order of the Golden Heart (EGH) by President William Ruto in recognition of her outstanding leadership in uplifting communities within Kenya and beyond. The EGH award was presented to her at State House, Nairobi. Princess Zahra is a senior member of the AKDN leadership. She has played an active role in guiding AKDN's work, supporting programmes that improve quality of life and expanding opportunities for vulnerable communities. AKDN operates across more than 30 countries with a mission to improve the quality of life, regardless of beneficiaries' faith or background, through investments in education, health, culture, environment and economic development.



Faith Kipyegon

Olympics and world champion on Sunday got her career in road running to the best possible start, winning her first 10km race in Monaco, France. The 32-year-old finished the race in 29 minutes and 47 seconds, ahead of Italian runner Mattia Gugliemi, who came second in 32:32. Faith, who has won multiple Olympics and world titles in middle-distance races of 1500m and 5,000m, becomes the 12th fastest athlete of all time in the 10km road race. On Sunday, she started the race and maintained a blistering pace, putting her within reach of the world record, but she fell and that slowed her down.



Agnes Jebet Ng'etich

Agnes was crowned winner of the senior race of the Sirikwa Classic held at Lobo Village in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County on Saturday. Agnes ran from the start and surged ahead of the pack as the race wore on to cross the finish line in 32 minutes and 28 seconds, winning ahead of her compatriot, Mercy Chepkemoi, who timed 33:51. Agnes, who trains in the high altitude region of Iten, later paid glowing tribute to fans who cheered her to victory, saying they played a big role in helping her retain the title she won in 2025. She also won the women's 10km title at the 2026 World Athletics Cross Country Championships in Tallahassee, Florida, in January.



Editor's Note

Why capable women quietly walk away from the ballot

Every election year, Kenya has the same conversation. Where are the women? Why are so few of them on the ballot? And the answers tend to point back at women themselves, their confidence, their readiness and their willingness to step forward. Rarely do we turn the spotlight where it belongs; on the system that makes stepping forward so costly.

Kenya's Constitution is among the most progressive on the continent on gender equality. Yet more than a decade since the two-thirds gender rule was enshrined in the supreme law, it remains unmet. Parliament has failed repeatedly to legislate it into reality. And so a constitutional promise sits on paper while the political landscape remains stubbornly, predictably male.

Last week, a gathering of Kenyan women, lawyers, diplomats, conservationists, business leaders, women who have spent careers navigating power in its many forms, sat together and spoke with rare candour about exactly this. Not in the language of activism or advocacy, but in the plain, direct way of people who have lived it. That conversation, and what it revealed about leadership, politics, and the price women pay for public life, is at the heart of this week's cover story. It is worth your time. What struck me reading through it was how consistent the story is, how little the barriers have changed regardless of the generation telling them.



DORCAS MUGA-ODUMBE

This is not an accident. It is the result of structures that have, over generations, made politics feel like a space women enter at their own risk. Consider what a woman who wants to run for office in this country actually faces. Politics in Kenya is expensive, and women, who already earn less and own fewer assets than their male counterparts, enter the fundraising race at a disadvantage.

Party nominations are often controlled by networks that men have built over decades. Women

are frequently handed weak tickets in unwinnable constituencies, not because they are weak candidates, but because the structures deciding these things remain male-dominated. Without a political godfather, ambition can stall long before it reaches the voter.

Then there is the violence. Campaigns carry genuine physical risk, and for women, that risk comes layered with sexual harassment, online abuse, and threats directed at their families. Many women describe the moment they seriously considered running as also the moment they had to weigh their safety against their ambition. No woman should have to make that choice.

Outside the campaign trail, the barriers are just as real. A woman considering politics is almost certainly carrying the majority of her household's unpaid labour, childcare, and the domestic organising that falls on women regardless of their professional standing. Politics demands time and mobility. For many women, that freedom simply does not exist, not from lack of commitment, but because the support systems that would make it possible are absent.

Media coverage compounds all of this. Women candidates

know their appearance and family lives will attract attention that their male competitors' manifestos will not. A mistake made by a woman in public life tends to follow her longer. Over time, this shapes something deeper than discouragement. It quietly convinces capable women, early in their careers, to find other ways to serve.

The cost of this is real and measurable. Countries with stronger women's political representation consistently record better outcomes in public health, education, and household welfare. When women are missing from the rooms where budgets are written and policies shaped, that absence shows up in the quality of decisions made, and ordinary Kenyans, not just women, live with the consequences.

The doubt that keeps a qualified woman from the ballot is not a personal failing. It is what happens when a system sends the same message, in enough different ways, for long enough. With 2027 approaching, there is still time to change the conditions rather than simply change the conversation. Political parties, the media, civil society, and government all have a role in making that happen. And perhaps the most powerful thing any of them could do is make it easier for the women already weighing that decision, quietly, in offices and homes across this country, to conclude that the answer is yes.

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Hungry but unbroken: Women in Turkana County lift their voices



Women from the Turkana community sing at a food distribution centre set up by the World Food Programme following a prolonged dry spell, below-average rainfall causing food insecurity, water scarcity, and livestock losses at Kenya Oil near Lodwar in Turkana County on February 17, 2026. PHOTO | REUTERS

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Good Read Colonisers manipulated customary law to fracture gender balance

How colonial law fuelled black men's hatred for black women

In the late 1800s, the diamond rush in Southern Africa triggered the invasion of the continent by hundreds of thousands of plunderers and fortune seekers. The greediest and most brazen among them was Cecil Rhodes, who monopolised African diamond mining and became one of the wealthiest men in the world.

Emboldened by his wealth, Rhodes' institution, the British South Africa Company (BSAC), established a legislative council that transformed Rhodesia (modern-day Zimbabwe and Zambia) into a self-governing colony. He presided over an army of violent mercenaries who brutalised communities to colonise the territory.

One of Africa's renowned heroines and spirit mediums (mhondoro) was Charwe, a courageous Shona woman from the Mazowe Valley, 80 kilometres north of Salisbury (Harare). Charwe was believed to be possessed by the spirit of Nehanda, a revered medium associated with the founding of the Mutapa dynasty alongside her brother in the 15th century.

In 1896, Charwe organised a rebellion against the oppressive BSAC, which exercised ruthless control over the region. During the uprising, a colonial commissioner named H. H. Pollard was killed by her forces. In retaliation, the BSAC dispatched its police to hunt her down. She was eventually captured and executed by hanging in 1897.

Pre-colonial patriarchy was not absolute, contrary to what many believe due to colonial ideological distortions. It allowed space for and conferred respect upon female authority. Women were not entirely deprived of power; kinship systems operated in ways that distributed authority in more nuanced and complementary forms.

Women's power was essential. Figures such as Queen Amina of Zazzau, Queen Nzinga of the Ambundu Kingdom, and the all-female military regiment of Dahomey in present-day Benin demonstrate that women could and did serve as rulers, warriors and royal spirit mediums. Their contributions to African societies were invaluable.

To fracture gender cohesion within African families, the British Empire enlisted Theophilus Shepstone to weaken the matriarchal influence of black women. Shepstone, a staunch racist advocating segregationist policies, became notorious for undermining the authority of black women.

Educated at his father's mission school in the Cape Colony, he later moved to Natal in the mid-19th century and began a series of posts within the British colonial administration. He mastered indigenous languages,



Jeff Anthony

including Xhosa and Zulu, and ingratiated himself within African communities.

While in Natal, he devised mechanisms that systematically eroded the social and legal standing of black women. He crafted a racially biased legal framework known as codified law—a structured body of statutes and regulations that became a powerful instrument of colonial control. Through it, the British administration infiltrated African societies and sowed division between black men and black women.

Zimbabwean author Tsitsi Dangarembga argues in her memoir, *Black and Female Essays*, that through Shepstone's intervention, black women's presence and authority were deliberately dismantled through this legal framework.

Codified law was presented as "traditional" and "customary" law, yet it functioned as a divide-and-rule strategy that pitted black men against black women. Shep-

stone travelled across Southern Africa, studied indigenous languages and formed strategic alliances with male leaders, reinforcing structures that subordinated women.

Tsitsi explains that the code fundamentally encroached on African social space and curtailed the freedom of black women. It institutionalised male dominance, restricted women's rights, undermined gender parity within families, and reduced women to subordinate legal status.

African women became perpetual minors under British colonial rule. Even upon reaching the age of 21, a woman remained legally dependent on a male guardian, unable to enter into contracts, secure employment, or marry without his consent. The law barred women from owning land, earning independent income, or establishing commercial ventures without male permission. Even deeply personal medical decisions, such as tubal ligation, required male approval.

African women's subjectivity was effectively erased from colonial discourse and practice. African men were positioned against their women and, in many cases, came to identify with the encroaching colonial order.

Through Shepstone's manipulation, black men were granted a false sense of privilege within the colonial hierarchy. They were expected to police and suppress the ambitions of their women, reducing them to childbearing and caregiving roles. Male authority became equated with the subjugation of women, and violence was normalised as a means of enforcing that authority.

Tsitsi further argues that this legal framework cultivated enduring resentment between black men and women. Rather than uniting against a common colonial oppressor, gender divisions deepened. In this regard, black men were induced to perform the work of colonial domination within their own households.

So effective were Shepstone's policies that codified law spread across Anglophone African territories. Tsitsi contends that the constrained positioning of black women became entrenched across the continent, as many men were led to believe that their dominance over women was an authentic cultural inheritance.

These colonial legal distortions persisted long after independence and remain embedded in parts of Africa under the guise of "customary" and "traditional" law.

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WHAT'S UP AFRICA?

NIGERIA

Threats of gender apartheid

Kathleen Okafor argues that while women have made strides in education, entrepreneurship, and activism, systemic barriers continue to hinder their full participation in other areas. Women inclusion and empowerment are critical indicators of a nation's development, essentially mirrors the nation's commitment to equity, justice, and sustainable progress. Nigeria, as a country, is rich in cultural diversity, economic and humongous national resources. Expectedly, the status of women has evolved through complex historical, political, and socioeconomic dynamics. Despite constitutional guarantees and international commitments, Nigerian women continue to face systemic barriers to reasonable participation in governance, economic activities, and social leadership. The rule of law is usually affected by the rule of man which is the current bedrock of politics and generates ethno-religious conflicts.

TANZANIA

Country strengthens efforts to curb FGM

Gender activists and government officials are preparing to curb an anticipated rise in female genital mutilation (FGM) among the Kuria community, following a pause last year. Already, 13 Kuria clans, nine in Tanzania, have planned to undergo circumcision simultaneously later this year. During the December 2025 season, only the Bwirege clan, which spans Kenya and Tanzania, carried out circumcision. Efforts to curb cross-border FGM continue to face challenges. Officials and activists from both countries met in Tarime, to strengthen coordination ahead of the upcoming season. "We are here to map out the best strategies to stop cross-border circumcision in December. We have also reflected on challenges from last year, despite only one clan undergoing the cut, we still faced difficulties," said Vincent Mwita, an activist with Tunaweza Empowerment based in Kenya. Mwita explained that the meeting aimed at ensuring that rescue centres for girls fleeing FGM are closer to the border and that arrests of suspects and monitoring of circumcisers crossing the border are better coordinated.

BURUNDI

Autonomy and the rise of self-care

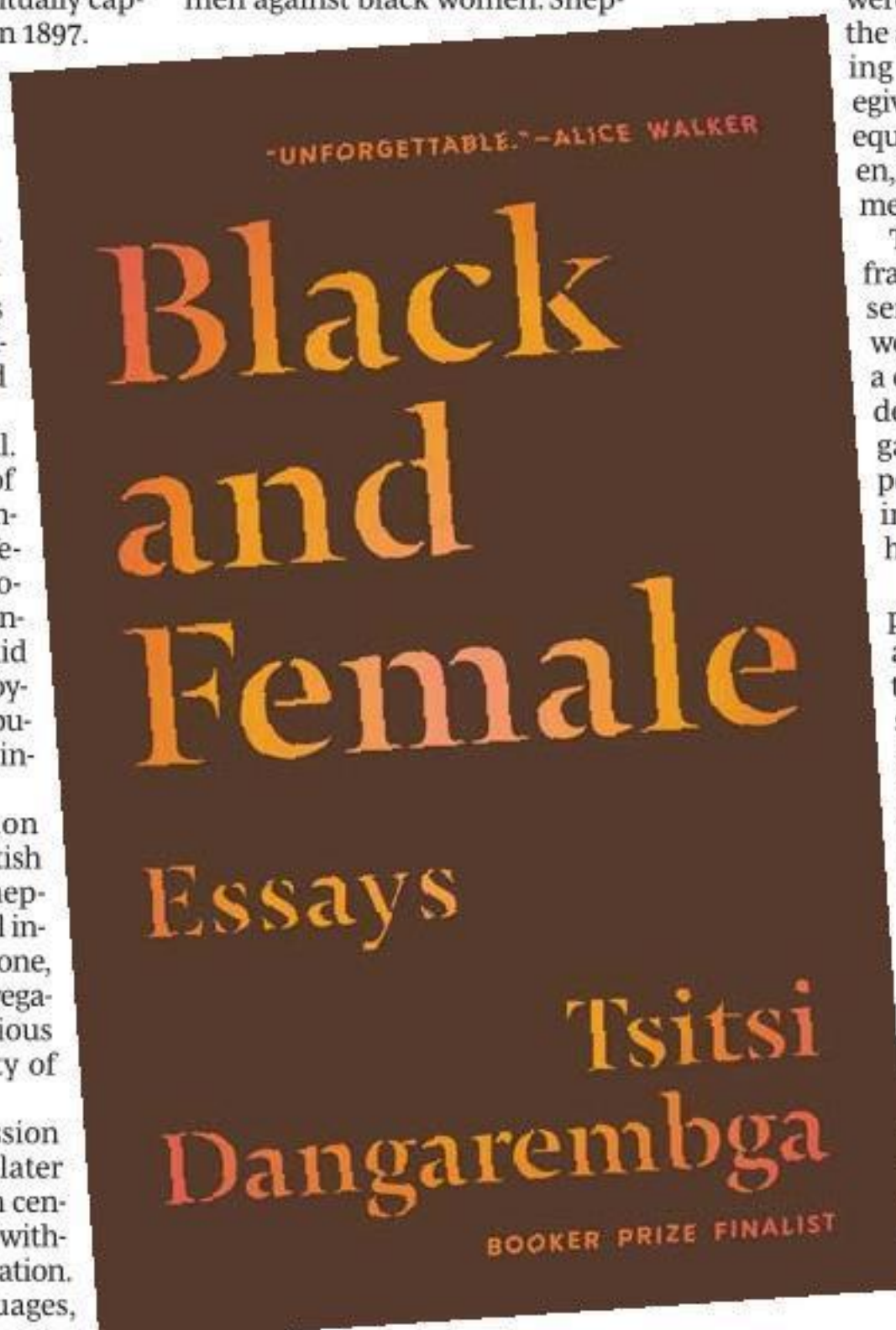
"I live far away, and I no longer need to return to the health facility to get my contraceptive method. Being able to do it myself at home is a very good thing," says Beoline. For many women in remote Burundi, a simple medical appointment is anything but simple. Without access to transport, mothers often trek over five kilometers each way on foot to reach the nearest health center. Upon arrival, they may face long queues and crowded waiting rooms. These journeys consume entire days, pulling women away from their families, domestic responsibilities, and the farming activities essential to their livelihoods. In response to these challenges, the government, with the support of the United Nations joint regional programme, 2gether 4 SRHR, is strengthening sexual and reproductive health and rights by prioritising self-care. By putting the tools for health directly into the hands of those who need them, self-care is enabling women to self-administer injectable contraception and perform their own HIV and pregnancy tests. For 20-year-old Beoline, self-injectable contraception represents more than just family planning, it is a cornerstone of her independence. This autonomy is equally vital for Adélaïde, a 33-year-old mother of five.

MALAWI

Wildlife conflicts turn women into defenders

The sun had begun dipping behind the trees in the midst of Nkhotakota Wildlife Reserve at Chipungu village, 47 kilometres from Nkhotakota Boma as a 57-year-old Christina Ngoleka offered her sharp welcome ready to share the experiences she has acquired in protecting her community and the wildlife. Having acquired 1,800 square kilometres of rugged forest, river valleys and rolling hills, the game reserve stretches across Nkhotakota, Ntchisi, Mzimba and Kasungu districts. According to the 2020 Forestry Amendment Act, settlement in buffer zones varies depending on management plans, environmental sensitivity and the local customs governing each reserve, which has also applied to Chipungu village situated in the eastern part of Nkhotakota game reserve. For families living along these boundaries, support only comes when communities follow the guidelines such as no encroachment, refraining from assisting poachers and tampering with the wired electric fence. Christina joined the 37-member patrol in 2020 after elephants destroyed her hut, scattered bags of maize and trumped all her three acres of cassava field. She was one of the 15 families affected in her community. The community discovered that poachers had cut the fence, leaving gaps that allowed elephants to wander into the settlement.

Source: Internet; Compiled by Moraa Obiria



Change-makers Lawyers, diplomats, conservationists, and entrepreneurs reflect on leadership's burdens, political k

Forum examined governance beyond elections, urging judgment, humility, feminist solidarity, and accountable leadership

BY WANJAMBUTHIA

On a quiet Monday afternoon in February, a private room at Muthaiga Golf Club held a gathering that did not look like a political meeting, a policy forum, a governance workshop, or a book launch. Yet it was all four, and more.

Outside, banners marked the occasion. Inside, just a table set for high tea, and around it, women whose lives have unfolded at the intersection of law, diplomacy, business, public service, human rights, environmental governance, and feminist organising. Beneath the surface elegance, there was gravity, the kind that settles into a room when people who have shaped institutions, advised governments, negotiated crises, and carried the weight of public consequence speak candidly, with no scripts and no posturing.

This was a women-only, transgenerational gathering convened by Gina Din Kariuki, founder and chair of the Gina Din Group, to mark the release of her latest book, *Beyond the Ballot*. The book is a rigorous interrogation of leadership, governance, and public trust in Africa. The afternoon, however, quickly revealed itself as something deeper, a living extension of the book's central argument: that leadership is not an event, a victory, or a title. It is a sustained responsibility.

The names around the table told their own story: Villoo Nowrojee, veteran feminist and activist; Betty Murungi, human rights lawyer and democratic reform advocate; Prof Judi Wakhungu, former Cabinet Secretary and Ambassador; Catherine Mwangi, former High Commissioner to South Africa; Helen Gichohi, ecologist and conservation leader; Brenda Mbathi, CEO of Trifit; Robyn Emerson of Yellow Rose Kenya; Sheena Raikundalia, entrepreneur and policy adviser; Anastacia Waweru of Taraaji Impact Fund; Edith Nyabicha, policy analyst; Patricia Gathuri, financial expert; and Lanji Ouko Awori, lawyer and managing partner.

Conversations flowed easily, and there was a quiet assurance among women who shared a seriousness about power. Their uniting concern was how power is gained, how it is exercised, and how often it fails the people it is meant to serve. They agreed that power, in too many African contexts, fails not because it is seized by the wrong people, but because it is exercised without restraint, humility, or memory. The ballot delivers authority, but what follows is often improvisation, ego, or silence.



After the ballot: Women, power and the courage to lead

In her opening reflections, Gina Din spoke not only about success but about what comes after it.

"I wrote this book because leadership is often discussed at the point of victory," she said. "Yet governance begins after people have won. Elections can give you power, but they cannot help you govern."

Long before *Beyond the Ballot* became a physical book, it existed as a quiet unrest within her.

"I realised that we keep talking about leadership only at election time. As though governance begins and ends with the ballot. But women have been governing homes, institutions, movements, and values long before they ever had political power."

She wanted to interrogate power differently, not power as position, but power as influence, stewardship, and responsibility. For 18 months, she wrote, consulted, and docu-

mented.

"Some days it was easy. Most days it wasn't. But I made a commitment, to myself and to the women whose stories I was holding, that I would show up."

She wrote through exhaustion, through competing demands, through moments of doubt. "I prayed for discipline, clarity, and honesty. I didn't want to romanticise leadership. I wanted to tell the truth with grace."

To do this honestly, she sought voices beyond her own. She brought in Moky Makura, James Shikwati, and Anver Versi, chosen not for their titles alone but because they had lived leadership and paid its price.

"I was interested in personalities who have paid the price of leadership," she told the room. "People who have wrestled with doubt, sacrifice, faith, friendship, and failure, and kept going."

Her argument, drawn from more than

three decades working with presidents, ministers, and institutions across the continent, was straightforward: Africa's leadership crisis is not a shortage of authority but a shortage of judgment, credibility, and trust.

"Leadership is not about convoys, flags, or bodyguards. It is a responsibility. Countries rise when leadership is thoughtful and steady, not dramatic."

When government and civil society confuse their roles

For Betty, whose life's work has spanned democratic reform, civil society organising, and human rights law, the failure of leadership often lies in how power is misunderstood, particularly the relationship between government and those who seek to hold it accountable.

"Civil society exists to hold power ac-

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Number of months Gina Din wrote, consulted, and documented the book *Beyond the Ballot*.

80s

Age of Villoo Nowrojee, who was honoured during the high-tea event.



Gina Din Kariuki, founder and chair of the Gina Din Group and author of *Daughter of Africa* and *Beyond the Ballot*.



Betty Murungi, lawyer and human rights advocate.



Prof Judi Wakhungu EGH, former Cabinet Secretary Environment Water Natural Resources.



Brenda Mbathi, the CEO of Two Rivers International Finance & Innovation Centre.



Robyn Emerson (right), Catherine Gichohi at the Muthaiga event.

Barriers, and rebuilding of public trust beyond titles, optics, and electoral victories

Vox Pop: When you see a woman appointed to a leadership post, what do you expect from her?

countable while government exists to govern. But often we confuse the roles or expect one to perform the role of the other. This automatically creates paralysis."

She had watched reform movements fracture because they mistook proximity for power, and power for control. She pointed to Kenya's post-2002 moment, when activists moved into government hoping for transformation, only to find themselves isolated by former allies demanding instant change.

"The government moves at a different pace. Accountability is important, but so is strategy."

Her critique was sharpest on communication. Governments, she said, too often confuse party messaging with public explanation, and spokespersons perform politics instead of articulating policy. "When policy is not explained, it is interpreted. And often distorted."

Prof Wakhungu spoke from her experience as a technocrat who served inside a political system. As Cabinet Secretary for Environment and Natural Resources, her reference points were never personalities, they were constitutional obligations.

"When you are sworn into office, you are not sworn into a person. You are sworn into the Constitution."

That clarity guided difficult decisions, including the national ban on plastic bags, which met significant resistance.

"Every Kenyan has a right to a clean and healthy environment. Once you remember that you have a mandate and responsibility to the Kenyan people, the roadmap is there."

Devolution, she recalled, created new centres of power, not all of them ready for what that meant.

"Governors thought they were running sovereign states," she said with a light laugh.

"But the Constitution was clear; equity mattered."

What stayed with her most, though, was not the systems but the people. "Kenyan are brilliant. This country is blessed with some of the most brilliant minds

I have seen anywhere in the world. I managed because I consulted widely, and acknowledged that leadership is not solitary."

Earning the space, and holding others accountable

Brenda Mbathi was direct about the reality facing women in professional spaces. "You still have to perform beyond your male counterparts. That hasn't changed."

But she had no patience for shortcuts. "There is no shortcut. Boards, leadership spaces, and governance all require work. It all comes

down to volunteering, showing up, and being consistent. Many of us here were in the trenches long before the titles came."

Catherine Mwangi, who was once Brenda's boss, knew exactly what she meant.

"We earned our space in leadership. When I worked with Brenda, often we would work past midnight and show up the next morning. Because systems needed to be put in place, and things needed to move."

Robyn Emerson pushed the conversation further. "Why can't we red-card women who fail?" she asked. "Equality also means accountability. Representation without performance does not serve us."

When the conversation turned to women in electoral politics, Catherine was frank.

"Politics is brutal," she said. "It takes a very brave woman to offer herself."

She once considered running for office. What came back were not conversations about policy but warnings, about insults, violence, and the invasion of her private life.

"And I began to understand why so many capable women choose not to run."

"There are not enough role models in the political space. Without them, young women see politics as punishment."

Betty named the structures that produce this reality. "To understand women's rights, you must understand them as political," she said.

Numbers alone, she argued, do not equal influence, across the continent, women's representation has often failed to translate into real power.

"Where women have influence is where feminist movements are strong."

She pointed to Namibia and South Africa. What is needed, she said, is not token inclusion but the dismantling of systems that reward loyalty over competence and silence over courage.

"If Africa is going to rise," Gina added, "it will rise on the backs of its women. We are the continent's most valuable asset, and we have not even begun to tap what we hold." The rest of the room nodded.

Leadership not synonymous with politicians

Helen Gichohi reframed the conversation with a simple observation. "We have made leadership synonymous with politicians," she said. "That is a mistake."

Her years in conservation had shown her that leadership is often about persistence, returning to rooms that dismissed you, speaking when told to stay quiet, holding on to the right answer even when no one is ready to hear it. "Substance wins eventually," she said quietly.

Patricia Gathuri raised faith, not a subject that often surfaces in leadership conversations, but one she felt could not be ignored.

"Faith should make leaders more accountable, not more untouchable," she said. "If belief does not produce humility, then it has failed its purpose."

Sheena Raikundalia agreed, but pushed

further. "We cannot talk about leadership in Africa without talking about faith. But we must talk about it honestly. Faith has been used to empower women and to constrain them too. Both truths must coexist."

The trust deficit between generations As the afternoon went on, the conversation moved to young people and whether intergenerational dialogue is genuine or merely appearance.

Lanji Ouko Awori spoke plainly. "When young people are brought to the table, it is usually for optics or campaign strategy. There is no real role for us. No one listens to what we say. It comes off as suggestions rather than things that can be put into policy." She paused. "What is happening now with intergenerational dialogue is there is no trust. No one believes the ideas will be used."

Betty offered a different model, a feminist-led organisation founded by a former African Union youth envoy that does not wait to be invited anywhere. It builds its own table and invites others to come.

"They convene us. They set the dress code, pink and yellow. They send a letter: dear so-and-so, they would like you to come and speak about this. They make you pay to attend." She laughed.

"How empowered is that? They set their own agenda." The message was clear: "Don't wait to be invited. Set yourself up and invite us. Tell us what you want to talk about. The ones who are interested in real change will come."

Give first, lead further

Gina reflected on this year's International Women's Day theme, "Give to Gain." "We gain the most when we give first," she said.

"When women support other women, corridors open." For her, generosity is not sacrifice, it is strategy. "Ambition will take you forward, but generosity will determine the distance you travel."

The younger women in the room had listened throughout, absorbing decades of experience shared openly and without gatekeeping. It was a masterclass, offered freely.

As the afternoon drew to a close, a cake was brought out, quietly, almost without announcement, to honour Villoo Nowrojee, now in her 80s, on her birthday. Tears followed, of joy, of gratitude, of shared history. It was a moment that captured what *Beyond the Ballot* ultimately argues: that leadership is human before it is institutional, relational before it is rhetorical, and enduring only when anchored in trust.

The women lingered, reluctant to leave. The sense in the room was unmistakable: this was not an ending but a continuation. Conversations that began decades ago, struggles still unfinished, a future that will demand leadership beyond applause, beyond performance, and indeed, beyond the ballot.

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Joy Nyambura Gichuhi, Student in Machakos County



I would expect her to be loud, not only in voice but also in action. I want a loud woman as a leader. Society may depict her as annoying, but that will mean what she is advocating for is being heard. The loud women who came before her are the reason we enjoy the rights we have today.

Gor Ogutu, Corporate Strategy Consultant based in Nairobi



Anytime a woman is appointed to a leadership position, I expect them to redefine leadership spaces; injecting new and refreshing ideas that scare conventional thinking. In a world where normal is everywhere; the leaders who will actually get the most done are those who prefer to re-imagine day-to-day realities in their operational environment.

Joylyne Kinya, Housekeeper from Meru County



I believe that any leader, man or woman needs to hear what the workers are saying. Theirs is to lead but the people who really do the work are the ones below them. If she listens to our problems, we can fix things together. I also expect her to be strong because being a leader is not easy and people may test her. If this happens, I don't expect her to back down. She needs to be confident and make the final call.

Ian Njane, International Relations Graduate, Nairobi



I expect something different from the way leadership has traditionally been done. I don't want her to simply blend in with the old guard. I expect her to bring fresh perspectives, to lead not by following old norms, but by creating new ones that reflect her vision, values and unique approach. I also expect her to be a pillar, a living example of what's possible, inspiring young girls in villages and towns across the country to dare to dream big. I expect her to mentor the next girl, to share the lessons she's learned, to champion the opportunities and tools that helped her rise and to open doors so the next generation doesn't have to fight the same battles she did.

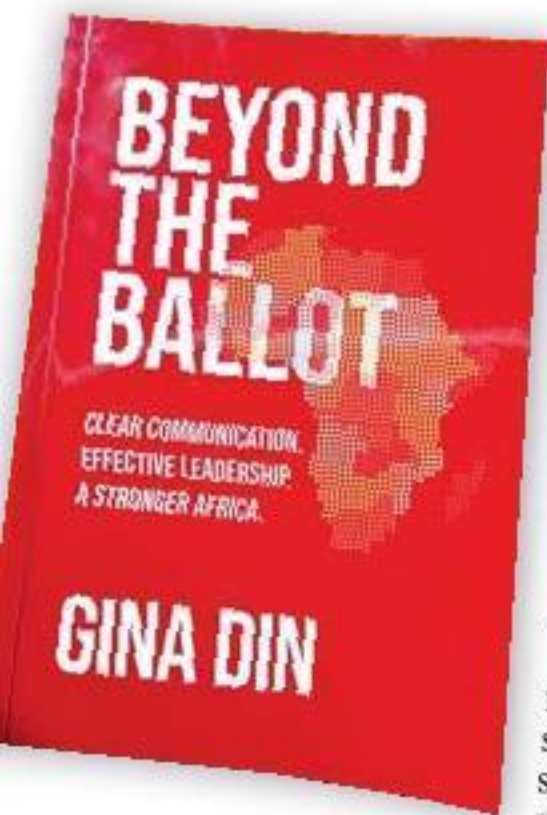
Prof Chris Odindo



There was a time when women in the boardroom or politics seemingly strove to exhibit 'manly' qualities like toughness in readiness for the harsh super-competitive male-dominated business or political arenas. Nowadays, things have somewhat changed. When I see a woman in leadership, especially in business, I expect the same standards as male leaders but look for her to lead with a perspective that only someone who has navigated systemic hurdles can possess: a leadership style that is empathetic. I also expect them to be unapologetically resilient because reaching a leadership position is not easy.



Some of the women leaders at the high-tea event held at the Muthaiga Golf Club on February 9, 2026. PHOTOS: POOL



Catherine Mwangi (centre) and Helina Mwangi at the Muthaiga Golf Club on February 9, 2026.



Sheena Raikundalia, entrepreneur, lawyer and policy adviser.



Lanji Ouko Awori, lawyer and managing partner at Crevit Mulier & Co.



Viloo Nowrojee, a Kenyan feminist, former teacher, librarian, and an activist.

Freedom These women now make cassava and sweet potato cakes for sale and use incomes to support families

BY ANGELINE OCHIENG'

For one visiting Kametho in Siaya County, the sight of active gold mines dominated by both men and women can barely go unnoticed.

Around the mines in West Asembo are women covered in dust, sieving what we later come to understand is gold. The dry land is also characterised by a number of empty quarries, a clear indication of just how long the economic activity has been in existence in the area.

A few kilometres from the mines are green cassava plantations, some ready for harvest, a complete contrast of the mines. It is here that members of Motisha A Dada (Swahili for motivate a sister), a community-based organisation (CBO) supporting rural women, created an alternative livelihood.

When we catch up with the group on a Tuesday morning, the members, both young and old, are already in their cake-baking classes. "First, we need to wear our head nets and wash our hands to avoid contaminating the cakes," says 51-year-old Pauline Adhiambo Odongo, the group founder who doubles up as the baking class trainer.

Once done, the group of six women assign each other roles, one mixing a solution of sugar and oil, two others sieving cassava flour, while another breaks three eggs. The members gently mix together the ingredients while revealing that the cake, unlike others made of wheat flour, is prepared using cassava flour, a readily available ingredient in the village.

One of the women rushes to preheat a homemade metal oven using an energy-saving traditional stove. Once the cake mixture is uniform, it is transferred to a baking tray before being moved to the already preheated oven. "In less than 40 minutes, our cassava cake will be ready for consumption," says a smiling 74-year-old Eba Owalo.

Maize farming

For the elderly women, baking has not only presented an opportunity to consume a healthy meal but also a platform to interact and earn a living from available crops. During an interview, Eba would go ahead to reveal that for a long time, she had been a maize farmer but not until the fallout from climate change struck.

Initially, a one-acre farm would provide her with maize, produced in two seasons to support her orphaned grandchildren. Part of the harvest, she says, would be channelled towards meeting the children's school needs.

For the last couple of years, however, the production has greatly reduced; many times, the maize plants would end up struggling with stunted growth. When the harvesting season would approach, the farm had almost nothing to feed her three grandchildren. She would later resort to millet production, but again, the market was not sustainable. Moreover, her family could not completely depend on the crop as the sole source of food. "Times became hard over the years, while my village is known for gold mining, I could not engage in the same because of my advanced age," Eba says.

Game changer

Two years ago, however, the elderly woman's life took a major turn after she joined Motisha A Dada. She says she had bumped into a cassava cake made by the group's founder in one of the shops and requested to know where she could learn how to make them. "The range of lifestyle diseases the world is currently struggling with does not allow us elderly people to eat unhealthy food. One thing I loved, however, was the



Grace Okungu (right), Eba Owalo (second right) and colleagues during a meeting on a local initiative aimed at improving livelihoods in Kametho, Asembo, Siaya County, on January 22. PHOTOS I ALEX ODHIAMBO

Baking hope: Cassava cakes transforming Siaya women's lives

fact that the cakes were made using cassava, a crop I have enjoyed eating right from childhood," she says.

She would later be introduced to the group. She joined 20 other women to learn about cassava and sweet potato production. She was then enrolled in baking classes. It is here that Eba learnt to bake both cassava and sweet potato cake, the other ingredients, she says, were also readily available.

"Had someone told me I would be making cassava and sweet potato cakes in old age, I would have dismissed them, but here I am, doing exactly what I thought I could never do," she says, smiling.

With the skills, it is upon her to decide when to cook a whole cassava, grind some for cooking flours or bake a cake. The earnings from the farm, she says, is then channelled to meeting household needs.

Financial independence

Silvia Otieno, a resident of Kochieng' in Asembo, however, tells a rather different story. The 56-year-old says for years, she heavily depended on her husband for income, a practice that often resulted in household squabbles. "We would have fights, especially when he came home with nothing. At times I would feel guilty because I lacked a source of income," she says.

Silvia joined the group three years ago in her quest for financial stability and growth. She has since mastered the art of cake baking and cassava growing is now her major source of income. Cassava remains one of the best crops to farm in her village because of its ability to survive short rains. The crop also requires minimal maintenance, allowing her to engage in other income-generating activities.

Once mature, part of the harvest is peeled, washed and dried in the sun for three days, she says. The product is then



ground to produce flour, which can either be used in cooking ugali or baking.

"I also sell the cassava to women engaged in large-scale production of cakes to maximise my earnings," says Silvia, admitting that she now actively supports her husband to meet family needs.

Pauline says she founded the CBO in 2020 after realising that a number of women in the village had been left stranded without an income. On most occasions, whenever she travelled back to her home in Asembo, a number of women would visit her, with a majority "asking for sugar".

"Giving them money each time was never sustainable, but I had yet to figure out how to help women," she says.

The former nurse eventually relocated to the village and while at it, she would bake wheat cakes, which were sold to locals. One of her biggest challenges, however, was that the raw materials for baking could only be assessed in Bondo town and Kisumu, kilometres away.

Pauline says having previously tried cassava cakes, she

Sarah Akelo participates in cake-making during livelihoods and skills training in Kametho, Asembo, Siaya County on January 22.



decided to get the produce from her farm. The first to taste the cakes was her mother-in-law, who got impressed and shared the products with her friends.

Over time, the demand for the cakes kept growing while cassava was not easily accessible. "A number of women had also expressed their desire to learn the new skill," she says.

It was during the same year that she embarked on training the first cohort of 20 women in cassava and sweet potato production. The idea was timely because the women who relied on farming were also complaining about dwindling produce due to a change in rainfall patterns. Cassava and sweet potatoes, on the other hand, were drought-tolerant crops with a promising output.

As the crops matured, the women embarked on learning value addition and different techniques of preparing the two crops. "The ripe cassava can either be boiled or consumed, fried, ground into flour to make ugali or baking," says Pauline, adding the crop can as well be sold.

Pauline would later take the students through baking classes using readily available ingredients. Upon graduation, another cohort was admitted to the programme free of charge. Her efforts would eventually bear fruit when in 2022 she was awarded the Women on Boards Network Award Winner for supporting grassroots women.

In 2024, Motisha A Dada successfully applied and received a \$5,000 grant from the Tony Elumelu Foundation Entrepreneurship Programme. The cash was channelled towards buying bakery equipment and mentoring rural women in an effort to mitigate negative effects of climate change.

"I went through entrepreneurship training for a year before receiving the award to proceed with the programme," she says.

The Ms President Season 2 finalist says with the help of the funding, she has trained more rural women and girls with the aim of addressing food security. Her target trainees range from girls aged 15 years to elderly women.

Pauline says besides fighting food insecurity, her programme has also made a huge step in reducing cases of teenage pregnancies and early marriages. This, she says, has been possible through learners' engagement during school holidays, thus leaving no space for peer pressure.

Beneficiaries

By January this year, Motisha A Dada had trained more than 100 beneficiaries attached to 10 different women's groups. Once trained, they are encouraged to share the skills with other locals. "To ensure they do the same, I always encourage the women to invite me to their baking class graduations," Pauline says.

Their products are sold in shops and schools. Pauline hopes they will expand their supplies to supermarkets in the near future.

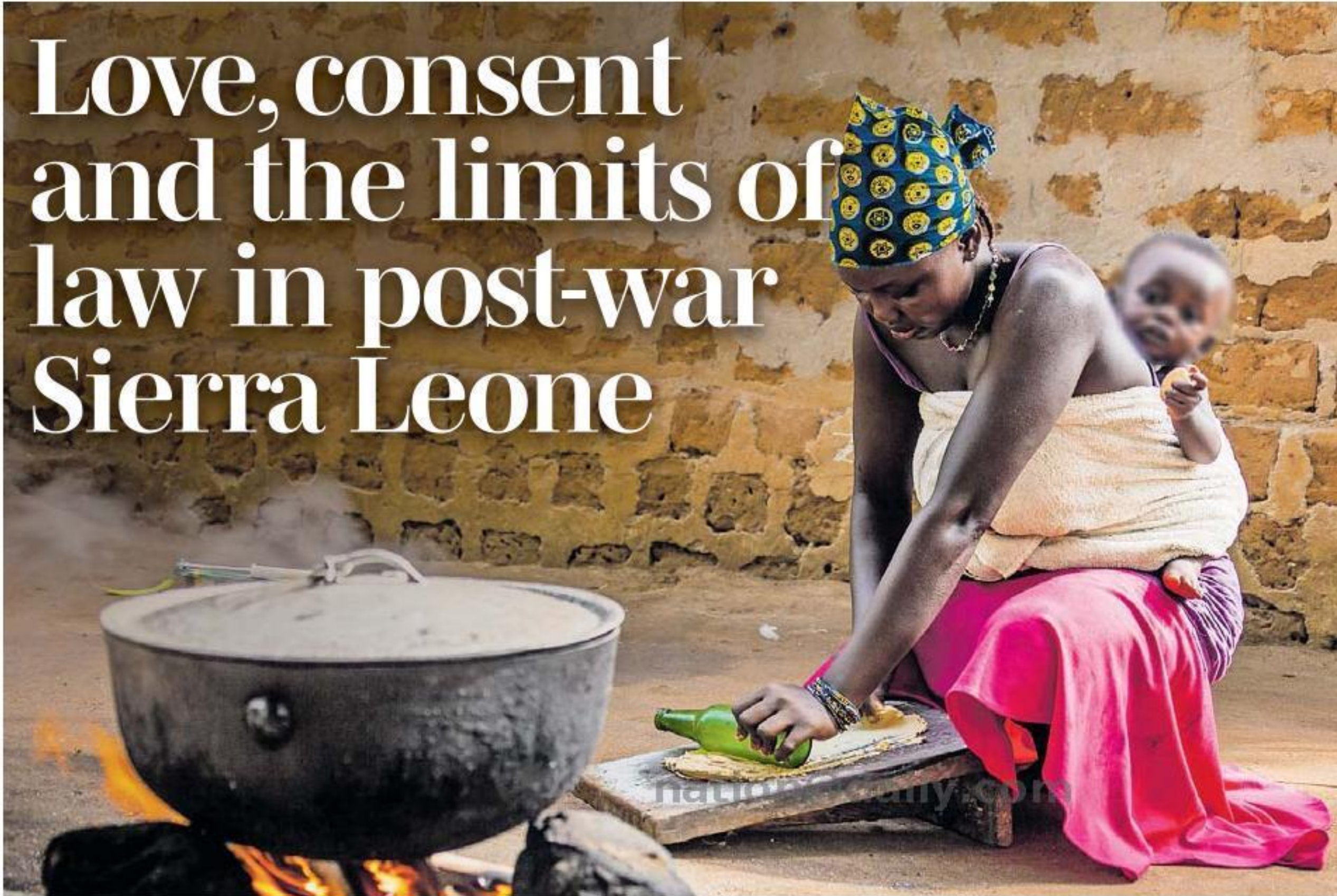
Sarah Akelo, a treasurer from Kametho Women Shiners, one of the 10 groups affiliated to Motisha A Dada, says they are also actively involved in table banking. Each week, they save at least Sh200. Members borrow and pay back with a 10 per cent interest. "Baking has been a major turnaround for us. With only Sh200, we are able to earn Sh700 and channel part of the interest to the savings account," she says.

Pauline is looking forward to constructing a bakery school on a parcel of land donated by her father-in-law with the aim of admitting more women and girls to the programme.

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Harsh structures Zero-tolerance policies prioritise imprisonment over mediation, sidelining education and empathy

Love, consent and the limits of law in post-war Sierra Leone



After the 1991-2002 civil war, Sierra Leone strengthened gender laws, but rigid enforcement now criminalises consensual youth relationships and deepens inequality and harm

BY THE CONVERSATION

In the decades after Sierra Leone's civil war (1991-2002), there was pressure on the West African country to demonstrate progress on gender equality. Laws were passed to fight domestic violence, rape and teen pregnancy. But drawing on colonial legal models, the reforms don't always match social realities and in many cases are harming young people from poor communities. Punishment is being made more important than resolution or education.

Luisa T. Schneider is an anthropologist who has spent a decade researching the subject. We asked her about her open source book, *Love and Violence in Sierra Leone: Mediating Intimacy after Conflict*.

What did your study involve?

My research began in Freetown in 2012, 10 years after the civil war's violence, especially against women and girls. In 2016, I began living in a hillside community in eastern Freetown and with a group of young men downtown. For 13 months I studied intimate relationships and followed disputes from household quarrels to community mediations and court cases, tracing over 100 through the magistrate's court. I also spent time in Central Prison, interviewing men and boys convicted in "women cases". I wanted to know how love and violence intersect in everyday life and how law reshapes both.

2012

Year when the Sexual Offences Act became law in Sierra Leone, with amendments coming in 2019. It criminalises rape, sexual assault and sexual exploitation; raises age of consent to 18; mandatory sentences; zero-tolerance enforcement reshapes policing of adolescent sexuality and youth relationships.

2007

Year when Domestic Violence, which criminalises physical, sexual, emotional and economic abuse within intimate and family relationships, became law in Sierra Leone.

What did you find?

In Sierra Leone, gender and relationships lie at the heart of moral life. Care, warmth and resilience are virtues held in high regard, and they are cultivated and learnt from women. But this masks the widespread abuse of women and places the unpaid labour of holding families and communities together on them. When the state tries to regulate intimacy without considering these moral realities, it deepens the very violence it seeks to end.

Love and violence often live together, tangled in ways that make harm hard to end. People say that when harm occurs, judgment falls not only on the act but on the person's character. Communities call for state involvement in cases of rape against minors or severe violence.

But everyday conflicts in consensual relationships are generally understood as matters of character and relational repair rather than criminal intent. They are mediated internally, often by women who bear the burden to prioritise group stability over punishment.

Yet, the country's legal system often tells a different story. After the war, new laws were introduced to protect women and girls from rape, early pregnancy, and domestic violence. Key laws include:

Sexual Offences Act (2012; amended 2019): criminalises rape, sexual assault and sexual exploitation; raises age of consent to 18; mandatory sentences; zero-tolerance enforcement reshapes policing of adolescent sexuality and youth relationships.

Domestic Violence Act (2007): criminalises physical, sexual, emotional and economic abuse within intimate and family relationships; recognises private-sphere violence as a public concern.

Child Rights Act (2007; revised 2025):

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defines children as rights-bearing subjects entitled to care, protection and due process, aligned with international standards.

Prevention of Child Marriage Act (2024): prohibits marriage under 18 to end early marriage and related health and educational harms.

Diversion and Alternatives to Detention Framework (2025): redirects children in conflict with the law from imprisonment to rehabilitation, mediation and reintegration.

Together, these reforms are meant to protect. But I found they also collapse care, consent and harm into a single criminal framework that misfits the lived realities of the Sierra Leoneans I lived and worked with. Importantly, mine is not an argument against protecting children from sexual harm, but about how protection is defined and enforced.

Although recent reforms frame children as having rights and promote alternatives to detention, boys charged under sexual offences law are routinely denied bail and treated as adult perpetrators. This reveals a contradiction in the system. It conflates rape, harm and consensual adolescent intimacy into a single category of criminality.

By raising the age of consent to 18, many ordinary youth relationships became criminalised. A 19-year-old can now face years in prison because his girlfriend is 17, even though she has chosen to love him. In aiming for zero tolerance, the state has policed intimacy instead of teaching consent.

In a society battling with poverty and corruption, the new laws often shield the wealthy and punish the powerless. Young couples, especially across class lines, can be convicted, while powerful older men who abuse children can walk free.

One High Court judge told me: "We have serious problems with rape in this country. But of 25 or maybe 30 cases... mostly there are boyfriends here, you know, lovers. Maybe almost 23 of them are lovers. But the law is so rigid that I have to convict no matter the circumstance."

The updated Sexual Offences Act has deepened fear. It lowered the age of criminal responsibility to 12; sexual cases are now sent directly to the High Court; and life sentences are allowed.

Convictions happen even when girls testify that they love the boy or man who stands accused and confirm consensual sex took place. Many of the cases I studied are initiated by parents, neighbours, or teachers. This was often after pregnancies, school conflicts, or community disputes made relationships visible. Often the relationship happened within unequal social conditions between the partners.

In my view, what communities seek to mend through care, the law isolates and punishes. Conversations about consent, safety and protection disappear when love itself risks imprisonment. Women in violent relationships, meanwhile, lose attention and resources as the system turns to criminalising consensual intimacy.

What does this say about gender and justice?

Sierra Leoneans believe a good man is made not by punishment but by being raised with respect, love and care for others. As a community elder put it: "A child taught to kill becomes cruel. A child taught to love protects everyone."

Yet laws carry war's legacy in their effort to discipline masculinity instead of guiding it.

What do you hope readers take away from your book?

Sierra Leone's moral vision, found in everyday speech, mediation practices and women's community leadership, reminds us that femininity is not weakness but wisdom. And that any just system must build on that strength.

If women were actually treated as they are morally regarded in Freetown – as strong, capable and central to social well-being – then both patriarchy and violence would begin to lose their hold. Ending violence begins in the home, in everyday care, and in the way we raise our children.

This isn't just about Sierra Leone. It matters the world over. Law alone cannot end violence. Laws can punish, but they cannot teach care, consent or empathy. Yet punishment increasingly replaces education.

The lesson is clear: without engaging local understandings of care, consent and responsibility, laws meant to protect risk reproducing harm rather than preventing it.

Voicemale Reflections from philosophers and leaders reveal marriage as complex, demanding tolerance, compromise and humour

Marriage beyond romance: Men and the myths of wedded bliss

Many marriage proposals must have been made during last weekend's Valentine's Day, hopefully with success. The "lucky" men must now be looking forward to a life of bliss. Yet many reflections on marriage by men temper such expectations.

Greek philosopher Socrates is quoted to have said: "By all means, marry. If you get a good wife, you'll become happy; if you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher." This suggests that Socrates considered marriage an important step in life, for men. He was obviously addressing men as he does not say what a woman who got a bad husband would become. In which case, were women an important part of the human equation for him?

Linguistically, the statement has men as subjects of the action of marriage while women are the objects. This defines a patriarchal hierarchy reminiscent of the biblical creation story of Adam and Eve, the latter solely as a helper, an auxiliary. The words of Socrates also remind us of the biblical verse: "He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favour from the Lord" (Proverbs 18:22). This leaves to our imagination why a wife is a good "thing". But is a woman getting a husband also acquiring a good, worse or better "thing"?

Saying that a bad marriage would make men philosophers implies that adversity enables people to be reflective in such a way that they distil lifelong lessons. Socrates was arguably, tongue-in-the cheek, saying that even if one's marriage turned out to be sour, it was not entirely useless. One wonders whether women who ended up with bad husbands would also become philosophers.



Dr Okumba Miruka

Or perhaps that domain is limited to men. It is recorded that Socrates had a wife, Xanthippe, described as "sharp-tempered and argumentative", a character that "helped him sharpen his ability to deal with difficult people in public life".

Men's philosophies about marriage are captured in popular jokes and witty comments. One is that marriage is a relationship in which one partner is always right and the other is the husband. This "philosophy" is that there are only "two" possible outcomes in an argument: either the wife wins or the

husband loses. This thinking that women are innately obstinate is extended to another snippet that in marriage, the husband apologises to his wife when he is right. Jimmy Carter, the one-time President of the USA, exemplified by saying: "I've never won an argument with my wife; and the only time I thought I had, I found out the argument wasn't over yet."

The tension in marriage is captured in the words of the Russian writer Leo Tolstoy who remarked that "What counts in making a happy marriage is not so much how compat-

ible you are but how you deal with incompatibility." This says that marriage brings together two different characters whose happiness is contingent on managing the divergences. This seems to negate the biblical notion that marriage makes the man and the woman one. As a humourist once put it, couples are still figuring out "which one" they become.

Again addressing men, Benjamin Franklin, the American artist, diplomat and statesman, writes in *Poor Richard's Almanack* (1738): "Keep your eyes wide open before marriage, half shut afterwards." He was advising prospecting men to be rational and cautious when choosing brides. But why keep the eyes half shut after? Perhaps to avoid seeing other women, hence not get into temptation? Or, more plausibly, to ignore the wife's imperfections? Franklin captures two dynamics—marriage as choice and practice in tolerance. This brings us back to the Tolstoian idea about incompatibility. Thus marriage is a game of tolerance, re-commitment and compromise.

One of the most sarcastic statements on marriage is by Irish writer Oscar Wilde. "Bigamy is having one wife too many. Monogamy is the same," he said. This depicts both legal and illegal marriages as undesirable. The view is that a wife is a handful, whichever way one looks at it.

There is, of course, the claim that a certain past American President kept his marriage happy through candle-lit dinners. He went on Tuesdays and the wife on Fridays. Echoing this scenario, famous British premier Winston Churchill once said, "My wife and I tried to breakfast together, but we had to stop or our marriage would have been wrecked." The point is that couples need occasional distance from each other.

The enduring lesson from these thoughts is that marriage is work in progress, not a completed project. They tell the proposers one thing: beware. Or as Churchill would advise those who end up in the doldrums, "If you are going through hell, keep going."

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Daisy's World Both genres expand intellectual growth, blending empathy and imagination with factual knowledge

Is reading non-fiction better than reading fiction? The jury is still out

Someone I was having a conversation with last weekend took me back to an old argument whose basis I have never understood. He felt that there is a dearth of people who read in this country, which is a risk to critical thinking. According to him, the problem is worse because many of the people who read consume fiction books, which provide little value beyond entertainment.

The debate between readers of fiction and readers of non-fiction books is unlikely to ever end. On one side, we have people whose lives are devoted to fiction books. They know the *Harry Potter* series by heart. They admire Margaret Ogola's vision for women leadership. They have read all the novels by Bessie Head and Alexander McCall Smith, and to a good extent,



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they feel familiar with the communities in Southern Africa, all thanks to the books they read.

Then there is the second category of readers who swear by non-fiction books. I once interviewed a leading cardiologist in Nairobi. I was doing a profile feature for a youth-facing magazine I was assigned to at the time. Our conversation was brilliant. Towards the end, I asked him what genre of books he reads.

"I read solid books. I do not have time for stories," the stoic, tall man said to me. The answer felt rehearsed. I was definitely not the first person he had said that to. He was proud of the fact that he did not have time for stories. His response was unexpected but unsurprising. As I grow older both chronologically and professionally, I meet more

people who have a similar view of fiction books, as the good doctor.

That conversation stayed with me, especially as I thought about what was on my bedside table. My two current reads are a fiction and non-fiction book. *The State of Africa* by Martin Meredith is an encyclopedia-like history book that traces the different disasters that many African countries have been stumbling into right from independence. It's a depressing reminder that while it is good to think of the problems of Africa as being written by our checkered history that includes slavery and colonialism, as a continent, we are not completely blameless of the sorry state that Africa finds itself in today.

For my fiction dose, I am re-reading *Kosiyi Kifefe*, an old book (good luck finding it in a bookshop) by Arthur Gakwandi. The novel follows the protagonist's life from pre-independence Uganda all the way to post-independence. Basically, we live these periods through the life of the main character. The fear, embar-

assment, doubt, ineptness, greed, and corruption of a nation are embodied in this character. The novel is culturally, historically and anthropologically important in understanding the story of Uganda.

"I think the challenge that we have is we are constantly under pressure to see things in binaries. Why do we feel the pressure to immediately compare?" I asked him. He seemed quite surprised that the same brain that reads fiction also reads non-fiction. Fiction builds

critical thinking; non-fiction helps in factual understanding. I believe both these skills are important.

He was not immediately convinced by my argument because he said I am lucky I am reading a useful fiction book. He said many fiction books have little value to add to life's most pressing issues. We were quiet for a while. I do not know why he was silent; but I know I was imagining how the world would be today if Chinua Achebe did not write *Things Fall Apart*; if

Mariama Ba did not write *So Long a Letter*; if Nawal el Saadawi did not write *Woman at Point Zero*; if Ama Ata Aidoo did not write *Our Sister Killjoy* and if Tsietsi Tsietsi Dangarembga did not write *Nervous Conditions*. To mention less than a few.

Since I couldn't crystallise all these thoughts into a sentence in that instance, when I finally spoke, it was to pursue his line of argument. "You are aware that we equally have some baseless non-fiction books that mislead the reader?" I asked, trying to sound as diplomatic as possible.

He paused. He partly agreed but insisted that fiction books are more notorious for that kind of mistake. We both laughed. My position was reading fiction and non-fiction doesn't have to be an either/or situation because that kind of thinking severely limits intellectual growth. What is your take on the debate?

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