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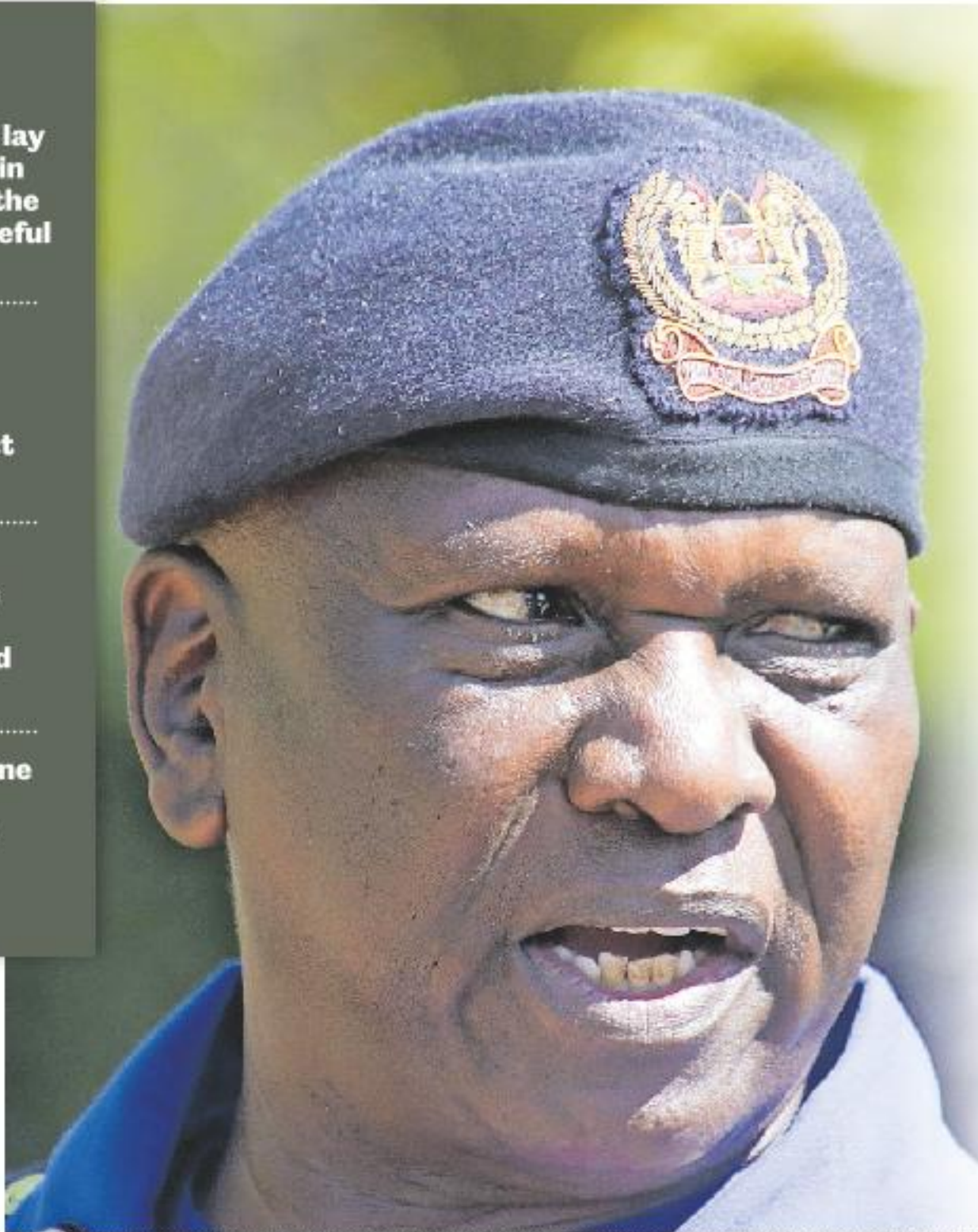
**Anniversary** Daily prayers for peace and justice as well as exhibitions for victims of last year's protests have already started

## The June 25 plans

### AT A GLANCE

- **Ready both ways:** Police lay out strategies to maintain law and order, whether the demonstrations are peaceful or if they turn violent
- **Personnel:** Hundreds of police officers to be deployed in Nairobi's Central Business District and other key areas
- **Roads to be closed:** Several roads have been earmarked for closure, with diversions expected to be announced
- **Warning to goons:** Anyone attempting to infiltrate the demonstrations with criminal intent to face arrest

**Inspector-General of Police Douglas Kanja:** Yes, we are on top of things...The police will follow all established procedures. I urge protesters to remain peaceful and adhere to police guidelines.



As Gen Zs and activists gear up to mark the first anniversary of the deadly June 25, 2024 protests that forced President William Ruto to withdraw a punitive tax Bill and sack his Cabinet, security chiefs are working on a strategy they say will secure the demonstrators as well as other Kenyans and their businesses on Wednesday. Will they keep their word or will it be yet another chaotic day of toxic teargas, hired goons, violence and death? **P.3,4,5&6**



**Nairobi Regional Police boss George Seda:** We will provide enough security for protesters and for all other Kenyans.



**Activist Hanifa Adan:** In five years, we'll have leaders born from this fire. And girls like me will finally belong.

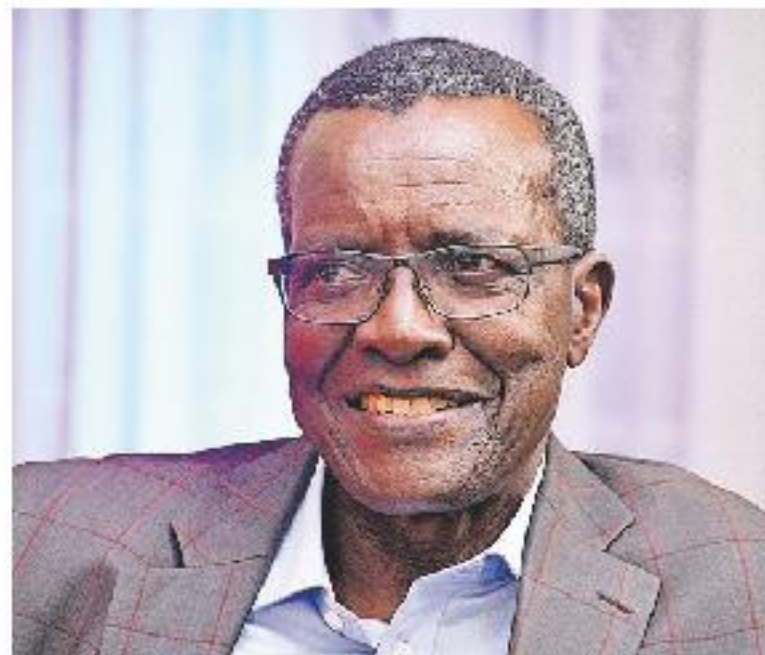


**Activist Boniface Mwangi:** The political class might not know it yet, but their reign ended on that day.

## This is what I'll do if you elect me in 2027

**F**ormer Chief Justice David Maraga says the fight against corruption, the restoration of the rule of law, and an end to impunity and police brutality will be top of his list should he be elected the 6th president in 2027. In an exclusive interview with NTV on Wednesday night, Mr Maraga urged Kenyans to move away from ethnic politics and resist any attempts to divide them along ethnic lines. He presented the 2027 presidential race as a contest between those who believe in the rule of law and those who have flagrantly violated it, even resorting to 'killing children like rats'.

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Former Chief Justice David Maraga speaks in an interview with NTV on Wednesday. FRANCIS NDERITU | NATION

### SCORECARD

#### Fulfil our promises to Kenyans, Ruto urges his Cabinet

With pressure mounting over the cost of living, police brutality and lagging public services, President Ruto said excuses would no longer be tolerated. He said transformation cannot wait for political comfort or a second term. "If it can be done in five years, why do you want to do it in 10?" he asked. / **P8**



### TRAGIC

#### She fled Somalia only to die by her lover's bullet

For Najma Athman Bwanamusa, settling in Kenya after fleeing wartorn Somalia was a relief. But on Monday, that life was cut short when her former husband Shafi Swaleh Bwana, a National Police Reservist, shot her dead before turning the gun on himself / **P20**

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**KILA SIKU UNASEMA:  
NITACHUKUA NEXT MONTH.  
'NEXT MONTH' INAKUJA SOON...**

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# National News

**Crime** Five terrorists were killed during operation conducted by security agents

## Men who helped DusitD2 terrorists jailed for 30 years

The men helped the terrorists acquire identification documents and vehicle

BY SAM KIPLAGAT AND SIMON CIURI

**T**wo men who aided terrorists in the deadly DusitD2 hotel attack six years ago, which left 21 people dead, have been sentenced to 30 years in prison each.

Hussein Mohamed Abdille Ali and Mohamed Abdi Ali were handed the sentence by High Court Judge Diana Kavedza after she found them guilty of facilitating the 2019 terror attack by sending the terrorists money and helping them to acquire identification documents.

Justice Kavedza stated that the two conspired with others not before the court, including Adamu Chege and lead attacker Ali Salim Gichunge, alias Farouk, to carry out the attack. Gichunge and four other terrorists were killed during the operation to neutralise the assailants.

A suicide bomber, later identified as Khalid Mahir Riziki, detonated an explosive vest outside the Secret Garden Restaurant at the 14 Riverside complex. Armed terrorists, led by Gichunge, then opened fire indiscriminately on



Hussein Mohamed Abdille Ali (left) and Mohamed Abdi Ali at the Kahawa Law Courts where they were sentenced for their roles in the DusitD2 terror attack. SIMON CIURI | NATION

guests and employees.

The prosecution called 45 witnesses, including a special agent from the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation, who detailed the planning and execution of the attack.

Evidence presented in court showed that the attackers were in constant communication with Al-Shabaab operatives in Jilib, Somalia. These operatives used Facebook accounts to send directions to the attackers.

One of the accounts, registered as Adamu Chege, was traced back to April 2018. Analysis revealed the IP address was connected to Mohamed Yare Abdallah, a known terror suspect involved in a previously foiled attack targeting the Kenyatta International Convention Centre and Parliament Buildings.

Telecommunications data, financial records and witness testimonies confirmed that Abdille and Ali were instrumental in facilitating the attack. Internet access, key to communication with foreign operatives and local coordination, was also traced back to

the two. One of the attackers, Siyat Omar Abdi, used fake identification documents arranged by Abdille to leave the Dagahaley refugee camp undetected. He later moved to Muchatha in Kiambu County, where he met Gichunge. The two rented a house together as they planned the attack.

Though Abdille claimed he was only 15 years old at the time and therefore incapable of aiding the attackers, the court dismissed this defence. Medical experts testified that Abdille was an adult.

Abdille also denied knowing Chege. However, messages retrieved from his Facebook account revealed frequent communication with Chege. Justice Kavedza noted that the conversations "demonstrate a degree of familiarity that could not be attributed to a one-off interaction".

The court found that Ali, who described himself as a money merchant from Mandera, had wired a total of Sh836,900 to Gichunge using several mobile phone numbers, including one registered to his dead brother. The funds were used to support the logistics and day-to-day needs of the attackers in the months leading to the assault.

The money also helped to purchase the vehicle that the attackers used on the day of the assault, cover rent, household items and food.

### 2019

Year when terrorists launched an attack at the DusitD2 complex, killing 21 people and injuring many others

## Court orders Mediheal owner Mishra to pay 62 expatriate medics Sh420m

BY JOSEPH OPENDA

Dr Swarup Mishra, who is the chairman of the Mediheal Group of Hospitals, has been ordered to pay more than Sh420 million in damages and salary arrears to 62 medical professionals who had been employed as expatriates.

The Nakuru Employment and Labour Relations Court allowed the petition filed by the staff, mainly from India, after finding that the hospital had forced them out of work by withholding their salaries for several months.

In her June 12 judgment, Justice Anna Mwaure said the petitioners were terminated from their employment once their salaries were withheld, and are thus entitled to compensation.

She ordered the hospital to pay them a total of Sh277 million in salary arrears, Sh50 million for failure to issue a three-month notice and Sh93 million in damages for unfair termination.

The judge noted that the petitioners had proven they were employees of the hospital and had never been paid their allowances, despite having been dismissed.

"The respondent withheld and failed to pay the claimants their salaries, forcing them to resign involuntarily. To date, there is no evidence that the claimants' salaries have been settled," said Justice Mwaure.

In the case filed in February



Dr Swarup Mishra

last year, the 62 medics sought court intervention after accusing the hospital of breaching their employment contracts. They claimed to have approached the hospital management to resolve the dispute but only received unfulfilled promises of payment.

According to the petitioners, their efforts to invoke the arbitration clause in their contracts also proved futile, as the hospital remained unresponsive.

The employees produced in court a letter written to them by Dr Mishra, thanking them for their patience and promising to settle the arrears, a promise that was never fulfilled. He had indicated that the hospital was engaging a lender to advance funds for their payment, but this never materialised.



### Call for Expression of Interest (EOI):

Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) partnership with the Embassy of Sweden in Kenya

The Embassy of Sweden in Kenya invites organizations to submit their **Expression of Interest** for a partnership and funding opportunity in 2025.

The purpose of the proposed funding opportunity is to enhance Sweden's commitment to **human rights, democracy, and the rule of law** through locally led development approach, in partnership with Kenyan CSOs in promoting an inclusive democratic and governance process.

The call is open to national civil society organizations conducting long-term development cooperation that aligns with the objectives in the Strategy for Sweden's development cooperation with Kenya.

For full details on terms and conditions, as well as information on how to apply, visit:



[www.swedenabroad.se/nairobi](http://www.swedenabroad.se/nairobi)



### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE JUBILEE LIFE INSURANCE PERSONAL PENSION PLAN AND THE JUBILEE LIFE PERSONAL PROVIDENT FUND

Pursuant to the Retirement Benefits Regulations, a notice is hereby given that an **Annual General Meeting** of the Members of The Jubilee Insurance Personal Pension Plan will be held as follows:

**Date:** Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025  
**Time:** 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
**Location:** Virtual platform (Microsoft TEAMS)

#### Agenda:

1. Introductions
2. Trustee's Report
3. The Audited Financial Statements as at 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2024
4. The Investments and Administration Report
5. A Report on the Industry Developments and Updates
6. Question & Answer Session
7. Any Other Business

#### NB:

1. Annual Audited Accounts, Trustee's Report and Minutes are available at [www.jubileeinsurance.com/ke/help/downloads/](http://www.jubileeinsurance.com/ke/help/downloads/)
2. Scan the QR Code to register and join the AGM
3. Once you register, you will receive an automatic response email with the link to the AGM. The link shall only be accessible to the members who have registered prior to the meeting.
4. The registration deadline is **1<sup>st</sup> July 2025**.
5. For any queries related to the upcoming AGM, kindly reach us on [pension@jubileekenya.com](mailto:pension@jubileekenya.com)

By Order of The Corporate Trustee  
Kingsland Court Trustee Services Ltd,  
Flamingo Towers, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Mara Road, Upperhill,  
Nairobi, Kenya.

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025



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**Date:** Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025  
**Time:** 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
**Location:** Virtual platform (Microsoft TEAMS)

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**Security planning** Commanders at the station level have now been instructed to gather intelligence proactively

# Police bosses finalise strategy for June 25 anniversary demos

The plan details how the police intend to maintain law and order, particularly in the capital city starting Wednesday

BY KAMORE MAINA

**T**op police commanders met in Nairobi yesterday to finalise strategies for managing next week's planned protests, which are expected to last several days.

The commanders came up with a comprehensive security plan detailing how the police intend to maintain law and order, particularly in the capital city, while managing the anticipated demonstrations.

Initial discussions were held on Tuesday at the National Police Service headquarters at Jogoo House, followed by a second meeting on Wednesday where a harmonised operational strategy was drafted and agreed upon.

Among those present were Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja, Directorate of Criminal Investigations Director Mohammed Amin, Deputy Inspector General of Police Gilbert Masengeli, and acting DIG Patrick Tito. According to sources familiar with police operations, Mr Kanja is leading the preparations.

When contacted by the *Nation* yesterday, Mr Kanja reiterated the police's commitment to upholding law and order while respecting the right to peaceful assembly.

"Yes, we are on top of things. Today, we met with all commanders for a review of the strategic security plan. The police will follow all established procedures, and I urge protestors to remain peaceful and adhere to police guidelines," said Mr Kanja.

He added: "Anyone attempting to infiltrate the peaceful demonstrations with criminal intentions should be warned - they will face the full force of the law and spend a long time in jail." Security sources revealed that



Inspector-General of Police Douglas Kanja and Deputy Inspector-General, Administration Police Service, Gilbert Masengeli, at a past press briefing. BILLY OGADA | NATION

on Monday, just hours after Deputy Inspector General Eliud Lagat announced he was stepping aside to allow investigations into the death of teacher-turned-blogger Albert Ojwang, Mr Kanja and Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen attended a high-level security meeting at State House. The agenda focused on how to manage the impending protests, particularly in Nairobi.

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Date next week when protests are expected to begin. It's the same date last year when Gen Zs stormed Parliament over the Finance Bill

ing protests, particularly in Nairobi.

As part of the preparations, hundreds of police officers will be deployed to Nairobi's Central Business District (CBD) and other key areas beginning Wednesday, June 25, when the demonstrations are expected to begin.

Officers from multiple formations, including the General Service Unit (GSU), Rapid Deployment Unit (RDU), and regular police units, will be deployed across the city. Foot patrols will be supported by officers in patrol cars and trucks, allowing for rapid response to any disturbances.

GSU and Administration Police officers will specifically be tasked with dispersing any demonstrations that turn unruly.

To facilitate peaceful protests, a separate team from Nairobi Central Police Station has been designated to provide security to demonstrators — an acknowledgement that protests may proceed peacefully and in an orderly manner.

The police plan also includes the strategic deployment of water cannons at key locations across the city as a backup in case the situation escalates.

Additionally, police vehicles and trucks will be used to block access to sensitive zones, such as Parliament Road, State House Road, and other government buildings categorised as high-security areas. Several roads have been earmarked for closure during the protest period, with diversions expected to be announced in advance.

Depending on how the situation evolves, mounted officers and dog units may also be de-

ployed to reinforce the police presence.

Unlike the June 2024 protests, where police were reportedly caught off guard, commanders at the station level have now been instructed to gather intelligence proactively.

To ensure effective coordination, senior officers will be stationed at the Police Command Centre at Jogoo House, from where they will monitor developments in real time and provide operational guidance to teams on the ground.

## Strategy meetings

Yesterday, National Police Service spokesperson Michael Muchiri confirmed that a series of strategy meetings were ongoing to ensure the force was fully prepared.

"It is meeting after meeting now. We want to be well prepared and we will provide security," he said.

Nairobi Regional Police Commander George Seda also assured residents of the capital that robust security arrangements had been put in place.

"We will provide adequate security for protestors and for all other Kenyans," Mr Seda stated during a press briefing at his office on Wednesday.

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## CAR & GENERAL (KENYA) Plc Notice of Retirement of Mr Madabhushi Soundararajan and Appointment of Mr Nikhil Rustam Hira



Mr. Madabhushi Soundararajan

The Board of Car & General (Kenya) Plc ("the Company") announces the retirement of Mr. Madabhushi Soundararajan as a Non-Executive Director on the Board with effect from 19 June 2025. Mr. Soundararajan joined the Board on 7 November 2008, since then he has made invaluable contributions to the growth and success of the Company. The Board of the Company wishes to sincerely thank Mr. Soundararajan for his dedication and commitment, during his tenure on the Board. The Board also wishes him every success in his future endeavours.



Mr Nikhil Rustam Hira

The Company is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Nikhil Rustam Hira as an Independent Non-Executive Director with effect from 19 June 2025.

Mr Hira is Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales and the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya. He also holds a Bachelor of Science Joint Honours from the University of Salford, Manchester, UK. Mr Nikhil is one of the leading tax experts in East Africa with over 35 years' experience in tax advisory and tax dispute resolution in the region and beyond.

He currently serves as the Chairman of I&M Bank (Rwanda) Plc and GA Insurance Kenya. Additionally, he sits on the Board of I&M Bank Kenya Limited where he chairs the Board Audit Committee. He is a Partner in Kody Africa LLP and the Executive Regional Director of the Eastern Africa Association.

Mr Hira brings to the Board a wealth of tax and financial experience that will be very valuable for the Car & General (Kenya) Plc

The Chairman and Directors of Car & General (Kenya) Plc are delighted to welcome Mr Hira to the Board.

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Conrad Nyukuri  
Secretary  
20 June 2025

## Ipoa boss summoned over OCS's phone row

BY RICHARD MUNGUTI

An Assistant Director of Investigations at the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (Ipoa), Abdirahaman Jibril, has been summoned to explain how the phone of OCS Samson Talaam, currently in custody, was used to solicit funds from the public.

Mr Jibril, who is leading the investigation into the murder of teacher-blogger Albert Ojwang, is expected to appear before Milimani Senior Principal Magistrate Benmark Ekhubi today.

This follows claims by defence lawyer Cliff Ombe-ta that he received a request for Sh80,000 via Talaam's number, allegedly to help resolve a financial emergency. Ombeta, joined by fellow lawyers Felix

Keyton, Stanley Kang'ahi, Danstan Omari, and Shadrack Wambui, raised the matter immediately after the court declined Talaam's bond request.

"Talaam's phone was confiscated. How is it still being used to request money from his lawyer and relatives?" Mr Omari asked, calling the incident "fraud of the worst order". He added that Talaam had filed a report at Lang'ata Police Station and recorded a statement.

However, Ipoa lawyer Christine Owiti said Jibril had confirmed the phone was off and securely stored at their offices pending forensic analysis.

Earlier, Mr Ekhubi denied Talaam's bond request, ruling that his release could interfere with witnesses, most of whom are junior officers.



# National News

**Protests anniversary** Activist recalls the shooting to death of Rex Masai on Moi Avenue last year and the hijacking of

## Mwangi: June 25 is like a second

At first, he was just another **BONIFACE MWANGI** – a photojournalist known more by name than in person. But as he snapped one click after another, the time spent behind the lens stirred something in him. Then came the 2007/2008 post-election violence, which found him still in the newsroom. It served as a fire that wrought that inchoate radical in him. With time, a tough-talking, unapologetic activist emerged. Today, he is better known as The People's Watchman; a man who has been to hell and back while pushing for causes he believes are worth fighting for. However, he does not consider himself as having been made for the streets. "I don't consider protests to be my calling," Mwangi says. "I'm a photographer. I travel, I speak and teach people. I actually live on a farm, and that's what I do for a living. But when something goes wrong, I think one of the best ways to show your anger or defiance is through protest." In a wide-ranging interview with him, where he described himself as "a good troublemaker", we revisited the June 2025 protests among other topics. He spoke to **JAMES SMART** and **ELVIS ONDIEKI**

### Which is your most memorable protest?

One of the most famous protests is the "M-Pigs" one, where we delivered pigs to Parliament. We made a statement about the greed of our MPs. However, the one I hold dear is the Lang'ata Road Primary School protest, which we called "Occupy Playground".

There was an attempt to grab a school playground, and we went in with the children to occupy it. Police officers responded with teargas. People got hurt but one move led to the school being liberated.

By protesting that day, we saved the school. That demonstration

led to many others across the country where schoolchildren reclaimed their playgrounds. For me, it was the most impactful protest, especially as a father of young children.

### What is your philosophy on protests?

When you protest, you disrupt normal life. That means one gets heard because the government takes notice. I believe in the power of street protests. Things like Uhuru Park were protected by protests. Karura Forest is safe because of protests. Prof Wangari Maathai led the demonstrations to protect the forest.

These actions create awareness.

When you protest, you inconvenience people, which gives you free amplification of your message.

If you lock down a road or disrupt ordinary life, the government listens and police respond. Journalists show up. Protesting is the most low-budget thing you can do when faced with injustice.

### How did you find out about the first fatality during the June 2024 protests?

I was at home around 8pm scrolling something online when I saw that someone had been shot on Moi Avenue. Police were having trouble moving the body.

The man was taken to a hospital at the Kenya National Ar-

chives near StanChart Bank, but police wouldn't let the Good Samaritans in. When the door was eventually opened, they took him in but he had already died. There was confusion online about the victim. I got into my car and rushed to Moi Avenue where I met Rex Masai's parents.

### What happened at the mortuary?

Normally, when there's a homicide, you have to wait for police to collect the body. The police came and bundled the body in their vehicle. I took a picture of Rex's body lying on the street. I then followed the police car to the City Mortuary. I took more pictures



Protesters on Kimathi Street, Nairobi, on June 25, 2024. Right: Activist Boniface Mwangi. FILE | NATION

of Rex's mother at the funeral home. Rex was the first fatality of the Finance Bill, 2024 protests.

### How did you handle the trauma of visiting the mortuary?

Going to the funeral home was emotionally taxing. I don't do well with mortuaries. If you look at the picture I took of Rex and his parents, I was outside, looking through the window. The

last time I went to pick up a body from a mortuary, I remained at the door. The genesis of the trauma was the 2007-8 post-election violence. Many bodies piled up at the mortuary. The smell and the sight were horrifying.

When I was training as a journalist more than 25 years ago, my first assignment was to cover the City Mortuary. The place was dirty. The smell lingers to date.



### TENDER NOTICE

Muthaiga Golf Club is proudly referred to as 'The Home of Golf.' It is, in many ways, the ultimate embodiment of Kenya's unique marriage of ancient golf tradition with a modern 18-hole championship course.

The Club seeks to engage qualified professional services for the development of a comprehensive Masterplan that will guide the optimization of the real estate and transformation of its facilities and amenities to meet evolving member needs while preserving its rich heritage. The Board invites eligible and interested architectural/Urban Planning consulting firms to submit EOI for below tender.

DESCRIPTION	TENDER NUMBER	CATEGORY	CLOSING DATE
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CLUB MASTERPLAN	REF: MGC/EOI/01/2025	OPEN	4 <sup>th</sup> JULY 2025

Details of the EOI are available at Muthaiga golf club website [www.muthaigolffclub.com](http://www.muthaigolffclub.com) and can be downloaded free of charge.

Deadline for submission of the tender document will be **4th JULY 2025** on or before 5:00 PM.

For any clarification's, please contact Procurement Department

1. [procurementmanager@muthaigolffclub.com](mailto:procurementmanager@muthaigolffclub.com)
2. [assistantprocurement@muthaigolffclub.com](mailto:assistantprocurement@muthaigolffclub.com)

### THE INSOLVENCY ACT, 2015

### AFRICA SPIRITS LIMITED (UNDER ADMINISTRATION)

INSOLVENCY NOTICE UNDER SECTION 563 (2) (b)  
INSOLVENCY CAUSE NO. HCCOMMIN/ E098/2025 OF 2025

### APPOINTMENT OF AN ADMINISTRATOR

**NOTICE** is hereby given that Peter Kahi of PKF Consulting (K) Limited, Kalamu House, Grevillea Grove, Westlands and P O Box 14077-00800 Nairobi was appointed as the Administrator of Africa Spirits Limited (Under Administration) on 17 June 2025. With the appointment, the powers of the Administrator extend to all assets and undertaking of the Company. In the interim and by virtue of the Administration, the powers of the directors of the Company in terms of dealing with the Company's assets have ceased. None of the directors, shareholders, employees and no other person is authorised to transact any business on behalf of the Company without express written consent from the Administrator. Moving forward, all matters, operational or otherwise, pertaining to the affairs of the Company should be directed to the Administrator or his authorised representatives.

Creditors of the Company are required to send full particulars of any claims that they may have against the Company to the undersigned on or before **18 July 2025**.

**The Administrator act's on behalf of the Company without any personal liability.**

All correspondence, claims and enquiries should be addressed to:  
The Administrator  
Africa Spirits Limited (Under Administration)  
C/o PKF Consulting (K) Limited  
Kalamu House, Grevillea Grove, off Brookside Drive, Westlands  
P. O. Box 14077-00800, Nairobi, Kenya  
Telephone + 254 20 7766400, +254 732 144000  
Email: [consult@ke.pkf.co](mailto:consult@ke.pkf.co)

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

PETER KAH  
Administrator

### THE INSOLVENCY ACT (No. 18 of 2015)

### IN THE HIGH COURT OF KENYA AT NAIROBI COMMERCIAL AND TAX DIVISION

INSOLVENCY PETITION NO. E011 OF 2024  
IN THE KWESE FREE TV KENYA LIMITED (In Liquidation)

### APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATOR

**I, Christopher Ndirangu Kirathe**, of P.O. Box 44286-00100, Nairobi, give notice that I was appointed as liquidator of Kwese Free TV Kenya Limited (In Liquidation), the Company pursuant to the Liquidation Order issued on the 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2024 and/or in accordance with the provisions of the Insolvency Act.

Creditors' of the Company are required to file their claims with the Liquidator by submitting the proof of debt form (form No. 5) on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2025 via [Maurine.Keter@parthenon.ey.com](mailto:Maurine.Keter@parthenon.ey.com).

The Liquidator will hold/convene the first general meeting of creditors' on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July 2025.

To be served upon

- (a) The official receiver (if the application was made in Court)
- (b) Creditors
- (c) Company/Directors
- (d) Court

Dated the [Date: 20th June 2025].  
C. N. KIRATHE,  
**Liquidator,**  
**Kwese Free TV Kenya Limited.**



the peaceful demonstration by 'people armed with guns, reeking of alcohol'

# Independence Day



mentum on that day. Kenyans brought their children to the city. I must, however, say that the first two protests on June 18 and 20 were very peaceful.

There was no looting and no violence. The shops were open, and businesspeople even gave the demonstrators water and safe places.

## What was the atmosphere on June 25?

June 25 started like the previous protests. Nairobi was safe from 9am to around 2pm. You could walk around the City Centre, and some shops were still open.

The atmosphere was festival-like. It was like a music festival.

People came out to exercise their right to protest, in line with the country's Constitution. They came with their bluetooth speakers, water and were happy to be there.

The interesting part is that there were more women than men on the streets that day. Many parents brought their children. It was safe.

## How did the protest take a dark turn?

The atmosphere changed later in the afternoon. I was going down Parliament Road when I realised people were being shot. I turned back towards City Hall. There were teargas canisters on the road, and a vehicle shop was being raided.

City Hall was ablaze. Some people were setting up barricades at the Supreme Court. There were many guns around at that moment and you could tell some of those people were not there to protest. They had other intentions.

The smell of alcohol and sweat was everywhere. That told me it was no longer a peaceful demonstration.

## What was the biggest betrayal?

That was when the political class came together to buy time for President William Ruto.

This started as a peaceful protest against the Finance Bill, 2024. Kenyans were clear - do not over-tax us.

They offered real suggestions.

They were against taxing sanitary towels, diapers, bread and other basics.

The mood changed the moment Rex was shot dead. Then came the massacre of June 28, 2024. Those children and young people lost their innocence. We reached a tipping point as a nation. We said: "You cannot kill us and lead us."

June 25 is like our second Independence Day - December 12 1963, which was marked the fall of the Union Jack. June 25 is the day Kenya changed forever.

The political class might not know it yet, but their reign ended that day. No matter what they do, no matter what coalitions they form, they will never escape the full-colour footage.

Those killings were caught in 4K resolution. They will be punished. We saw it and lived it.

No bribe or handshake will erase what happened that day. They must be held accountable for killing children and stealing their future.

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## Kenyans prepare to mark day with several activities

BY DANIEL OGETTA

As the country prepares to mark one year since the anti-Finance Bill protests, the coming days are expected to be filled with activities.

From prayers to mobilisation, activists say the focus will be on the quest for justice.

The Catholic Church has already organised daily prayers for peace and justice, building momentum towards the anniversary of a day that changed activism in Kenya.

"On June 19, 20, 23 and 25, all priests are requested to celebrate Mass for the preservation of peace and justice (Kudumisha Amani na Haki) as found in the Roman Missal (Misale ya Kiroma), pages 1113 to 1115," reads a communiqué from Nairobi Archbishop Philip Anyolo.

Archbishop Anyolo also requested priests under his jurisdiction to offer "Holy Masses" beginning yesterday (Thursday) and especially on Sunday, June 22.

"Let us earnestly invoke God's mercy upon our nation. Let us entrust Nairobi and indeed our entire nation, to our Eucharistic

Lord," he said.

His statement comes in the wake of the tragic events of Tuesday when protests over the killing of Albert Ojwang were hijacked by police-backed goons who unleashed terror on citizens.

"We are distressed by two grave incidents, the shooting of an unarmed and seemingly innocent citizen and the unchecked operations of groups armed with poles who were seen robbing, assaulting citizens and destroying property and businesses without any intervention from security agencies," the archbishop said.

On June 25, 2024, marches turned deadly when protesters stormed Parliament. Civil Society Organisations said about 60 people died. President William Ruto later described the events as "treasonous."

The Kenya Human Rights Commission said there will be exhibitions to honour those killed. One exhibition will be held today, another tomorrow. Online discussion is already underway.

"People are reviving the memories to ensure we don't forget what happened," it said.



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# National News

**Spark** Activist says that seeing people in Mathare suffer without government help after floods 'radicalised' her

## Hanifa: How I discovered the power of fundraising

BY JAMES SMART AND  
ELVIS ONDIEKI

**H**anifa Farsafi, an activist raised in Korogocho in Nairobi, has drawn admiration and a fair share of ridicule for her involvement in fundraisers.

Since the wave of anti-government protests began in June 2024, she has been known to coordinate the raising of money to support various causes. Notably, those who were hurt during last year's protests had a helping hand from monies collected by Hanifa from well-wishers.

In a recent interview, she explained how she realised the power of fundraising through M-Pesa. She said it began with flooding that affected Nairobi's Mathare area, where she saw people lose all their possessions.

"The government did nothing. I fundraised over Sh1 million in like two days. That's when I realised I could do something," she said, adding that that is the time she was "properly radicalised".

In the interview, she also dis-

cussed how she got into activism and why she thinks about death almost every day. Here are excerpts.

**Tell us a little about Hanifa. How does Hanifa become Hanifa?**

Hanifa becomes Hanifa by being a nosy person. I've never been a bystander. I've always been the loud, bold girl who wants to be at the centre of things; not because I want to make noise, but because I want to learn and understand what's happening. And I think that's why I even joined activism. I could never ignore injustice. I was the girl who got in trouble for asking too many questions. I still am.

**What was the first thing that made you become this public person?**

It wasn't political at first. I started by posting pictures from Korogocho, where I grew up. I wanted to show the beauty of my community. Then I started speaking on social issues—floods, corruption, girls missing school because of periods—and people started listening.



Activist Hanifa Adan at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport on May 19. DENNIS ONSONGO | NATION

**Tell us about the moment you were on the streets in the first protest.**

The protests began on June 18. That was the first one. I was the first protester to be arrested that

day. I came out green, naïve. I had printed T-shirts saying "Reject Finance Bill". I stood with them in a paper bag, handing them out. And then this officer approached me, very aggressively. Started insulting

me, took my T-shirts and arrested me. I didn't even know what station they were taking me to.

**Let's talk about what happened last year...**

I remember standing outside Jamia Mosque right before it happened. I was texting people, giving out shirts. And then boom, I'm in cuffs. I was taken into a cell and found these babies, young Gen Zs, so strong, but shaken. They didn't cry. I was the one crying. And they kept telling me, "We've been here since morning." One of them even said, "Don't cry. If you cry, they'll break us." That stayed with me.

**What is your earliest memory of understanding there was a problem with the Finance Bill, 2024?**

We were already angry about so much. Then the Finance Bill gave us something to focus that anger on. We said, "No, enough!" We weren't going to sit quietly anymore. It gave me a reason to go outside. It gave me life.

**If you reflect on your personal life and journey, what do you think is the biggest sacrifice you have made?**

I miss silence. I miss walking into rooms and not being recognised or judged. I miss not being scared when I hear sirens. But I gave that up because there's a girl somewhere who thinks I'm brave. And

I have to be brave—for her.

**How do you deal with trolls?**

I've been told I'm too loud. Too visible. Too Somali. Too Muslim. But I refuse to be humbled. They want me small. But I'm big. And I'm not shrinking.

**Are you winning that fight?**

Yes, because I'm still here. Still loud. Still showing up. I'm setting the precedent for a girl who looks like me to walk in without fear.

**Are you not scared of dying, being killed?**

I think about it every day. But I also think: If I can change even one girl's life, it's worth it. My death will not be in vain. So, no, I'm not scared.

**Where do you think the movement will be in five years?**

I think we're building something real. This isn't noise, it's structure. It's legacy. In five years, we'll have leaders who were born from this fire. And girls like me will finally belong.

**What would you tell the relatives of those who have been killed?**

I'm sorry. I'm so, so sorry. But I promise you, we are not letting their names fade. We carry them in every step, every chant, every win. We carry them.



**Theme: Driving Inclusive and Sustainable Solutions for a Better World**

As the world comes together to commemorate the **103rd International Co-operative Day** on **Saturday, 5th July 2025**, we are pleased to inform you that Nation Media Group will be publishing a special Ushirika Day supplement in the **Daily Nation** to honor this important occasion.

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**Agenda** Former CJ says restoration of the rule of law, an end to impunity and police brutality will be top of his listBY MOSES NYAMORI AND  
NDUBI MOTURI

Former Chief Justice David Maraga says the fight against corruption, the restoration of the rule of law, and an end to impunity and police brutality will be top of his list should he be elected the 6th president in 2027.

In an exclusive interview with NTV on Wednesday night, Mr Maraga urged Kenyans to move away from ethnic politics and resist any attempts to divide them along ethnic lines.

"I am not going to dish out funds. This is what has brought this country down to where it is today. People with money buy your souls. They don't care about the country. They just want to recover what they spent and accumulate resources," he said, noting that he would reach out to Kenyans to crowdfund his campaigns.

He presented the 2027 presidential race as a contest between those who believe in the rule of law and those who have flagrantly violated it, even resorting to 'killing children like rats'.

The 74-year-old, who served as Chief Justice from October 2016 until his retirement in January 2021, projected himself as the Gen Z presidential candidate, seemingly in an attempt to capitalise on the current wave of disaffection among young people towards President Ruto's administration.

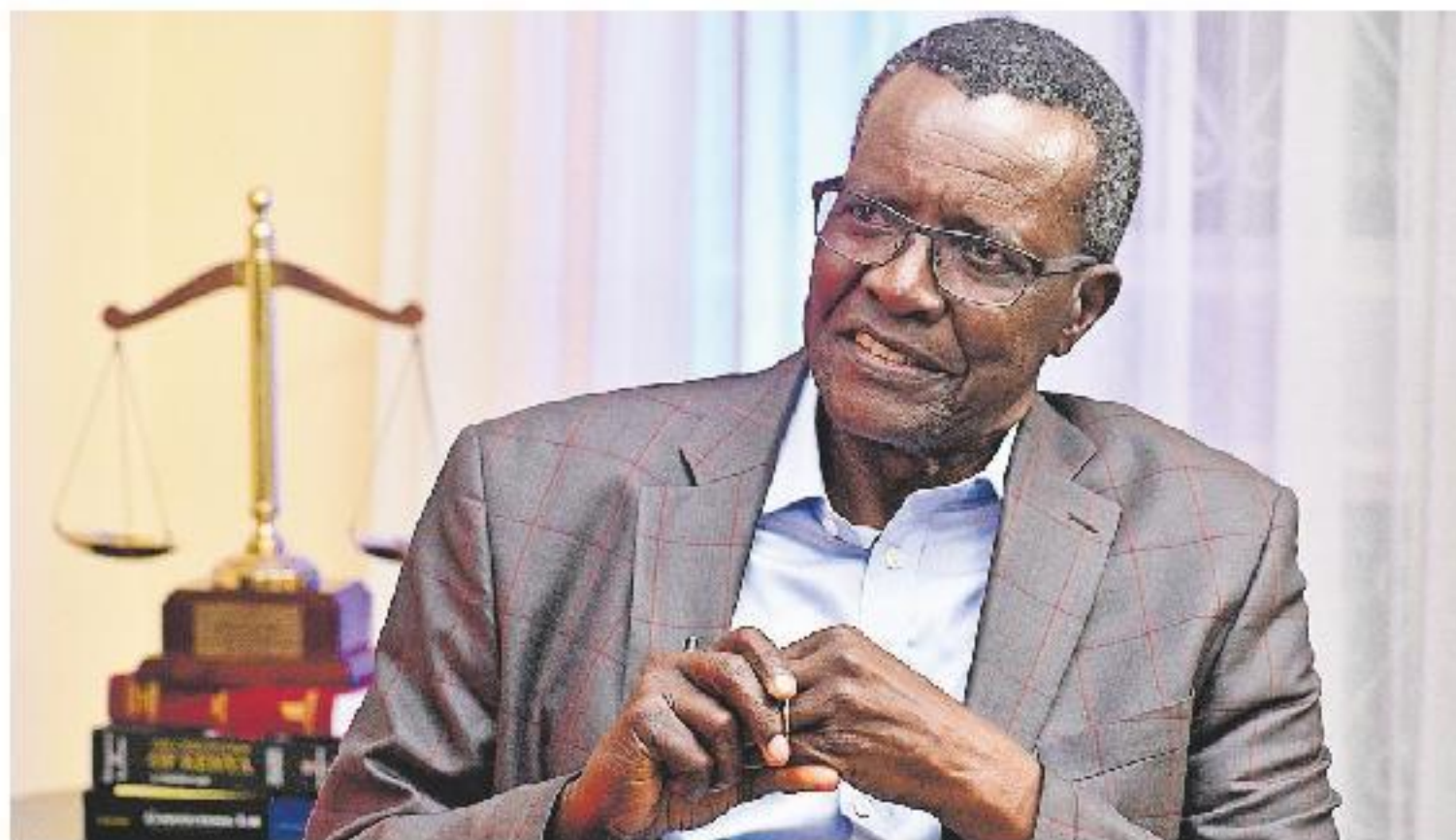
Gen Z, who staged a historic nationwide protest against the Finance Bill in June last year, have become an attractive voting bloc for politicians seeking the highest office in the land.

"To see our young people being handled the way they have been handled, it is something which is extremely worrying. So, I mean, after discussions with friends and others, and after serious reflection, I thought it is time that we think about the leadership of this country," said Mr Maraga.

"We can't let some people literally take our country to the dogs. We need to think about that seriously. And as a result of that reflection, I have made up my mind that I will run in 2027 for the presidency of this country," he

# Maraga: This is my plan for Kenya if elected President

The 74-year-old is projecting himself as the Gen Z presidential candidate in 2027 polls



Former Chief Justice David Maraga during an interview with NTV on Wednesday night, where he announced his bid for the presidency in the 2027 General Election. FRANCIS NDERITUINATON

said.

The declaration by Mr Maraga to run for president adds him to the growing list of individuals who have indicated their plans to run against President Ruto. Others keen to challenge Dr Ruto include Wiper leader Kalonzo Musyoka, former Interior Cabinet Secretary Fred Matiang'i, People's Liberation Party (PLP) boss Martha Karua and DAP-K's Eugene Wamalwa.

Although impeached and consequently barred from running for an elective seat, former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua has indicated he would be free to run so long as he has not exhausted his appeal mechanism.

Mr Maraga is remembered for his contribution in the corridors of justice and while serving on the bench. He rose through the ranks to the apex of the judiciary, where he served as the Chief Justice and president of the Su-

preme Court. In 2022, he made history in 2017 when he led the Supreme Court judges in nullifying a flawed presidential election in which the electoral commission had handed Uhuru Kenyatta a second term in office, citing "illegalities and irregularities".

"We are having a state of affairs where we have a breakdown of the rule of law. Those in authority think they can do whatever they want to do and escape with it. If we continue like that we will not have a country," he said.

"Given the chance, I would want to call the country back to order. How? As Head of State, with the powers conferred upon that office, I would require everyone to obey the law - starting with myself. We are at that moment where we need someone courageous enough to do exactly that."

"You were around in 2017, you saw what I did. We had a stolen election, and we nullified it.

When there was a petition on the implementation of the two-thirds gender rule, in my capacity as Chief Justice, I recommended to the President that Parliament be dissolved. If Kenyans give me an opportunity, I will ensure that we uphold the rule of law," said

**I am not going to dish out funds. This is what has brought this country down to where it is today. People with money buy your souls. They don't care about the country**

David Maraga



Mr Maraga.

He accused President Ruto's administration of losing touch with ordinary citizens, stating that some individuals in positions of power believe "they can do anything, including killing young children like rats."

Mr Maraga promised to restore public trust in institutions by ensuring strict adherence to the rule of law, describing the current state of affairs as a complete breakdown of legal order.

He also shared his plan to mentor young people into leadership.

"Eighty per cent of Kenya's population is under the age of 40. The minority of us who are above 40 refuse to realise that it's time we got the youth involved in the leadership of this country," he said.

Asked whether he would join forces with other opposition political figures ahead of the 2027 General Election, Mr Maraga said he would only work with those who share his values.

Other opposition leaders, including Mr Gachagua, Mr Musyoka, Ms Karua, Dr Matiang'i and Mr Wamalwa, have announced plans to form a coalition and front a single candidate to challenge Dr Ruto.

The politicians were, however, in opposing camps in the last general elections: Mr Gachagua was in Dr Ruto's camp, while Ms Karua, Mr Musyoka and Mr Wamalwa were in Mr Odinga's Azimio la Umoja One Kenya coalition. Kenya's politics have largely been driven by individual interests rather than ideological convictions.

"I will work with people who hold the same views as I do, and those shared by Kenyans. Kenyans are tired, they are fed up.

Those who want to stand on the side of the people will join me, and we shall work together.

"We will enforce Chapter Six of the Constitution. This time, we are not going to form coalitions to enrich a few individuals," he declared.

On his anti-corruption plan, Mr Maraga said he would appoint the right people to lead the country's investigative agencies. With capable investigators, he believes, the country can finally slay the corruption dragon.

"I was privileged to chair the taskforce on police reforms. I toured the country and spoke with police officers. We have many honest officers, but they are sent mixed signals - they are not allowed to do their work."

"The corruption we see is facilitated by those in power. Much of it is budgeted corruption - where money is allocated to projects but ends up serving other interests. Ask yourself what the loans taken since 2013 have achieved.

"Kenyans are burdened by public debt because those loans ended up in individuals' pockets. I will confront corruption head-on. I know what I'm up against, and yes, I will step on toes - and I will not relent."

He also acknowledged the existence of corruption within the judiciary, an institution he led for over four years.

"We received complaints from Kenyans, and where there was evidence, we acted. We sent people home. Just before I was appointed to the Supreme Court, I chaired a tribunal that investigated a judge. The evidence was there, and we removed him from office."

Mr Maraga said many of the country's institutions have been weakened by interference from individuals in high office.

"You'll find officials asking, 'What is mkubwa saying about this?' If someone waits for me to tell them what to do, I'll sack them. I will offer leadership and allow Kenyan professionals to do what they are trained to do."

He also talked about the need for free and fair elections, saying Kenyans would this time be more vigilant to prevent electoral manipulation.

## Senate rejects majority of Ruto's proposals on graft Bill

BY COLLINS OMULO

President William Ruto has suffered a major blow in his bid to anchor a stronger legal framework to rein in runaway corruption after a Senate committee rejected the majority of his reservations on the Conflict of Interest Bill.

The development throws into disarray the government's efforts to operationalise legislation intended to clamp down on graft, particularly among public officials conducting business with the State, a corrupt practice that has turned many into overnight millionaires despite modest salaries.

The Bill seeks to introduce far-reaching

sanctions to deter public officers from exploiting their positions for private gain. Governors, MPs and Cabinet Secretaries have, in the past, been prosecuted on graft-related charges involving influence over multibillion-shilling tenders.

Originally, the Bill proposed robust legal safeguards against actual, perceived, or potential conflicts between public duty and private interest. However, Parliament significantly diluted the provisions, prompting President Ruto to decline assent and return it with reservations on 12 clauses.

But in yet another setback, the Senate's Justice and Legal Affairs Committee rejected most of the President's proposed

amendments, accepting only three of his reservations.

"The Senate fully accommodates the reservations by the President to clauses 30, 31 and 35 of the Bill but does not accommodate the reservations to clauses 2, 5, 6, 8, 12, 16, 17, 18 and 20," read the report by the committee chaired by Bom-et Senator Hillary Sigei, tabled before the House last Thursday.

The accepted amendments mainly concerned minor semantics, including the definition of "material change" in declarations of income, assets and liabilities, and EACC's role in verifying the "correctness and completeness" of such declarations.

One key proposal by MPs that the President objected to was the removal of provisions defining conflict of interest to include scenarios involving family, relatives, or associates.

MPs had instead narrowed the definition to only cases where a public officer failed to declare a private interest conflicting with public duties.

The President rejected this change, arguing that it undermined the preventive intent of the law by excluding perceived or potential conflicts - critical in enforcing compliance.

However, the committee struck the first blow by rejecting his proposal, arguing that it is impractical to legislate based

on perceptions alone. "We recommend focusing on tangible and demonstrable conflicts to ensure clarity and effectiveness in governance," the report stated.

Dr Ruto also sought to reintroduce definitions for "family" and "relative" in the law, pointing out that the absence of these terms created loopholes. He warned that public officers could bypass conflict of interest regulations by using relatives as proxies or by concealing assets.

While the President defined a "relative" as someone connected to a public officer by birth, marriage, adoption or affinity, the Senate committee rejected this, calling the definition overly broad.



# National News

## Mid-term scorecard Pressure has been mounting over the cost of living, police brutality, lagging public services Fulfil promises, Ruto urges his Cabinet

Kindiki, Mudavadi and Koskei echo President's rallying call for urgency and results

BY JUSTUS OCHIENG

President William Ruto yesterday urged his Cabinet and senior government officials to fulfil their promises or risk betraying the country's future.

During the Third National Executive Retreat at the KCB Leadership Centre in Karen, President Ruto called out complacency, timidity and political convenience, saying his administration cannot afford to falter midway through its five-year first term.

"I have no intention of running away from any of the commitments we made. We intend to keep them because that is how we will transform Kenya," Dr Ruto said.

With pressure mounting over the cost of living, police brutality and lagging public services, the



President William Ruto with Cabinet Secretaries Hassan Joho and Salim Mvurya during the Third National Executive Retreat at KCB Leadership Centre in Nairobi yesterday. PHOTO: IPCS

President said excuses would no longer be tolerated. He said transformation cannot wait for political comfort or a second term.

"If it can be done in five years, why do you want to do it in 10?" he asked.

"That is why we haven't made progress as a nation. We make de-

cisions based on what is convenient for political survival rather than what is right for the country."

Deputy President Kithure Kindiki, Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi and Head of Public Service Felix Koskei echoed the President's rallying call

for urgency, coordination and results.

Prof Kindiki said the current administration inherited a country in economic distress, shaped by global shocks, including the Covid-19 pandemic, the Russia-Ukraine war and rising interest rates.

At mid-term, it is about delivery, impact and not planning or rationalisation. We must be more direct, focused and energetic

DP Kithure Kindiki



"We were elected on a popular agenda, which was to create an inclusive economy; an economy which brings on board everyone. The comments we hear on how far we are in the agenda are expected because we won under this radical, daring and bold commitment," Prof Kindiki said.

He cited improved macro-economic indicators, including low inflation and improved fuel supply, but added that more effort is needed in engaging the public in communicating government achievements clearly.

"We not in a bad state unless I'm persuaded otherwise. We also ask ourselves how far we have

come in terms of delivering the brick and mortar for the nation's development. At mid-term, it is about delivery, impact and not planning or rationalisation. We must be more direct, focused and energetic," he said.

Mr Mudavadi framed the retreat as a moment "for deep reflection and legacy planning".

He said formalising the broad-based government in March – through a partnership between the United Democratic Alliance and the Orange Democratic Movement – created political stability and new momentum for delivering the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda.

"We must strategise on the legacy we want to leave in August 2027," Mr Mudavadi said.

Mr Koskei said the retreat, convened just three months after the administration hit its midpoint, is a time for reflection and a springboard into an accelerated push towards lasting reforms.

"We must examine if our policies and interventions have made Kenya stronger, fairer and more competitive than before," Mr Koskei said.

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### REQUEST FOR MEMORANDUM TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NATIONAL SUSTAINABLE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT AND ASSET DISPOSAL FRAMEWORK

The National Treasury has developed a draft a National **Sustainable Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Framework**. The main objective of the framework is to provide guidance to procuring entities and stakeholders on measures to put in place to promote sustainability in public procurement and asset disposal system, through integration of economic, social, and environmental considerations in the public procurement cycle.

The Specific objectives of the framework include;

- Provide guidelines on how to prioritize eco-friendly products, services, works and technologies, with the aim of reducing carbon footprint, conserve the ecosystem and biodiversity, and foster the transition to a circular economy;
- Provide guidelines to enhance social inclusion in public procurement by prioritizing local economic development, support of small and medium enterprises (SMEs), promote gender equality, uphold labour laws and institutionalized social safeguards; and
- Provide guidelines on how to promote economic efficiency through adoption of total life-cycle costing in public procurement.

To enhance inclusive decision making and fulfil the provisions of article 232 (1) (d) of the Constitution of Kenya which provides for involvement of people in the process of policy making, the National Treasury has arranged for an **online validation forum with key stakeholders on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025 from 10.00am - 12.00 pm** to validate the comments received from stakeholders as necessary. The link for the meeting is; <https://meet.google.com/sed-tmri-azc>.

Interested persons wishing to participate in the online validation forum are requested to send their name, email address and phone number of the officer should be submitted via email to; [ppd@treasury.go.ke](mailto:ppd@treasury.go.ke) with a copy to; [dppd4553@gmail.com](mailto:dppd4553@gmail.com) by **24<sup>th</sup> June, 2025.**

The soft copy of the draft **Sustainable Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Framework**. and matrix of the Comments received have been uploaded in the National Treasury Website for review.

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# National News

**Education** Learners in Grade 9 are currently selecting their preferred career pathways, subjects

## Varsities to train teachers on CBE ahead of senior school

All public universities have been directed to begin the in-service teacher education plan

BY WINNIE ATIENO

Teachers in secondary schools will undergo in-service training on the competency-based education (CBE) before the rollout of senior school (Grade 10) in January 2026.

As a result, the Principal Secretary for Higher Education, Dr Beatrice Inyangala, has directed all public universities to urgently commence the in-service teacher education programme.

With the rollout of the Competency-Based Education (CBE) system, secondary schools will now be referred to as senior schools.

Dr Inyangala noted that teachers in secondary schools currently lack the competencies required for the three career pathways in senior school. These pathways include Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM); Social Sciences; and Arts and Sports. There are 154,200 teachers in secondary schools.

"You realise that our students will be transitioning to senior school in January. The teachers who are going to teach them are our own products... these teachers do not have competencies in the three pathways. We have a very urgent assignment beginning in July to start developing those levels so that we can actualise in-service training for the teachers who will be teaching in senior schools," said Dr Inyangala.

She was speaking during a conference for chairpersons of councils of



Principal Secretary, State Department for Higher Education and Research Dr Beatrice Inyangala. DENNIS ONSONGOI NATION

public universities held in Mombasa.

The PS said teachers must be adequately equipped to deliver the CBE, and that the matter should be included in the agenda of every university council meeting going forward.

"It is very urgent," she said.

About 1.2 million learners currently in junior school are expected to transition to senior school in January, the PS said.

The Chairperson of the Education Committee in the National Assembly, Julius Melly, said the retooling of senior school teachers is already under way and that the government has allocated Sh600 million for the training and retooling of teachers across

the country in readiness for the implementation of the CBE and transition to senior school.

The allocation falls under the budget of the Teachers Service Commission (TSC).

Mr Melly stated that there is no cause for alarm regarding the training, adding that there is adequate time to retool teachers before the transition takes place.

"We have time. Retooling and capacity building are integral aspects of teaching. Teachers regularly undergo various trainings on new skills, new methodologies, and new approaches to teaching their subjects. Teaching and learning are part of the every-

# 154,200

The number of teachers in secondary schools. With the rollout of CBE, secondary schools will be referred to as senior schools

day life of a teacher, so this is not a new concept," said the MP.

Learners in Grade Nine are currently in the process of selecting their preferred career pathways and the subjects they wish to pursue in senior school.

Last week, the Ministry of Education launched a sensitisation exercise targeting stakeholders in the education sector to guide Grade 9 learners in the selection of career pathways. The exercise is set to run for a month.

The Principal Secretary for Basic Education, Prof Julius Bitok, urged parents and guardians to assist their children in choosing appropriate pathways and subjects.

The PS made the remarks in Turbo, Uasin Gishu County, during the commissioning of a new multipurpose hall at ACK Kaplelach High School. He explained how the system of selecting pathways and subjects operates, terming it straightforward.

To date, the TSC has retooled more than 7,000 school principals. According to data from the commission, since the introduction of CBE seven years ago, 229,292 primary school teachers and 75,000 junior school teachers have undergone retooling.

In April, chief principals of national schools convened for a conference in Mombasa where they urged the Ministry of Education to accelerate the retooling of teachers on CBE.

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## Access Bank faces defamation suit over disputed listing at CRB

BY BRIAN OCHARO

A legal dispute at the High Court in Mombasa between a clearing and forwarding firm and a bank has exposed how listing with the Credit Reference Bureau (CRB), whether inaccurate or justified, can derail a thriving Small and Medium-sized Enterprise and jeopardise its future.

Shipside and General Services Ltd, a company operating in Mombasa for over 30 years, has sued Access Bank (Kenya) Plc (formerly Transnational Bank Limited), accusing the lender of inaccurate CRB reporting that has severely undermined its business operations.

The once thriving 15-year banking relationship has now turned into a bitter courtroom clash.

Shipside is now seeking over Sh30 million in damages, alleging that the bank's adverse CRB listing led to the cancellation of an approved Sh8 million loan from Stanbic Bank, which was intended as working capital for its operations at the Port of Mombasa.

In court documents, the firm's Managing Director Willie Mbote stated that the company had previously enjoyed a cordial relationship with Access Bank, receiving multiple loans, overdraft facilities and timely loan clearance certificates.

By 2018, he claims, all loans had been fully repaid, with the bank even extending new credit facilities thereafter.

However, in 2022, Shipside discovered that a loan application to Stanbic Bank had been declined due to a negative credit report submitted by Access Bank.

He accuses the bank of negligence, breach of duty of care and defamation arguing that it wrongfully listed the firm as having five loan accounts, including fictitious or fully repaid loans, when only two active and performing accounts existed.

The firm now seeks a declaration of defamation, Sh30 million in special damages and further general damages for defamation, breach of duty and business loss.

It disputes the number and status of loan accounts, denies any inaccuracies in credit reporting and challenges the firm to provide strict proof of defamation, negligence or any breach of duty.

Access Bank also argues that the defamation claim is time-barred, having been filed more than two years after the alleged publication, beyond the 12-month statutory limitation.

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## Three judges to hear petition on Sh4.6trn Uhuru-era debt

BY JOSEPH WANGUI

A petition seeking to hold former President Uhuru Kenyatta and senior officials in his administration accountable for Sh4.6 trillion in loans borrowed during his tenure will be determined by a three-judge bench.

This follows a decision by High Court judge Justice Bahati Mwamuye to forward the case file to Chief Justice Martha Koome for the empanelment of a bench to hear the matter.

Justice Mwamuye ruled that the issues raised by the petitioners, led by Busia Senator Okiya Omtatah, involved substantial questions of law concerning alleged breaches of fundamental rights and the Constitution.

"Having considered the matter, I am satisfied that the petition raises substantial issues of law. Consequently, I certify the same and forward the petition to the Chief Justice for the empanelment of a bench to hear this matter," said Justice Mwamuye in a brief ruling delivered yesterday.

In calling on the CJ to appoint the bench, Justice Mwamuye noted that the questions raised regarding public debt were complex and unprecedented. He also pointed out that a related case, filed in 2023, is still pending before a three-judge bench.

The case centres on accountability for Kenya's ballooning public debt, with the petitioners alleging the misappropriation of funds borrowed through sovereign bonds, treaties, contracts, and financing agreements with foreign states, international financial institutions, and multinational corporations.

They claim that public debt surged during the Jubilee administration (2013–2022), asserting that under President Kenyatta, Kenya's debt stock soared from approximately Sh2.37 trillion - accumulated over five decades since Independence - to Sh8.57 trillion within just eight years.

Mr Omtatah and eight other petitioners want the former President and other top officials held liable under Article 226(5) of the Constitution for loans incurred between the 2014/2015 and 2021/2022 financial years.

They also contend that an additional Sh2.2 trillion borrowed under President William Ruto's administration constitutes odious debt. The petition names former National Treasury Cabinet Secretary Prof Njuguna Ndung'u, Controller of Budget Margaret Nyakang'o, and Auditor General Nancy Gathungu as liable parties.

However, Attorney-General Dorcas Oduor has asked the court to strike out the petition, arguing that it would interfere with an ongoing audit of public debt being undertaken by the Auditor General. Ms Oduor says the audit, which spans the period from 1963 to the present, is already under way.

The AG argues that requiring the government to respond to the petition would effectively compel Auditor General Gathungu to appear before the court, which she claims would prejudice the ongoing audit process. "The Auditor General, prior to the filing of this petition, had already commenced an active audit of public debt from Independence (1963) to date," stated Ms Oduor through Deputy Chief State Counsel Samwel Kaumba.



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Wilson Airport, Isiolo International Airport & Wajir Airport	24 <sup>th</sup> June, 2025 at 10:00 am	1 <sup>st</sup> July, 2025 at 10:00 am	Wilson Airport
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## REPUBLIC OF KENYA COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF ISIOLO



### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

#### NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE GOVERNOR ISIOLO COUNTY, H.E. ABDI IBRAHIM HASSAN, BY IMPEACHMENT

Article 196 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides that "A county assembly shall conduct its business in an open manner, and hold its sittings and those of its committees, in public; and facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of the assembly and its committees."

A Notice of Motion for the removal of the Governor Isiolo County by way of impeachment in line with the provisions of Article 181 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, Section 33 of the County Governments Act, 2012 and Standing Order No. 65 of the County Assembly of Isiolo Standing Orders was laid on the Table of the Honourable Assembly during the Assembly Sitting of **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2025 (Morning Sitting)**.

Consequently, and pursuant to the provisions of Article 196 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, Section 87 (a) and (b) of the County Governments Act, 2012 and Section 6 of the Isiolo County Civil Education and Public Participation Act, 2015, the County Assembly of Isiolo invites members of the public and stakeholders to submit any **submissions/representations** that they may have on the said **Notice of Motion**. Below is the Schedule for Public Participation Sessions to receive both oral and written submissions at the **Ward Level**:

NO	WARD	DATE	VENUE	TIME
1.	Chari	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Biliqo Social Hall	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m
2.	Cherab	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Ward Office	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m
3.	Ngare Mara	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Catholic Hall	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m
4.	Burat	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Ward Office	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m
5.	Oldonyiro	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Kipsing	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m
6.	Wabera	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Wabera Centre	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m
7.	Bula Pesa	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Waso Primary School	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m
8.	Kina	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Kina Social Hall	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m
9.	Garba Tulla	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Ires Kalicha	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m
10.	Sericho	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Sericho Social Hall	10.00 a.m- 1.00 p.m

Written **submissions/representations** may also be hand delivered to the Clerk, **County Assembly of Isiolo**, or posted to **P.O. Box 195-60300, Isiolo** or emailed to [clerkisiolo@gmail.com](mailto:clerkisiolo@gmail.com). Due to the strict statutory timelines that govern gubernatorial impeachment proceedings, the deadline for submitting **written submissions/representations** shall expire on **Tuesday, the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025 at 4:30 p.m.**

By this Notice also, **H.E. the Governor Isiolo County**, Hon. Abdi Ibrahim Hassan, and the public are hereby notified that the **County Assembly of Isiolo shall hold a Sitting on Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 from 9.00 a.m.** for purposes of considering the said Notice of Motion.

A copy of the **Notice of Motion** stating the grounds for removal and the particulars of allegations, together with the relevant documents, may be downloaded from the County Assembly's website: <https://isioloassembly.go.ke> or obtained from the Clerk's Chambers within the County Assembly of Isiolo precincts upon payment of the requisite photocopying charges.

Hon. Mohamed Roba Qoto, OGW, CSMP(R), M.ISMI  
Speaker, County Assembly of Isiolo



## REPUBLIC OF KENYA COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF ISIOLO



DATE: 18th June 2025

### PUBLIC NOTICE



**Mr. Salad Boru Guracha**

This is to inform public institutions, members of general public and all other stakeholders that the above named person, who is the substantive clerk of the County Assembly of Isiolo is on 30 days compulsory leave through the decision of the Isiolo County Assembly Service Board reached on 16th June, 2025 and is not authorised to enter into any transaction on behalf of the County Assembly of Isiolo purporting to representing the interest of the County assembly of Isiolo.

Hon. Mohamed Roba Qoto, OGW, CSMP(R), M.ISMI  
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# OPINION

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## Kenya fast becoming a safe haven for criminals

Something dangerous is unfolding in Kenya—a slow, deliberate erosion of the rule of law. State institutions, meant to protect the public, have become tools of suppression. Today in Kenya, you are more likely to die at the hands of the police than from criminals. For many youth, encountering the police is a gamble with their lives.

This is not a case of a few rogue officers; it is a system-wide collapse of accountability. The command chain is intact, and orders are being followed, but not to serve and protect, it is to silence and punish. Their weapons are not deployed against violent crime or organised syndicates, but against unarmed citizens demanding a better country.

Behind the scenes, the regime has built relationships with countries whose fingerprints are all over some of the world's worst governance collapses: Libya, Sudan and Congo. These are strategic alliances rooted in mutual benefit, where each actor gains from impunity. These foreign partners offer tools of repression: military hardware, intelligence support, digital propaganda technology, and conduits for laundered money. This network of protection has emboldened the government to act without fear of consequence. At home, police brutality is met with indifference. Abroad, misinformation flows from coordinated accounts designed to sanitise the regime's image and discredit activists, journalists and whistleblowers.

A new breed of investors has taken their place, shrewd, unscrupulous and deeply networked with power. For instance, the Adani Group's proposed acquisition of Jomo Kenyatta International Airport was only stopped by the sheer outrage of the public. Gold smuggling cartels linked to Dubai, and arms trafficking routes that fuel conflicts in the Sudan and South Sudan, are now reportedly operating through Kenya. Some of these operations are facilitated by actors within the state itself, offering logistical support in exchange for a cut of the profits or political favour.

This week's protests, sparked by the brutal killing of Albert Ojwang in police custody, were once again met with State violence. But this time, the horror reached a new low. In broad daylight, police officers worked side-by-side with armed militia to attack peaceful and unarmed protesters. Kenyans were beaten and robbed while the police stood by and watched.

This collapse of law enforcement, where the State conspires with criminal gangs, sends a dangerous signal not just to citizens, but to the global underworld. It says Kenya is open for lawless business. Already, the

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vultures are circling. Just recently, a US-led operation uncovered a meth lab on the Kenya-Tanzania border in Namanga, owned and operated by a Mexican cartel. Investigations have also exposed an organ trafficking syndicate operating out of Eldoret.

This is what happens when a government stops enforcing the law and starts using violence to silence dissent. Politicians arming militias for their own political survival marks the slow death of the State. And if nothing is done, and fast, we will lose our beloved country to the rot from within.

The same forces that dismantled Libya's stability, that turned Sudan into a battlefield of militias, and that have fuelled chaos in eastern Congo are now at our doorstep, some have already walked in. They don't come with tanks or drones. They come with contracts, spyware and covert banking channels, leaving behind broken countries and broken people.

In this environment, it is not only democracy that suffers. Legitimate businesses, entrepreneurs and investors, who would otherwise thrive, are now retreating. There is no room for innovation where property rights are uncertain, where the law is applied selectively, and where political loyalty outweighs competence. A business landscape built on fear and favour cannot sustain long-term growth.

If we do not course-correct, we risk becoming the next cautionary tale—a nation hollowed out from within, whose institutions are only facades. Kenya's future cannot be decided through backroom deals by those who profit from disorder. It must be reclaimed by citizens who understand that justice, truth and the rule of law are the bare minimum. Without them, there will be no future worth defending.

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## Using goons to cause fear

On Tuesday, the streets of Nairobi filled with Gen Z chanting and carrying placards. They marched in response to the killing of teacher and blogger Albert Ojwang in police custody.

What began as a peaceful protest turned dark, not only because of police violence, but due to the chilling presence of hired goons. According to Amnesty International Kenya and multiple eyewitnesses, dozens of men on motorbikes, some masked, others hooded, descended on the crowds with whips and wooden sticks. Their violence was targeted, and disturbingly, it happened while police stood by or operated alongside them. This wasn't random mob action; it looked orchestrated, sanctioned and strategic.

Amid this chaos, the State's aggression was laid bare. A photographer from the Associated Press captured a police officer shooting a civilian at close range. The victim was unarmed and was just standing nearby. This single act, frozen in time by a camera lens, became the symbol of the protest.

The violence was not just physical, it was psychological. By deploying goons to spark unrest, the lines between criminality and authority were blurred. It's a

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**Philip Ngotiek | Justice**

tactic of control—make the protest appears violent, then the State can claim legitimacy in suppression.

The Gen Z movement is grounded in a cry for dignity, truth and accountability. Tuesday's events show that they aren't just facing unjust policies, they're confronting a system willing to hide behind shadows and pull triggers in daylight. If this is the government's answer to youthful dissent, then it's not order they're defending, it's fear.

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Kenya's education system must leverage the strengths of both university and TVET pathways



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## Kenyan youth embracing skills over degrees

According to the 2024 Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service placement results, over 260,000 students were placed into technical and vocational education and training (TVET) institutions—significantly more than the 156,713 admitted to university degree programmes. This shift signals a redefinition of success among Kenya's youth.

For decades, university was seen as the gateway to status, stability and professional careers. TVET, in contrast, carried the stigma of being a fallback. But today's youth are challenging that narrative. Faced with rising tuition fees, high unemployment and a labour market that rewards practical skills, many are opting for shorter, more affordable and industry-aligned TVET programmes. They're tired of waiting years for degrees, and jobs that may never come.

Yet stigma remains, fuelled by outdated attitudes from parents, schools and society. Overcoming this will require public awareness campaigns and visible role models from successful TVET alumni. TVET also faces challenges such as inconsistent quality and limited infrastructure.

This doesn't mean universities are obsolete. Kenya will always need doctors, engineers and researchers. Academic institutions nurture critical thinking and innovation but often lag in responsiveness to employers' demands. To meet the evolving needs of both young people and the economy, Kenya's education system must leverage the strengths of both university and TVET pathways, offering flexible, relevant and future-ready options.

Policy shifts reflect this new reality. The National Industrial Training Authority's dual apprenticeship policy, modular training frameworks and the recent approval of the dual training policy are promising steps. Still, policy alone isn't enough. With over 70 per cent of employment in Kenya generated by the private sector, employers must become co-creators—not just consumers—of talent. Their role in curriculum design, training delivery and mentorship ensures that graduates are truly job ready.

At Swisscontact, we've seen this firsthand through the PropelA Dual Apprenticeship Program. Apprentices spend one week per month in the classroom and three weeks on the job. The curriculum is co-developed with industry partners and NITA, ensuring it reflects real workplace demands. Early results are promising: 80 per cent of the first 76 graduates are already employed. Two apprentices even won at the 2024 World Skills Kenya National Competition.

Kenya can also learn from global best practices. Countries like Germany and Switzerland have long embraced dual training systems that seamlessly blend vocational and academic learning. However, local adaptation will require confronting cultural attitudes, closing funding gaps and reducing disparities in training quality.

Institutional reforms like credit transfer between TVET and universities, and recognition of prior learning, will help build a more connected, inclusive education ecosystem. Youth must also have a voice in shaping these reforms, and employers should be incentivised to play a sustained role.

So, will our systems catch up with the clarity of our youth?

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# Opinion

## DAILY NATION

### Ruto's stern warning and promise to deliver

President William Ruto's stern warning to his Cabinet and senior government officials to deliver on their docket and help fulfil his Kenya Kwanza Alliance administration's election campaign promises could not have come at a better time.

In a tough message delivered during the 3rd National Executive Retreat in Nairobi, he denounced complacency, timidity, and political convenience. This is an interesting statement, coming just slightly over halfway into his administration's five-year first term.

And he has declared that he will not run away from any of the commitments he and his team made to transform the country. His government was voted into office in 2022, with a promise to improve the well-being of the ordinary Kenyans, whom he fondly referred to as "the hustlers".

Today, pressure is mounting over the high cost of living and the skyrocketing prices of necessities. And there is also a rise in police brutality against the very people who elected his government. Last June, 60 young Kenyans were killed and hundreds injured while taking part in peaceful demonstrations against oppressive and punitive taxation.

Some of the victims of police brutality are still missing a year later, and there have been enforced disappearances and extra-judicial killings. The latest is the killing of a school teacher in a police cell. Investigations are going on. Quite commendable is the stepping aside by Deputy Inspector-General of Police Eliud Lagat, whose complaint against an online posting attributed to the teacher led to the arrest that resulted in his death.

As President Ruto says that excuses will no longer be tolerated, there is deep public scepticism, with some critics accusing him of not always telling the truth. According to the President, the next elections are not his administration's focus, posing: "Why wait for 10 years for something we can fix in five?"

But the mere mention of elections confirms that the leadership is concerned about the test ahead in 2027 that will determine whether or not he gets his second and final five-year term.

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### Housing boon for workers

Good news has been quite rare in recent times as the Kenyans in salaried employment grapple with the high cost of living and increasing taxes and levies. The story of the raids on the payslips of these hard-working people to cater for the levies and higher statutory deductions from their salaries has been well-documented.

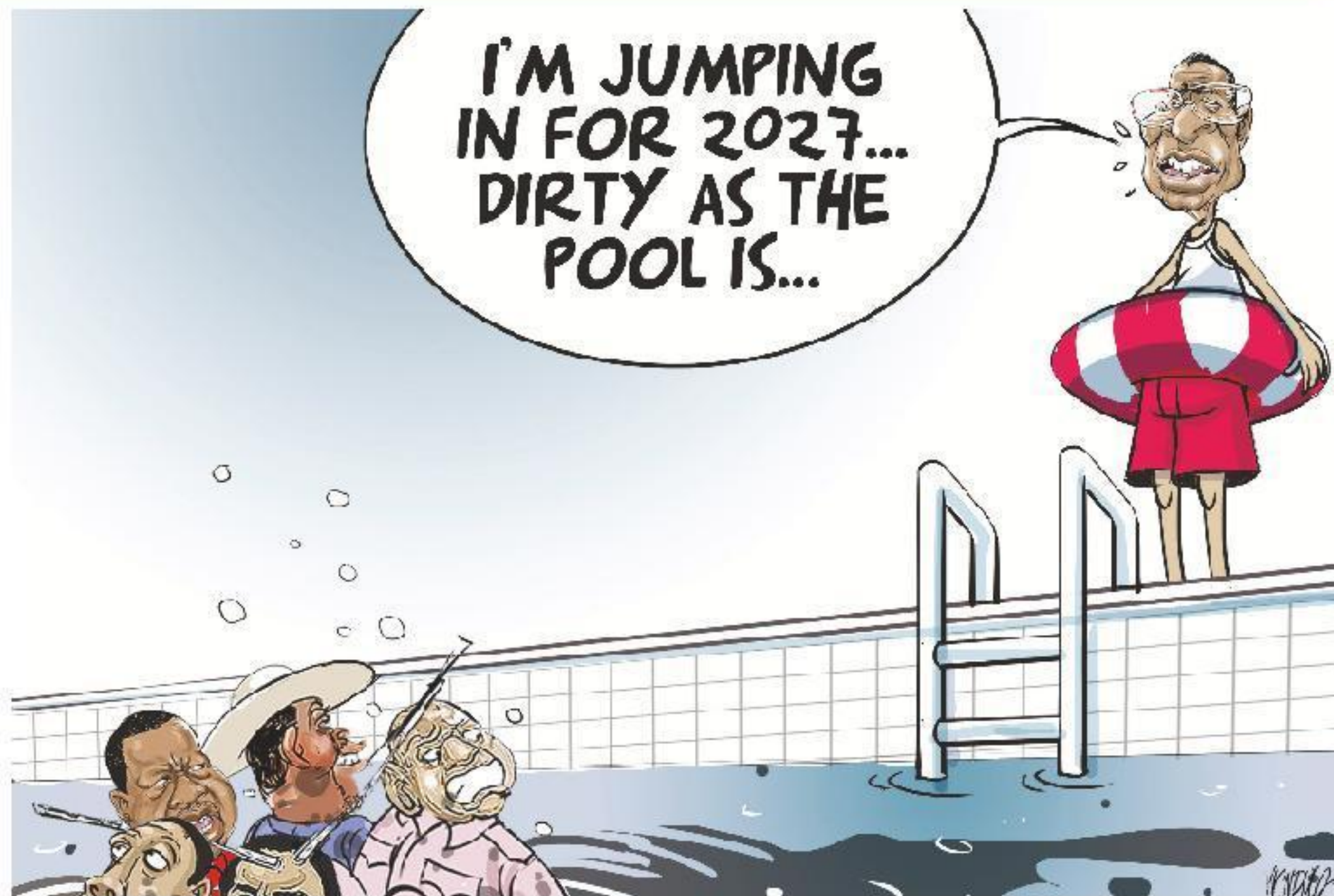
The government has justified the housing levy, the health insurance contributions and other deductions as necessary to raise funds to finance programmes that will eventually improve the workers' well-being.

But they can now afford to smile following a win for them in the government's affordable housing programme, to which they contribute 1.5 per cent of their gross salary, and which is matched by their employers.

Following a meeting between President William Ruto and Central Organisation of Trade Unions (Cotu) secretary-general Francis Atwoli, it was reportedly agreed that the salaried workers will be given priority in the allocation of the affordable housing units.

According to Mr Atwoli, the down payment has also been reduced from 10 to five per cent of the purchase price, which is a major boost for the would-be homeowners. This follows a public outcry over the government's reported diversion of the housing levy to fund the construction of markets, schools and infrastructure. Though there has been no official government communication on the matter, this is a welcome development. Workers are facing serious financial hardships due to the rising cost of living, which erodes their ability to cater for basic needs and manage their household budgets.

Housing is a fundamental human need, and access to safe and secure shelter is a constitutional right. The affordable housing programme is meant to help ease the endemic shortages, especially in the urban centres countrywide, and improve the workers' quality of life. If implemented, it will reduce poverty and improve living conditions.



## We're an impossibly violent species

People look up to the heavens and see the almost impossible multitude of galaxies, stars and other bodies and ask in confused wonder: are we really alone? But they only need look at the 2025 Global Peace Index, published by the Global Institute of Economics and Peace, to see why aliens, if they have any sense, might choose to remain hidden than reveal themselves to us. We are an impossibly violent and destructive species, pitiless, greedy and selfish. We not only rob the weak, even when we already have too much, we also have no qualms slaughtering children and the defenceless for ego and/or money.

Globally, conflict is at its highest level since World War Two—there are 59 active conflicts today, according to the index—while successful conflict resolution is at its lowest in 50 years. Wars are becoming increasingly intractable, if not unwinnable. The conflicts that were ended by a decisive victory have fallen from 49 per cent in the 1970s to only 9 per cent in the 2010s; conflicts that ended in a peace agreement have declined from 23 per cent to 4 per cent over the same period. So we have more wars, which are becoming less winnable and preparedness to make peace is decreasing.

Wars are sucking in more countries. The flames of conflict once lit, are licking more shores: 78 countries are involved in conflicts outside of their own borders. Look at the Sudan conflict, one half of Middle Eastern oil powers are backing one side, the other half is backing the other. In a conflict system such as the Great Lakes, nearly the entire world is there, all looking to go home with diamonds.

Man, many times, thinks there is more profit in war than in peace, never mind the casualties. As a result, this world invests a lot in war and very little in peace. Expenditure on peacebuilding and peacemaking was \$47.2 billion in 2024, just 0.52 per cent of total military spending and representing a decline in real terms of 26 per cent from \$64 billion in 2008, according to the Peace Index. Economic stagnation, debt and trade wars

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Mutuma Mathiu  
Society

are creating the conditions for war. On average, least developed countries spend 42 per cent of their revenue on debt. This creates poverty, anger and frustration, sometimes resulting in migration which, also, could lead to conflict. The internal population movements in West Africa are a case in point.

Newly rich countries are joining the big league, not of helping others, but interfering in the affairs of their neighbours and being assertive about their newly discovered rights and interests, which sometimes culminates in conflict. Since it became rich, China has discovered many boundaries it is not happy with and many islands in far flung oceans which belong to it, allegedly, but are occupied by others.

Neighbours are turning against neighbours and countries are cooperating less. Global powers are competing with each other over the domination and exploitation of weaker nations: West Africa, East Asia and Kenya are glowing red in terms of being the theatre of global power competition. The big powers do not gain advantage by making their allies in those countries rich and reasonable, they do so by fomenting conflict and making compromise impossible. In that powder keg is poured technologies of war and discontent fuelled by the inequality and hardship created by debt. Being African is one of heaviest burdens

on earth. On top of living with the dislike of the rest of the world, you are also the poorest and daftest, with poor access to education and led by goats who would rather rob you than buy medicine for you. Added to that, the Global Peace Index says that Africa faces the highest risk of armed conflict. South Sudan, described as the world's top conflict flashpoint, Sudan, Ethiopia, Eritrea and DR Congo are described as being on a knife edge. The Middle East and North Africa is the most violent region on the globe, and that was before the outbreak of war between Israel and Iran. It is in that region, in Libya, where they still sell us, black people, like animals.

International conflicts have increased 175 per cent since 2010, nuclear powers have either maintained their stock or increased them. There is what the peace institute calls geopolitical fragmentation, that is relations between neighbours have deteriorated, there is reduced integration, the index says, for economics, trade, diplomacy and military cooperation. Restrictive trade practices have increased to more than 3,000, worsening the condition of the poorest.

Russia, a superpower, with great natural wealth, a powerful military and grand cities and culture, is now ranked the least peaceful nation on earth, more so than Ukraine, Sudan and Yemen. If you have been to Russia, you must have been struck by the cold and bleak countryside but also by the grandeur of Moscow and St Petersburg; a truly great nation being eaten from the inside by violence—its own appetite for war and desire to dominate—but also by the brutal competitiveness of its rivals who seek its subjugation. No wonder, with the new war being waged in the Middle East, many believe that the first shot of Third World War has been fired.

If you were an advanced alien civilization seeking to indulge your curiosity about other species and spread enlightenment, would you come here?

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# Media and citizen journalists strike a blow for democracy

Rarely have Kenya's mainstream media and citizen journalists converged so powerfully to defend public interest as they did this past week, when State-sponsored goons violently disrupted peaceful Gen Z-led protests.

In a context where police brutality, political manipulation and disinformation have routinely undermined civil liberties, this unified media response was a powerful reminder of journalism's democratic function.

The events of Tuesday were grimly familiar: marauding gangs were unleashed on peaceful demonstrators—a tired and cynical tactic long employed by the political elite to criminalise protest, sow fear and justify State violence. The same playbook was used in June last year, when youth-led protests were similarly hijacked by violent elements to delegitimise what were otherwise peaceful expressions of discontent.

What unfolded this week was not spontaneous chaos—it was a coordinated assault on constitutional freedoms. The gangs, escorted by police and county security personnel, attacked protesters, looted shops and wreaked havoc in Nairobi's central business district. The goal was unmistakable: derail the momentum of citizen-led protest, reframe the demonstrators as violent thugs, and ultimately manufacture a pretext to ban public assemblies—especially ahead of next week's memorial protest for victims of last year's deadly crackdowns. It could also signal a broader strategy to undermine Kenyans' constitutional right to peaceful assembly in the lead-up to the 2027 General Election.

But this time, the plan didn't work. From the outset, both mainstream media and citizen livestreamers distinguished clearly between peaceful protesters and violent infiltrators. Cameras rolled as the thugs arrived in the city centre, many on motorcycles, and proceeded to rob, assault and vandalise—in full view of passive or complicit police officers. Some journalists even captured goons being helped into police trucks for medical care after they were injured—an image that underscored

**Cameras rolled as the thugs arrived in the city centre, many on motorcycles**



**Pamella Sittoni | Public Editor**



the disturbing collusion between law enforcement and criminal actors.

Citizen journalism amplified this reality. Livestreams and video clips spread rapidly across social platforms, showing not only the violence, but also the courage of protesters, business owners and boda boda riders who fought to protect their communities from chaos.

These images did more than just inform—they provided a shield for demonstrators, making it harder for the State to justify its usual repression. They also laid bare the systemic rot within State institutions, where the public interest is routinely criminalised and democratic dissent violently suppressed to serve executive expediency.

Indeed, public outrage reached a new peak when video footage emerged of police officers brutally assaulting and

shooting a vendor. The swift interdiction and arrest of the implicated officers speak to the power of real-time documentation and accountability.

In Nakuru, the media again did its duty, with NTV exposing a case where a boda boda operator was allegedly robbed and strangled by individuals later found in police uniform. After initially being turned away by the Officer Commanding Station, media attention prompted the County Police Commander to promise an investigation.

The Nation Media Group's Editorial Guidelines explicitly champion the rule of law and uphold democratic values as popularly understood. The editors and reporters deserve plaudits for risking life and limb to deliver the most impactful story of the week, striking a powerful blow in defence of civic liberties and democratic accountability.

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## Who is fooling whom, Sakaja?

Glaring questions remain, particularly for Nairobi Governor Johnson Sakaja.

In the aftermath of what one journalist described as "orchestrated mayhem", Sakaja released a statement dissociating himself from the gangs that infiltrated Tuesday's protest and condemning the shooting of a vendor. But was the governor of a city turned into a battleground simply taking the easy path?

Embakasi East MP Babu Owino accused Sakaja of sponsoring the goons who brazenly robbed, beat pedestrians and looted shops. He was not alone—



A police officer in the company of hired goons during protests in Nairobi on Tuesday. FILE | NATION

social media lit up with videos of the gangs shouting pro-Sakaja chants and claiming they were "protecting the city" on his behalf. In one clip, a gang member directly addresses the governor, saying: "We have done our part."

This raises uncomfortable questions. Is this what Sakaja meant when, days before the protest, he vowed to "protect Nairobi"? As the city's chief executive, what measures did he put in place to ensure the safety of citizens and property? Where were county security teams during the chaos? Who are these gangs, and who funds, arms and deploys them?

Despite all this, the Nation platforms stopped short of holding Sakaja to account. The soft handling of his statement stands in stark contrast to the overwhelming visual evidence pointing to coordinated violence. Who is fooling whom? The public witnessed the mayhem. The cameras rolled. The facts are out there.

Silence on these questions not only undermines accountability, but it also emboldens those who wish to use violence against civic freedoms.

In the face of deepening democratic backsliding, this week's events affirmed two critical truths: first, that citizen journalism and independent media remain vital checks on power; and second, that freedom of assembly is not a privilege granted by the State, but a right enshrined in the Constitution. The public is watching. And thanks to the vigilance of journalists and ordinary citizens with smartphones, the truth is harder to silence.

## Maraga's presidential bid: Fair play or favouritism?

Meanwhile, in a different media moment, Chief Justice Emeritus David Maraga seemingly surprised NMG Editor-in-Chief Joe Ageyo by announcing—during a live interview—that he will be running for president in 2027. While the interview shifted gears smoothly into election mode, offering Mr Maraga a national platform to promote his political vision, questions of fairness inevitably arise. Going forward, Nation editors must ensure equitable access to airtime for all presidential hopefuls, lest the line between journalism and campaigning become too blurred.

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**Jason Nyantino | Planning**



# Collaboration key in shaping urban future

Kenya stands at the crossroads of accelerated urban growth and climate urgency, calling for deliberate actions to ensure that Kenya's vision for global transformation is resilient. According to the population census captured by the United Nations Habitat, while only 27 per cent of the total population lives in urban areas, the urbanisation rate is high (4.3 per cent per annum) and projections indicate that more than half of the total population will be living in urban areas by 2050.

Already, the rapid population growth has overstretched existing infrastructure and services, leading to the growth of informal settlements characterised by overcrowding, lack of basic infrastructure such as sewage, safe drinking water and decent housing, poverty, and inequality.

This challenge calls for a raft of measures and provides a unique opportunity to redefine how we think, plan and act on matters of urbanisation. Urban development is no longer the sole domain of governments or planners, it is a shared responsibility that calls for genuine collaboration, strategic partnerships and open channels of knowledge exchange among all stakeholders, including national and county governments, the private sector, academia, civil society and communities.

It is no doubt that urban areas are the engines of Kenya's socio-economic progress, yet they are also home to some of our most pressing challenges, including inequality, housing deficits, environmental degradation, infrastructure stress and vulnerabilities to climate shocks.

The Affordable Housing Programme is one of the initiatives that has been developed by the government to enable Kenyans access decent housing and improve their living standards.

The complexities of realising the dream of sustainable urban centres calls for leveraging the diverse perspectives, experiences and innovations of all the stakeholders.

As we speak, Kenya's urban centres are already incubating solutions that deserve national and even global attention. Sustained efforts such as the establishment of Kenya Urban Forum are timely. The forum provides a path towards inclusive planning and sustainable infrastructure to climate adaptation and urban resilience. It sets the stage for Kenya to localise global ambitions into implementable action.

In addition, the forum also focuses on actionable partnerships across levels of government and sectors. By strengthening vertical and horizontal collaboration, from national ministries to municipal governments, from startups to grassroots movements, the forum aims to unlock the full potential of integrated urban planning.

We must elevate our voices towards a common goal where we reward innovation and inspire replication of practices across all the cities in the republic of Kenya for us to have sustainable urban development.

The writer is a current affairs analyst.

# A call for the regulation of muguka

There is brewing trouble beneath the bright, tropical sky of Mombasa. This once flourishing hub of civilisation and trade is gripped by violent gangs, fear and disease, fuelled by opioids and khat/muguka dependency.

This has created an environment that is thwarting youth's dreams, diminishing family aspirations and breaking cultural and religious boundaries with impunity.

Muguka contains the chemicals cathinone and cathine, both of which are considered to be primary active narcotics. On average, in a session, an individual may consume upwards of 100 to 300 grams of the drug within

**... it has had a disastrous effect on the marriage life of its users**



**Fatma Jeneby | Health**



one to three hours. Even such small usage may cause significant health issues such as decreased mental capacity, psychosis, depressive disorders, anxiety disorders, schizophrenia, dependency,

dental deterioration, gastrointestinal problems and sexual dysfunction.

With such obvious detrimental effects, one must ask, what are the social implications of the muguka menace? For one, it has had a disastrous effect on the marriage life of its users.

It has also caused financial strain for families already in a desperate economic situation. The drug has also been shown to lead to poor educational outcomes.

So why has such a drug been allowed to wreak havoc on lives? The economic impact to its producers. Within Embu County, muguka generates about Sh10 million daily.

It is imperative for those in positions of authority to formulate comprehensive

laws and regulations that effectively tackle both the supply and demand aspects of stimulant consumption. An absolute ban may lead to unforeseen consequences, including a rise in the criminalisation of youth and proliferation of illicit markets.

Consequently, a strategy that emphasises harm reduction and treatment in conjunction with policy enforcement may be a better solution.

Communities, policymakers and law enforcement need to engage in collaborative efforts aimed at cultivating an environment that prioritises mental health and mitigates stimulant use.

The writer is a postgraduate alumna of Harvard Medical School



# Letters

## THE CUTTING EDGE by THE WATCHMAN

Send an e-mail to the watchman@ke.nationmedia.com or write to The Watchman, PO BOX 49010, Nairobi 00100

**Revolution** • The new education pathways in senior school will, if well-funded, revolutionise the system, says university don XN Iraki. "Students with their interests and aspirations are spoilt for choice. The jackpot is indigenous languages, which will be taught for the first time in high school. I hope the content is enriched and universities are ready for the Competency-Based Education." His contact is xniraki@gmail.com.

**Bribery** • Traffic police officers' notoriety for taking bribes continues unabated at the Likoni-Enterprise roads junction in Nairobi's Industrial Area, says Philemon Wachara. "They end up creating unnecessary traffic jams at the roundabout by stopping matatus and trucks to extort bribes. Three on motorbikes are part of the racket!" His contact is philemon.wachara@gmail.com.

**Suffering** • The solution to farmers' suffering is to start value-addition programmes, says F. Mukembu. "Sly brokers buy grains, store and later sell at exorbitant prices. The Ministry of Agriculture and the National Cereals and Produce Board should be buying cereals from farmers. And value-addition will protect them from the brokers and other middle men." His contact is fmukembu@gmail.com.

**Water bill** • Nairobi Water wishes to clarify that the bill sent to Neil Ndagwa on June 9, indicating an outstanding balance of Sh5,835 was for April. The Corporate Affairs & Liaison Department says he paid Sh5,000 on June 10. "The current balance of Sh5,963 is for May to June 11. We're committed to providing accurate billing. Just dial \*260# and follow the prompts." (Info@nairobiwater.co.ke)

**Selfless** • Other Kenyans should learn how to be selfless from the country's top writer, Prof Ngugi wa Thiong'o, who died in Atlanta, United States, recently, says Enrique Fabios. "Despite all the recognition and wealth, he focused fully on boosting his work output and not material wealth. As we all live only once, wealth is useless after getting the basics." His contact is fabiosenrique73@gmail.com. Have an exemplary day, won't you!

## LETTERS

### President must change approach to youth

Last year, what started as anti-Finance Bill protests quickly escalated to a disaster that led to abductions, police brutality and killings. This was all thanks to the politicians and President William Ruto who chose to insult and threaten the protesters. When President Ruto held a press briefing on June 25, 2024, instead of sympathising with those who lost their loved ones, or sustained injuries during the protests, he continued to issue threats and referred to the protesters as criminals. He has also been mostly silent over police brutality, with his close associates praising the actions of the police, thus worsening their behaviour. The President should engage the youth, not ignore or talk down on them.

Ouma Ben Onyango, Nairobi

### Use of goons won't end well for Kenya

It all begins like this. A few leaders threatened by dissatisfied subjects create gangs to counter their opponents. They do it once, twice and then it becomes usual. With time, there will be too many gangsters and they will be unmanageable. The nation will be in the hands of gangsters. It happened in Haiti. It's nearly so in Nigeria and a few other countries in the world. Let us by all means desist from the use of gangs. It will not end well for Kenya

B.M Ivongo

### Ruto was not bribing Ojwang's father

We must understand that when people stand by you during times of uncertainty, it does not mean they are trying to bribe you. President William Ruto was simply showing concern, just like many others have done, when he talked to Albert Ojwang's father and made a donation commitment. Support in times of grief should not be misinterpreted. The President may have failed to act swiftly, but that does not mean he should remain silent when the nation is crying out. As the Head of State, he is expected to show empathy and take responsibility. Our focus should remain on uncovering the truth and holding the right people accountable.

Jared Wafula, Bungoma

### Dear youth, the ballot is your revolution

As the election draws near, it is essential that every Kenyan—especially the youth and first-time voters—registers to vote and shows up on election day. Kenya is bleeding. Our economy is limping. Corruption continues to eat away at the fabric of our nation, and public institutions are crumbling under the weight of mismanagement and selfish leadership. We must say enough is enough. Real change begins with registering as voters and turning up to cast our ballots. These bad leaders have always depended on voter apathy. This time, let's make it different; let's ensure that every eligible Kenyan registers to vote and actually votes.

Joseph Katiku Kioko, Nairobi

### Let us put an end to political sycophancy

Political sycophancy seems to be a very big problem in our country. Many elected leaders are seen to be serving the interests of some higher offices rather than of those who elected them. This culture is hurting us as a nation and we must end it. When leaders surround themselves with sycophants, they tend to ignore the real issues raised by Kenyans everyday. As voters, we have the power to elect good leaders and we should only focus on leaders who listen to Kenyans rather than "loyalists". The media and the community should also call out political sycophancy.

Gerald Mwangi, Murang'a

## TODAY IN HISTORY



**June 20, 2001:** Mr Francis Ng'ang'a (right), Knut's acting secretary-general since the death of the long-serving Ambrose Adeya Adongo in March, is confirmed to the position. Mr John Katumanga (centre) becomes the national chairman. The election took place at the Moi International Sports Centre in Kasarani, Nairobi. COMPILED BY ANNIEL NJOKA

## LETTER OF THE DAY

# Here's how to meaningfully reform police

A police officer shot a young man in broad daylight. He was unarmed, surrounded by peaceful demonstrators, and posed no visible threat. Just days earlier, Albert Ojwang was abducted and later killed in a police cell. Videos have flooded social media of officers turning a blind eye as hired goons disrupted peaceful demonstrations on Tuesday.

These are symptoms of a broken system. The Kenya police badge lost its meaning. For years, Kenyans have witnessed the slow erosion of trust in our law enforcement. Every tear gas canister hurled at peaceful protest-

ers, every bullet fired at unarmed youth, and every ignored cry for help chips away at the dignity of the badge and the soul of our nation.

What Kenya needs is a comprehensive police reform agenda. Officers must be trained not just in crowd control, but in community engagement, human rights, and de-escalation. Internal affairs units must be truly independent, with complaints from citizens investigated swiftly and transparently.

There must also be accountability up the chain of command. Who gives the orders to shoot into

crowds? It is no longer enough to blame "rogue officers."

The badge must regain its honour. The uniform must once again symbolise safety, not fear.

Charles Wanjohi, Nairobi

Police brutality and the bad blood with Kenyans is as a result of many factors, including corruption during recruitment, low entry requirements and ignorance of the law that the police are expected to maintain.

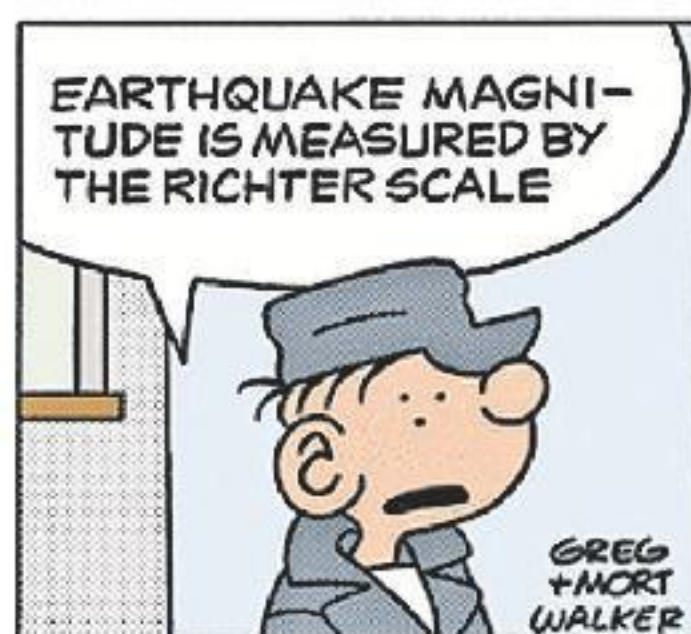
To begin to change this, the entry requirements must also be raised, perhaps a minimum grade of C+.

The police officers must also

have legal knowledge, even if it means having to complete a paralegal course. Even in the process of conducting a simple arrest, most of them don't follow the law. They also tend to feel inferior or when dealing with lawyers and choose violence over thinking.

The service must also be completely delinked from the Executive. Just like judges, they should be remunerated from the Consolidated Fund. Oversight bodies such as the Independent Policing Oversight Authority should be given more powers to arrest, investigate and prosecute.

Okello Tom







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## THE SELECTION PANEL FOR NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE COMMISSION

## APPLICANTS AND SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITIONS OF CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE COMMISSION

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 246(2)(a) of the Constitution and Section 5 of the National Police Service Commission Act 2011, the Selection Panel invited applications from suitably qualified persons for the positions of the Chairperson and Member of the National Police Service Commission in the print media and the Public Service Commission website on 22nd May, 2025.

The list of all applicants can be accessed on the Public Service Commission website: [www.publicservice.go.ke](http://www.publicservice.go.ke)

After considering the applications, the Selection Panel shortlisted candidates for the positions of the Chairperson and Member for interviews as shown in the schedule below:

## 1. CHAIRPERSON, NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE COMMISSION

## INTERVIEW DATE: TUESDAY, 1ST JULY, 2025

S/NO.	NAME	GENDER	COUNTY	TIME
1.	John Muriithi Waiganjo	Male	Nyandarua	9.00 am
2.	William Otieno Oketch, OGW	Male	Homa Bay	10.00 am
3.	CHRP Anne Waceke Makori, EBS	Female	Nyamira	11.00 am
4.	Dr. Jonathan Lodompui, PhD, MBS	Male	Samburu	12.00 noon
5.	Amb. Simon Nabukwesi, CBS	Male	Bungoma	2.00 pm
6.	John O. Konchellah, EBS, HSC, FKIB	Male	Narok	3.00 pm

## INTERVIEW DATE: WEDNESDAY, 2ND JULY, 2024

S/NO.	NAME	GENDER	COUNTY	TIME
1.	Matilda Pamela Aleyo Sakwa, EBS	Female	Vihiga	9.00 am
2.	Dr. Amant Yuda Komora, (PhD.), MBS	Male	Tana River	10.00 am

## 3. MEMBER, NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE COMMISSION (PERSONS OF INTEGRITY WHO HAVE SERVED THE PUBLIC WITH DISTINCTION)

## INTERVIEW DATE: WEDNESDAY, 2ND JULY 2025

S/NO.	NAME	GENDER	COUNTY	TIME
1.	Ahmed Mohamed A. Ogle	Male	Garissa	11.00 am
2.	Buluma Bwire	Male	Busia	12.00 noon
3.	Dr. Elizabeth Mueni Kimulu, OGW	Female	Machakos	2.00 pm
4.	Maina Njoroge	Male	Nakuru	3.00 pm

## INTERVIEW DATE: THURSDAY, 3RD JULY, 2025

S/NO.	NAME	GENDER	COUNTY	TIME
1.	Daniel Mwangi Karomo	Male	Kajiado	9.00 am
2.	Adan W. Kabelo	Male	Isiolo	10.00 am
3.	Angeline Yiamiton Siparo, EBS	Female	Narok	11.00 am
4.	Wayongó Cyril Simiyu	Male	Bungoma	12.00 noon
5.	CHRP Musangi Jane Mutua, PhD	Female	Kitui	2.00 pm
6.	Dr. Parmain Ole Narikae, PhD, MBS	Male	Narok	3.00 pm
7.	Shabnan Ali Isaack	Male	Mandera	4.00 pm

The Selection Panel would like to inform the shortlisted candidates that the interviews will be conducted on the dates and time indicated above at the Public Service Commission, Harambee Avenue. The candidates should be at the venue at least twenty (20) minutes before the starting time.

Shortlisted candidates should bring originals of the following documents;

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  - Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
  - Higher Education Loans Board;
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  - Directorate of Criminal Investigations (Police Clearance Certificate);
- Letter of recognition of qualifications from the Commission for University Education (CUE) for any degree obtained from foreign universities; and
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## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public are invited to avail any credible information of interest relating to any of the shortlisted candidates through sworn affidavits to the Chairperson via email [npscselectionpanel2025@publicservice.go.ke](mailto:npscselectionpanel2025@publicservice.go.ke) or through the Office of the Secretary/CEO, Public Service Commission situated on 4<sup>th</sup> floor Commission House, Harambee Avenue, Nairobi on or before **30th June, 2025**.

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WHEREAS, in exercise of powers bestowed upon H.E. The Governor by Section 30(2) (d) of the County Government Act, 2012; H.E the Governor has nominated Mr. Newton Bariu for appointment as the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Roads, Transport, Public Works and Utilities.

AND WHEREAS, following receipt of the notification of nomination, the Hon. Speaker reported the receipt of the notification to the County Assembly and further committed the same to the Committee on Appointments.

IT IS NOTIFIED to the nominee and general public that pursuant to section 7 (4) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act 2017, the Committee shall conduct approval hearing (vetting) of the nominee on June 30, 2025 at 10.00am.

THEREFORE, the Clerk invites members of the public to submit any representation they may have on the nominee pursuant to section 7(10) of the Public Appointment (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017.

The memoranda may be forwarded to the office of the Clerk via mail at P.O. Box.1492-00900, Kiambu or hand-delivered at the Assembly Kiambu Buildings or emailed to [info@kiambuassembly.go.ke](mailto:info@kiambuassembly.go.ke), on or before Friday June 27, 2025 by 5.00 pm.

IT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT the nominee is required to;

1. Present original identity cards, academic and professional certificates and other relevant testimonials;
2. Fill and submit the vetting questionnaire to the office of the Clerk, on or before Friday June 27, 2025 by 5.00 pm. The form may be downloaded from Assembly website: [www.kiambuassembly.go.ke](http://www.kiambuassembly.go.ke) and;
3. Obtain letter/certificates of compliance from the following institutions:
  - a) Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
  - b) Kenya Revenue Authority;
  - c) Higher Education Loans Board;
  - d) Directorate of Criminal Investigations; and,
  - e) Credit Reference Bureau.

JOHN M. MUTIE  
CLERK, COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KIAMBU  
Friday June 20, 2025

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## How globetrotting MCAs and county officials blew Sh1bn on foreign trips

Audit reveals millions were spent on benchmarking, study tours, training sessions and workshops

BY ERIC MATARA

A new report has exposed how county governments, Members of County Assemblies (MCAs), and other officials in devolved units splurged more than Sh1 billion on foreign trips during the first nine months of the 2024/2025 financial year despite little to show for it.

The report by Controller of Budget Dr Margaret Nyakang'o reveals that governors, county executives, and MCAs spent millions on benchmarking, study tours, training sessions and workshops – many of which could have been held locally. Some were vaguely labelled “leadership” or “governance” training.

“There is a lot of wastage by counties through unnecessary foreign trips. Some of the meetings held abroad can be conducted here in Nairobi or elsewhere locally,” said Dr Nyakang'o in the report.

In one county, an official flew to the United Kingdom for a pyrethrum revival meeting. In another, a delegate travelled to Tanzania for training on the Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS). Despite the economic challenges, counties continued extravagant spending on trips to Spain, the UK, Dubai, Qatar, Canada, Uganda, Tanzania, Egypt, Singapore and the United States.

The high spending comes despite President William Ruto's July 2024 directive for government-wide budget cuts, including at county level, following economic strain and nationwide protests over the Finance Bill. He had called for fiscal discipline to ensure Kenya “lives within its means”.

Leading the pack was Nairobi County, where MCAs and officials spent Sh229.79 million on travel. Others with significant expenditures include: Machakos (Sh88.22 million), Lamu (Sh76.09 million), Kitui (Sh66.38 million), Momba-

sa (Sh59.8 million), Nakuru (Sh57 million), Nyeri (Sh55.61 million), and Kisumu (Sh51.18 million).

In Baringo, MCAs and assembly officials spent Sh19.11 million between September 2024 and March 2025. Eight MCAs used Sh2.4 million attending a digital conference in Rwanda. A month later, 10 others spent Sh3.5 million on a peace and conflict resolution workshop – also in Rwanda. Meanwhile, 14 officials splurged Sh4 million on “strategic leadership” and “regional integration” training.

In Bomet, officials spent Sh25.02 million on travel. One delegate spent nearly Sh1 million attending a pyrethrum revival meeting in the UK. In November, 12 officials went to Egypt for the UN-Habitat World Urban Forum, using Sh7.3 million. Another 17 officials used Sh10.8 million to attend a crafts fair in India.

In Nakuru, officials and MCAs spent Sh57 million on trips to London, Arusha, Singapore and Dubai. An IFMIS training in Arusha cost over Sh500,000, yet it could have been held in Nairobi. In Bungoma, MCAs and officials spent Sh12.9 million on trips to Dubai, Rwanda, Uganda and Singapore.

In Busia, two county officials flew to New York to attend the 79th session of the United Nations General Assembly, spending a total of Sh1.8 million. It remains unclear what role a border county with persistent healthcare and infrastructure challenges played in global diplomacy.

In Elgeyo Marakwet, county officials and MCAs went to Arusha, Kampala, Rwanda, and Ethiopia, burning Sh18.5 million on benchmarking and training trips. No documented outcomes have been shared with the public.

Embu officials joined the climate conversation, sending three delegates to COP29 in Baku, Azerbaijan, at a cost of Sh3 million. Overall, the county spent Sh16.35 million on foreign travel during the review period.



Controller of Budget Dr Margaret Nyakang'o. FILE | NATION

In Garissa, Sh5.7 million went into trips to Britain and Dubai, again for unspecified training programmes.

Kakamega was not left behind, with MCAs and executive officials travelling to Washington DC, Rwanda, Uganda, and Malaysia, racking up a bill of Sh22.6 million.

Meanwhile, in Kericho, Sh10.2 million was spent on foreign trips, including an eyebrow-raising journey by two county public service board officials to San Francisco, USA, at the height of the Gen Z-led protests in June 2024. The reason? “Keynote speeches and discussions.”

Kiambu officials and MCAs used Sh35.9 million attending workshops in Arusha, Kampala, and Dubai, while Kisii spent Sh23.8 million on various overseas training programmes.

Kisumu, under Governor Prof Peter Anyang' Nyong'o, spent a whopping Sh51.18 million on foreign travel – including trips

to Mauritania, Malaysia, the UAE, Uganda, and Egypt. Some officials even travelled to Lira, Uganda, to attend a cultural event, costing hundreds of thousands of shillings.

Kwale officials went on benchmarking tours in Dar es Salaam, Ethiopia, and Dubai, using Sh12.77 million, while Laikipia

spent Sh38.99 million on training sessions in Uganda, Tanzania, and Zimbabwe.

One of the highest spenders was Machakos, where Governor Wavinya Ndeti's administration used a staggering Sh88.22 million on trips to Dubai, Brazil, China, Italy, and Qatar. Five officials spent Sh9.7 million attending a livestock and food security conference in Brazil.

In Makueni, county officials spent Sh9.52 million visiting Morocco and Albania, while in Tana River, four officials flew to Switzerland for a peace forum, costing taxpayers Sh6.4 million.

Also flagged was Samburu, where officials spent Sh38.65 million despite the county struggling with severe drought and food insecurity. There was no explanation as to why training could not be conducted through local institutions such as the Kenya School of Government.

Nyandarua County, which has often cited delayed disburse-

ments as a barrier to development, spent Sh20.75 million on foreign trips. Ironically, MCAs had recently petitioned the national government for emergency support in implementing stalled projects.

In Nandi, travel costs stood at Sh44.97 million, including a controversial visit to Singapore to learn about smart farming. Yet farmers in the region continue to decry lack of fertilisers, market access, and extension officers.

Narok County, home to the Maasai Mara, spent Sh13.85 million on international exposure trips said to promote tourism. However, most trips were unrelated to tourism and involved general governance seminars in cities such as Dubai.

In Meru, where political wrangles have paralysed service delivery in recent months, officials still managed to use Sh25.5 million on foreign trips. The report questions how benchmarking was prioritised over addressing the county's healthcare and procurement woes.

The Auditor General and Controller of Budget have long criticised county governments for diverting funds from development to personal emoluments. Travel allowances are now among the fastest-growing expenditure items.

Pending bills, some dating back to the defunct local authorities, remain a heavy burden in many counties. The continued prioritisation of foreign travel over settlement of legitimate claims has drawn condemnation from suppliers and contractors.

Both oversight offices have urged counties to increase development spending, reduce wage bills and travel costs, boost own-source revenue, eliminate manual payroll operations and submit financial reports on time.

Dr Nyakang'o concluded her report with a stark warning: “Unless counties adopt prudence and fiscal responsibility, the promise of devolution will remain elusive – buried under receipts for air tickets, hotel stays, and meaningless meetings.”

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Margaret Nyakang'o, Controller of Budget





# County News

RIFT VALLEY



Paul Mriti

## Man in video chasing police officers taken to court

BY JOSEPH OPENDA

The man captured in viral video chasing police officers with a panga during street protests in Nakuru last week has been taken to court.

Mr Paul Mriti, alias Hassan Mti Mka-vu, appeared before Principal Magistrate Kipkurui Kibelion and was charged with obstructing police officers from executing their duties and causing public disturbance.

He was also charged with participating in unlawful demonstrations and

being armed in a public place.

According to the prosecution, Mr Mriti caused public disturbance by shouting aggressively and waving a panga at police officers Charles Francis and Kambo in London estate, Nakuru city, on June 11.

Mr Mriti denied all the charges. The magistrate released him on a Sh100,000 bond with surety of the same amount, or alternatively, a cash bail of Sh50,000.

The case will be mentioned on July 1.

METROPOLITAN

## Acute water shortage hits Iveti Hills locals

**MACHAKOS**• Water levels in Iveti Hills, Machakos County, have been falling for the last three years, with farming affected. Even Muooni dam near Kathiani Sub County headquarters has been affected. "Streams, ponds and rivers are drying up. We cannot get water for irrigation and livestock. The situation has made residents wake up early to fetch water," Nduu village security chairman Benson Nzioki said.

Sammy Kimatu

## Return transformers, Kenya Power urged

**NAIROBI**• Mukuru slum residents have asked their elected leaders to push Kenya Power Company to install transformers and connect them with electricity. An administrator told the *Daily Nation* that Kenya Power carted away transformers following illegal connections. "If the government can bring back the transformers and allow us settle power bills through tokens, it will be a boost for locals," he said.

Sammy Kimatu

## Kajiado

# Ngong stadium project turns into white elephant

BY STANLEY NGOTHO

The mooing of a bull among a herd of cattle echoes across what might be mistaken for grazing fields on the outskirts of Ngong.

But this is no grazing field. It is the stalled Ngong Sports Complex.

A report by the Kajiado County Assembly Committee on Education, Sports and Vocational Training says Ngong Sports Complex was allocated Sh198 million in the 2016/17 financial year.

It was to be completed in 2020 after four years of phased funding. The complex was a flagship project of then-governor David Nkedianye during his 2013-17 term before he lost to Mr Joseph ole Lenku.

Located on the foot of Ngong Hills, the complex was to have a running track, football pitch, changing rooms and spectator stands. It was envisioned as a hub for regional and world athletics and football training, its proximity to Nairobi seen as an advantage.

Ngong is considered ideal for altitude training, especially for long-distance running.

Residents had expected the complex would trigger an economic boom, with international athletes camping in the town. Ngong is known as a training ground for Marathon champions like Paul Tergat.

The initial contractor, Yoke Investment, had its contract terminated in the 2018/19 fiscal year following claims of shoddy work. The company was paid Sh4 million.



What the Ngong Sports Complex looks like. FILE | NATION

In 2019, Koutich Ltd was awarded the tender with a revised scope of work that included fencing, a football pitch, a running track and VIP terraces.

During an inspection visit on April 14, 2025, the assembly committee members said they could not even assess the place.

"The committee could not ascertain the status of work done by the contractor due to bushes and weeds in the stadium," reads the report tabled in the assembly.

Despite this, Koutich Ltd was paid Sh26,804,149. The contract has since expired.

When the *Daily Nation* visited the site on Wednesday, an eerie silence hung in the air. The field, covered in long grass, was deserted – save for the cattle.

In some parts, the soil appeared recently disturbed, likely by a tractor. The partially built perimeter wall has cracks.

Mr John Miano, 65, an investor, lamented the missed opportunities. He and other business owners had anticipated a boom in hospitality, targeting local and international athletes.

Ngong Sports Association Vice-Chairman, Eric Njuguna, accuses the county government of backtracking on its pledges.

Education and Sports Executive, Janet Sereu, says the stadium's Bill of Quantities is being reviewed by the County Department of Roads, Public Works, Transport and Energy.

However, Roads Executive Jackson Acholla says his department's role is limited to providing technical advice and is not responsible for project implementation.

## Lamu

# She escaped Somalia only to die by her lover's bullet

Police report shows shootings sparked by accusations of infidelity

BY KALUME KAZUNGU

**F**or Najma Athman Bwanamusa, settling in Kenya after fleeing war-torn Somalia was a relief.

Najma arrived in Kenya in 2011, and along with other refugees, settled in Kiunga – a small town on the Kenya-Somalia border in Lamu County.

After years of hardship, Kiunga offered her the peace she could never find at home, allowing her to rebuild her life, find love and raise a family.

But on Monday, that life was cut short when her former husband Shafi Swaleh Bwana, a National Police Reservist (NPR), shot her dead before turning the gun on himself.

Also injured was Najma's friend, Mariam Alal Yusuf, a fellow refugee. She was shot in the shoulder.

Najma, 34, had lived in Kiunga for more than a decade. Her time in Kenya, refugee status and eventual marriage to Shafi – a 36-year-old native of Kiunga – earned her the resident alien status, according to government records.

"Najma grew up with us in Kiunga. Together with her mother and siblings, she crossed into Kenya from Somalia due to insecurity there. She married Shafi in 2019 and they had a child," said a government official, who did not want to be named as he is not authorised to speak to the press.

Locals say the two initially lived harmoniously and were regularly seen together.

Najma and Shafi's daughter was born two years ago.

However, the relationship began to cool, with the disputes and suspicions escalating over time.

The disagreements intensified when Najma became pregnant with their second child, eventual-



Najma Athman Bwanamusa who was shot dead by her former husband Shafi Swaleh Bwana. PHOTO | POOL

ly leading to their separation.

In line with Muslim traditions, Shafi pronounced the third and final "Tuhr", formalising their divorce, on Sunday.

Less than 24 hours later, he returned to Najma's home and fatally shot her. He also shot Mariam, whom he accused of aiding Najma's "infidelity".

Not long after, Shafi turned the firearm on himself.

"He was a peace-loving and disciplined man. That is why we trusted him with the NPR role. Whatever he did is unfortunate," the official added.

A police report indicated the shooting was triggered by accusations of infidelity.

According to the report, the couple had separated just four days before the shooting.

Mariam was taken to King Fahd County Referral Hospital in Lamu before being transferred to Mombasa for specialised treatment where she remains in critical condition.

Following the murder-suicide, humanitarian agencies and au-

thorities in Lamu have renewed calls for the protection and support of refugees, particularly in mental health, gender-based violence and legal awareness.

Lamu County Peace-building and Refugee Welfare Officer, Shee Kupa, said the tragedy underscores the urgent need for mental health services and deeper integration efforts between host communities and refugees. He

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Government official in Lamu County



said Kiunga hosts about 505 refugees.

Mr Kupa's team is offering psycho-social support to the affected families and community. It is also raising awareness about refugee rights, abuse reporting and documentation.

"We had to step in not just as humanitarian champions, but as a voice for the voiceless," Mr Kupa said.

He added that Mariam faced delays in accessing urgent medical care due to documentation challenges.

Her alien ID card had expired, denying her access to the Social Health Authority (SHA) medical funding, which is essential for treatment in any public hospital.

"I had to intervene to ensure Mariam received medical care. I thank the devolved government of Lamu for facilitating her referral and the Mombasa Refugee Department for assisting with renewing her documents," he added.

The officer also announced plans to roll out public awareness campaigns targeting refugee communities in Lamu.

The programme will educate refugees on their rights, the importance of valid documentation and where to seek help in case of abuse or threats.

"My mission is to ensure every refugee in this region is safe, heard and treated with dignity. What happened in Kiunga should never happen again. We all have a role to play in building a more inclusive and peaceful society," he said.

Lamu East Deputy County Commissioner, George Kubai, urged the public to seek professional counselling when faced with difficult personal or relationship challenges.

"It is indeed very sad. A child will grow up without both parents. We must find better ways to deal with our problems as violence is never the answer," Mr Kubai said on Monday.

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# International

**War** It is the first time many missiles fired from Iran have penetrated Israeli defences

## Iran struck as missile hits hospital in Israel

Netanyahu says attacks could result in the toppling of Iranian leaders

TEL AVIV, THURSDAY

Israel struck an Iranian nuclear site on Thursday and Iranian missiles hit an Israeli hospital, as President Donald Trump kept the world guessing about whether the US would join Israel in airstrikes seeking to destroy Tehran's nuclear facilities.

PM Benjamin Netanyahu, who has vowed to press on with Israel's biggest ever attack on Iran until his arch enemy's nuclear programme is destroyed, said Tehran's "tyrants will pay the full price".

His Defence Minister, Israel Katz, said the military has been instructed to intensify strikes on strategic-related targets in Tehran in order to eliminate the threat to Israel and destabilise the "Ayatollah regime".

Netanyahu has said that military attacks could result in the toppling of Iranian leaders, and Israel would do whatever is necessary to remove the "existential threat" posed by Tehran.

A week of Israeli air and missile strikes against its rival has wiped out the top echelon of Iran's military command, damaged its nuclear capabilities and killed hundreds of people, while Iranian retaliatory strikes have killed at least two dozen civilians in Israel.

The Israeli military said it targeted Khondab nuclear site near Iran's city Arak overnight, includ-

ing a partially-built heavy-water research reactor.

Heavy-water reactors produce plutonium, which, like enriched uranium, can be used to make the core of an atomic bomb.

Iranian media reported two projectiles hitting an area near the facility. There were no reports of radiation threats.

The UN nuclear watchdog, the IAEA, said it had information that the heavy-water research reactor under construction had been hit, but did not contain radioactive material. It had no information that a separate plant there which makes heavy water had been hit.

Israel's military said it also struck a site in the area of Natanz, which it said contains components and specialised equipment used to advance nuclear weapons development.

### Limited damage

Iran has always denied planning to build an atomic weapon and says its nuclear programme is for peaceful purposes. Israel is widely presumed to have a nuclear arsenal, though it does not confirm or deny this.

Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesperson Esmail Baghaei criticised UN nuclear watchdog chief Rafael Grossi and accused the International Atomic Energy Agency of being a partner to an "unjust war of aggression" initiated by Israel.

In a post on X, Baghaei responded to an interview with CNN in which Grossi said there was no evidence of a systematic Iranian effort to develop nuclear weapons.

"This is too late, Mr Grossi,"



Emergency workers inspect an impact site at Soroka Medical Centre, following a missile strike from Iran on Israel yesterday. PHOTO | REUTERS

Baghaei wrote, adding that an IAEA resolution last week declaring Iran in breach of its obligations under the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty had been used as a pretext for Israel's strikes.

Several missiles struck populated areas in Israel on Thursday morning, including a hospital in the southern part of the country.

Iran's Revolutionary Guards said they were targeting Israeli military and intelligence headquarters near Soroka medical centre in the city of Beersheba.

Israel's health ministry said several people sustained injuries, and that there was limited damage to the emergency room and other buildings which did not impair the hospital's ability to operate.

The strike came four days after an Israeli missile strike damaged a hospital in Iran's western prov-

ince of Kermanshah.

The week of Iranian missile salvos marks the first time in decades of shadow war and proxy conflict that a significant number of projectiles fired from Iran have penetrated defences, killing Israelis in their homes.

Trails of missiles and interception efforts were visible in the skies over Tel Aviv, with explosions heard as incoming projectiles were intercepted.

Emergency services said five people had been seriously injured in the attacks and dozens of others hurt in three locations. People were still trapped in a building in a south Tel Aviv neighbourhood, they added.

Buildings were also extensively damaged in Ramat Gan, a key commercial hub home to high-rise towers, after a direct strike on a residential building in the

neighbourhood east of Tel Aviv.

The blast caused damage to residential buildings and shattered windows across the area.

"It's scary," said resident Yaniv, 34, who lives close to the building that was struck. He said he heard an explosion when the missile hit, shaking his apartment tower.

The worst-ever conflict between the two regional rivals has raised fears that it will draw in world powers and further destabilise the Middle East.

Oil prices surged after Israel said it attacked Iranian nuclear sites overnight, as investors grapple with fears of a broader war that could disrupt crude supplies.

Israel, which has the most advanced military in the Middle East, has been fighting on several fronts since the October 7, 2023 Hamas attack triggered the Gaza conflict. (Reuters)

### Tanzania to build vocational schools

**DODOMA** • Tanzanian President Samia Suluhu Hassan on Wednesday launched an initiative to construct 103 vocational secondary schools across the country, a project valued at TSh41.6 billion (\$15.9 million). The president laid the foundation stone for Mwamapala Secondary School in Itilima District. The school, which is 96 per cent complete, is being built for TSh1.6 billion, as one of the flagship institutions under the programme. Suluhu said the project underscores the government's commitment to addressing unemployment and ensuring the growing private sector has access to skilled workers. She stressed a shift in Tanzania's education policy to ensure students graduate with employable, hands-on skills rather than theory only. (Xinhua)

### AU worried over security in Sahel

**BAMAKO** • The African Union (AU) is concerned about the security situation in the Sahel and intends to assist in efforts to combat terrorism and promote development, said Angolan Foreign Minister Tete Antonio on Tuesday, following an audience with Malian President Assimi Goita. Antonio was received as an envoy of Angolan President Joao Lourenco, the acting AU chairman. "This is about exploring, in a spirit of constructive dialogue, ways to collectively support the fight against terrorism and promote development in the Sahel," he was quoted by a post on the Malian presidency's social media as saying. The discussions with Goita focused on ways to strengthen African solidarity and shared destiny, said Antonio. (Xinhua)

## Rwanda and DR Congo agree draft peace deal to end conflict

GOMA, THURSDAY

Representatives of Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of Congo have reached a draft agreement that could end decades of conflict.

The breakthrough, mediated by the United States and Qatar, provides for the "disengagement, disarmament and conditional integration" of armed groups fighting in eastern DR Congo.

It also includes provisions for a joint security mechanism to prevent flare-ups. The peace agreement is expected to be formally signed next week.

The deal could open the way for billions of dollars of western investment in the mineral-rich region, which has been plagued by conflict for three decades.

However, analysts say that many questions still remain about the contents of the peace deal.

The US State Department said technical teams initialled the draft text on Wednesday, ahead of a formal signing ceremony next Friday to be witnessed by US Secretary of State Marco Rubio.

It said the deal was reached during three days of "constructive dialogue regarding political, security and economic interests" between officials of the two countries in Washington.

The latest draft agreement builds on a

previous accord signed earlier, it added.

In late April, Rwanda and the DR Congo signed an agreement in Washington, promising to respect each other's sovereignty and come up with a draft peace deal within days.

The decades-long conflict escalated earlier this year when M23 rebels – widely believed to be supported by Rwanda – seized swathes of mineral-rich territory in eastern DR Congo. (BBC)

### CONFLICT

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The years eastern DRC has been ravaged by war



# Business

# 80%

Ratio of firms in construction that will not be hiring more staff this year

## Firm loses appeal for permit to set up LPG Coast depot

BY PHILIP MUYANGA

A petrochemical gas transportation firm has lost an appeal against a decision that revoked its environment impact assessment permit for the establishment of a 15,000-tonne liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) depot in Mombasa's Changamwe area.

The Environment and Land Court (ELC) in Mombasa dismissed the appeal by Eleven Energy Ltd challenging a decision by the National Environment Tribunal to revoke its license.

Justice Stephen Kibunja of the ELC in Mombasa ruled that the tribunal did not err in law in finding and holding that there was no evidence of adequate public participation before the issuance of the EIA licence to Eleven Energy Ltd.

"It would thus follow that there is no merit in the appeal hence the appellant (Eleven Energy Ltd) is not entitled to the reliefs sought in the appeal or any one of them," ruled Justice Kibunja in his judgement delivered on June 12.

The Tribunal had revoked the EIA license following an appeal by some residents against the National Environment Management Authority (Nema) decision to grant Eleven Energy Ltd the license.

The tribunal said there was inadequate public participation prior to the issuance of the licence.

This prompted Eleven Energy Ltd to file the appeal at the ELC in Mombasa challenging the Tribunal's decision. It sought to have among other orders the EIA licence to be reinstated.

Justice Kibunja who found no merit in the appeal by Eleven Energy Ltd ruled that the court was unable to find any fault with the tribunal's analysis of the evidence placed before it and the conclusion reached.

He said the analysis was well-reasoned and the tribunal were entitled to reach its conclusion.

## Surveyors' exhibition in Nairobi attracts throngs



Visitors at the Board of Registration of Architects and Quantity Surveyors and Continuous Professional Development exhibition themed 'Empowering the built environment professionals in Kenya through Artificial Intelligence' at Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi, yesterday.

WILFRED NYANGARESI  
IN NATION

## Survey Rising costs and delayed payments dampen employment plans

# Construction firms freeze hiring on cost, cash strain

Four out of five companies say they have no plans of employing workers this year

BY PETER MBURU

**F**our in five companies in the construction sector have no plans to employ more workers this year on cost and cash flow concerns, even as the government banks on the sector to deliver on its jobs promise, under the affordable housing scheme.

A new Central Bank of Kenya survey shows that 80 per cent of companies in the sector indicate they "probably won't" or "definitely won't" increase the number of employees in 2025 relative to 2024.

The CBK, in the May 2025 survey, asked CEOs across different sectors about their employment plans for this year as compared to last year to gauge their hiring plans.

In the construction sector, no firm is guaranteed to increase the number of workers and only 20 per cent indicated they "probably will" employ more. At least 40 per cent of construction firms say they "probably won't" employ more workers, and an equal number guarantees they "definitely won't".

"Respondents were asked on whether they expected to increase the number of employees in 2025 relative to 2024. Non-bank players had mixed expectations about hiring in 2025," the CBK survey says.

The study cites rising operational costs, taxes, and the government's failure to pay businesses as reasons informing companies' reluctance to employ retain workers.

The dim outlook for the con-

## BANKS TO HIRE

As firms in other sectors tread a delicate line of tough economic times and sustaining operations, banks have expressed expansion plans that will see them hire more workers. At least 44 per cent of banks indicated strong plans to increase their workforce as compared to last year, with another 44 per cent toying with the idea of hiring more. Only four per cent of lenders stated with certainty that they have no plans of employing more workers.

struction sector is a blow to the government which banks on it for the creation of jobs. Private

construction firms last year shed 2,900 jobs amid a 0.7 per cent shrinkage in the sector, the Economic Survey, 2025 showed.

Other than construction, sectors with little plans for more hiring of workers this year include trade, manufacturing, and agriculture.

Sixty-one per cent of companies in trade, 58 per cent in agriculture, and 52 per cent of firms in manufacturing said they "probably won't" or "definitely won't" employ more workers this year.

Only 16 per cent of agriculture firms, 15 per cent of manufacturers, and nine per cent of companies in trade expressed certainty of hiring more staff this year.

In hospitality, 17 per cent of executives have guaranteed adding workers this year and 13 per cent are sure they will not, with the rest toying with the idea.

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## BRIEFLY

### HEALTHCARE

#### AKUH opens 54th medical centre in Westlands

Aga Khan University Hospital has opened its 54th medical centre on Rhapta Road in Westlands, Nairobi, bringing the total number of outlets in the area to four and 54 in Kenya. The new facility offers specialist and wellness services, enhancing access to quality care. "Rhapta Medical Centre will uphold the same quality standards that define our care, with well-trained staff and evidence-based medicine," said Mr Rasidh Khalani, AKUH chief executive. Linet Owoko

### PROCUREMENT

#### Board clears Kebs to go on with inspection tender

The procurement watchdog has rejected a bid by three firms to stop the Kenya Bureau of Standards (Kebs) from proceeding with a tender for inspection of goods before leaving the exporting country. The Public Procurement Administrative Review Board upheld Kebs' decision to lock out TUV Austria Turk, TIC Quality Control, and Bay Area Compliance Laboratories Corp from the process after they failed to submit their audited financial statements. Sam Kiplagat

### SECURITIES

#### CBK accepts Sh71 billion in oversubscribed June bonds sale

Investors offered the government Sh101.36 billion in the latest Treasury bond sale as they rushed to lock in returns of between 12 per cent and 13 per cent before an expected decline in interest rates following the recent cut in the central bank policy rate. The government was in the market for Sh50 billion via a pair of reopened 15 and 30-year papers. Charles Mwaniki



Stocks

NAIROBI SECURITIES EXCHANGE

Last 12 Mths		Security	Prices			Shares
High	Low		Yesterday	Previous		

AGRICULTURAL

14.50	10.00	Eaagads Ord 1.25	11.30	12.45	100
440.00	240.00	Kakuzi Plc Ord 5.00		400.00	
280.00	81.00	Kapchoruar Tea Kenya Plc Ord		220.00	
430.00	320.00	The Limuru Tea Co. Ord 20.00		320.00	
32.60	13.60	Sasini Ltd Ord 1.00	15.00	14.50	2,500
289.00	120.00	Williamson Tea Kenya Plc Ord 500	207.50	205.75	300

AUTOMOBILES & ACCESSORIES

49.00	18.50	Car & General (K) Ord 5.00	20.00	20.35	20,300
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BANKING

19.95	10.00	ABSA Bank Ord 0.50	18.50	18.95	634,000
38.00	26.50	BK Group Ord 0.80	33.60	30.55	200
83.25	43.05	Diamond Trust Bank Ord 4.00	73.00	74.00	118,000
51.00	33.70	Equity Group Holdings Ord 0.50	46.30	46.10	555,100
9.74	2.80	HF Group Plc Ord 5.00	6.92	7.08	94,700
39.00	15.80	I&M Group Ord 1.00	34.15	34.20	70,600
47.00	15.00	KCB Group Ord 1.00	43.55	44.15	2,993,400
56.25	28.50	NCBA Group Ord 5.00	56.00	56.00	4,800
179.00	90.00	Stanbic Holdings Ord 5.00	160.00	160.00	240,900
315.00	134.00	Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ord 5.00	282.25	284.50	66,600
18.35	10.10	The Co-op Bank of Kenya Ord 1.00	16.50	16.35	2,663,300

COMMERCIAL & SERVICES

0.45	0.45	Deacons (East Africa) Ord 2.50		0.45	
1.88	0.59	Eveready EA Ord 1.00	0.89	0.81	8,600
5.40	2.70	Express Kenya Ord 5.00	3.44	3.37	8,700
4.66	4.66	Homeboyz Entertainment Plc Ord 0.50		4.66	
9.18	3.83	Kenya Airways Ord 1.00	4.62	4.77	209,800
3.46	2.00	Longhorn Publishers Ord 1.00	2.65	2.83	300
5.00	1.76	Nairobi Business Ventures Ord 1.00	1.95	1.86	4,700
22.40	10.60	Nation Media Group Plc Ord 2.50	11.95	12.00	9,100
4.00	1.80	Sameer Africa Plc Ord 5.00	3.62	3.61	2,000
10.80	4.50	Standard Group Ord 5.00	5.52	6.00	20,100
18.70	10.85	TPS Eastern Africa Ord 1.00	15.40	14.20	100
0.41	0.16	Uchumi Supermarket Ord 5.00	0.29	0.28	216,000
3.95	1.80	WPP ScanGroup PLC Ord 1.00	2.50	2.59	62,900

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	
47.00	29.00	Crown Paints Kenya Ord 0.50	46.40	43.95	5,500
3.27	0.72	E. A. Cables Ord 0.50	1.73	1.81	296,500
55.75	4.38	E.A. Portland Cement Ord 5.00	39.15	36.50	1,100

ENERGY & PETROLEUM

5.60	1.94	KenGen Ord 2.50	5.50	5.42	1,805,000
7.66	1.30	KP & LC Co Plc Ord 250	8.52	8.52	742,900
4.20	4.00	KP & LC Plc 4% Pref 20.00		4.10	
6.00	6.00	KP & LC Plc 7% Pref 20.00		6.00	
26.00	14.55	TotalEnergies Marketing Kenya Ord 5.00	24.40	24.50	10,200
18.00	6.30	Uneme Ltd Ord 0.50	11.90	11.90	53,200

INSURANCE

8.70	4.01	Britam Holdings Ord 0.10	7.48	7.08	233,200
3.19	1.60	CIC Insurance Group Ord 1.00	2.83	2.82	60,900
23500	142.00	Jubilee Holdings Ord 5.00		220.00	
2.97	1.05	Kenya Re Insurance Ord 2.50	1.86	1.95	1,318,200
12.20	3.30	Liberty Kenya Holdings Ord 1.00	9.52	10.40	353,000
11.00	4.00	Sanlam Kenya Ord 5.00	6.72	6.86	29,000

INVESTMENT

16.50	7.60	Centum Investment Co Ord 0.50	11.50	12.00	4,966,500
1.12	0.27	Home Afrika Ltd Ord 1.00	0.68	0.701	24,800
1,500	1,500	Kurwitu Ventures Ltd Ord 100.00		1,500.00	
5.60	1.91	Olympia Capital Holdings Ltd Ord 5.00	3.80	3.80	26,800
1.78	0.29	Trans-Century Plc Ord 0.50	1.20	1.21	14,900

INVESTMENT SERVICES

7.50	5.22	Nairobi Securities Exchange Ord 4.00	8.18		8.04 3,300
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MANUFACTURING & ALLIED

95.00	65.00	B.O.C Kenya Group Co. Ord 5.00	89.50	85.00	2,100
495.00	325.00	British American Tobacco Kenya Ord 10.00	349.25	349.50	21,300
23.90	11.00	Carbacid Investments Ord 1.00	20.40	20.30	6,300
204.00	100.00	East African Breweries Ord 1.00	182.50	185.00	6,000
2.33	0.86	Flame Tree Group Holdings Ord 0.825	1.20		1.21 10,000
77.00	10.40	Kenya Orchards Ord 5.00			56.00
0.27	0.27	Mumias Sugar Co. Ord 2.00			0.27
31.00	12.00	Unga Group Co. Ord 5.00	20.80		20.65 4,600

TELECOMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY

25.50	11.50	Safaricom Ltd Ord 0.05	23.70	23.50	9,586,700
20.00	20.00	Lap trust I-Reit Co. Ord 20 .00		20.00	
3330.00	1880.00	Absa New Gold ETF		3910.00	

NSE ALL SHARE INDEX: 01st Jan 2008 -100 Up 0.26pts - 144.62 NSE 20-Up 0.20pts - 2265.88 .08st sep 2015=4101.67 Dwn 9.09pts 3736.84 NSE 20 -S1 -30 Aug 2023=1000 Dwn 4.91pts - 1436.96

COMMERCIAL BANK RATES

		Euro \$ £ C\$ SF IR JY ZR							
ABC	buy	147.90	129.00	172.92	94.04	157.24	1.49	88.86	7.11
	sell	149.31	130.00	174.53	94.77	158.65	1.50	89.61	7.21
Absa	buy	147.76	129.10	172.83	94.06	157.16	1.50	88.88	7.15
	sell	148.25	129.30	173.36	94.34	157.78	1.50	89.14	7.16
Co-op	buy	147.27	128.45	172.20	93.69	156.67	1.48	88.54	7.12
	sell	148.44	129.45	173.61	94.45	158.00	1.49	89.23	7.18
Equity	buy	147.90	128.90	173.19	93.94	157.66	—	88.53	7.12
	sell	148.61	129.50	174.05	94.40	158.41	—	88.97	7.15
NBK	buy	148.03	129.00	173.07	94.16	157.50	1.49	89.32	7.24
	sell	148.23	129.40	173.33	94.32	157.76	1.49	89.47	7.26
KCB	buy	148.03	129.05	173.31	94.09	157.63	1.49	89.00	7.13
	sell	149.52	129.45	173.95	94.39	158.25	1.49	89.00	7.15
NCBA	buy	147.95	128.95	172.95	94.10	157.40	1.49	89.25	7.24
	sell	148.25	129.45	173.30	94.30	157.75	1.49	88.93	7.15
Stanbic	buy	147.67	129.00	172.68	94.06	157.36	1.48	88.82	7.15
	sell	148.20	129.45	173.28	94.39	157.90	1.49	89.85	7.25
Gulf African	buy	134.86	129.25	157.56	90.63	142.84	1.50	82.74	6.84
	sell	133.21	129.75	158.18	90.02	142.10	1.49	83.09	6.87
Prime	buy	148.00	129.00	173.35	94.00	157.75	1.48	88.65	7.10
	sell	148.50	129.50	173.85	94.50	158.25	1.49	89.25	7.20

CBK RATES

	Exchange Rate	Swiss Franc	157.6699
US Dollar	129.2814	100 Japanese Yen	89.0767
1 Sterling Pound	173.2629	1 Swedish Kroner	13.3787
1 Euro	148.2082	1 Norwegian Kroner	12.9402
1 South African Rand	7.1648	1 Danish Kroner	19.8691
Ksh/USH	27.8540	1 Indian Rupee	1.4929
Ksh/TSH	20.2272	1 Hongkong Dollar	16.4694
Ksh/RWF	11.0379	1 Singapore Dollar	100.4283
Ksh/BIF	23.0341	1 Saudi Riyal	34.4576
1 UAE Dirham	35.2040	1 Chinese Yuan	17.9836
1 Canadian Dollar	94.2697	1 Australian Dollar	83.7808

UNIT TRUSTS

		Daily Yield		Annual Rate	
African Alliance Kenya Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.73%		8.00%	
African Alliance Kenya Enhanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.17%		8.49%	
Britam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.56%		11.13%	
Britam Money Market Fund	USD	3.27%		3.33%	
Absa Shilling MMF	Kenya Shilling	9.29%		9.69%	
Absa Dollar Fund MMF	USD	4.24%		4.32%	
Gulfcap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	13.06%		13.87%	
Gulfcap Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	14.25%		15.22%	
Gulfcap Shari'ah Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.33%		7.58%	
Old Mutual Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.73%		11.27%	
Old Mutual Dollar Money Market Fund	USD	5.04%		5.15%	
Etica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.92%		12.66%	
Etica Money Market Fund	USD	5.97%		6.15%	
Co-op Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.01%		9.43%	
Arvocap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.38%		11.99%	
Arvocap Alimasi Fund	Kenya Shilling	1.28		1.29	
Mayfair Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.07%		8.40%	
Mayfair Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	14.93		14.93	
Enwealth Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.92%		11.46%	
CIC Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.49%		9.92%	
CIC Wealth Fund	Kenya Shilling	6.25%		6.25%	
CIC Dollar Fund	USD	4.88%		4.93%	
Equity Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.66%		9.01%	
Kuza Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.14%		12.90%	
Kuza Money Market Fund	USD	5.61%		5.77%	
Madison Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.71%		11.31%	
Madison Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.92%		12.66%	
Orient Kasha Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.23%		13.00%	
Jubilee Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.79%		11.34%	
Jubilee Money Market Fund	USD	5.37%		5.50%	
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.02%		12.71%	
Lofty-Corban Special Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.25%		9.26%	
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	USD	5.19%		5.31%	
Cydonia Money Market	Kenya Shilling	12.65%		13.49%	
NCBA Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.04%		8.34%	
NCBA Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	3.05%		3.09%	
ICEA LION Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.18%		9.61%	
ICEA LION Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	103.82		103.82	
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund ( 3 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.67%		11.21%	
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund ( 6 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.69%		11.23%	
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund ( 12 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.86%		11.42%	
Sanlam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.78%		10.27%	
Sanlam US Dollar Fund	USD	4.97%		5.10%	
Apollo Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.97%		10.47%	
Genghis Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.35%		9.8%	
GenAfrica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.03%		12.78%	
KCB Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.63%		10.07%	
KCB Money Market Fund	USD	5.01%		5.13%	
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	USD	6.50%		6.72%	
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	USD	5.60%		5.76%	
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.00%		11.63%	
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.52%		12.21%	
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	USD	5.18%		5.31%	
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.74%		10.18%	
Dry Associates Special High Yield Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.33%		13.53%	
Faulu Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.09%		10.58%	
Britam Bond Plus Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.49%		12.17%	
Zimele Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.32%		11.93%	
Kuza Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.30%		13.09%	
Orient Hifadhi Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.01%		10.53%	
NCBA Equity Fund	Kenya Shilling	185.66		185.66	
Nabo Africa Equity Fund	USD	47.56		48.52	
ICEA LION Equity Fund	Kenya Shilling	134.18		134.18	
ICEA LION Balanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	137.88		137.88	
Britam Balanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	152.15		157.08	
Equity Balanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	161.52		162.88	
Zimele Balanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	14.91		14.47	
Apollo Balanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	152.80		146.69	
Co-op Bond Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.73%		11.33%	
ICEA LION Bond Fund	Kenya Shilling	117.52		117.52	



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## RECEIVERSHIP OVER TRANSCENTURY PLC (IN RECEIVERSHIP) ("TC PLC" OR "THE COMPANY")

Notice is hereby given that Messrs Muniu Thoithi and George Weru, of PricewaterhouseCoopers Limited who were appointed as Joint Receivers & Managers ("the Receivers") of TransCentury PLC ("TC PLC" or "the Company") on 16 June 2023 by Equity Bank Kenya Limited ("Equity Bank" or "the Bank"), resumed their statutory duties on 19 June 2025 over the Company following the lapse of the ninety (90) day extension of the court orders granted on 20 March 2025.

In accordance with applicable law, the Receivers now assume full control of the Company's assets and affairs. Legally, the Directors no longer have powers to direct or manage the affairs of the Company. Therefore, going forward, the Directors cannot legally deal with the Company's assets or conduct any business on its behalf without the express written consent of the Receivers.

The powers of the Receivers extend to all assets and undertakings of the company. Only the Receivers and their representatives are authorised to deal with assets of the Company. Any person who purports to hold, receive, use, or attempts to buy or sell, contract, or otherwise deal with the assets of the Company or with the Company without the prior written consent of the Receivers will be acting in contravention of the law and will be liable to legal action.

**The Receivers act on behalf of the Company without any personal liability.**

Any claims, queries and matters relating to the company shall be addressed to the Receivers on the address below:

**The Receivers**  
**TransCentury PLC (in Receivership)**  
c/o PricewaterhouseCoopers Limited  
P O Box 43963 – 00100  
Nairobi, Kenya

Email: ke\_tc.receivers@pwc.com  
Tel: +254 (20) 285 5000

Dated this 20 June 2025

## ADMINISTRATION OVER EAST AFRICAN CABLES PLC (IN ADMINISTRATION) ("EAC" OR "THE COMPANY")

Notice is hereby given that Messrs Muniu Thoithi and George Weru of PricewaterhouseCoopers Limited who were appointed as Joint Administrators ("the Administrators") over East African Cables PLC ("EAC" or "the Company") on 16 June 2023 by Equity Bank Kenya Limited ("Equity Bank" or "the Bank"), resumed their statutory duties on 19 June 2025 over the Company following the lapse of the ninety (90) day extension of the court orders granted on 20 March 2025.

The primary objective of administration is to enable the Administrators, licensed insolvency practitioners, to explore the ways of rescuing the company either as a going concern or by achieving a better outcome for the creditors than would be in the case of a liquidation.

By virtue of the Administration, the powers of the directors of the Company in terms of dealing and/or transacting with the Company's assets ceased. All matters, operational or otherwise, pertaining to the affairs of the Company shall be directed to the Joint Administrators or their authorised representatives.

The Joint Administrators are currently engaging all key stakeholders of the Company as they seek to execute their mandate.

**The Joint Administrators act on behalf of the Company without any personal liability.**

All correspondence should be addressed to:

**The Joint Administrators**  
**EAST AFRICAN CABLES PLC (in Administration)**  
c/o P O Box 43963 – 00100  
Nairobi, Kenya

Email: ke\_eacke.administrators@pwc.com  
Tel: +254 (20) 285 5000

Dated this 20 June 2025



INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE, INC.

### BID NOTICE

The International Rescue Committee, Inc. (IRC) is a private international, nonsectarian, voluntary organization providing relief, protection and resettlement services for refugees and victims of oppression or violent conflict. In partnership with various Donors, the IRC has a requirement for the following:

REFERENCE NO.	REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TITLE/ DESCRIPTION	IRC TENDER SUBMISSION EMAIL ADDRESS
Ref.#: 2KEN/KEKAK/REN-03-25	Modification Works of Former Nutrition Store to Staff Accommodations at CLINIC 6- IRC KAKUMA FIELD SITE	Online submission via below address <a href="mailto:Confirm.Tenders@rescue.org">Confirm.Tenders@rescue.org</a>
Ref.#: 2KEN/KEKAK/SOLAR-02-25	Restoration of Solar System at Clinic 7- IRC KAKUMA FIELD SITE	
Ref.#: 2KEN/KEKAK/BIO/PLUM-04-25	Supply of Biodigester materials and Plumbing materials – IRC KAKUMA FIELD OFFICE	
Ref.#: 2KEN/KEDAD/BIO/PLUM-02-25	Supply of Biodigester materials and Plumbing materials – IRC Hagadera FIELD OFFICE	Online submission via below address <a href="mailto:Confirm.Tenders@rescue.org">Confirm.Tenders@rescue.org</a>
Ref.#: 2KEN/KEDAD/SOLAR-03-25	Restoration of Solar System at IRC compound, Hagadera	

Interested and suitably qualified contractors may download complete tender information and RFP documents (specifications) from the IRC Website:

<http://www.rescue.org/about/procurement>

Bidders' proposal shall be submitted Online in compressed zipped folder (PDF files) as per the tender instructions.

The bidder's proposal shall comprise of technical proposal and financial proposal together with all the required documents as per clause 7 in the Request for Proposal.

**Bid documents shall be submitted Online through below email:**

[Confirm.Tenders@rescue.org](mailto:Confirm.Tenders@rescue.org) On or before 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 5.00pm East Africa Time (EAT)

Bids submitted after this deadline shall not be accepted.

Please note that IRC shall not be bound to accept the lowest priced tender or bid or any tender or bid submitted, and any form of canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

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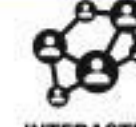
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### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE

#### ON THE ONBOARDING OF A STRATEGIC NON-EQUITY PARTNER TO LEASE, OPERATE, MAINTAIN AND MANAGE THE TEXTILE MILL AND PROPERTY OF RIVATEX EAST AFRICA SEZ LIMITED

Pursuant to Article 10(2)(a) and Article 232(1)(d) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, which emphasize public participation and involvement of the people in decision-making, Rivatex East Africa SEZ Limited invites members of the public, stakeholders, and interested parties to provide their input on the proposed onboarding of a Strategic Non-Equity Partner to lease, operate, maintain, and manage the textile mill and related properties. This initiative aims to revitalize the operations of Rivatex and enhance its contribution to the textile and apparel sector and the broader national economy.

#### SCHEDULE FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FORUMS

Date	Region	Venue	Time
[26 <sup>th</sup> June 2025]	Uasin Gishu - Rift Valley	Eldoret National Polytechnic	From 9.00am - 12.00 pm
[27 <sup>th</sup> June 2025]	Busia - Western Region	Okame Technical and Vocational College	From 9.00am - 12.00 pm
[30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025]	Nyanza Region	Tom Mboya University, Kisumu	From 9.00am - 12.00 pm
[2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025]	Machakos - Nairobi Metropolitan	Machakos University	From 9.00am - 12.00 pm
[4 <sup>th</sup> July 2025]	Mombasa - Coast Region	Technical University of Mombasa (TUM)	From 9.00am - 12.00 pm

The forum scheduled for 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025 will be livestreamed on both Rivatex East Africa SEZ Limited youtube channel and Facebook page, accessible via a link on the company's website [www.rivatex.co.ke](http://www.rivatex.co.ke). Members of the public who are unable to attend the forums may submit their views or written memoranda before 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025 via email to [info@rivatex.co.ke](mailto:info@rivatex.co.ke) or send them by post to: The Managing Director, Rivatex East Africa SEZ Limited, P.O. Box 4744-30100



A: The Bloom, 7th floor, KMA Centre, Upper Hill, Nairobi, Kenya.

P: 29107, GPO, 00100

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2	KBN 840Y	FOTON AUMAN TIPPER	2011	1,200,000.00	Startruck Yard
3	KCW 138T	MAZDA CX	2012	1,060,000.00	Moco Yard
4	KCZ 058J	NISSAN ATLAS	2014	1,030,000.00	Ezy Ruini Yard
5	KDB 917E	TOYOTA PROBOX	2013	441,000.00	Sunny Yard
6	KBF 631D	TOYOTA SPACIO	2001	320,000.00	Eldoret Auction Center
7	KBN 746Y	LANDROVER FREELANDER	2002	410,000.00	Integra Yard
8	KCA 320Y	ISUZU NQR	2014	1,820,000.00	Capital Yard
9	KCK 876R	HONDA CROSSROAD	2009	525,000.00	Startruck Yard
10	KDP 216A	HONDA VEZEL	2016	1,920,000.00	Jogoo Road Motors
11	KDL 003L	NISSAN JUKE	2015	1,060,000.00	Startruck Yard
12	KBC299D	MERCEDES BENZ 911	2001	264,000.00	Jogoo Road Motors
13	KCT 451T	ISUZU FVZ	2018	4,530,000.00	Valuers Yard
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15	KCO 001D	RANGE ROVER	2008	1,712,000.00	Grey Post Yard

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our Client the Financiers, we shall sell by Public Auction the below captioned motor vehicle(s) as is where is basis is starting at 11:00am on the dates indicated below:

ON FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2025 AT OUR NAIROBI OFFICE, WINDSOR HSE 4<sup>th</sup> FLOOR, ROOM 7

REG NO.	MAKE	Y.O.M	STORAGE
KDP 380T	TOYOTA ISIS	2018	GREYPOST STORAGE YARD, RIDGEWAYS

#### CONDITION OF SALE

1) All interested bidders are requested to view the motor vehicles during normal working hours at the point of storage. Contact **CYRUS 0724 776 499** for any clarification. 2) All interested bidders are requested to obtain a refundable bid number by way of Cash of KSHS. 100,000/- to be allowed to bid. 3) Bidding amount of the successful bidder shall be retained by the auctioneer as deposit. 4) The highest bidder shall be required to pay the auction amount within (14) Fourteen days falling which the deposit shall be forfeited. 5) Sale is subject to reserve price. 6) Bids shall be registered at the place and day of auction. 7) Canvassing is strictly prohibited. 8) The Auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid. 9) All sales are on as is where is basis.

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instruction received from our clients the chargees, we shall sell the under properties by PUBLIC AUCTION together with all developments and improvements erected thereon if any as follows:-

- ON 30/7/2025 AT 10.30 A.M AT OUR OFFICE - ELDOROT TITLE L.R. NO KIPLOMBE/KAUNET BLOCK 1/SIGEN/59 registered in the names of JOSEPH KIPKOSGEI BWAMBOK & GLADYS CHERONO measuring (0.40Ha) or (1.0) acres approximately. The property is situated in Teresia area to the right towards the end of a local road, off to the left of the road Limnyomoi Primary School in Moiben County of Uasin Gishu County. It is about 500 metres from Teresia Shopping Centre and on the second row to the right of Ziwa Road. The property is about 17Kms to the north of Eldoret Town. The property is developed with a six (6) bedroomed double storey residential house, an external kitchen and an ablution block. Coordinates 0°39'36.8"N 35°18'28.6"E (0.660227, 35.307954).
- ON 30/7/2025 AT 10.30 A.M AT OUR OFFICE - ELDOROT TITLE L.R. NO. UASIN GISHU/KIMUMU SETTLEMENT SCHEME/4665 registered in the names of JOSEPH KIPKOSGEI BWAMBOK & GLADYS CHERONO measuring (0.1Ha) or (0.247) acres approximately. The property is situated on the second row to the right of Hawaii - Kiplombe Road behind Baba Centre Shops within Kimumu Estate of Eldoret Municipality about 6kms to the north of Eldoret Town Centre in Uasin Gishu County. The plot is developed with a two (2) roomed residential house and an ablution block done in semi-permanent construction. Coordinates 0°33'11.4"N 35°17'31.6"E (0.473105, 35.294848).
- ON 8/07/2025 AT 11.00 A.M OUTSIDE NAROK POST OFFICE, TITLE L.R. NO: CIS MARA/ NKOBEN/144 registered in the name of KESUE OLE LEMEIN measuring (30.26 HA) or (74.77) acres approximately. To access into the property is via the murrum katalaka Nkobe road which deviates from the tar surfaced Kaplong - Narok road at Katakala Shopping Centre. Its situated approximately 2.3 and 7.0 KMS due north of Enakishomi Secondary School and Olmusaka Primary respectively. Its about 1.0 KMS due north of Katakala Shopping Centre. Co-ordinates: 0°52'44.45"S, Longitude 35°44'2.33"E. ITS AN AGRICULTURAL LAND WITH SEMI PERMANENT RESIDENTIAL HOUSE

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All interested buyers are requested to view the property and verify details as these are not warranted by the auctioneer.
- A deposit of 25% must be paid in CASH OR BANKERS CHEQUE at the fall of the hammer and balance to be paid within 90 days.
- Kshs. 100,000/- refundable to be deposited for one to get a bidding number which is refundable.
- If by any case the highest bidder withdraws from the sale after the auction, the refundable deposit will be forfeited.
- Sale is subject to reserved price.
- The Auctioneers has a right to reject the bid without giving any reason whatsoever.

### REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT OF KENYA AT ELDOROT ELC CAUSE NO. E015 OF 2023

SPACEMATICS SYSTEMS LIMITED..... PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

NATIONAL BANK KENYA LIMITED..... 1<sup>st</sup> DEFENDANT

COLINET AUCTIONEERS..... 2<sup>nd</sup> DEFENDANT

KISEKEM LIMITED..... 3<sup>rd</sup> DEFENDANT

THE DIRECTOR, LAND ADMINISTRATION..... 4<sup>th</sup> DEFENDANT

THE CHIEF LAND REGISTRAR..... 5<sup>th</sup> DEFENDANT

THE HONORABLE ATTORNEY GENERAL..... 6<sup>th</sup> DEFENDANT

#### SERVICE OF SUMMONS THROUGH ADVERTISEMENT

TO,  
COLINET AUCTIONEERS  
P.O. BOX 3004-40100  
ELDOROT

KISEKEM LIMITED  
P.O. BOX  
ELDOROT

TAKE NOTICE that a matter in regard to PLOT NO. ELDOROT MUNICIPALITY BLOCK 6/302, has been filed in the ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT at ELDOROT vide ELD ELC CAUSE NO. E015 OF 2023 in which you are named as defendants.

Service to you will be by means of this advertisement. A copy of the summons to enter appearance and the plaint can be obtained from the court registry.

And further TAKE NOTICE that, unless you enter appearance within (15) days the case will be heard in your absence

DATED AT ELDOROT this.....27<sup>th</sup>..... day of.....MAY.....2025

ODUOR, MUNYUA & GERALD ATTORNEYS AT LAW LLP  
ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFF

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instruction received from our principles the Financiers and pursuant to the powers conferred upon them by section 96 of Land Act 2012 and other enabling laws of the Republic of Kenya we shall sell the undermentioned property through Public Auction as indicated below.

ON THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup> JULY 2025 AT 11:00 AM AT OUR OFFICES LOCATED AT NORFOLK TOWERS 2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR, KIJABE STREET NAIROBI.

All that piece or parcel of land known as 13136/221 (L.R 163702) measuring 0.100 Hectares or 0.2471 Acres registered in the name JOHN NJAU MWAURA P.O. Box 13284-00400, Nairobi all improvements and developments there on. The plot is developed with a 4-bedroomed maisonette with an attached SQ,a gazebo designed single storey block and an external ablution block.. The property is situated within Handrock Estate approximately 2.7 Kilometres away from Thika Super Highway, Kenyatta Road area, Kiambu County. Whose coordinates are 1°06'27.90"S, 37°00'00.20"E.



#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All interested purchasers are requested to view the property and verify the details as these are not guaranteed by the Auctioneers.
- The sale shall be on "AS-IS-WHERE-IS BASIS".
- The declared purchaser MUST deposit of 25% of the purchase price by close of business on the Auction day and the balance paid within NINETY (90) days from the date of auction, failure to which the money received including the deposit will be forfeited.
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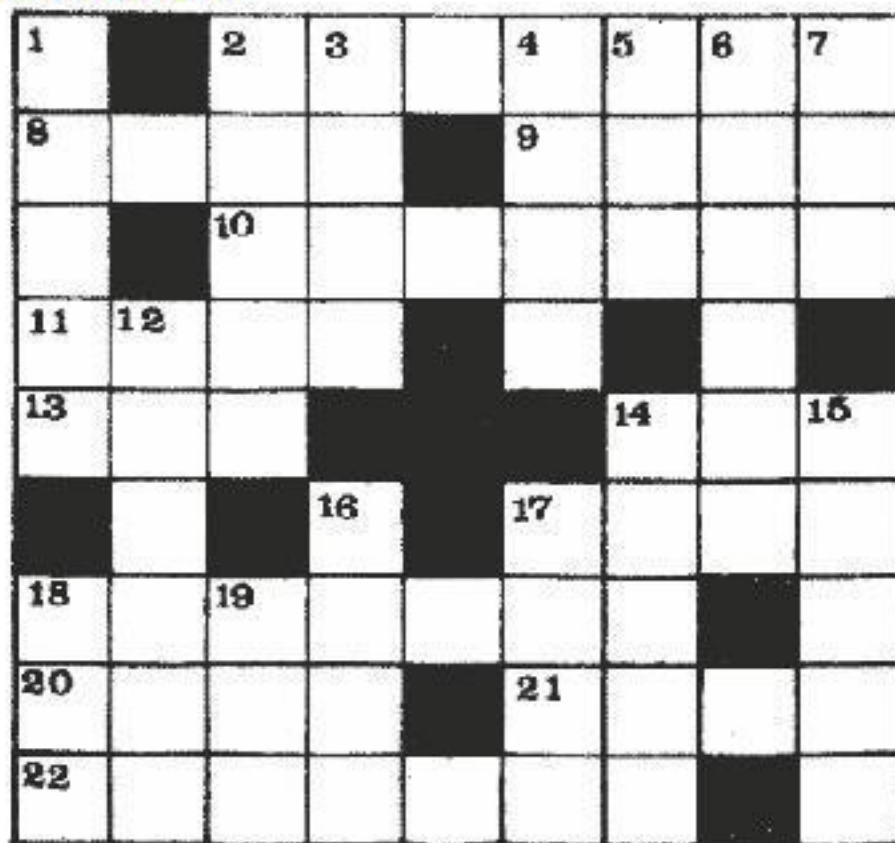
## SIMPLE CROSSWORD

### ACROSS

2. An error in printing or writing  
8. Escape from danger  
9. Heart  
10. Withdraw  
11. Dry  
13. Falsehood  
14. Scandalous or damaging information about someone  
17. Stood up  
18. Of or relating to water  
20. Corrosion  
21. A predatory seabird related to the gulls  
22. A childhood disease that causes a high fever, rash, cough and red eyes

### DOWN

1. Tripe  
2. Strange and frightening  
3. Tall grass that grows up swampy areas  
4. A unit of land area equal to 4840 square yards  
5. The big digit of the human foot  
6. Planet



7. Encountered  
12. Of a joke, lewd or indecent  
14. Taunts  
15. Rot  
16. Mouse-like rodents  
17. Increase  
18. To supply or provide with weapons  
19. 'Uncle Sam'

### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

#### ACROSS:

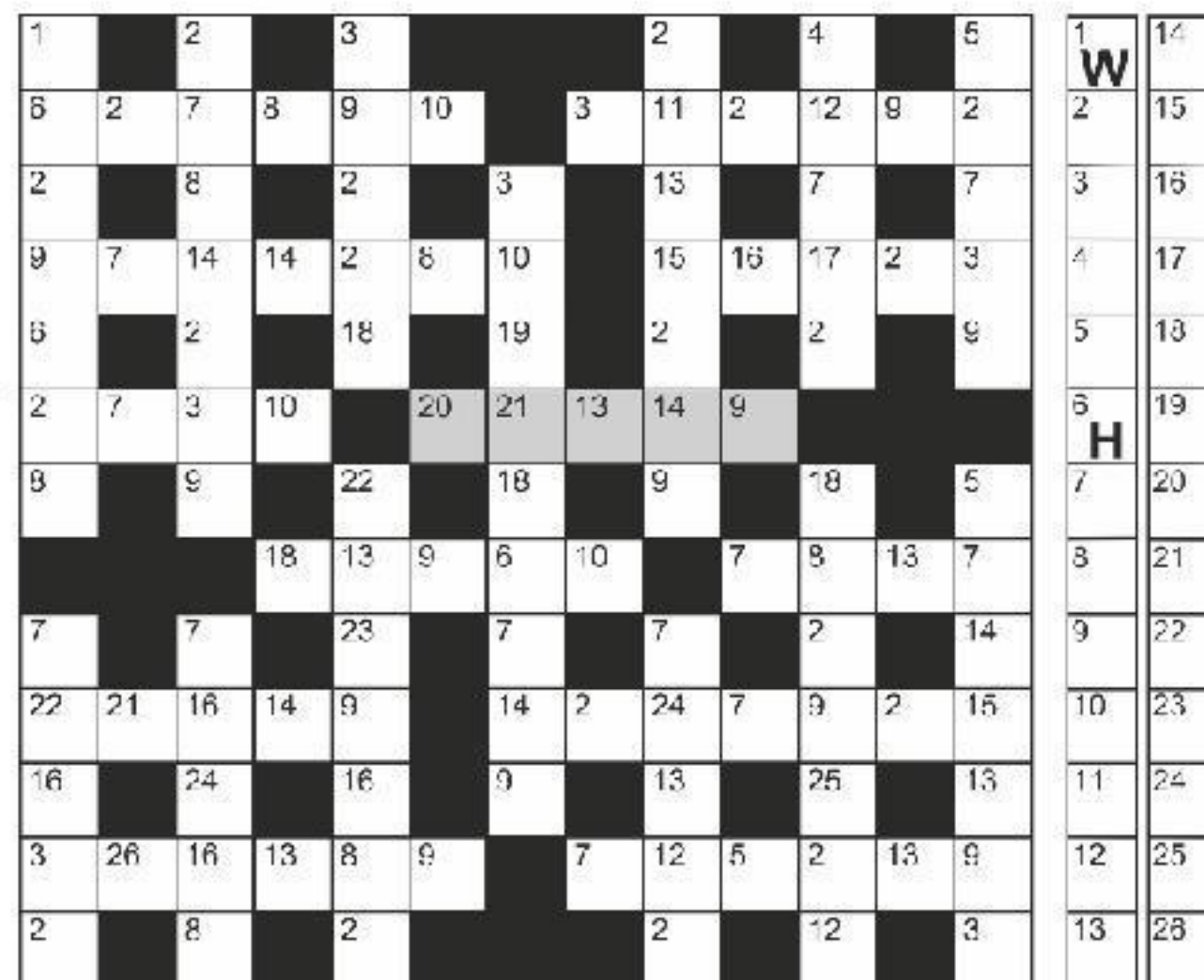
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22 Alley  
23 One  
24 Let  
25 Traitors

#### DOWN:

- 1 Page  
2 Kine  
3 Iringa  
4 See  
5 AGOA  
6 Noisome  
9 Ole  
11 Evident  
14 Eaglet  
16 ILO  
17 Ever  
19 Alto  
20 Eyes  
22 Ali

## CODEWORD

Each number in our Codeword grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. For example, today 1 represents W when 1 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.



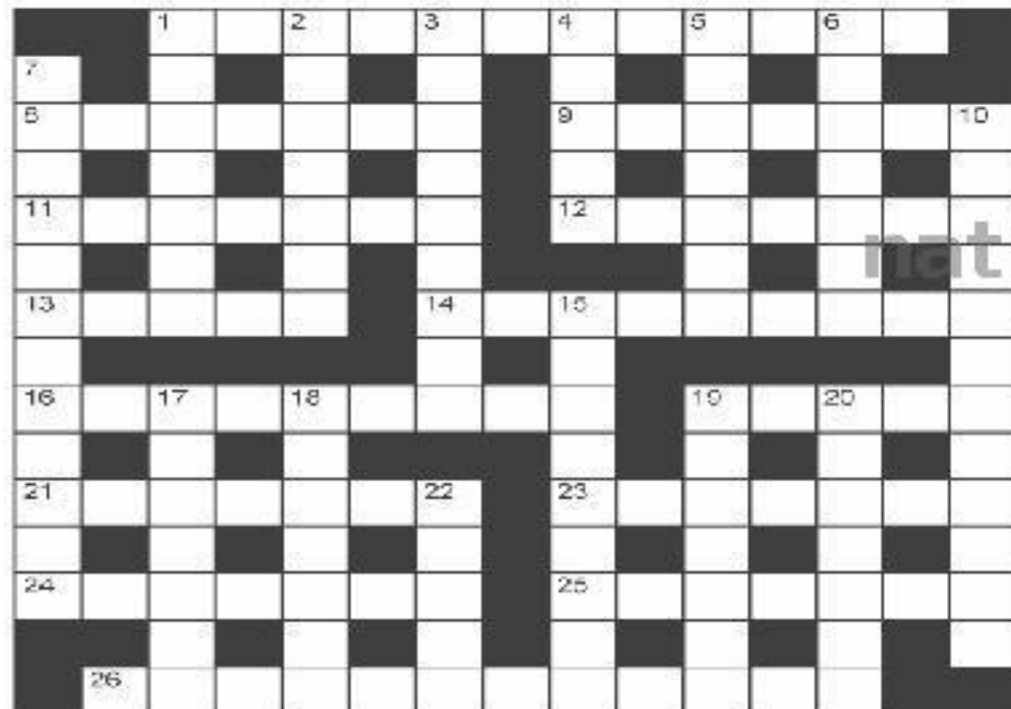
### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

## COMPLEX CROSSWORD

### ACROSS

- 1 Revival meeting travelling between estuaries? (5-2-5)  
8 Massage in a lazy way, without bending (7)  
9 One scoffs putrid wraps cold (7)  
11 New Year rise for school staffer? (7)  
12 Newcomer with orchestra I needed to show part (7)  
13 Vegetable was scorching in one's mouth (5)  
14 Stand-in certain to receive title or backing (9)  
16 Smelling oil, one's exited workshop (9)  
19 Degree thus should be simple (5)  
21 During court guards fire, turning rough (7)  
23 Good drag is taken first - mellow stuff for a trip (7)  
24 Rumours about son doing head over heels in assembly (7)  
25 Sort of a trite question: what comes before foxtrot? Echo (7)  
26 Bending rules using hidden microphone, electronic broadcast smears EU (4,8)



### DOWN

- 1 Fellow with wrapping of mummy, a shade (7)  
2 Revised over two days, maybe had lunch brought in (7)  
3 What animals eat mashed - little piggy said it's magic! (3,6)  
4 Attack crowd supporting cricket side (5)  
5 In season, age rosemary, turning up flavoursome plant (7)  
6 Ship not using carbon, a Queen (7)  
7 Flights made by jet car excited right-thinking politicians (12)

- 10 Awfully smart clubs with bar that shifts doubles (6-6)  
15 Pay for writer's clothing with a CR crest? (9)  
17 Liberated continent lacking initial growth (7)  
18 Killer word linked with 1 Down I'd solve at the end (7)  
19 Insect on large animal causes irritation (7)  
20 Two kinds of deep dish (3,4)  
22 Charged past? (5)

### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

#### ACROSS

- 1 Asti spumante  
9 Perennial  
10 Craze  
11 Russian  
12 Triumph  
13 Lemon sole  
16 Tsar  
18 West  
19 Estimated  
22 Scarlet  
23 Lesotho  
25 Bleat  
26 Racehorse

#### DOWN

- 1 Apparel  
2 Terns  
3 Sentient  
4 Union  
5 Allotment  
6 Techie  
7 Marmoset  
8 Lecher  
14 Muscadet  
15 Overtures  
17 Smash hit  
18 Wasabi  
20 Diocese  
21 Blotto  
23 Local  
24 Throb

## SUDOKU

### ENJOY THE GAME OF SUDOKU DAILY

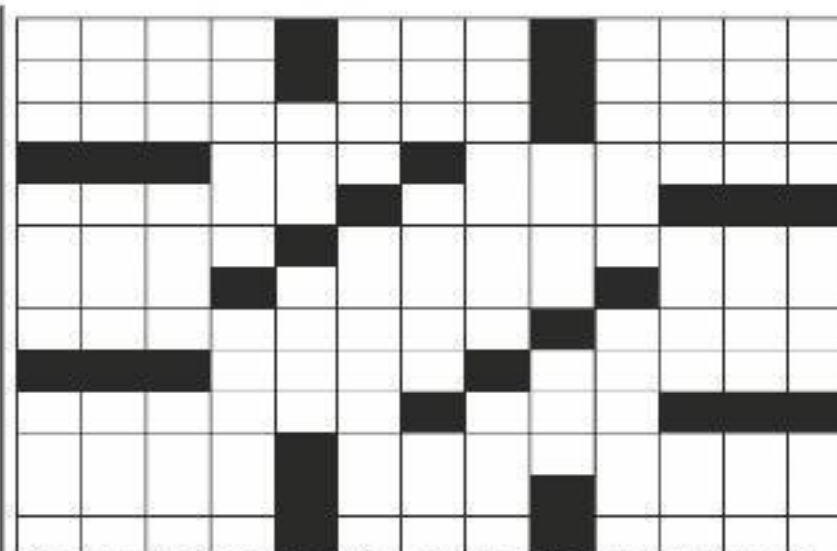
Use Numbers 1-9. Sudoku is played on a grid of 9 x 9 spaces. Don't Repeat Any Numbers in the upper left square (circled in blue), this square already has 7 out of the 9 spaces filled in. Don't Guess. Sudoku is a game of logic and reasoning, so you shouldn't have to guess. Use Process of elimination.

### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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



## WORD FIT



Fill the words into the grid to create a finished crossword

### 3 LETTERS

- ADD  
ADO  
ANY  
ARC  
ASH  
DFW  
EEL  
GFM  
GOD  
HFN  
HUG  
MOO  
ROC  
ROF  
SAC  
TAG  
TRY  
WAS

### 4 LETTERS

- ACTS  
AEON  
AI OF  
AMMO  
ANON  
AVID

### GENES

- LANES  
SOLD  
CHARGE  
EVELYN  
FALLIN  
HERDED  
IGNITE  
INLAID  
CCNFUG  
CYCIAMFN  
ORIMIANLU  
TWMIGHT  
VASTNESS  
VENDETTA

### Take 5

by Simon Shaker

Enter the letter given, then solve.

7 = N

Solution 1080

### WordWheel

No. 1081

Insert the missing letter to complete an eight-letter word reading clockwise or anticlockwise.

Solution 1080: ADOPTION

### Word Builder

1081

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 is at least one five-letter word.

TODAY'S GOALS:

Good - 6 Excellent - 8 Amazing - 11

SOLUTION 1080: input, nip, nit, nut, p, n, dnt, pit, put, punt, put, tin, tin, tu, tun, t, p, unt

### TRIO

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

SC\_\_B

TRIO SOLUTION: AVI



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LOSS of title deed Rongai/Rongai block 1/383 Kessiah Wanjiku Mwaura

LOSS of Title: Elbur/Elbur Blk 4/103 & 772 of Milka W Mwangi & another

LOSS OF TITLE: KAKAMEGA/ MUGOMARI/ 1178

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

#### NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE

The registered owner of Plot No. Kiambaa/ Kihara/9847, located off Kihara-Gachie-Karura Road in Kihara area, proposes to: Change its use from Agricultural to Residential Multi-Dwelling Units (Flat) subject to approval by the County Government of Kiambu. Individuals, institutions, members of the public etc. with comments and/or objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to: The CECM - Lands, Housing, Physical Planning & Urban Development, County Government of Kiambu, P.O. BOX 2344-00900 Kiambu. Registered Planner No. 0200

#### A279 Notices

### REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT AT NAROK CIVIL CASE NO. E010 OF 2024.

RUIRU FEEDS LIMITED..... PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

ANDREW GRIFFIN LIMITED..... DEFENDANT

#### SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY WAY OF ADVERTISEMENT

Under Order 5 Rule 17 of the CPR 2010

(Pursuant to leave of the court granted by Hon. H.M Nyaberi (CM ) on 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2025)

TO: ANDREW GRIFFIN LIMITED

WHEREAS the above Plaintiff has instituted a suit against you, **YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS** from the date of service hereof to enter appearance in the said suit and/or file a Defence **SHOULD YOU FAIL** to enter appearance and/or respond within the time mentioned above the Plaintiff shall proceed within the suit and judgment will be given in your absence.

DATED this Friday - 20/06/2025.

DRAWN BY:  
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ROOM FF/E1,  
P.O. BOX 1069-00232, RUIRU.  
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#### FORM PLUPA/DC/3 (r.3)(3)(xi)

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

#### NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE

The registered owner of Plot No. Kabete/ Kibichiku/5178 off Getathuru Road located in Kibichiko area, proposes to: Change its use from Agricultural to Residential Multi-Dwelling Units (Flat) subject to approval by the County Government of Kiambu. Individuals, institutions, members of the public etc. with comments and/or objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to: The CECM - Lands, Housing, Physical Planning & Urban Development, County Government of Kiambu, P.O. BOX 2344-00900 Kiambu. Registered Planner No. 0200

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Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

#### CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of Land Reference No 16669 located Along Chady road, Syokimau Area, Mavoko sub county proposes to Extend it's use from Inoffensive Light Industrial Use to Residential Multi-Dwelling use subject to approval by county government of Machakos. Any individual, institutions/ organization with objection are required to forward in writing within 14 days to: The CECM, Energy, Lands, Housing & Urban Development  
County Government of Machakos  
P.O. Box 11 Athiriver.

#### FORM PLUPA/DC/3

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

#### NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED RENEWAL OF LEASE.

The registered owner of Land Reference number 14321/11, situated in Homabay Town along Homabay pier-Rongo road, proposes to renew lease, subject to approval by the County Government of Homabay. Individuals, members of the public etc with comments and/or objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to: The County Executive Committee Member, County Government of Homabay, P.O. Box 469-40300, Homabay. Registered planner: Dr Fredrick Gregory Omondi (R.R.P. No. 0123)

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT, 2019

#### EXTENSION OF USER

The Registered Owner of Plot Title No. Isukha/Shiswa/131 located off Kakamega-Wobuye road within Senyende area is proposing to Extend Use of the land to include GSM/Base Transceiver Station subject to approval by the County Government of Kakamega. 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 areas & Physical Planning, Kakamega County Government, P.O. Box 767-50100, Kakamega. Plan: Betty A. Ong'Injo, Reg. No. 0248

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

#### CHANGE OF USE

The registered owner of KISUMU MUNICIPALITY/ BLOCK4/75, situated off Jomo Kenyatta Highway, Kisumu Central Sub-County in Kisumu County. Proposes a change of use from Residential Use (Single Dwelling To Residential Use: Multi-Dwelling Cum Commercial (Apartments, Shops and Offices). Subject to approval by the County Government Of Kisumu. Individuals, institutions or organizations with comments/objections to the proposed are requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of this notice to: The CECM-Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development, County Government Of Kisumu. P.O. Box. 2738-40100 Kisumu.

### REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR RELATIONS COURT AT MOMBASA ELRCC/E01U/2025

KENYA LONG DISTANCE TRUCK DRIVERS  
AND ALLIED WORKERS UNION.....CLAIMANT

VERSUS

TRANSWAY (K) LOGISTICS COMPANY.....RESPONDENT

AND

CENTRAL ORGANISATIONS OF TRADE UNION.....

1ST INTERESTED PARTY

(Substituted service by way of advertisement pursuant to the order dated 27th May 2025)

To:

The Respondent.

TAKE NOTICE that a suit has been filed at the Employment and Labour Relations Court at Mombasa in which you are named as a Respondent. Service of the pleadings herein has been ordered by means of an advertisement. A copy of the pleadings and summons can be obtained from the Plaintiff's advocates' office undermentioned or at the High Court ELRC registry at Mombasa during the official working hours.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that this matter is slated for mention on 1st May 2025 and in the event of non attendance, the court may proceed to issue directions in the matter your absence notwithstanding.

Dated at Nairobi this 18th June 2025

AOKO & GITHARA COMPANY

ADVOCATES FOR THE APPLICANT

DRAWN & FILED BY:

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No.13 of 2019)

#### NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE

The registered owner(s) of Plot No Nairobi Block 103/2894 located along Muhoho Road South C, within the jurisdiction of Nairobi City County, proposes to change the use of the parcel from Single Dwelling Units to Multi-Dwelling Residential Units cum Commercial (Shops and Apartments) subject to approval by the Nairobi City County Government. Individuals, institutions and organizations with comments/objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days from publication of this notice to:

The CECM-Built Environment and Urban Planning, Nairobi City County Government, P.O. Box 30075 -00100 Nairobi.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

#### CHANGE OF USE

The Registered Owners of MACHAKOS TOWN BLOCK 3/1077 located along Chumvi-Machakos-Kitui Road, Kazelemba Area, Machakos County wishes to Change the Use from Agricultural to Light Industrial (Workshop) subject to approval by the Machakos County Government. Individuals, institutions and organizations with comments/objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this notice to:

The County Executive Committee Member Land, Housing, Physical Planning & Urban Development, Machakos County

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

#### CHANGE OF USE

The registered owner of KISUMU/KOGONY/7366, KISUMU/KOGONY/7367 and KISUMU/KOGONY/7368 (Amalgamated) situated off Kisumu-Busia Highway, Kariyamedha area, Kisumu West Sub-County in Kisumu County. Proposes a change of use from Agricultural Use to Residential Use Cum Commercial (flats and shops). Subject to approval by the County Government Of Kisumu. Individuals, institutions or organizations with comments/objections to the proposed are requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of this notice to:

The CECM-Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development, County Government Of Kisumu. P.O. Box. 2738-40100 Kisumu.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

#### NOTIFICATION FOR CHANGE OF USE

The registered owner of title no. Donyo Sabuki/ Komarock Block -1/24578 within Matungulu West (Joska) Machakos County proposes to change use from Agricultural to Commercial use subject to approval by the county government of Machakos, individuals, institution members of the public etc. with comments and/or objection to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to

The County Executive Committee Member (CECM) Land, Physical Planning, Housing, Urban Development & Energy, Machakos County Government, P.O. BOX 1996-90100, Machakos.

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## Celebrating the Life of

With humble acceptance of God's will, we announce the passing of our beloved matriarch, Elizabeth Kananu Muthuuri, on Friday, June 13th, 2025.

She was the cherished wife of the late Eliphelet M'Muthuuri Kameru of Kaaga Village, Meru, daughter in law of Mr & Mrs N'jogu and sister in law of many.

The loving mother of Kevin Mwit, Florence Mwarania, Joyce Kanyiri, Stella Kinoti, Mary Marete, Rose Makena, Onesmus Muriiki, Jotham Gaikumi, and Pamela Jones. Mother-in-law of Beatrice Mwit, the late Mbae Mwarania, the late Martin Kinoti, Mbogo Marete, Mary Muriiki, Eva Muthuuri, and David Jones. Elizabeth was the Second born daughter of Daniel M'Ringer and Tabitha Kambura, and a dear sister of the late Stanley Kirema, Alice Ntibuka, the late Jason Kiambi, Julius Gikundi, James Kinoti, the late Esther Kathambi, and stepdaughter of Karambu Daniel. She was also a step-sister to Mary. She was a proud grandmother and great-grandmother to many, whose lives she touched deeply with her kindness, wisdom, and unwavering Christian faith.

Family and friends are meeting daily at her residence in Kaaga, Meru, from 4:00 PM for funeral arrangements. On Friday, 27th June 2025, family and friends will gather at Cool Breeze Funeral Home Meru at 7:00 AM. The cortege will then depart at 9:00 AM for the funeral service and interment, at her Kaaga home.

*"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have kept the faith." 2nd Tim 4:7*  
Your legacy of Love, Strength, and Service lives on in all of us



**Elizabeth Kananu Muthuuri**

## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Carolyne Adhiambo Kisero on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025 after a short illness at Prime Care Hospital Kisumu.

She was the beloved daughter of Eluid Juma Kisero (formerly Office of the Auditor General) and Agnes Nyakoko Kisero (formerly of E.C.K.).

She was mother of Keysha (Kisumu Girls) and Darren (Kanyamedha Pri).

Siblings to Izabel Kisero (Izzy Events) and Steve Odhiambo (SASRA), Sammy Odera, Bob Kisero.

Niece to Hesborn Kisero, Chief Benjamin Kisero, Charles Kisero, Hezron Okoth, Mary Kadu, Agatha Oloo, Tom Nyakoko.

Cousin of Lukio, George, Shikuku, Benard and others.

She will be laid to rest on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2025 in Kajimbo Rachier Sub-Location, Bolo Location, Nyakach Sub-County.

There will be fundraisers on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 at Aquarius Lounge, Langata next to Cleanshelf, On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at Public Service Club Kisumu and on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June at the Kisero home in Kolweny.

Contact person Chief Benjamin 071 1400402.



**Carolyne Adhiambo Kisero**

## In Loving Memory

Beloved wife of Mr. Martin Mithamo Ndunyu.

Daughter of Mr. James Love [DTL] & Mrs. Clarissa Phillips [DTL].

Daughter-in-Law of Mrs Tabitha Waruguru Ndunyu and Mr. Gabriel Mithamo Ndunyu [DTL].

Sister-in-Law of Mr. Andrew Thuku Ndunyu, Mrs. Irene Thuku, Ms Lydia Kabuchi Ndunyu and Mrs Cheryl Love [Daryl Love, [DTL]].

Remembering You, every day.

Missing You is a heartache, that never goes away.



**Beverly Ndunyu**

## Death and Funeral Announcement



**Charles Muchenditsi Bunabe**

With profound sorrow yet acceptance of God's will, we announce the death of our father Charles Muchenditsi Bunabe on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

Beloved husband of the late Susan Khatsenzia Muloli. He was the son of the late Jonah Bunabe and the late Khalisa Malimo.

Brother of the late Musa Ingosi, late Luvembe Shilaho, the late Josegy Ameyo, the late Seth Ngaira, the late Rachel Misse, Malimo (late) John Amutabi, Tabitha Mutiovo, Abigael Lihabi and Henesi Mbote. Loving father of Ezekiel Muchenditsi, Mary Achitsa, Florence Lihavi, Joyce Imbali, Alice Imbosa (late), Gladys Ayuma, Beatrice Mukolwe, Jedidah Khamete, Eliud Lubembe (late), Jenipher (late), Jesca Bwakali, Bephrey Mmbone, Stella Khavakali, Janet Shillu and Lydia Bwononi.

Father-in-law of Jones Salasya, Livingstone Anunda, Saul Mushila, Charles Imbali, Roberts Matseshe (late), Habil Mukolwe, Nelson Khamalishi, Brown Bwakali, Iddris Barasa, Bonni Shillu, Barrack Omondi, Emily Miloya, Karen Atieno and Judy Mutile.

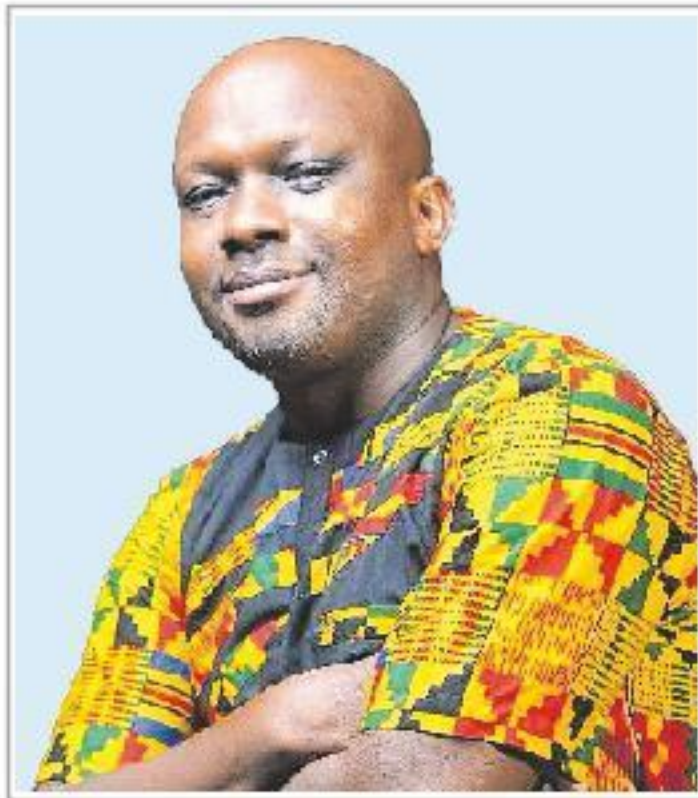
He had 45 grandchildren among them; Mercy Salasya, Susan Khatsenzia, Eugene Lubembe (late), Gloria Anunda, Wisdom Imbali, Lynn Eshinali, Austin Mukolwe, Brian Omondi, Kote (late), Valentine Bwakali, Yassin Iddris, Brian Imbache and Jamine. He had 40 great grandchildren. Brother-in-law of Imbahila, Noah, Mary Ameyo, Rebecca Masitsa and Florence Ngaira. Uncle of George Ameyo, Joseph Mmbwabi, Samuel Luvembe among others.

The cortege left Kakamega County Funeral Parlor on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025 for his residence at Musingu Village, Mugomari Sub Location, Iles Ward, Shinyalu Sub County in Kakamega County. The burial ceremony will take place on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2025 at Musingu.

*Precious in the sight of God is the death of His saints (Psalms 116:15)*

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## Promotion To Glory



**John Thoya Maitha**

It is with deep sorrow and acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Mr. John Thoya Maitha on 5th June, 2025. He was a member of academic staff at the Technical University of Mombasa (TUM) in the Institute of Maritime and Seafaring Studies.

He was blessed with four children: Emmanuel Karisa, Elizabeth Ndawa, Rachel Ndawa Mapenzi and Angela Anzazi Karemba.

John is mourned by his mother Mama Rachel Ndawa Maitha, and his siblings: Christine Dama (Serena Hotel), James Maneno, Davis Thoya (USA), Adv. Joan Mwaka (High Court of Kenya), Dennis Maitha (Construction), James Maitha (Australia), Jane Karisa (Kenya Coast National Polytechnic), Doris Mwaka (Germany), June Karisa (Ministry of Youth Affairs, Creative Economy & Sports), Byrum Mwaka (MSC Cruises), Benta Karisa (Kenya School of Law), and Bessie Mose.

Family, friends, and loved ones are gathering daily for prayers and funeral arrangements at the family residence in Majaoni, Bamburi (Kwa Maitha), starting at 4:00 PM every evening.

On Friday 20th June, 2025 the body of the late John Thoya Karisa will leave Pandya Memorial Hospital at 8:30 a.m to Technical University of Mombasa for prayers and viewing. Thereafter, the body will be transported to the CRC Mtopanga Methodist Church for a Requiem Mass in his honour. In the afternoon a football tournament will be hosted, a tribute to his enduring passion for the sport and his role in mentoring youth through football. An overnight vigil will follow at his family home in Majaoni, Bamburi (Kwa Maitha), offering time for remembrance, prayer, and reflection.

On Saturday 21st June 2025, the cortege will proceed to the family home in Mzambarauni, Mtwapa (Opposite Greenwood Resort), where a final Requiem Mass will be celebrated, followed by the interment.

As we honour his life, may these moments bring comfort, unity, and healing to all who knew and loved him.

## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with profound sadness and acceptance of God's will that Ndumaka's Family announces the demise of Mrs. Margaret Wangari Ndubura, which occurred on 13th June 2025 after battling long-term illness.

Daughter of the late Ibrahim Karwenji Kahiu and the late Hannah Wanjiro Karwenji. Beloved Wife of Francis Ndubura Kanyara (Ndumaka). Sister of the late Benson Kahiu, the late David Kuria, Joseph Maina (Wamanathe), Patrick Wanyoike (Naishi), Bishop Bernard Goko (Elburgon), Gabriel Maina (Dundori), Samuel Kinyanjui (Elburgon), Mary Wangari Waireri Turi, the late Benson Gitahi, Lydia Waithera (Makutano), and Nancy Mbaire (Jakana -Eldama Ravine).

Mother of John Kanyara (N.T. Sacco), Peter Njenga, Anne Wanjiro (USA), the late Simon Mbatia, Sabina Njeri (UK), Ruth Wamita (Kinoo Diapers), Benson Wanyoike (County Government of Nyandarua), and Caroline Wairimu (Mwaniki Kevin & Associates Advocates).

Mother-in-law of Rosemary Wanjiku, Ken Njenga (USA), Abraham Njoroge (UK), Anthony Waruku (Kangemi), Beth Wangui (Jomo Kenyatta Boys High School), and Kevin Mwaniki (Mwaniki Kevin & Associates Advocates).

She was a grandmother of Ndu, Maggie, Shannel, Blessing, Stephen, Ethan, Elianna, Christine, Tiffany, Melannie, Izzy, Brandon, Brianna, Javan, Jaya, Sena, Rosario, and many more.

She was a cousin, mentor, and friend to many.

Meetings are being held daily at Ndumaka's Residence, Dundori Centre, Nakuru County. The cortege leaves Umash Funeral Home - Nakuru on 24th June 2025 at 8:30 a.m. The Burial Service will be held at the Family home in Mirangine, Nyandarua County.

*Ecclesiastes 3:1: For everything there is a reason and a time for every purpose under heaven.*



**Margaret Wangari Ndubura**

## Celebrating A Life Well Lived



**Joe Mwai Kabui**

**Sunrise: 25<sup>th</sup> May 1984 ~ Sunset: 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

It is with deep sorrow and acceptance of God's will that we share the news of the passing on of Joe Mwai Kabui on 15th June 2025. Beloved husband of Anne Nasieku of KCB Kencom.

A loving father of Kayla Beatrix Wanjiku, Jeanne Halona Naisesia and Beatrice Wanjiku.

He was the son of Dr John kabui Mwai & Beatrice Wanjiku (Effort Schools Kerugoya) and son-in-law of the late Major Rtd James Ngugi Karari & Hon. Jane Wangui Ngugi (Former MCA Gilgil).

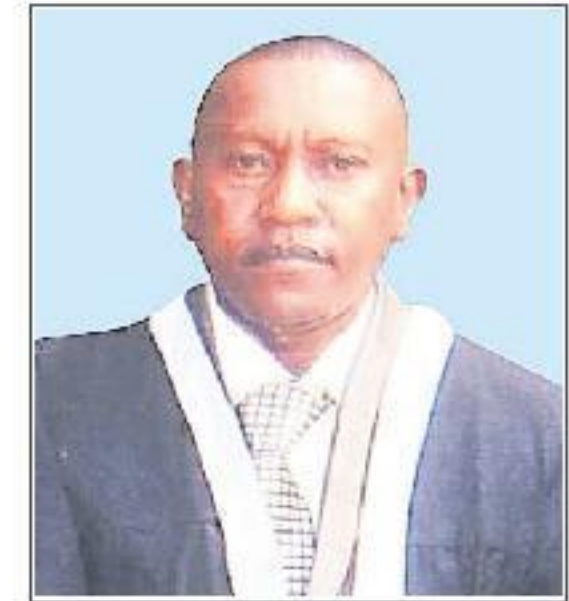
Brother of Ann Kabui (Bidii Academy Kerugoya), Ms Leah Kabui (Public Service Board-County Government of Kirinyaga) and Dorcas Kabui (C.E.O Goodway Sacco Kerugoya).

Family and Friends are gathering for prayers and funeral arrangements at their Kerugoya Home at Effort School Compound Starting at 4:30 PM.

The cortege leaves Montezuma Funeral Home, Kabati at 7:00 am. The Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday 24th June 2025 at Kerugoya Catholic Church from 10:00 am, followed by burial at their rural home at Kangaiga Kiranja, Kirinyaga County.

*"We hold dear all the moments we shared with you, and they will forever remain in our hearts."*

## Death and Funeral Announcement



**Mr. Paul Mutuma Mathiu**

**15<sup>th</sup> February 1971 – 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the promotion to glory of Paul Mutuma Mathiu of Aquamart Properties. He rested on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

Paul was the loving husband of Irene Kanana Muthuri and cherished father of Aquinas Kimathi Mutuma and Austin Murithi Mutuma.

Beloved son of Thomas Aquinas Mathiu and the Late Melania Wanja Mathiu. Son-in-law of Joshua Muthuri and Margaret Muthuri. Brother of Pauline Olali, Fr. Peter Mutwiri and Patricia Mathiu. Brother-in-law of Prof. Tom Olali, Phineas Gitonga, Roy Mwenda and Justar Ntanyari.

Uncle of Bill, Noah, Wanja Olali, Munene, Claire, Myles, Tabby, Rachel, Wangu, Prudence, Victor, Denis, Becky, Baraka, Makena among others.

Nephew of Jacob M'ibaya, Anastia Mukunga, Geoffrey Mberia, Flora Kalingu, Martia Murungi, Lucia Tirindi, Susana Kaimuri, Rose Karimi, Eunice Njiru, George Gitonga and Elizabeth Karoki.

Cousin of Karambu, Kagwira, Mwari, Kendi, Murithi, Kimathi, Mwenda, the late Muga, Marita, Mbaau, Kaimenti, Gitonga, Grace, Kananu, Susanna, Rosa, Kamenchu, Kinyua, Kayuyu, Kobia, Thurairia, Nkirote, Salome, Kobia, Igoki, Gaid, Kinoti, Muthuri, Isaka, Mwit, Karimi, Dominic, Kathambi, Gikunda, Saustina, Mwenda, Kiende, Gacheri, Muthomi, Emilio, Kawira, Miriam, Mwenda, Munene, Gatwiri, John Paul, Edwin, Caro, Muguna, Ruth, Edwin, among others.

The cortege leaves Nairobi West Hospital Mortuary on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025 for a requiem mass at Tigania in Meru County and the final resting place will be at their ancestral home in Muthara Location, Mailune Village.

*Job 1:21 - The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised!*

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

—Helen Keller.





## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with profound sadness and acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Mama Julia Musanga Lukhalo on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2025 at Mbale Teaching and Referral Hospital after a long ailment bravely borne.

She was the beloved wife of Lazarus Lukhalo Mutasya of Imakata Village. Mother of Zipporah Khatunyi, Nixon Tangale (Sammy), Madam Velma Dalitsu, Lilian Iminza, Psc. Benson Mutasya, the late Davies Mutasya, and Eucabeth Mutasya.

Daughter of the late Ibrahim Andole and the late Ebby Khamwa. Sister of Ruth Shivilkwa, the late Isaiah, the late Josephat, Samuel Andole, Peninah, the late Debla, the late Pope Andole, and Susan Andole (USA). Daughter-in-law of the late Athanas Mutasya and Lay Pastor Truphena Iminza. In-law of Harun, Mark, the late Kenneth, Samuel, Beatrice, Conceptor, the late Fredrick, Hezron, Kevin, and Timothy. Beloved aunt, grandmother and great grandmother to many.



**Mama Julia  
Musanga Lukhalo**

A Society Memorial Service will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025 followed by an interment on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2025 at 9:00 am at her home in Iremele, Imakata Village - Kakamega County.

## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of Peter Macharia Njoroge on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2025 through a tragic road accident.

Peter was the beloved son of Anthony Macharia and Lucy Njoroge, husband of Susan Wamuyu, and loving father of Anthony Njoroge. He was a dear brother of Eliud Kimotho and James Kirugi.

Brother-in-law of Valentine Ngatha, John Kibe, and Ann Nyawira. He was a cherished uncle of Chloe Muthoni and son-in-law of Lucy Kibe and Peter Waithaka.

He was a grandson of Peter Macharia, Esther Wanjiru, Eliud Muriuki, and the late Susan Kimotho.

Peter was a friend, cousin, nephew, and colleague to many.

The burial will take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 in Kabati, Muranga County.

*"He will wipe every tear from their eyes..."  
Revelation 21:4*



**Peter Macharia  
Njoroge**

## Death and Funeral Announcement



**Elder Mrs. Isabella Tirindi Mwara**

It is with deep sorrow and heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved Elder Mrs Isabella Tirindi Mwara, who peacefully rested on June 15, 2025.

Isabella was the cherished daughter of the late M'Mwitari and Bilha, and a loving sister of Nchekei, Ngaku and Sylvia, the late Karani and Kaburu.

She was the wife of the late Oswald Mwara, and a caring mother of Kagendo, Mrs Catherine Karimi Micheni (formerly of the Ministry of Education), Kirimi, Gituma, and Bundi.

She was a beloved mother-in-law of Mbaka, Prof. Micheni Ntiba, Kagweni, Caroline, and Nelly.

A doting grandmother of Kawira, Kathomi, Njagi, Murithi, Mutembei, Mugambi, Muguna, Gaitugi, Ian, Innocent, Brenda, and Brance. She was also a proud great-grandmother of Gatwiri, Njoroge, and Amani.

Isabella lived a life anchored in faith, and her unwavering spirit was a beacon of strength and inspiration to all who knew her.

Family, friends, and the church community are meeting daily at her Mukuuni home for prayers and funeral arrangements.

The funeral service will take place at P.C.E.A Mutaruni Church, on Wednesday, June 25, 2025, followed by burial at Kathangarin village, Mukuuni Location, Chuka South Sub-County, Tharaka-Nithi County.

**Fare thee well Mum until we meet again.**

## Celebration of a Life

It is with humble acceptance and God's will that we announce the death of John Odoyo.

Son of the late Johnson Otero Onyimbo and the late Margaret Oketch Otero.

Loving husband of Elida Aoko Oguda and were blessed with five children namely; Brenda Atieno, Navy Akinyi, Evance Onyango, Jesca Achieng and Sensu Odiwuor.

He was brother of Abich Otero, Maurice Ochieng Onyimbo, the late Joshua Alal and the late Ariyo Otero.

He was nephew of the late Ochieng Adiang, the late Ochiel Adiang, the late Miganwa Adiang, Pedha Adiang and Onyimbo Onyimbo.

He will be laid to rest on 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2025 at his home in north east Kadem location of Nyatike Sub-county in Migori County.



**John Odoyo**

## Death and Funeral Announcement

With humble acceptance of God's will, we announce the passing on of our beloved Family Patriarch, Tata Ndambuki Kivuwo Kyenze, of Mutiuku Village, Kyawango Location, Mwala Sub-County, Machakos County.

Tata was the son of the late Kivuwo Kyenze Ngili and the late Ngindo Kivuwo, and husband of the late Kamonthe Ndambuki and the late Sarah Kalunde Ndambuki.

Father of the late Kimondiu Ndambuki, Phyllis Ndunge (Nduki) Nzivo, Ruth Mbithe, Japheth and Beatrice Ndambuki (USA), Joseph and Faith Kilee, Julius and Janet Kyenze, Daniel and Anne Mualuko, Ann Mwikali, the late Jonathan Kimuli, Elizabeth Ndungwa and Patrick Musya.

Tata was grandfather of forty-four grandchildren, including Rose Mwangangi, Stephen Mutunga, Joseph Kioko, Victor Kivuwo, Gloria Nduku, Damaris Musya, Brian Ndambuki, David Ndambuki, Claire Mualuko, Mercy Mwelu, Carol Kilee, Rony Ngili, Japheth Kithome among others. He was great-grandfather of thirty-four including Evelyn, Nancy, Eric, Purity, Emmanuel, Dennis, Zuri, Jonathan, Becca, Emsley and great-great-grandfather of thirteen.

He was brother of the following who are all deceased: Kamene, Muthike, Sarah Kaviti, Monica Nziva, Ngyema and Joseph Kisila Kivuwo. He was also cousin of Benjamin Mutunga Kiilu, the late Musau Kivuwo, Ngwani Kivuwo, Thomas Ndambuki Kiilu and also nephew, brother-in-law, and uncle of John Luusa, Col. (Rtd) David Kisila, Lt. Col. (Rtd) Jonathan Kisila, Agnes Kisila, James Kyula, Dr. Benjamin Musau, and many beloved relatives.

The funeral service and burial will take place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at 10:00 a.m. EAT at his home in Mutiuku Village, Kyawango Location, Mwala Sub-County.

**We thank God for Tata's long and impactful life and for the legacy of faith, unity, and love he leaves behind.**

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



**Tata Ndambuki  
Kivuwo Kyenze**

## Death and Funeral Announcement



**Paul Githi Karuga**

**15<sup>th</sup> March 2000 ~ 17<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved brother, Paul Githi, former student at St. Elizabeth School, Karen.

Paul passed away at St. Mary's Hospital (ICU) - Langata on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2025, after a courageously fought long illness.

He was the cherished son of Fidelima Nyambura Mwangi and David Karuga Kigunda, grandson of the late Regina Mwangi, nephew of the late Charlie Mwangi, the late Antony Kyengo, Kushi Daniel, and the late Eriqie Maingi (Force). He was a loving cousin of Myrah, Darryl, Sade, and Jibo Kyengo.

Family and Friends are meeting daily for funeral arrangements at the mother's residence at Panaroma Apartments, Ndwaru Rd from 5:00pm.

There shall be a Service and a Fundraiser in aid of settling the medical bill on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 at Panaroma Apartments, Ndwaru Rd as from 2:00pm.

The funeral service will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025, at his Cucu's home in Ruai, right behind Ruai Girls Secondary School. The funeral service be held at St. Gabriels Ruai start at 12:00 P.M.

**IN GOD'S HANDS YOU REST, IN OUR HEARTS YOU LIVE FOREVER**

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

*- Thomas Bailey Aldrich*



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**Do not go where  
the path may  
lead, go instead  
where there is  
no path and  
leave a trail.**

**Ralph Waldo Emerson ~**



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## Celebrating a Life Well Lived



**Mwalimu (Rtd.) Jeremiah Okemwa Nyang'ara Kimori**

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the death of Mwalimu (Rtd.) Jeremiah Okemwa Nyang'ara Kimori of Kineni Village, Bomachoge Chache, Kisii County, who rested on 5th June, 2025.

He was the son of Kimori Okemwa (late) and Mama Yusabia Bitutu (late).

Brother of Basweti (late), Makori (late), Assah (late), Hellen, Henry, Kenneth, Nyanduko, Pamela, Gideon (late), Josephine (late), Alice, and Marube.

Beloved husband of the late Mama Rebecca Buyaki Okemwa. He was a cherished father of Dr. Florence Mwango (USA), Elijah Magonchi, Jane Moraa (formerly Kisii Mwalimu SACCO), Advocate Tom Nyangoto, Dr. Evelyn Boyani (USA), Dr. Leonida Kenyansa (USA), and Justin Ombiro.

Father in-law of Prof. Reuben Marwanga, Grace Kerama, Eucabeth Anyona, and Caleb Moitui. Korera of the late (Henry Marwanga, Kerama, Anyona, and Moitui). Cherished grandfather of Loide, Rob, and Moraa-Bitutu (Florence's Children); Brandon, Brenda, Edith, and Rebecca (Elijah's children); Kevin, Angela and Dr. Brian Onyancha (Jane's children); Winnie and Nyangara Junior (Tom's children); Ken and Kayla (Evelyn's children); Lance, Llyod and Levi (Leonida's children), and Caylee, Carden, and Jeremy (Justin's children). He had five great grandchildren Melissa, Tinashe, Randall, Zavi, and Zachary.

Mzee Jeremiah Nyang'ara Okemwa Kimori will be laid to rest at his home at Kineni Village, on Friday 27th, June 2025.

**Corinthians 5:1: For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands.**

**FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS**



# Sport



**NOC-K elections** High Court suspends planned exercise on account of a petition **P.32**

## Fresh plans to renovate Moi Stadium in Kisumu

BY DOMNIC OMBOK

The government will renovate Moi Stadium in Kisumu. Speaking on Wednesday when he hosted leaders drawn from Kisumu County at State House, Nairobi, on Wednesday, President William Ruto pledged Sh700 million for the project.

"We remain devoted to ensuring no region or community is left behind in the journey to transform Kenya," said President Ruto. The leaders were led by Governor Anyang' Nyong'o. Afterwards, Governor Nyong'o welcomed the pledge, calling it a clear sign of renewed national interest in the region's development.

"I thank President Ruto for his steadfast support and positive reception of our proposals. His promises will significantly reshape Kisumu's future," Prof Nyong'o observed.

Kisumu County Executive Committee Member for Sports, Culture, Gender and Youth Affairs, Beatrice Odongo, said the stadium will serve as a regional sports hub.

"The facility will host local, regional and international events, boosting the county's economy. It will also nurture local talent and support the growth of the creative economy," said Ms Odongo.

Despite the renewed commitment, previous attempts to upgrade the facility have been marred by delays, mismanagement and controversy.

Initial renovation plans were unveiled in 2012, aiming to meet international standards. Completion was scheduled for May the same year, but delays, including a two-month hold-up in shipping materials due to new government levies, pushed back progress.

FIFA allocated Sh 50 million for artificial turf installation, while the Ministry of Sports contributed Sh 45 million for additional works. However, in 2013, renovations stalled due to delays in funding by the main contractor, Greenfield, a Dutch-registered company. Kenyan subcontractor Opiata Narman claimed Greenfield's director, Sophocles, owed him Sh4.7 million for materials and wages.

## Golf action heads to Ruiru

BY LARRY NGALA

The par 73 Ruiru Sports Club hosts 10th edition of an annual tournament aimed at raising funds to support orphaned children living at Talitha Kum Children's Home in Nyahururu County.

The children's home supports 107 children and youth, 84 of whom have been reintegrated back to the community and are still being supported through the home's outreach programme. Today's tournament has attracted more than 200 players, and club captain Justus Mathenge expects more to register.

Meanwhile, more than 300 golfers will be at Ruiru Sports Club tomorrow for one of the qualifier tournaments of NCBA golf series.

At the same time, Kiambu Golf Club will host the 13th leg of the KCB East Africa Golf Tour tomorrow. Last weekend, the team of Christine Riario, Tabitha Ojwang, Joyce Osike, Griffins Owino, Elizabeth Wambi, Romy Sadhu, Francis Odhiambo, and Lydia Selestin won at Nyanza Golf Club in Kisumu book their tickets to the grand finale for the third year running. They will join teams from Nairobi, Mombasa, Kiambu, Kericho, Nandi, and Burundi which have qualified for the grand finale. The series has attracted more than 1,500 participants. More than 1,000 juniors participated in the golf clinics at the club.

### FOOTBALL Ambani, Mutoka cleared to contest Leopards' top seat

The contest for AFC Leopards chairmanship has been narrowed down to a two-horse race following the withdrawal of former club CEO Ronald Namai. Mr Namai has now thrown his weight behind former international player Boniface Ambani who will face off with the club's former commercial director, Enos Vincent Mutoka during the club elections scheduled for June 29. The Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC), the body mandated to oversee the elections has confirmed that 2707 registered members of the club have been cleared to participate in the polls to be held at MISC, Kasarani between 8am and 1pm. The campaign period, which kicked off on June 10, is set to end on June 27.

Outgoing chairman, Dan Shikanda, is ineligible to vie after serving for six years since 2019. IEBC has also cleared Patrick Kanyangi, Edward Bushasho and Newton Luchacha to contest the treasurer's seat.

IEBC will conduct the elections in liaison with the club electoral management group.

- John Ashihundu

**Football** 2024 African Nations Championships tournament dates are out

## Kasarani stadium to host 2024 CHAN final

Tanzania's Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam will host the opening match

BY VICTOR OTIENO

Moi International Sports Centre, Kasarani will host the final of the delayed 2024 African Nations Championship (CHAN) tournament on August 30.

In a statement, African football governing body CAF yesterday said that the 55,000-seater stadium will host the final of the second-tier African national football tournament.

Kenya will co-host the 19-team tournament alongside Uganda and Tanzania from August 2 to 30.

Chan is a biennial football tournament which is exclusively reserved for players who are plying their trade in their respective domestic leagues. CAF also indicated that it had agreed on the venues for the opening match, the third-place play-off, and the final after consultations with the three host nations.

Tanzania's Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam will host the opening match on August 2, while Mandela Stadium in Kampala, Uganda has been designated to host the third-place play-off.

Kenya will host Group "A" matches, featuring the host team, Morocco, Angola, Democratic Republic of Congo, and Zambia.

Tanzania will stage Group "B" teams that Madagascar, Mauritania, Burkina Faso and Central African Republic while Group "C" composed of Uganda, Nigeria, Guinea, South Africa and Algeria will be based in Kampala.

In what is a new development, CAF has designated

**Football**  
Harambee Starlets beat South Sudan to inch closer to winning 2025 Cecafa Women Regional tournament **P.31**



Technical officials on an inspection tour of Moi International Sports Centre, Kasarani, on April 19. FILE | NATION

Zanzibar as the venue for Group "D" teams, namely, Senegal, Equatorial Guinea, Sudan and Nigeria. Equatorial Guinea replaced Congo in Group "D" following a decision of the CAF Appeals body.

This will be the first that the three East African countries are co-hosting the tournament. They are also scheduled to co-host the 2027 Af-

rica Cup of Nations. Rwanda hosted the 2016 Chan.

Kenya was stripped of the right to host the 2018 Chan due to inadequate preparations and the competition moved to Morocco. With exactly 44 days to go before kick-off, Kenya is in a race against time to have all its venues ready including Nyayo National Stadium.

### WEEKEND FIXTURES

**Muthaiga:** Today: St. Andrew's Charity Golf Challenge 14th Edition; First Tee: AM; 6:38 Kunia F, Waturere A, Kinyua J x 2; 6:46 Lyimo M, Kimutai J, Kamara S, Kirika N; 6:54 PE x 4; 7:02 PE x 4; 7:02 Popat N x 4; 7:10 Ominde L x 4; 7:18 Intex Management x 4; 7:26 Nyotta J S, Kassa M, Shah J D, Chege F; 7:34 Allu K, Kipruto R, Karuga A, Kirui G; 7:42 Intex Management x 4; 7:50 Muraguri G, Murage T, Macharia Dr, Ndegwa G; 7:58 Muita S, Chiuri S, Maina G, Ndegwa W; 8:06 Murage L, Kimari S, Mwangi B, Gatui H; 8:14 Wanja S, Ndegwa Mary, Mutuota J, Migoye L; 8:22 Murage Livingstone, Mwangi P, Maina S, Kamara P; 8:30 Muriithi Eng, Gitonga B, Gitonga J, Mugwe S; 8:38 Kimeria J, Kimeria G, Thambu M, Pinto G; First Tee: PM 11:26 Maina R x 4; 11:34 Gatimu C, Gatwiri A, Njoki T, Kanyora S; 11:42 Waguny L, Makime S, Muthika D, Migwi W; 11:50 Koech A, Kariuki N, Mbugua K, Mutero T; 11:58 Kariuki B, Kiveu J, Muriuki F, Kanake P; 12:06 Runo M, Gachoka T, Wambani J, Njuru K; 12:12 Waweru x 4; 12:20 WIA EA x 4; 12:28 Sintmond x 4; 12:36 Karingithi P, Kinyua RM, Ribui C, Munga S; 12:44 Karanu M x 4; 12:52 MGC Captain x 4; 1:00 JG, PE x 3; 1:08 Muriimi A, Muriimi F, Muriimi I, Muriimi J; 1:16 NCBA x 4; 1:24 Pelican Insurance x 4; 1:32 FCM Travel x 4; 1:40 Serena Hotels x 4; Tenth Tee: AM; 7:02 PEX x 4; 7:10 Ominde x 4; 7:18 Paza Sauti x 4; 7:26 William M, Almon Products x 2, PEX 2; 7:34 Njayakio x 4; 7:42 Beth International x 4; 7:50 Kebiongo S, Kimathi K, Ondieki P, Murage W; 7:58 Muryori G X 4; 8:06 JG x 4; 8:14 Mwangi Jane, Mwangi W, Almon Products x 2; 8:22 Wanjohi H, Kahugu B, Gethi N, Pinto I; 8:30 Gati-mu A x 4; 8:38 Kinyanjui W, Mbai B, Shah D, Mugo F; Tenth Tee: PM; 11:26 PE x 4; 11:34 Maina L, Ichang P, Duba A, PE; 11:42 Muraguri J K x 4; 11:50 Mbu-

gua K, Baraza M, Kisoryo A, Jeptoo C; 11:58 Mwago C, Gitau D, Gitau J, Goto P; 12:06 Wachira C, Njeri P, Ngugi J, Gichuhi R; 12:12 Theuri B x 4; 12:20 Tractor Moses x 4; 12:28 Muiruri N, Bengi E, Ciano J, PE; 12:36 Karanja Rev, Mzuni Sana, Maisha x 2; 12:44 Waiganjo C, Njehia T, Wambani J, Gachoka T; 12:52 Njogu D, Choru D, Njoroge G, PE; 1:00 Babu x 4; 1:08 Goldrock x 4; 1:16 Safari Park Hotel; 1:24 FCM Travel x 4; 1:32 AA Kenya x 4; 1:40 Unilever Ltd x 4; **Ruiru:** Tomorrow: NCBA golf Series; First Tee: 6:30 J Kibogo, A K Wainaina, J Mureithi, S Mwitari; 6:40 A Maina, J Thomas, F Kamau, G Wachira; 6:50 T John, Jefferson K, Ano, Ano; 7:00 C Ndegwa, N Gitonga, S Irungu, G Ndungu; 7:10 Kiambu x 4; 7:20 Ano, S Kingara, B Ndumu, J Gicheru; 7:40 Sponsor x 4; 7:50 D Muiruri, J Wachira, S Wainaina, A Kimani; 8:00 M Murage, I Githinji, P Njeru, N Kingori; 8:10 F Kinyanjui, G Njuguna, A Mwaura, P Kamau; 8:20 J Gitau, M Irungu, H Maina, A Kariuki; 8:30 H Muhia, M Kimemia, D Kirinyia, Sponsor; 8:40 Captain X 4; 10:40 Captain X 4; 10:50 C Gitonga, E Njagi, E Waithaka, P Wanjiru; 11:00 J Waihenya, E Kabugi, J Mathu, P Gitumbi; 11:10 Sponsor x 4; 11:20 Sponsor x 4; 11:30 E Muthemba, D Mila, B Waweru; 11:40 P Miti, L Nganga, N Nganga, J Ngugi; 11:50 W Njenga, Eng J Mwaniki, S G Njuguna, J Kamini; 12:00 M Muthee, E Kamau, S Nganga, J Maina; 12:10 M Nyambura, D Kamau, T Kiiru, B Kimani; 12:20 Sammy M, Sponsor x 3; 12:30 P Mburu, P Kigwe, C Wambui; 12:40 Kanyo G, D Githinji, D Muita, J Mungai; 12:50 P M Mwangi, Njorjo, G Maurice, T Ruhui; 13:00 J Kanari, E Kariuki, J Muendo, M Kibera; Tenth Tee: 6:30 G Wachira, S Mbochi, T Kiragu, J Wambui; 6:40 W Kimondo, A Kimondo, C Njeru, W Theuri; 6:50 C Njoroge, G Ndungu, Ano; 7:00 A Kariuki, G Gacheru, D Gateru, D Ngugi; 7:10 Sponsor X 4; 7:20 Sponsor 4; 7:30 J Njeru, E Wainaina, L Gi-

cheru 7:40 M Waititu, D Kabera, B Kanyo, E Njau; 7:50 A Mwangi, B Waititu, J Mbugua, A Kamau; 8:00 K Kimathi, B Mugo, J Ndungu, A Muthigani; 8:10 E Njau, P Kamau, E Maina, A Ngugi; 8:20 R Kithuka, C Wakaro, B Kanyo, Brig Mohamed; 8:30 A Muigai, L Njuguna, V Pandya, E Koech; 8:40 J Mburu, C Muriyiri, P Githuku, F Mwangi; 10:30 Sponsor x 4; 10:40 Sponsor X 4; 10:50 Captain X 4; 11:00 M Kariuki, R Kithuka, Brig Mohamed, Fr Gaitho, Fr J Mungai; 11:10 W Karume, P Mbugua, F Kiamba, B Mulindi; 11:20 Z safari, M Wanjohi, M Kinyua, H Thuku; 11:30 J Muguongo, Sponsor x 3; 11:40 E Muriithi, Sponsor x 4; 11:50 S Mwaura, D Gitonga, M Karunga, T Kiragu; 12:00 S Mbinda, D warui, E Okiddy, M Mwiti; 12:10 L Wachira, D Kibui, M Kairu, M Karimi; 12:20 P Ngunjiri, A Gitu, Fr P Kimani, M Karunga; 12:30 J Kilongo, Dr P Murumba, D Mukai, W Kamau; 12:40 A Machacho, A K Ndungu, K Wangonde, ANO; 12:50 C Njoroge, F Kiamba, B Kanyo, E Gathu; Thika: Tomorrow: Edenbridge Capital Golf Day; First Tee: 6:30 O. David, T. Ochieng, J. Mutugi, Ano; 6:40 S. Shah, K. Kanyonyo, E. Nyamu, F. Musyimi; 6:50 J.G. Njoroge, M. Kimathi, E. Kimani, A. Macharia; 7:00 A. Macharia, K. Shah, J.N. Chege, M. Amwata; 7:10 W. Mungai, P. Mwangi, M. Thambu, A. Kinyanjui; 7:20 E. Karanja, N. Kithaka, E. Kuriya; 8:00 C. Wachira, V. Wanjiku, W. Gathuri, M. Ruu; 8:10 F. Mugambi, M. Njuguna, L. Mugambi, S. Mwaura; 8:20 H. Mundia, H. Mwangi, F. Muriuki, B. Macharia; 8:30 S.P. Gachanja, W. Njega, J. Mungai, J. Muriithi; 8:40 J. Ongwa, x3, R. Mbukua; 8:50 L. Kinyua, G. Kimemia, C. Gachanja, N. Gulzow; 9:00 E. Nyoike, M. Mukundi, F. Wanjiku, W. Macharia; 11:00 N. Mwangangi, G. Muchemi, D. Ngare, C. Muriuki; 11:10 M. Gathui, M. Irungu, J. K. Kimani.



**Finding** Study shows violence has consequential effects on victims' personal, professional wellbeing

# Abuse of women in sports is rife in East Africa, report says

Study by Aga Khan University indicates that SGBV against women is on the rise in the region

BY VICTOR OTIENO

**S**exual and Gender-based Violence (SGBV) in Kenyan sports has risen sharply over the past three years, a new study has revealed.

The study titled "Exploring Sexual and Gender-Based Violence against Women in Sports in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania" established that the SGBV prevalence in Kenya has jumped to 69 per cent, up from 43 per cent reported in 2022 by the Ministry of Sports.

Tanzania and Uganda followed with prevalence rates of 62 per cent and 48 per cent respectively.

The findings of the study, which was conducted by the Aga Khan University Graduate School of Media and Communications (GSMC) was released on Wednesday in Nairobi.

The study involved 748 participants, among them athletes, coaches, team officials and club owners. A majority of the respondents were aged between 18 and 34.

The form of violence include verbal, physical, emotional, sexual harassment, sexual assault, cyber-sexual violence, and exploitation.

According to the report, verbal abuse is the most prevalent form of SGBV across the three countries, with Tanzania leading at 48 per cent, followed by Uganda at 46 per cent, and Kenya at 34 per cent.

However, Kenya, topped the list in cases of sexual harassment at 19 per cent) and emotional abuse at 15 per cent.

When it comes to physical abuse, both Kenya and Tanzania reported similar rates of prevalence at 12 per cent.

Fans emerged as the most notorious perpetrators of SGBV across the three countries, with Kenya recording 34 per cent, Uganda 43 per cent and Tanzania 23 per cent.

Coaches and teammates were among the other main perpetrators of abuse against female athletes.

In Kenya, coaches accounted for 23 per cent of the reported cases followed by teammates at 14 per cent, team officials 12 per cent, sports administrators 11 per cent and club owners four per cent).



## THE NUMBERS

748

Number of respondents that the study by Aga Khan University Graduate School of Media and Communication on SGBV against women in sports in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania targeted

69%

Prevalence rate of gender-based violence against women in Kenyan sports

**Male-dominated coaching environments heighten vulnerability, as coaches often set exploitative norms that teammates mimic, reinforcing a culture of silence and intimidation**

Report on 'Exploring Sexual and Gender-Based Violence against Women in Sports in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania'



Coaching style, the study revealed, was a major contributor to SGBV with 46 per cent of respondents agreeing so.

"Coaching style and gender imbalance contribute to SGBV with authoritarian, coercive, and unregulated practices creating toxic power dynamics and normalizing abuse," the report said.

"Male-dominated coaching environments heighten vulnerability, as coaches often set exploitative norms that teammates mimic, reinforcing a culture of silence and intimidation."

Forty-nine per cent of respondents in Kenya agreed that lack of awareness and education was the main cause of SGBV in sports, 39 per cent in Tanzania and 29 per cent in Uganda.

The other major factors are power dynamics between coaches and athletes, gender stereotypes in sports and non-compliance with the code of conduct, rules, policy and policy against the vice.

Despite the high prevalence of SGBV in sports, many athletes refrained from reporting such incidents.

The primary reason cited for the silence was fear of retaliation or negative consequences on their careers.

The study shows Uganda has the highest percentage of unreported cases at 45 per cent, followed by Kenya at 35 per cent and Tanzania at 31 per cent.

Other contributing factors included lack of trust in reporting mechanisms, shame or stig-

**Marathon great Tegra Loroupe (left) and Dean at the Graduate School of Media and Communications at Aga Khan University Prof Nancy Booker during the launch of a study titled "Exploring Sexual and Gender-Based Violence Against Women in Sports in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania" in Nairobi on Wednesday. BONFACE BOGITA | NATION**

ma associated with being a victim, limited legal action taken against perpetrators, and inadequate awareness and education on athletes' rights and reporting procedures.

Majority of respondents consider education and awareness (52 per cent) and stricter policies and penalties for perpetrators (24 per cent) as the most effective interventions in reducing SGBV.

SGBV is widespread in sports across Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania with prevalence increasing alongside athletes' years of involvement and level of competition.

The persistence of SGBV in sports is driven by a combination of cultural, institutional and interpersonal factors

According to the study, SGBV has very consequential effects on the victims' personal and professional well being, with 81 per cent of respondents pointing to emotional trauma (47 per cent), withdrawal from sports (17 per cent), and deteriorating performance (17 per cent) as the most devastating effects.

Said the Report: "Despite the existence of policies, and even legal frameworks at the national level and in some instances codes of conduct and some formal mechanisms, current interventions to address SGBV in sport remain grossly inadequate."

"Until women athletes are at the table - making decisions, enforcing rules, leading teams - these interventions will keep failing us."

## Women's football



From left: Kenya players Violet Nanjala, Faith Mboya and Tumaini Waliaula celebrate a goal against South Sudan in their Ceca Senior Women's Championship match at the Azam Sports Complex, Dar es Salaam, yesterday. PHOTO | POOL

## 11-goal Starlets one match away from Ceca glory

BY TOTO AREGE

Kenya's Harambee Starlets are one win away from clinching the Ceca Senior Women's Championship title after thumping South Sudan 4-0 yesterday at the Azam Sports Complex in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

The Starlets shot to the lead of the five-nation competition, but it could be temporary, as hosts Tanzania were due to play Uganda later yesterday, needing a win to regain leadership of the table.

Kenya are on a perfect nine points with 11 goals scored against zero conceded. They earlier in the week crushed Burundi 3-0 and Uganda 4-0. Tanzania, the 2018 and 2020 champions, have six points and were expected to sail past Uganda and set up an enticing title decider match against Harambee Starlets tomorrow.

Uganda and Burundi are third and fourth, respectively, with three points each, while South Sudan lie at the bottom with no point.

Starlets coach Beldine Odemba fielded the same squad that beat Burundi in the first match against South Sudan yesterday.

Anneddy Kundu replaced Lilian Awuor in goal, while the defence consisted of Elizabeth Ochaka, Tabitha Amoiti, and Alice Mideri.

The midfield was composed of debutant Medina Abubakar, Janet Mumo, Martha Amunyolet, and Emily Morang'a. Tumaini Waliaula, captain Violet Nanjala, and Faith Mboya led the attack.

Mboya opened the scoring for Kenya in the second minute after Emily Morang'a had pounced on a loose ball to feed her in the box.

Kenya made six shots on target compared to Sudan's one to underline their superiority in the first half. Two minutes after the restart, Nanjala doubled the lead for the dangerous Starlets after she was set up by Amunyolet.

The marauding Amunyolet turned finisher with her fourth goal of the tournament in the 67th minute.

Elizabeth Ochaka completed the rout in time added on as the 2019 champions emphatically underlined their status as title contenders.

4-0

Kenya's win over South Sudan in their Ceca Senior Women's Championship match in Dar es Salaam yesterday



Kasarani Stadium to host final of 2024 African Nations Championships, CAF says P.30



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**Sports Administration** National Olympic Committee of Kenya election aborts in Nairobi for the second time

# High Court suspends NOC-K elections

But postponement is met with accusations and counter-accusations from rival camps contesting the elections

BY AYUMBA AYODI AND RICHARD MUNGUTI

The High Court has temporarily suspended National Olympic Committee of Kenya (NOC-K) elections pending the determination of a case filed by four petitioners.

Yesterday, Justice Reuben Nyakundi suspended the elections which were to take place yesterday, and directed the case to be heard on Monday, June 23, 2025.

But postponement of the exercise was met with accusations and counter-accusations from rival camps.

Justice Nyakundi certified as ur-

gent an application filed on June 18 by Joycelene Leah Nyambura, Francis Kinyili Paul, Andrew Mudibo and Kenya Table Tennis Association (KTTA).

Nyambura is the Kenya Triathlon Federation chairperson, Mudibo is the KTTA boss, while Kinyili Paul is Kenya Handball Federation chairman. In the application, the petitioners had sued the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) which was meant to conduct the elections, IEBC Returning Officer Muthee Gakuru, Kenya Triathlon Federation Secretary General Salinik Ole Koiyiet, Kenya Handball Federation Secretary General Ndiritu Gikaria, NOC-K, and Sports Registrar Rose Wasike.

"I am satisfied the petitioners have an arguable case," Justice Nyakundi observed while suspending the elections.

He directed that the respondents be served with the suit documents before June 23 when the matter will be heard interparte.

"Take notice that any disobedience or non-observance of the order of the court served herewith will result in Penal consequences to you and any other person(s),"



National Olympic Committee of Kenya President Paul Tergat (right) shares a moment with Kenya Rugby Union chairperson Harriet Okach (left) and lawyer Edward Rombo who is also former Kenyan international rugby player yesterday during NOC-K's consultative meeting yesterday in Nairobi. CHRIS OMOLLO / NATION



THE NAIROBI HOSPITAL

## INVITATION TO TENDER

The Nairobi Hospital invites sealed tenders from eligible bidders for the work listed below:

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TNH/ITB/008/25/NURSING	Supply, Delivery, Installation, Testing, Training, Commissioning and Maintenance of Convertible Delivery Beds with Bedside Lockers and Overhead Tables.
TNH/ITB/012/25/OPERATIONS	Supply and Delivery of South Wing Curtains and Sheers.

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Justice Nyakundi ordered.

NOC-K First Deputy President Shadrack Maluki and NOC-K Secretary General Francis Mutuku are seeking to replace legendary distance runner Paul Tergat as NOC-K chairman in the elections. The postponement of the elections was met with accusations and counter-accusations from the two camps.

Maluki's camp called for the disbandment of the Sports Disputes Tribunal (SDT), accusing one particular judge of bias following the dismissal of most of the cases his allies had taken to the tribunal.

On the other hand, Mutuku's camp accused their rivals of developing cold feet and trying to buy time through cases at the SDT, and at the High Court. Mutuku said that their votes at the elections have failed to favour them.

NOC-K elections aborted for the first time on April 24 after four federations - Kenya Volleyball Federation (KVF), Kenya Triathlon Federation (KTF), Kenya Handball Federation (KHF) and Kenya Taekwondo Federation (KTF) failed to agree on who between the president and secretary general would carry their vote at NOC-K's elections.

Milimani High Court Judge Jus-

# June 23

The day this year petitions against NOC-K elections will be heard and determined

tice Bahati Mwamuye had on the morning of the elections (April 24) ordered that the four federations be allowed to vote. This was after IEBC had bared them from the exercise after flouting elections rules.

Mwamuye would later revoke the orders on April 28 after realising that the petitioners (Taekwondo) had not drawn to his attention two orders of the SDT that had previously allowed the elections to continue but under some conditions.

As NOC-K prepared to announce the new date for the election, NOC-K Executive Committee member Paul Otula, who was also the Kenya Basketball Federation chairman, died on May 1.

SDT had on Wednesday declared Mudibo and KTTA executive illegal. KTTA had sought registration with Sports Registrar on June 3, this year, a decade after expiry of the allowed transition period.

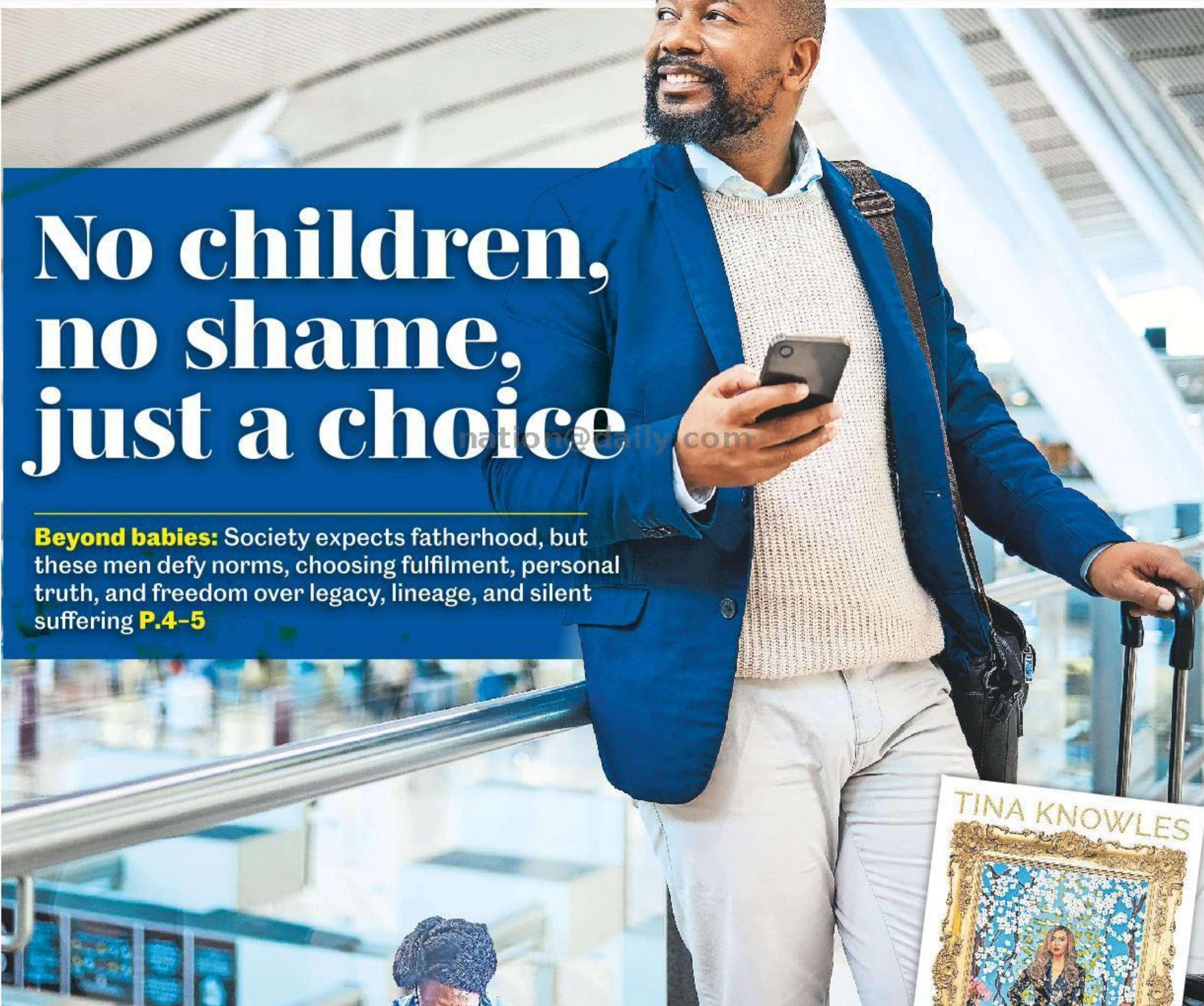


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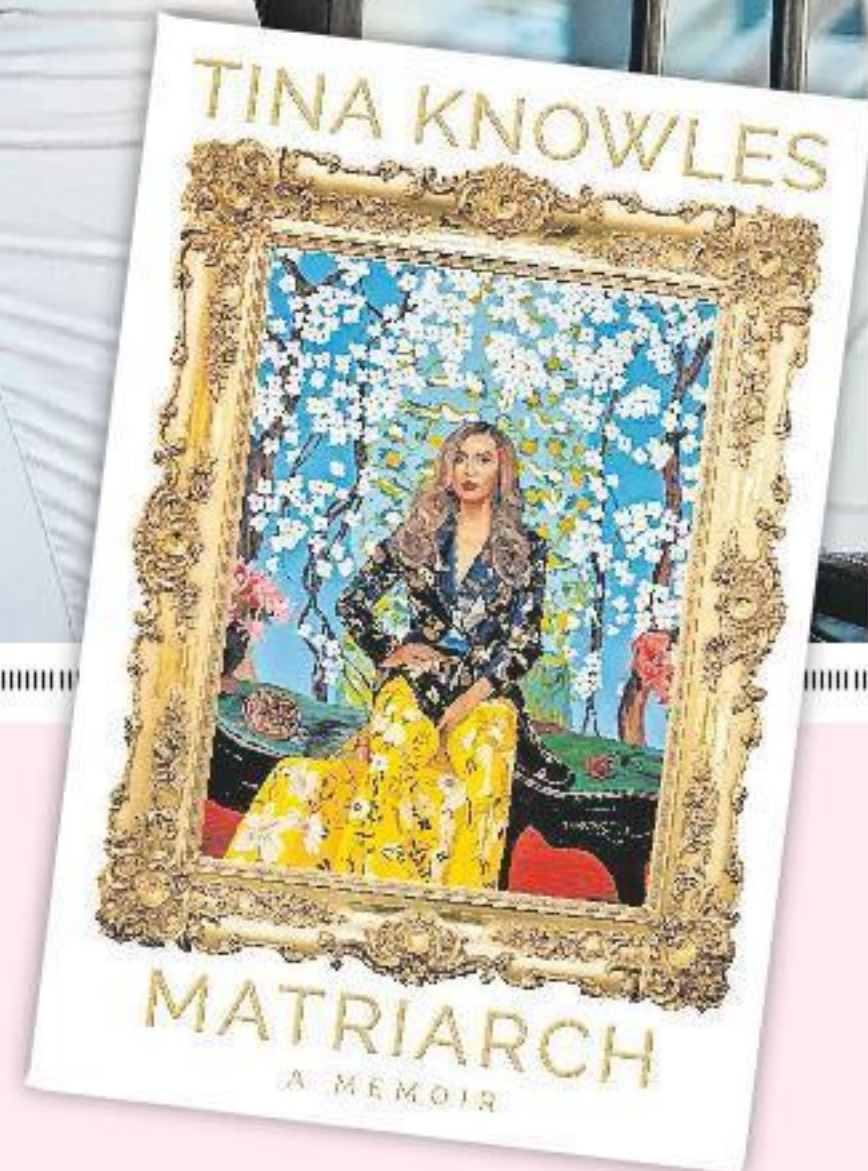
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## EDITOR'S NOTE

# The price of desperation: When our sons become political pawns

I've been staring out of my office window on Kimathi Street for days now, trying to make sense of what I witnessed.

The teargas has not cleared and questions linger. How did we get to a place where our young men are so desperate that Sh2,000 can buy their dignity, their safety, their future?

Tuesday started with hope. Gen Z protesters in branded T-shirts had gathered outside Nation Centre to pray for justice for Albert Ojwang'. These were our children at their best—organised, peaceful, purposeful.

Then, like a switch had been flipped, they vanished. In their place came groups of young men on boda bodas, riding three or four to a bike, wielding run-gus with military precision. This wasn't grief transformed into rage; this was choreographed chaos.

Later, we learned the choreography had been planned since

Thursday. Political figures systematically recruited young men from informal settlements, using estate chairpersons and local coordinators as their procurement agents.

"I was promised Sh2,000 and told that the police had been briefed, so they wouldn't harm us," one recruit confessed afterward. Another admitted under duress: "We were paid Sh1,000 to disrupt the planned protests."

Those amounts—Sh1,000, Sh2,000—haunt me. Not because they're small, but because for many of these young men, they represented hope. A chance to eat, to contribute, to matter.

When society constantly reminds you that your worth is tied to your ability to provide, and the economy offers you nothing, someone offering you anything feels like salvation.

I keep thinking about my own sons. They're lucky—they have options, opportunities and a mother who understands their struggles. But what if they didn't? What



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if their only choice was between invisibility and someone offering them Sh2,000 to feel useful, even destructively so?

Something is particularly cruel about how we've set up this trap. We tell young men they must be providers and protectors, then create an economy where they can't fulfil either role honourably. When they struggle with the weight of these expectations, we tell them to "man up". When they need help, we make therapy cost the same amount that politicians pay them to cause chaos. We price them out of healing, while others purchase their destruction at the same rate.

The irony cuts deeper when you realise the genuine protesters these young men were paid to disrupt were fighting for justice for someone just like them—a young man who died in police custody. They were weaponised against their own interests, their own generation's fight for accountability.

This isn't just about Tuesday's chaos. It's about a system that has made our sons so vulnerable that they can be purchased and deployed like commodities. It's about communities where unemployment isn't just an economic problem; it's an identity crisis for young men who've been taught their value lies in their productiv-

ity. Yet, I refuse to accept this as inevitable. The same energy that was weaponised for destruction can rebuild communities if we channel it right. We need job creation that goes beyond political promises, skills training that leads to real opportunities, and support systems that don't cost a fortune.

Most importantly, we need to make it costly for politicians to exploit our children's desperation. When community leaders become procurement officers for political violence, we've lost something fundamental about what leadership means.

I watched our genuine protesters disappear from the streets on Tuesday, replaced by hired chaos. But I also saw them regroup, refuse to be silenced, insist on their right to seek justice peacefully. That gives me hope.

Our sons deserve better than Sh2,000 and a motorcycle ride into someone else's war.

They deserve futures worth fighting for, not against.

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## ON THE RADAR

Compiled by Wanja Mbuthia

## Edith Jibunoh



Edith has been appointed as the director of external affairs at the World Bank. Prior to this, she served as global policy director at the One Campaign, where she worked on advocacy, policy, and stakeholder engagement, and in several positions in the Nigerian government, including chief of staff and adviser on international and bilateral relations to the Minister for Finance and Economist in the Millennium Development Goals Office of the Nigerian presidency. Earlier in her career, she worked in the bank's East Asia and Pacific region as well as the UN office in New York.

## Faith Cherotich



The Olympic bronze medallist continued with her imperious form this season, winning the 3,000m steeplechase in style with a world-leading time and a new record of 9:02.60 on Thursday last week at the Bislett Games in Oslo, Norway. It was her second victory in the Diamond League this season after winning in Doha last month. Olympic champion and Kenyan-born Winfred Yavi of Bahrain finished second in 9:02.76, followed by Tunisian Marwa Bouyazani, who clocked 9:06.84.

## Irene Wambaya



Irene has been appointed as the human resources director for Africa at the Nature Conservancy. She has over 20 years of HR leadership experience in international development. Previously, she held senior roles at ChildFund International and Conservation International, and contributed her expertise as an executive search consultant with SRI Executive. Irene is a senior certified professional and a certified HR professional—Kenya with an MBA from Kenyatta University. She's an accredited personal development coach and a passionate advocate for lifelong learning.

## WHAT'S UP AFRICA?

## NAMIBIA

### Gender equality improves in 2025, says global report

Namibia has been named the most gender-equal country in Africa in 2025, according to the Global Gender Gap Report published by the World Economic Forum on June 11. The country ranks 8th globally, making it the only African nation in the worldwide top 10. Cape Verde and South Africa follow closely, ranked 30th and 33rd globally. These countries top the list among 41 African nations analysed in the report, which has tracked gender gaps since 2006. The report evaluates 148 countries representing more than two-thirds of the global population. The forum uses a scoring system from 0 to 1, where 1 means full gender parity.

## RWANDA

### Training to boost war on gender-based violence

Twenty specialised investigators of sexual and gender-based violence from Eastern Africa Standby Force member states are convening in Kigali in a 10-day training to enhance their investigative skills in addressing the vice. The course organised by Rwanda National Police and the force started on Monday, bringing together participants from nine member countries, namely Rwanda, Sudan, Burundi, Comoros, Ethiopia, Kenya, Djibouti, Somalia and Uganda. It is part of ongoing efforts to ensure police serving in international peacekeeping roles are well-prepared.

## In Haiti's IDP camps, women face triple jeopardy



A young woman carries water through a makeshift shelter at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, which houses individuals displaced by gang violence in Port-au-Prince, on Thursday last week. Women, children and persons living with disability bear the greatest burden in conflict situations. PHOTO | REUTERS

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**Daisy's World** Witnessing unrest from abroad revealed the shocking magnitude of citizen anger



A protester pickets along Kimathi Street in Nairobi during protests on Tuesday. BILLY OGADA | NATION

## A year on Protests at Parliament marked a tipping point in Kenya

At about 3.30pm on June 25, 2024, my colleagues and I landed at the airport in Entebbe. We were heading to my company office in Kampala for a work assignment. One traveller, while scrolling through his phone, exclaimed, "Those guys were really serious! They entered Parliament!" I did not pay much attention to him. Some of his travel companions quickly surrounded him to look at his phone. Their skin colour was Persian, or something to which I did not pay much attention. I just assumed whatever they were talking about had something to do with their country.

In the packed lobby, more people checked their phones and more exclamations came. The sheer audacity of breaking into Parliament was discussed in heroic and disbelieving tones. I knew we had ongoing protests in Kenya. In fact, I had arrived at the airport three hours earlier that day to be sure I did not run into any headwinds. However, even with this knowledge, there was no way, in a million years, I would imagine Parliament being referred to would be Kenya's. You can, therefore, imagine my shock when eventually, suitcase in hand and waiting for my colleagues to board the waiting taxi to Kampala, I finally checked my phone and realised that all the shock people were expressing in the airport lobby was about my country, Kenya!

This moment lived with the world, with me. It was a reminder of how far Kenyans can go to fight for their rights and demand justice.

Next Wednesday will be exactly a year since that fateful day – we lost lives, businesses were crushed, people were eternally maimed. That day divided our country's recent history into two parts – before June 25 and after June 25. Increased taxation against a rising cost of living was a big cause of the protests, which reached a tipping point during the reading of the Finance Bill 2024, the day Parliament was breached.

When protesters took to the streets in June this year, there was an eerie resemblance with the anger that had taken people to the streets last year. Protesters came out to demand justice for 31-year-old teacher and blogger Albert Ojwang', who died while in police custody in



Daisy Okoti

Nairobi. It is also a buildup of what remains largely unresolved since last year such as high cost of living.

For the newsroom, protests are a big news day. All reporters and photojournalists take position to ensure complete coverage and visibility of the activities, including protests. It was a reminder of the resilience of the profession. Watching reporters go out on the streets, despite the uncertainty, was a strong statement against fear. The newsroom has remained determined to tell the story of the Kenyans on the streets; to show the world what was happening, to hold all duty bearers to account.

The unrest, the instability, the pain of parents and protesters, the loss of productive time... it is a whole basket of unwanted things, which remind us of how quickly things can go south. It is a clarion call for the government and leaders to honour their pledges, listen to the people and honestly commit to solving the issues eating up the country. The cost of civil unrest is too high on Kenyans, and completely unaffordable. We do not want to start retracing our steps when we are already a long way gone.

On my way home on Thursday evening, I encountered a woman who was new in Nairobi. With certain routes blocked, she did not know how to get home. I left her standing next to patrol police from whom she went to seek refuge from the unpredictable crowds. One of the officers explained to her a way out of the city, to Kiambu, where she was going. She seemed so confused and worried under the darkening Nairobi skies. She spoke in perfect Swahili with that long lilt on vowels, which immediately told me she came from the Coast. If the world was not as dangerous, and as volatile as it has become, I would have easily taken her home with me, at my expense. But I could not risk it. Besides giving her little money to top up her fare because of the 300 per cent hikes, the most I could really hope for was that she would be safe, and find her way home.

May we not drive ourselves to such desperation and personal risks.

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**VoiceMale** From ensuring girls get education to ending harmful practices, men hold the power to change society

## Fathers for equality: Leading homes with respect and compassion



Dr Okumba Miruka

Marked last Sunday (June 15, 2025), Father's Day is meant to appreciate paternal figures. The day was founded in 1910 in Spokane, Washington, by Sonora Smart Dodd after listening to a sermon on Mother's Day the previous year. She was convinced that similar honour should be accorded to fathers, moved by the influential role of her father in bringing her and her siblings up single-handedly after the death of their mother. Her initiative led to observation of the first Father's Day on June 19, 1910. But there was inertia in recognising the day, until 1972 when President Richard Nixon of the United States officially declared it a national holiday.

As we reflect on this day, it is important to focus on the role men can play in promoting gender equality. In the article "The role of fathers in parenting for gender equality", Clara Alemann, Aapta Garg and Kristina Vlahovicova note that "positive male engagement can... contribute to female partners' emotional wellbeing, help redress gender inequitable relationships and power imbalances in decision-making within the household and is essential for women's participation in the labour market". Additionally, it "can contribute to preventing violence in families and ultimately... to more equitable and peaceful societies".

Studies based on the imitation effect demonstrate that violent men are often a result of growing

up in families where the father was violent. It follows then that if fathers espouse non-violence, their sons are more likely to follow suit. Moreover, observing their mothers being brutalised has a profound emotional effect on boys, resulting in hatred towards the paterfamilias.

First, men can drive gender equality by ensuring that their daughters receive education. Situations abound in traditional communities where girls are shackled with domestic workload and their vocation limited to marriage and motherhood. Many girls end up dropping out of school to get married to much older men. If fathers stood up collectively against this vice, it will be erased.

A second area is on eradication of female genital mutilation, which is sustained by men's demand for brides who have undergone the rite. Although men do not carry out the rite, they are complicit in accepting it for their daughters. As the principal decision-makers in the family, fathers can decree that their daughters must not go through it and re-socialise their sons accordingly.

A third practice fathers can act on is commodification of daughters through bride wealth, a practice underlain by the ideology that

girls and women are men's property. This practice often chains women to violent marriages, curtailing their freedom and paths to personal growth and development.

The fourth appeal to fathers is to do more of care work in the family and socialise their sons to do so too. This will relieve women and girls of excessive workload, create more time for everyone, enable men to appreciate the tedium that comes along with the work and equip them with basic survival skills for sustenance and self-reliance. A last ask is for fathers' proactivity in eradicating intimate partner violence by personally not using it and cultivating the reverse through verbal instruction.

But fathers need to be assisted to get these things done as the ideals cannot be achieved without social re-engineering. This requires targeted education of men and boys on new masculinities that will revolutionise their mindsets as a prelude to behaviour change. Dialogical and advocacy initiatives should help in making fathers' roles a discussion point. For instance, although paternity leave is now widely granted to men in the workforce, not many people understand or even appreciate its purpose. In Kenya, the value of the leave is even negated by the fact that it is much shorter than maternity leave, perpetuating the impression that it is merely a politically correct and tokenistic gesture to create the impression of gender sensitivity.

The attitude that men should have towards gender equality is well illustrated in an old advocacy Unicef video titled "Dividing the Mango" in which a son and daughter of an Asian family decide to swap roles when the boy teases his sister that her work is easy. The boy discovers, to his dismay, that his sister has a humongous workload. At the end of the day, their rations are also swapped, with the boy receiving the smaller share. In the ensuing exchange among the older members of the family on the experience, the father categorically provides leadership when he declares that both children deserve similar treatment as they are both growing. The video ends up with the children dividing a mango they had picked during play time into two halves, one for the girl and the other for the boy.

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**Child-free by choice** These four Kenyan men reject fatherhood, choosing freedom, healing, intentional living, and going

# Breaking the bloodline: The men who refuse to have children

Four men shatter the comfortable assumptions about male destiny and biological imperatives, giving a rare glimpse into lives lived with intention, purpose, and commitment to personal truth

BY WANJA MBUTHIA

The question arrives like clockwork at family gatherings, whispered in workplace corridors, and dropped casually into conversations with friends: "When are you giving us children?" For most men, it's not really a question at all; it's an assumption wrapped in social expectation, a gentle nudge towards an inevitable destination.

But what happens when the answer is never? In a society where masculinity is measured in legacies and lineages, where fatherhood remains both rite of passage and social currency, a quiet revolution is stirring. Whilst women have increasingly claimed space in the child-free conversation, citing career ambitions, health concerns, or simply the audacity to live life on their own terms, men have largely remained silent spectators to this cultural shift—until now.

Four Kenyan men are stepping out of the shadows, shattering the comfortable assumptions about male destiny and biological imperatives. Their stories aren't born of rebellion or wrapped in regret. Instead, they offer something far more powerful: a rare glimpse into lives lived with intention, purpose, and an unflinching commitment to personal truth.

From the mental health advocate confronting generational trauma to the businessman who equates freedom with his most valued asset, these men are rewriting the script. Their reasons are as varied as they are deeply personal—some reject societal pressure, others are motivated by environmental ethics, past wounds, or simply the desire to pursue passions unencumbered by parental responsibility.

Their accounts challenge everything we

think we know about modern masculinity, family, and what it truly means to live a fulfilled life. This is their story—unvarnished, unapologetic, and utterly human.

## The writer who parented too young

Onyango Otieno, 37, open to marriage but not as a priority

Some childhood memories are treasures to be unwrapped and savoured. Others are wounds that never quite heal. For Onyango Otieno, a writer, poet, and mental health advocate, the decision not to have children wasn't born from a sudden revelation—it emerged from the ashes of a childhood that demanded he grow up far too soon.

"I went through a difficult childhood," he begins, his voice carrying the weight of years spent processing trauma. "Being the firstborn, witnessing the violence that happened at home was traumatising. I had to grow up fast. I had to parent my parents, parent myself, and parent my siblings."

Picture a young boy moving constantly—Kitengela, Rongai, Huruma, Riruta, and Mlolongo—attending seven different primary schools. "I couldn't keep friends. I was always the new child. It was lonely." Add to this the physical abuse at home: "I was occasionally beaten to a pulp, thrown against walls, denied food, burnt several times, and the silence surrounding it all."

By his teenage years, the psychological toll was undeniable. "My childhood was robbed from me," he reflects. "It was almost given that I would have mental health issues, and I did."

Even after years of therapy and healing, his conclusion remains unwavering: "I've done enough parenting for the time I've been alive. I want to live the rest of my life for myself, serving people through my work, supporting my friends who are parents. But I don't

Mental health advocate Onyango Otieno at his home in Kiambu County during the interview on April 15. WILFRED NYAN-GARESII / NATION

want the responsibility of raising a child."

Now 37, Onyango is preparing for a vasectomy. "I've spoken to doctors. I've done the consultations. I'm just waiting for work to slow down a bit." He speaks with the calm certainty of someone who has wrestled with this decision and emerged at peace with it.

But here's what might surprise you: Onyango lights up when talking about children. "I love children. I really do. I love hearing them play, seeing them be free. But I also know what it takes to raise them well. Parenting is emotional labour. It's not just about taking them to school; it's about being emotionally present."

He once dated a woman with a child and formed deep bonds with both. "When we broke up, it felt like losing two people. No one prepares you for that." The experience only reinforced his conviction that he couldn't handle such emotional investment again. His decision hasn't been met with universal acceptance. "My mother? She's in denial. When I told her I wanted a vasectomy, she went cold. Brushed it off like I hadn't said anything."

Growing up in a church where marriage was seen as completion, Onyango had always assumed he'd follow the traditional path. "I always thought I'd have a family by 25. Then it became 28. Then 30. But I wasn't ready. I was still broken." At 28, he hit rock bottom—depression and suicidal thoughts forced him to confront fundamental questions: "Why do I want to be a father? Am I even capable of it emotionally? And the answer, then and now, is no."

But Onyango isn't waiting for anyone's approval. "I've fought for every part of my life. If she doesn't accept this, that's okay. She'll come around or not." Though there's no formal support system for child-free men in Kenya, he's lucky to have a strong circle of friends who understand his journey. "I'm the only one without children, but they've seen my journey. They just want me to be happy."

To those who call his choice selfish, Onyango has a sharp response: "What's selfish is forc-

ing people to give birth when they're not mentally, emotionally, or financially ready. We claim to love children, but we don't build systems to protect them."

Marriage remains a possibility, but it's no longer his life's defining goal. "I'd love a partner who shares my views, but if that doesn't happen, I'm fine. I just want to live a life that feels true to me."

## The businessman who chose freedom

Andrew\*, mid-40s, dating

Walk into Andrew's life and you'll find no trace of regret or rebellion. What you'll discover instead is a man who has made peace with being gloriously, unapologetically different. Living comfortably in one of Kenya's upper-middle-class neighbourhoods, driving an above-average car, and running a successful business, Andrew embodies a particular kind of contentment—one that comes from living entirely on your own terms.

"I don't do things because they are done," he says with characteristic directness. "I do things because they resonate with me as an individual." It's a philosophy that has guided his most unconventional choice: to remain child-free in his mid-40s.

His decision didn't emerge from trauma or bitterness, but from brutally honest self-assessment. "I've tried to imagine it... my girlfriend telling me she's pregnant, having to take a child to school, sit through poetry at a parents' day," he laughs. "My brain just can't accept that. It can't process that. It's not sad-ness; it's just...not me."

Andrew has never experienced what others describe as "the urge". Children don't ignite longing in him; if anything, they prompt quiet sympathy for parents. "I see a guy with a child and I just think, 'Sorry this happened to you,'" he quips, half in jest, half in truth.

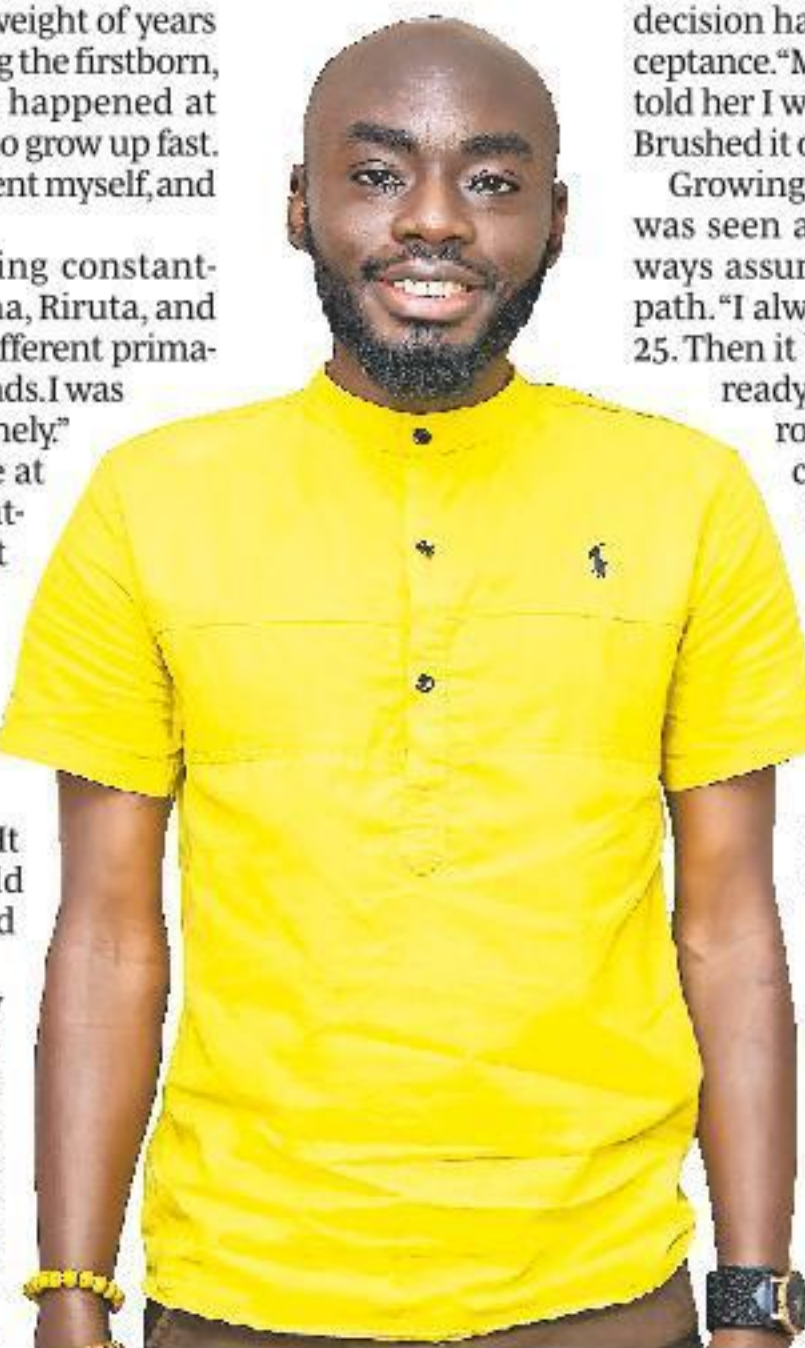
Raised in Murang'a, Andrew witnessed starkly different parenting styles at home. "My father was born to be a dad," he says fondly. "He even took in his younger siblings when their father passed. But my mum... I don't think motherhood was her calling."

It wasn't neglect, he's quick to clarify. But in Andrew's observation, she would have been far happier serving in a church. "Watching her made me realise how important it is to live your truth. She did her best, but I could tell that motherly instinct wasn't there. And I decided early that I wouldn't lie to myself like that."

That truth has come with consequences. Family expectations loom large, especially from his parents. "They're not happy. They want to be named. But I tell them, you already have grandchildren. Why do you need more?"

Their pressure occasionally veers into hurtful territory. "They call me selfish. But selfish to whom? To people who don't even exist?" But his siblings are supportive. "I think they even envy me a little. I'm the cool uncle. I show up, treat the children, spoil them, and then return them to their owners. I don't carry the baggage."

But Andrew's choice isn't just about what he's avoided—the nappies, fees, sleepless nights. It's about what he's gained. "Freedom





ng counter to societal expectations, and challenging traditional masculinity and reshaping legacy on their terms



is my most valued asset," he says, his voice taking on a reflective tone. "Growing up, my parents were strict. I felt caged. Now, if I want to wake up and fly to Zanzibar or just drive to Thika to play golf, I can. No one's expecting me home, no one's calling me *baba* asking where I've been."

Financially, he's comfortable. "I live above average because all my money is for me. I travel. I golf. I spoil myself."

This freedom extended into his divorce, which he says would have been vastly more complicated with children involved. "You can never truly divorce when you have children. You're tied for at least 18 years to someone you probably can't stand anymore. I watched friends go through that and it was messy. Mine was clean. No strings attached."

His commitment to remaining child-free is absolute and backed by action. In 2019, soon after his divorce, Andrew underwent a vasectomy. "I'm not the kind to leave things to chance. I take control." He's aware it can fail, which is partly why he requested anonymity. "The body sometimes tries to 'repair' itself. But I took that step because I knew I didn't want to risk it."

Even in his previous marriage, his then-wife shared the same view—they both wanted child-free lives. "We used her long-term birth control. If she had got pregnant, we both would have been depressed."

Does he hate children? Absolutely not. "I love children as long as they're not mine. I'm that uncle. I take them out, treat them, make them laugh, then return them to their parents. Everyone's happy."

When asked whether he ever feels something is missing, Andrew turns philosophical: "I hear people say they live for their children, that their children give them purpose. And I ask, how much do you hate yourself that you need someone else to give you purpose?"

He lets the question hang before continuing: "I live for myself. And that's not selfish. I'm not denying anyone anything. I'm simply choosing a life that makes sense to me."

In a society that often equates adulthood with parenthood, his views make him an outlier. But Andrew has always been comfortable being different. "When everyone around me was settling down, I chose the opposite. I'd

ask myself: what would 95 per cent of people do? Then I'd do the 5 per cent. Why? Because most people aren't living their best lives. So why follow them?"

Looking towards his later years, Andrew sees himself wealthier, freer, and perhaps on a cruise ship somewhere in the open sea. "I doubt that I'll be lonely in my sunset years. Outside my relationship with my family, I will most likely have a long-term girlfriend and, God willing, a lot of money, which means a few opportunists will want to be close to me in the hope that I will leave them my wealth. This will definitely be interesting," he laughs.

When asked what he hopes his epitaph will read, he doesn't hesitate: "Here lies a man who lived. That's it."

## The husband who found complete love

Robert\*, early 30s, married

Sunday mornings in Robert's household don't involve the chaos of preparing children for church or negotiating over breakfast cereals. Instead, you'll find him and his wife of three years planning their next hike, experimenting with new recipes, or practising sign language together. It's a picture of marital bliss that deliberately excludes the patter of tiny feet. "We hike, try new recipes, take long walks, or practise sign language together," Robert explains with evident contentment. "It's just the two of us and we love it that way."

For Robert, a professional in his early 30s based in one of Kenya's bustling cities, being child-free isn't a temporary state—it's a deliberate lifestyle choice that he and his wife have embraced wholeheartedly. "It's 2025," Robert says with a chuckle. "We're not in the era of our forefathers where children were expected to till land or seen as badges of prestige. These days, no one respects you because you have a lot of children. Life has changed. Needs have changed."

Robert is refreshingly clear about his position: he doesn't hate children. In fact, he dotes on his younger sibling and lights up when talking about her. "Children are sweet. They're cute. But for me, they're like a Range Rover—lovely to look at, amazing to have, but incredibly expensive to maintain. I just know I can't afford one right now—financially, emotionally, even mentally. I am complete without a mini-me; why should I get one?"

His analogy becomes more pointed when he compares having a child in his current situation to keeping a German Shepherd in a neighbourhood that doesn't allow big dogs. "It would be unfair to the dog, to you, and to your neighbours. Same thing with parenting when you know you're not ready or willing."

Robert's reflections deepen when he talks about his mother, and here we see the feminist thread woven through his decision. "I watched her give so much of herself to raise us. She was always putting everyone ahead of herself. She's a great mum, but I don't think that's how life should be. I don't want that for my wife. I don't want her identity to be reduced to just nurturing others and forgetting herself."

Their decision to stay child-free hasn't yet been shared with their families, but Robert knows the conversation is inevitable. "We're bracing ourselves for that conversation. It won't be easy, but we'll find a way to communicate it with respect. At the end of the day, it's our life."

He's quick to emphasise his respect for parents. "Raising children is hard work. I see it all around me and I salute the people doing it well. But that path just isn't for me."

Later this year, Robert plans to undergo a vasectomy. Until then, he and his wife continue using contraceptives. "We're being delib-

erate. We know what we want, and for now, that's a quiet, child-free life filled with joy, curiosity, and each other."

In Robert's world, completeness doesn't require addition—it requires intention, mutual respect, and the courage to define happiness on your own terms.

## The accountant who raised his sister

Jeremy\*, 33, single

Some life-changing moments arrive with fanfare. Others slip in quietly, disguised as ordinary Tuesday mornings. For Jeremy, an accountant in Nairobi, his moment of clarity came when he was just 14, on what should have been a carefree school holiday. Jeremy chuckles as he recalls the scene: he was a teenager waiting to join high school when his father turned to him with a question that would reshape his understanding of responsibility. "What are you going to do now?" The family house-help had abruptly quit that morning, leaving six-month-old Sarah—his baby sister—under his care.

"I remember thinking: I am a child too. My dad told me to call mum, who had left for work earlier, and find out what I needed to do with and for the baby. And with that, he was out too," Jeremy recalls incredulously.

That day, and many more that followed, Jeremy stepped into the role of a surrogate parent. "I didn't even know how to change a nappy, but I had to figure it out."

Now 33, Jeremy speaks with the clarity of someone whose decision isn't theoretical but grounded in lived experience. "It's not that I hate children. I actually love them, but I just don't want the responsibility of having one."

His views aren't born from imagination but from the reality of helping raise his much-younger sister from infancy to adulthood. "She's like my child. I picked her up from school, fed her, helped her with hard moments... I've seen every phase—from the 'why-why-why' questions to campus drama."

It's this intimate familiarity with the demands of child-rearing that has shaped his resolve. "Being a parent isn't part-time. Even on good days, you're still a parent. On bad days, you're especially a parent. I come home after work, exhausted, and I'm grateful I don't have someone crying or needing me. I can just buy food, watch something light, and sleep through the night. No knocks. No tears."

Jeremy is acutely aware that his views run counter to societal expectations. "Every weekend, it's 'when are you giving us grandchildren?'" he laughs. "I told my parents. They just think I'm joking." But time, he notes, is slowly cementing the truth. "The child is not coming. They have two other children—my brother and my sister. They'll be fine."

While some accuse the child-free of selfishness, Jeremy flips the script entirely. "It's actually selfish to have a child just so they'll care for you in old age. They'll have their own lives, maybe in another country. What right do I have to anchor them to mine?"

His perspective becomes even more provocative: "It's audacious for anyone to think that the world needs a mini-version of themselves. Why would I want to leave a trail of mini-me's in this world? Let me do my best to leave an incredible mark as myself."

Jeremy's reasoning is layered and complex. There's the unpredictability of genetics: "What if they're born with a lifelong condition?" There's the acknowledgement that parenting is "Russian roulette"—the possibility of raising someone who becomes a terrible person despite your best efforts. Most poignantly, there's the fear of unintentionally repeating the emotional wounds of one's upbringing. "My parents were children when



Isaac Maweu, a family counselling psychologist based in Nairobi. PHOTO: IPOOL

*There are people who have many children. So it's not like an individual choice not to have children would wipe out the entire human race*

Family counselling psychologist Isaac Maweu



they had me. They did their best, but some scars stay. I've had to unlearn perfectionism, to teach myself how to celebrate wins."

Currently, Jeremy is researching a vasectomy, calling it "a simple procedure with a huge mental load off."

Unlike some others in the child-free community, Jeremy doesn't believe in loud movements or hashtags around the choice. He's not part of any child-free movement and has no interest in activism. "There's no oppression here. I'm not denied any services. My choice affects no one but me. Let people be. I actually think giving an activism tone to child-freeness is wrong and may come off as a mockery to those people who want children but cannot conceive."

His philosophy is refreshingly balanced: "Some want 10 children. Others want none. We'll balance out." His only request is simple but profound: "If you're going to have children, do it on your terms and not because your aunt asked, or society pushed. Because once that child is born, it's you they'll look to. At 2am. On their bad days. Not society."

### Expert opinion

According to Isaac Maweu, a family counselling psychologist, more people are choosing and embracing a child-free lifestyle. "When you see individuals choosing this path, it's because their way of perception is that they maybe do not find pride in having children. Not because they can't afford it, but just because having children would not be defining for them."

He attributes this shift partly to increased exposure to information. "The current generations are exposed to so much information, and this plays out even in their decision-making. They benchmark with other people around the world, and have an idea of what they are getting themselves into."

On whether such choices would hurt the family unit, Mr Maweu acknowledges they would, but believes nature has a way of balancing out. "There are people who have many children. So it's not like an individual choice not to have children would wipe out the entire human race. Everyone should be left to make their own individual choices because, again, we do not want a scenario where someone was forced to have children and ended up siring but neglecting their own."

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**Old hands, new dreams** Seeking self-reliance, she defies age and inspires young people to pursue education and skills



Grace Wamucii Rua in class at Pefa South B Dorcas Training Project on Friday last week. PHOTOS: I SAMMY KIMATU | NATION

# She's 80, lives in Mukuru slums and just started her first year at college

**Orphaned young, Grace raised two children, overcame rejection, and now thrives among teenage classmates**

BY SAMMY KIMATU

In the bustling corridors of Pefa South B Dorcas Dressmaking Project, an extraordinary figure sits in the front row, her weathered hands carefully guiding fabric through a sewing machine. Grace Wamucii Rua, 80, is rewriting the rules about when it's too late to chase your dreams.

The octogenarian has become something of a legend in Nairobi's sprawling Mukuru slums in South B, Starehe Sub-County. Residents, local administrators, teachers, and children alike watch in amazement as she defies all odds, choosing the classroom over retirement.

Born in Limuru at the end of the Second World War in 1945, Grace's story began with loss. Her parents died when she was merely two years old, leaving her orphaned and vulnerable. Her grandmother stepped in first, then her uncles, who reared her as their own child after her grandmother's death.

## A new chapter in Nairobi

Grace arrived in Nairobi in March 1997, carrying decades of life experience but facing an

uncertain future. She wasn't blessed with biological children, but in 1998, life presented her with a different kind of blessing. A friend gave her two children to adopt—a boy and a girl—and Grace embraced motherhood with open arms.

"I have been staying with the children in Nairobi and have been with them as their mother," she explains, her voice carrying the warmth of someone who has loved unconditionally.

Today, her adopted daughter is married and blessed with a child whom Grace proudly calls "my child"—a grandmother's love transcending biological boundaries.

Grace's spiritual journey took her from being a staunch Catholic to joining the All Nations Pefa South B Church, where she remains an active participant in church activities.

The questions began when her adopted son, Kelvin, faced taunts at school and at home. Children asked him, "Kevo, how come your mother is so aged?"

Young Kelvin, with wisdom beyond his years, responded that he was born by Grace "as the biblical Sarah who gave birth to Isaac despite her age".

But he grew more inquisitive, demanding answers about his real mother as his peers learnt of his adoption. Grace faced a moment of truth. "Kelvin my son was too inquisitive and demanded answers to know his real mother after he had been questioned by his peers who had learnt he was adopted. I could not lie to him since I am aged," she tells *the Voice*, her honesty reflecting a lifetime of facing difficult truths.

## Thirst for knowledge

Three years ago, everything changed when Bishop Samuel Munai reopened the Pefa South B Dorcas Dressmaking Project. Grace felt something stirring within her—a thirst for education that had lain dormant for decades.

She pleaded with leaders of the project to find her a school or institute where she could learn, but age became a barrier. Initial rejection followed. "The management and teachers at the Dressmaking project assumed that I was old and would give teachers a hectic time, and turned me away," she recounts.

But Grace believed that determination knows no barriers. When the bishop received news of Grace's situation, he made a decision that changed everything. He allowed her admission to the class, provided she could read and write. This year, Grace begins her one-year dressmaking course, finally stepping into the classroom she has longed for.

## More than just skills

When asked why she wants to learn dressmaking, Grace's answer reveals her deeper motivation. She wants to use these skills as a tool for earning a living, but more importantly, for maintaining her dignity.

"I hate washing clothes for a fee. I was dreaming to have my work from my skills if God wishes. At my age, I cannot wash somebody's clothes. I want to be self-reliant," she states with quiet determination.

Unlike other women who work in corporates or as casuals in the Industrial Area, or those who do menial jobs on estates—mopping floors, washing clothes and utensils—Grace refuses to be categorised.

Her work history speaks to her independence. For 18 years, she managed rental houses on River Bank Estate in South B, overseeing 16 properties as the proprietor worked overseas. But even this stable position wasn't enough.

"I used to manage rental houses on River Bank estate but decided to get skills,

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Nancy Wafula

which can make my future rather than being over-dependent. I believe in eating my sweat—it's sweeter than honey," she says.

Grace now lives in Mukuru-Kayaba slum in Landi Mawe area of Starehe as she continues to chase her dreams.

## Exceeding expectations

Although she reported to training two weeks after the other trainees, her trainer, Nancy Wafula, quickly noticed something special about her newest student.

"At first, I was hesitant as I looked at her age, which is far from even my parents', only to learn that we should not judge books by their covers. Grace is even more aggressive than some of my trainees," Nancy observes.

In class, Grace claims the front seat, positioning herself near the blackboard, ready to absorb every lesson. Her dedication pays off as she makes remarkable strides in garment making, specialising in women's wear.

Grace learns alongside teenage mothers, bridging generational gaps with grace and wisdom. By the end of the one-year training, all students will receive certificates, marking their achievement.

"The church's initiative and policies ensure that the more than 45 learners will be given certificates, a free sewing machine, and an electronic iron box to facilitate starting up their business," explains Tabitha Kiragu, the project administrator.

The programme specifically targets learners from Mukuru slums, offering courses to young mothers and girls who have dropped out of school because of poverty-related issues but maintain a quest for education.

## A beloved classmate

Grace's relationships with her much younger classmates reveal her generous spirit. She approaches them with friendship, and they respond with love and respect, treating her as mother, leader, and classmate without problems.

Her 30-year-old classmate, Sarah Onyango, paints a picture of Grace's daily kindness: "She helps in arranging clothes, cooks tea for us, and is social. We call her 'Under 18,' and she's simply the best."

Twenty-year-old Faith Kerubo adds that Grace is hardy and shares valuable advice with the young mothers among their classmates.

Grace's message to the youth carries the weight of eight decades of experience. She urges them to shun drugs and embrace education and vocational skills, refusing to blame the government for joblessness.

"Youth, please shun drugs and do not choose jobs. This life is tough without education and skills during these harsh economic times. The sky is the only limit to learning in life," Grace declares.

In a world that often writes off the elderly, Grace stands as a powerful reminder that age is just a number, dreams have no expiry date, and the human spirit's capacity for growth knows no bounds.

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Grace (left) is taken through steps on dressmaking by trainer Nancy Wafula on Friday last week.



**Big dream** Samuel begins school, clutching his first exercise books—proof that dreams can start with paper

# The 11-year-old West Pokot boy who held first exercise books on Day of the African Child

When classmates refused to share their exercise book pages, Samuel kept learning in the sand, under trees

BY WANGU KANURI

**O**n Tuesday, as the world marked the International Day of the African Child, I met Samuel Kasepoy, a Grade One student at Kosia Primary School in Kacheliba, West Pokot County. For Samuel, this year's celebration held special meaning—he received his first set of exercise books in his life.

The 11-year-old only began school in January 2025. Before that, learning meant scratching letters and numbers in the sand under a tree. On lucky days, kind classmates shared pages from their books—some tore out a sheet, others let him write at the front or back. But most days, he was turned away.

"Some would refuse to share with me because they want to spare their space for the class work that term," he says, his eyes welling up.

At the primary school, lower-grade learners like Samuel attend class under trees because of a severe shortage of classrooms. The few available structures—only four—are partitioned with iron sheets to create space for more learners. It's a difficult learning environment, but Samuel's commitment stands out.

For most of his 10 years, Samuel stayed home with his parents or "relocated" to Uganda during dry seasons. When the heat scorched the land and food disappeared, the family crossed the border in search of survival.

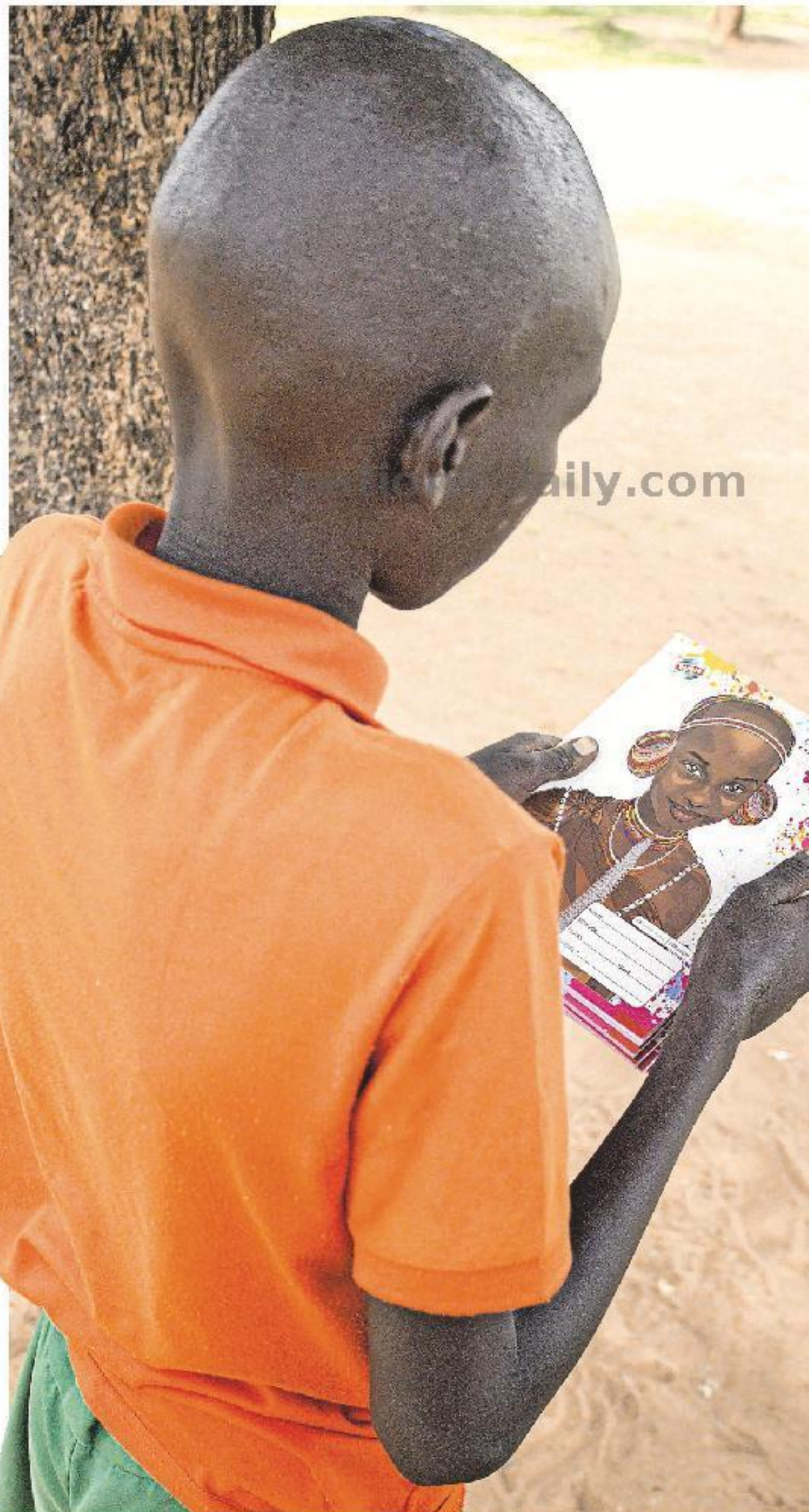
## No food

"I am the firstborn in a family of four and we would move to Uganda in search of food when this area became too hot and there was no food at all," he explains in fluent Swahili.

That was his life: scavenging for meals and playing with friends. It was during these play sessions that his peers began urging him to join school.

"Kuja tuende pamoja shule (Come, we go to school)," they would tell him.

At first, Samuel wasn't sure what school was about—only that his friends spoke of



Samuel Kasepoy, an 11-year-old Grade One pupil with his first ever set of exercise books at Kosia Primary School in West Pokot County on Monday. PHOTO: IPOOL

learning English, Swahili, and mathematics. Intrigued, he decided to see it for himself. His parents couldn't afford to send him, so he approached a neighbour who agreed to pay his school fees (Sh1,000).

"I had heard my friends say I would know

how to read and write in English and Swahili plus learn mathematics and that made me curious. So, because my parents are too poor to afford it, I approached a neighbour who offered to take me to school and paid my fees," he says, tears quietly trickling down his face.

Samuel is dressed in an orange T-shirt and green shorts when we speak. His resilience is striking. He walks four kilometres every day to school and has never missed a single day since enrolling.

When I ask what he wants to be when he grows up, his response is immediate: *Daktari wa kichwa* (neurosurgeon).

Rose Cheruto, one of his teachers, confirms that ambition. "When Samuel stepped into the school, he always said he would want to be a neurosurgeon. Even today morning (June 16, 2025), he told me, 'Mwalimu nitasoma nikuwe daktari wa kichwa (Teacher, I will study to become a neurosurgeon).'"

She tells me Samuel's attendance is unwavering—from Monday to Friday, whether or not food is available at school, he shows up. "In those days, we gave him some money to buy *mandazi*. Samuel is an intelligent and obedient boy. When you tell him to write a certain letter, he will practise until he knows how to do it. He has a heart for school. He loves learning," she says.

Although he has yet to sit his first exams, he will excel, Rose believes. In fact, she suspects he may even be promoted beyond his current class in the near future.

But Samuel's story is not just about personal determination—it also reflects a broader reality in his community. Rose says most parents do not understand the value of education.

"For him to have never known the benefits of education is partly due to their parents, who do not know its value. So, if no one tells him to go to school, he will not go."

She adds that enrolling a child comes with added responsibilities many families are reluctant to take on. "You see, enrolling a child to school means you pay school fees, buy a school bag, books and stationery plus uniforms, which are so expensive for most of the families. To them, school becomes a luxury they can't afford."

Samuel's story caught the attention of Ajuma Nasanyana, the founder of Ajuma Foundation, who partnered with Rubis Kenya to give him his first-ever exercise books. It was a powerful moment—one that left her both shaken and deeply moved.

## Overwhelming emotions

"At the time, it's extremely heart-breaking," she shares. "How emotional the child got became not so a celebration because it just felt he needed love, attention. He had been alone, probably, a nobody, among his peers, but now he was someone. He would measure up with his peers. It was really overwhelming."

From 2021, Ajuma has donated more than 260,000 books to 67,000 children across 27 of the 47 counties, but it is in pastoralist communities, like West Pokot, where the need hits hardest. These are areas where education is often a luxury, more so books.

"How so?" I ask. "They do not see the value of education and will prioritise other things. Books take the back seat, but the more we give these children books, the more we empower them and their parents. We subtly bring the value onto their frontal lobe with every book they see."

As we leave, my eyes carefully escort Samuel. He holds these books with his left hand, pressed gently against his chest, as tears slide down his cheeks. With every drop, there is a quiet word unspoken—finally.

Finally, something to call his own. Finally, he won't have to beg for space at the corner of a classmate's page. Finally, he will write his own name in ink—not sand.

For Samuel, these books are more than learning tools. They are proof that he belongs. A declaration that he, too, is a student. A child worthy of attention, of dignity, of education.

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Number of counties that have benefitted from books donated by the Ajuma Foundation.

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Number of books that have been donated by the Ajuma Foundation.

67,000

Number of school-children who have received books from the foundation.

## THE BIG DREAM

Samuel wants to become a neurosurgeon once done with his academic journey. His story is not just about personal determination; it reflects the quest to overcome the broader reality in his community.



**Good Read** This lineage of black women endured slavery, loss and violence, leading to the birth of a renowned singer

# Singing down family tree: The matrilineal kinship that gave rise to Beyoncé



Jeff Anthony

Célestine Ann "Tine" Beyoncé was born on January 4, 1954, and named after her great grandmother, Célestine, who had lived for over 100 years. Tine was the daughter of Agnes, who was Odilia's daughter. Odilia was Célestine's daughter, and Célestine was Rosalie's daughter. It was a matrilineal bloodline that had survived slavery, lynching, segregation and police brutality.

Rosalie, born in 1800, was enslaved in Louisiana when she conceived Célestine in June 1826 at a time when black families were considered property. They were bred like cattle in breeding plantations designed to force black women as young as 13 years old into sex with strangers and relatives. The families were routinely broken and sold separately on slave blocks. Women who couldn't reproduce would be whipped and sold cheaply.

Rosalie was separated from her daughter, sold at a slave auction and never saw Célestine

again. Célestine was forced into motherhood as a teenager. She gave birth to two boys sired by her slave owner's grandson, Éloi René Broussard, who eventually paid \$1,705 (about Sh220,161 today) to own Célestine and her two sons—his children.

Célestine and her children moved into Éloi's house, where he had a white wife and three daughters. Éloi and Célestine had 10 more children, and she would live in his house for 50 years as a slave. She named her first daughter Rosalie after her stolen mother, who was viciously taken away from her, and she then had Odilia, who would give birth to Agnes.

Agnes, who was sickly throughout her life, had seven children, her last-born being Célestine Ann "Tine" Beyoncé. Tine had three older brothers, Larry, Butch, and Skip, all of whom had different spellings to their last names, Beyoncé, Boyance, and Beyoncé. Tine's father was Lumis Buyince. He had a Caribbean Creole accent and was deaf and blind on the left ear and eye after a stick of dynamite exploded during a mining accident on Weeks Island, where he had worked. He later became a docker who worked in segregated, racially divided Galveston, an island two miles off the coast



of Texas – once the largest slave trafficking port on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean.

At the first grade, Tine was enrolled at Holy Rosary School and was discriminated against by nuns, who knew her as the dock-er's daughter privileged to sit with children of individuals with admirable occupations. They would lift up her dress and assault her with sticks, instilling into her extreme shame and trauma. Tine demanded that her parents enrol her at a new school.

In August 1964, Tine's mother, Agnes, was admitted to John Sealy Hospital and with no sign of recovery, her brother, Larry, accompanied her for registration at Booker T. Washington School. Tine told Larry to tell the registrar that her name was Tina Beyoncé, replacing the 'e' on Tine with an 'a'.

Tina says in her memoir, *Matriarch*, how the aristocrats of Motown, The Supremes and The Temptations hosted their own variety show in the Laugh-In time slot on NBC on December 9, 1967. The show raised the popularity of girl and boy bands in black high schools in the late 60s. The black bands inspired Tina to create a musical trio with her schoolmates in January 1968 while studying in Central Middle School.

Tina was integrated into The Arts and was talented in virtually every aspect of music, including production, arrangement and vocals. She named the group the Veltones, making herself the lead singer. They rehearsed their choreography and perfected their harmonies and vocals at her parents' house using a tape machine.

The group demonstrated exemplary levels of craft and tactility and booked gigs at huge talent shows in Houston, Texas. Unfortunately, one of the members, Pauletta Polly, stayed with a temperamental

aunt whose irritability worsened when her boyfriend, Tommie, repeatedly dropped her home late. Polly's inconsiderate aunt prevented her from competing in more talent competitions. Another member, Gail DuPree, abandoned rehearsals because she couldn't cope with the exhausting monotony and physically demanding preparations.

A Houston show was approaching. It attracted Record Label talent scouts, but to Tina's detriment, the Veltones was dismantled when it was on the edge of being discovered and contracted for lucrative recording.

In August 1975 at 24, Tina got a job at the Visa department in the Bank of America after terminating a two-year relationship with a young attorney called Jerry. Jerry, who had also moved to Houston, invited her to a house party in January 1978, where she met Jerry's 26-year-old Fisk University Economics and Business Administration acquaintance, Mathew Knowles, from Alabama.

Mathew sold electronic copy machines for Xerox and had a Visa account where Tina worked. They went on their first date at a Mardi Gras ball in New Orleans, Louisiana, and wedded on January 5, 1980, after an 11-month engagement.

When Tina's oldest daughter was born on September 4, 1981, her overprotective mother, Agnes, had just died. It was inconceivable for Tina that her mother wouldn't be present to guide her daughter. Tina's firstborn daughter had the spitting image of her mother, Agnes. Her first gift to her was the most valuable possession she had, the name Beyoncé—the pride of her matrilineal kinship.

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**Legal Eye** Laws exist, but poor outreach and gender norms hamper women's involvement in county-level decision-making processes

## Absent voices: Teen pregnancies debated without women at the table

Dear Vivian,

As a women's rights champion in my locality, I am concerned about how public participation is conducted in my county. I have noticed that most public participation sessions only have men. Recently, one was conducted at a public school to discuss how to reduce teenage pregnancies. Unfortunately, no woman was invited. When I enquired, I was told women were invited, but none was interested. Is this legal and what can I do?

Anonymous

Dear Reader,

Public participation is one of the fundamental principles of Kenya's constitutional democracy. The Constitution emphasises public participation as a national value and principle of governance. Therefore, it is a requirement for both the



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national and county governments. The right to participate in decision-making is guaranteed, specifically under Articles 118(1) (b) and 196(1) (b) of the Constitution and directs the national and county legislatures to facilitate public participation in their work.

Likewise, the Convention on the Elimination of all Discrimination against Women affirms the right of women to participate in the formulation of government policy, nongovernmental organisations and associations concerned with the public and political life of a country.

More specifically, the County Government Act requires that county governments facilitate public participation in the planning and implementation of their development plans. Further, they must provide opportunities for the public to attend and participate in meetings of county assemblies and their committees.

Based on the above legal provisions, the county should, therefore, ensure all stakeholders have been invited and provided with the necessary information to enhance credibility. These public participation sessions are meant to ensure that citizens call their leaders to account and participate in decision-making. In recent years, however, there have been concerns that these sessions are meant to tick a box and, like in your case, not inclusive.

The Constitution guarantees equal participation in decision-making. However, research has shown that Kenyan women are often marginalised and underrepresented in decision-making forums. As a result, policies and decisions have been passed that may not adequately address their needs. Further, some women have felt that the language used in these sessions is complex, hence they do not relate to the discussions. However, certain community-based organisations promote civic engagement while encouraging inclusivity. These organisations can assist women to break

down the discussions, facilitate their attendance and consolidate their views in public participation. You can, therefore, share your concerns with such organisations in your county.

Additionally, you can set up a women's group. Faced with the challenge of operating in male-oriented political cultures and with limited resources, women's groups have made noteworthy advances in creating opportunities for women's participation in local development, politics and government. Through the group, you can conduct advocacy campaigns to encourage women's participation and involvement in public participation. Utilising existing women chamas could be a good place to start.

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## ART

**Cocktails + Colors + Strokes:** Number 7 Cocktail Bar, 21st June, 2 pm. Dive into a world of color as you paint your own masterpiece, all while sipping on expertly crafted cocktails. 0736 471171

**Art Festival:** Chez Mahmadi, 22nd June, 10 am. Unleash your inner artist and immerse yourself in a day of creativity and culture!

**Ngurunit - A Safari North:** One Off Contemporary Art Gallery, until 22nd June. Explore a gorgeous selection of paintings by Annick Mitchell, based on the wildlife and pastoralists who surround her in Northern Kenya.

**The Promise by Moses Nyawanda:** Talisman Restaurant, until 27th June. Each piece reflects Nyawanda's commitment to storytelling, offering viewers a unique perspective on the cultural tapestry of Kenya.

**Dust to Form Exhibition:** Ardhi Gallery, until 28th June. Join for a powerful charcoal and paper exhibition that traces the arc of mentorship through three generations of artists.

**The Print Press:** Alliance Française, Nairobi, until 29th June. This exhibition celebrates limited-edition prints and printmakers within the Kenyan contemporary art landscape.

**Battles Within & Without Exhibition:** The Art Kiosk, until 29th June. Step into a bold exploration of the human spirit through limited edition woodcut prints.

**My First Step Towards My Dream Journey:** Nairobi National Museum, until 30th June. Explore youthful imagination, and support the next generation of Kenyan artists.

**Notes on Friendship:** Breaking Bread: Nairobi Contemporary Art Institute, until 27th July. Step into a celebration of friendship as a space for connection, critique, and care.

**The Past Will Be Like The Future:** Circle Art Gallery, until 17th July. Jonathan's Lanke Gathaara Fraser's practice is an ode to curiosity, to care and to paying close attention to the world around him.

**Fabric of Our Being:** The African Arts Trust, until 2nd August. April Kamunde's recent body of work explores meanings of rest and the pursuit of it, from a personal and feminist angle.

## COURSES, LECTURES &amp; WORKSHOPS

**Coast Game Night:** MombasaWorks, Nyali, 20th June, 5 pm. Join for an exciting evening of real-life money scenarios, peer networking, and valuable financial insights to help grow your business sustainably! 0757 409511

**Africa Fraud, Security & Compliance:** Hyatt Regency Nairobi, 25th - 26th June, 9 am. This premier event aims to fortify financial security while exploring AI collaboration and future-ready fraud prevention strategies.

## DANCE

**The Kizomba Sundowner:** The Hub Karen, 20th June, 5 pm. Dance, network, and connect with an amazing, diverse community.

**Authentic Konpa:** Loresho, 21st June, 4 pm. This is your invitation to explore the roots, history, and authentic body movement of Konpa in a safe, joyful, and connected space. 0740 617313



**Salsa Night:** Brew Bistro Rooftop, 24th June, 6.30 pm. Feel the rhythm, catch the groove, and dance the night away! 0726 148780

**Nairobi Afro Latin Weekend:** Nairobi Street Kitchen, 26th - 28th June, 10 am. An uplifting celebration of Afro-Latin culture, music, and dance that brings people together.

## EXPOSITIONS

**12th Power & Energy Kenya 2025:** KICC, 20th - 21st June, 10 am. Visit the only exhibition dedicated to the power and energy sector in the region.

**Made in Germany:** Sarit Expo Centre, 25th - 27th June, 10 am. Connect with trade buyers, government officials, industry experts, and partners as they explore opportunities for investment and joint ventures.

**10th Solar Africa 2025:** KICC, 26th - 28th June, 10 am. The trade exhibition is a key platform for promoting the latest products, technology and equipment for the solar industry.

## FASHION &amp; BEAUTY

**East Africa Fashion Life Show:** Sarit Centre, 20th - 21st June. Find trusted suppliers for premium hair, beauty, home essentials, and lifestyle products, from wigs and makeup to curtains, detergents, and more.

## FESTIVALS &amp; CRAFT FAIRS

**Bloom Farmers Market:** The Nairobi Waldorf School, 21st June, 9 am. Spend your Saturday surrounded by fresh produce, handmade goods, and vibrant community vibes. 0712 879803

**Ndumo Festivals:** Buraha Zenoni Gardens, 21st June, 2 pm. Celebrate heritage, unity, and creativity in Nakuru's most vibrant community gathering! 0790 229229

**Nairobi Crafts Pop-Up Market:** Lava Latte, 22nd June, 10 am. Discover a cozy, creative marketplace full of Nairobi's best artisan finds! 0708 553699

**Nairobi Litfest:** McMillan Memorial Library, 26th - 29th June, 2 pm. This year's programme features 43 events with over 60 artists, writers, poets, and thinkers from across Africa and the world.

## FILM

**Get Reel Films by DocuBux:** Unseen Cinema, 20th June, 7 pm. A powerful collection of eight short films from East Africa, telling real and moving stories about Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights and Justice (SRHRJ) issues in East Africa.

**All We Imagine As Light:** Unseen Nairobi, 20th - 24th June, 7 pm. In bustling Mumbai, a nurse's past resurfaces with a gift, while her roommate seeks privacy for forbidden love.

**The Bloodettes:** Alliance Française, Nairobi, 23rd June, 6 pm. A bold mix of horror and sci-fi, where powerful vampire women use ancient Mevoungon rituals to overpower top Cameroonian officials.

**Foumban is Wakanda:** Alliance Française, Nairobi, 24th June, 2 pm. This is not sci-fi as you know it. It's an African dreamscape unfiltered by the West.

**Bam Bam:** The Sister Nancy Story: Unseen Cinema, 26th June, 7 pm. From dancehall roots to worldwide reverence, witness how one woman's voice became a cultural revolution.

## FOOD &amp; WINE

## LUNCHEE AT TRIBAL GALLERY



SATURDAY 21st JUNE | 10 AM - 5 PM  
POPPING UP WITH SOUND HEALING BY NATAL MIXOLOGY CLASSES WITH DAVID AND DASS NIGER WITH TUBARU JEWELLERY  
TRIBAL GALLERY, LORESHO RIDGE, 0713835360

**Lunch @ Tribal Gallery:** Tribal Gallery, 21st June, 10 am. Enjoy delicious food, relax in a lush garden lounge, and explore handmade treasures. 0713 825250

## KIDS EVENTS

**Hadithi Gymnastics Festival:** Oshwal Academy Nairobi - Nursery, 21st June, 8 am. Sign up your child for learning, competition, showcases, and awards.

**Village Market Junior Chess Workshop:** Village Market, 21st June, 10 am. Give your young masterminds (ages 8-12) a fun and educational experience they'll love!

**Art Classes for Kids:** Shamba Cafe, 21st - 22nd June, 10.30 am. The classes offer a hands-on painting experience that helps children express themselves through art. 0748 717232

**Sarit Kids Corner's 1st Birthday:** Sarit Centre, 21st - 22nd June, 12 pm. It's a day of discovery, fun, and imagination for your little explorer.

**Mini Mornings at Unseen (Here We Are):** UNSEEN Nairobi, 22nd June, 10 am. The ticket price includes fresh juice, a homemade snack, and free screening for the accompanying adults!

## MUSIC



**A Latino Affair:** Visa Oshwal Auditorium, 21st - 22nd June, 3 pm. Get ready for an unforgettable weekend of vibrant Latin rhythms and classical flair brought to you by the Nairobi Orchestra! 0791 478090

**Fête de la Musique:** Alliance Française, Nairobi, 20th June, 7 pm. From jazzy rhythms to percussive beats to groovy electronic music, the event will be lit with Islam Elbeiti, Kasiva Mutua, and DJ Suraj.

**The Jam:** Goethe-Institut, 20th June, 7 pm. It's going as usual at the auditorium with Mbithi, Nowisgood, and Trabolee!

**Acoustic Session:** Geco Central, 21st June, 7 pm. Enjoy a mix of soul, jazz, and traditional folk that speaks of resilience, love, and justice. 0727 391449

**Andy Afriq Band Live:** Galleria Shopping Mall, 21st June, 7 pm. Get ready for smooth vocals, raw passion, and rhythmic energy live and unplugged.

## NATURE



**Star Safari:** One Stop Nanyuki, 21st June, 6 pm. Enjoy an unforgettable night filled with planets, moons, galaxies, nebulae, stars, and comets! 0113 719096

## NIGHTLIFE

**The Future is House:** Eka Hotel, 21st June, 3 pm. Experience electrifying DJ sets, a vibrant crowd, and late-night house music energy.

**Twilight With Mayz:** The Location Rooftop, 26th June, 2 pm. Expect electrifying Afro-house, amapiano, and Afropolitan beats, powered by DJ Mikey SA and Sleek DJ Mayz.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**Men's Circle:** Ora Wellness Hair & Spa, 21st June, 2 pm. Men of all backgrounds are encouraged to attend and connect with others in an atmosphere of trust and growth. 0706 436347

## THEATRE &amp; STAGE

	THUR 15	FRI 16	SAT 17	SUN 18	TUE 19	WED 20	THUR 21
BOX OFFICE	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
STREET	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
GEN-2 TICKET	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000

**The Trial of Dedan Kimathi:** Kenya National Theatre, 20th - 22nd June. From Stuart Nash, director of I Will Marry When I Want, Sarafina, Betrayal in the City, and Shamba La Wanyama, comes Ngugi wa Thiong'o's iconic play! 0791 478090

**Too Early For Birds - BADASSERY:** Jain Bhavan, 20th - 22nd June. Enjoy a gripping new play uncovering the wild, true stories of Kenya's most feared gangsters.

**Humor Trafficker:** Nairobi Laugh Bar, 21st June, 8 pm. From political satire to city hustle stories and jaw-dropping social commentary, Humor Trafficker unpacks it all with brilliance and bite!

## YOGA, WELLNESS &amp; MEDITATION

**International Yoga Day:** Chez Mahmadi, 21st June, 9 am. Whether you're new to yoga or a long-time practitioner, you are welcome to explore a variety of practices.

**International Yoga Day Celebration Weekend:** Kanga Studio Nairobi, 21st - 22nd June, 8 am. Enjoy some free sessions to celebrate the joy of yoga! 0759 956291



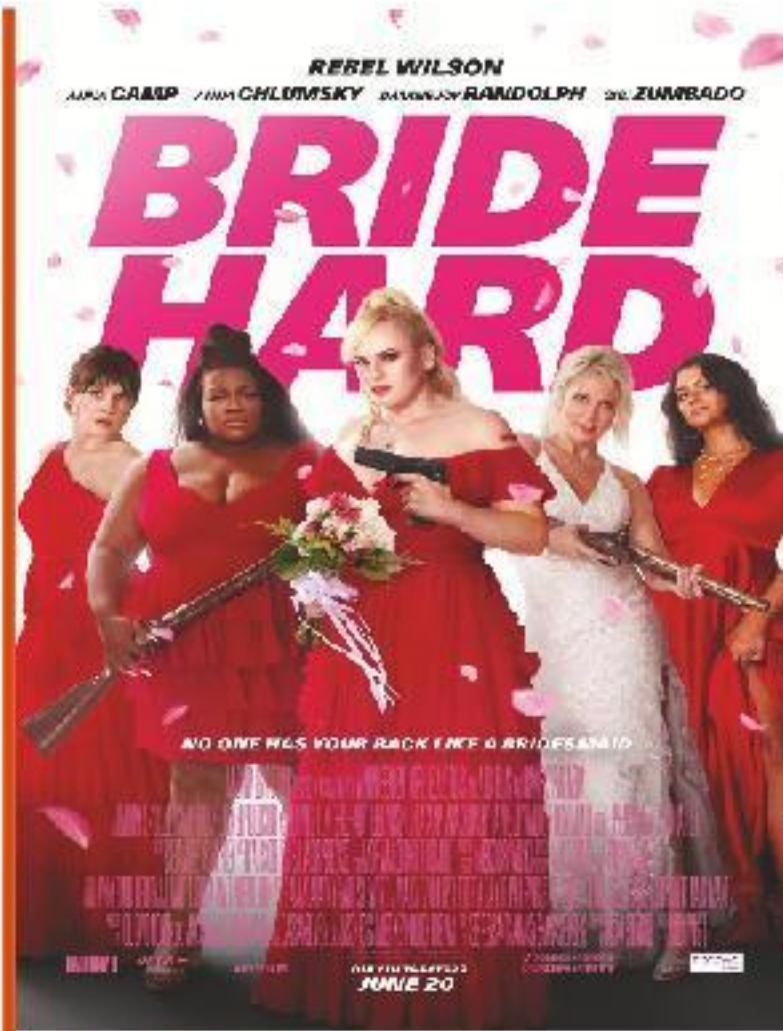


## 28 Years Later

A survivor leaves his island to explore the mainland, uncovering dark secrets, mutated horrors, and strange changes in fellow survivors.

**Genre:** Horror, Thriller

**Cast:** Jack O'Connell, Aaron Taylor-Johnson, Ralph Fiennes



## Bride Hard

A mercenary group hijacks a wedding, unaware the maid of honor is a secret agent ready to unleash chaos and revenge.

**Genre:** Action, Comedy

**Cast:** Rebel Wilson, Anna Camp, Anna Chlumsky



## Elio

Elio, a space-loving dreamer, is thrust into a cosmic journey, meeting aliens, facing galactic danger, and finding his true self.

**Genre:** Adventure, Animation, Comedy

**Cast:** Yonas Kibreab, Zoe Saldana, Remy Edgerly



## Sitaare Zameen Par

After a DUI, a cocky coach trains neurodivergent adults, learning humility and gaining a fresh outlook through their unexpected wisdom and heart.

**Genre:** Comedy, Drama, Sport

**Cast:** Aamir Khan, Genelia Deshmukh, Brijendra Kala

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## How To Train Your Dragon

On Berk, Hiccup defies Viking tradition by befriendng a feared dragon, revealing the truth about dragons and changing everything.

**Genre:** Teen Adventure, Teen Fantasy

**Cast:** Mason Thames, Nico Parker, Gerard Butler



## Materialists

A young, ambitious New York City matchmaker finds herself torn between the perfect match and her imperfect ex.

**Genre:** Feel Good Romance, Romantic Comedy

**Cast:** Dakota Johnson, Chris Evans, Pedro Pascal

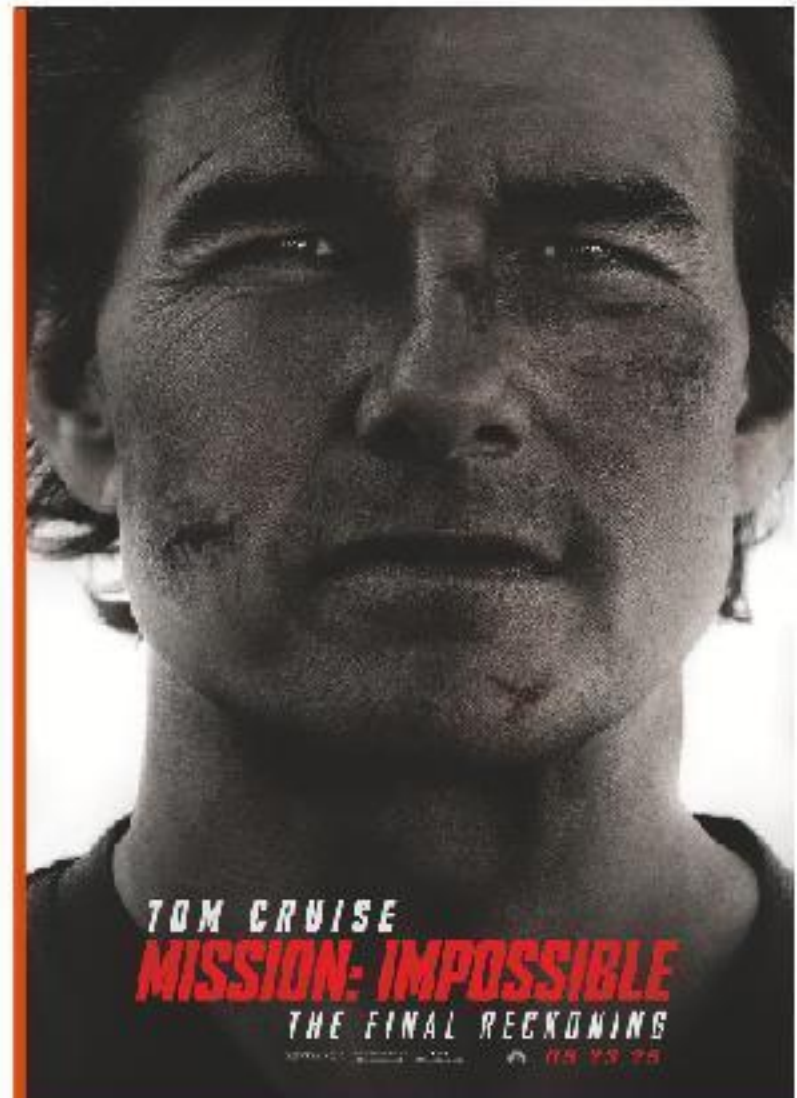


## Ballerina

An assassin trained in the traditions of the Ruska Roma organization sets out to seek revenge after her father's death.

**Genre:** Action, Thriller

**Cast:** Ana de Armas, Keanu Reeves, Ian McShane



## Mission: Impossible - The Final Reckoning

Ethan Hunt and his IMF team race to stop Gabriel from seizing the Entity, a rogue AI threatening humanity's future, in their final mission.

**Genre:** Action, Adventure, Thriller

**Cast:** Tom Cruise, Hayley Atwell, Ving Rhames



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Directed by Stuart Nash

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