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Backlash Reacting to public outcry, Nacada clarifies policy isn't law yet

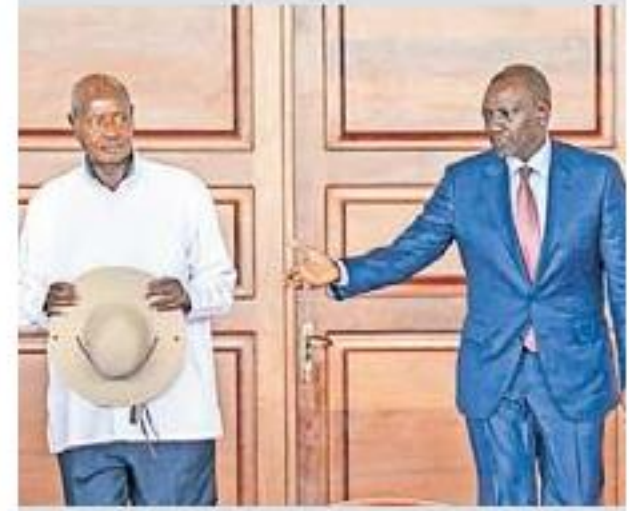
Uproar over new alcohol rules

Regulations A Nacada policy detailing tough rules, including banning the sale of alcohol in supermarkets and consumption in restaurants, drew furious reactions from industry players who warned implementation would ruin businesses, force government revenues to plummet and occasion job losses **Pages 2&3**

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Officials barred from government contracts

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Ruto, Museveni fault rising EAC trade wars

A day after Tanzania banned foreigners from running select businesses, Ugandan and Kenyan leaders decry reluctance by EAC nations to open up markets to each other / **Page 10**

University freshers in fees crisis

As First Year students begin reporting to universities in a fortnight, they are still in the dark about government loans and the amount their parents are required to pay in fees. With the Higher Education Loans Board and the Universities Fund silent, households are unable to budget for their children's education while those from poor families are apprehensive universities will turn them away.

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194,372

Students who qualified for university admission

Restrictions to alcohol access

- **21 years** - The minimum legal age for purchasing and consuming alcohol
- **Under 21 years** - Cannot access alcohol selling outlets whether alone or accompanied
- **Above 25 years** - Age of a person allowed to advertise or endorse alcoholic drinks
- Ban price promotions, discount sales and free alcohol
- Movement of alcohol distribution vehicles restricted to between **6am** and **6pm**

Sale and drinking prohibited at;

- Supermarkets
- Restaurants
- Vending machines
- Public beaches, public parks, petrol stations, sports facilities
- Residential premises
- Learning institutions
- Along the highways
- Dining areas in members' clubs and hotels

Banned methods of sale

- Online
- Home deliveries
- Couriers
- Hawking
- Vending machines

1.3m

Number of jobs industry players say will be lost across the alcohol value chain



Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen speaks during the launch of the national policy for the prevention, management and control of alcohol, drugs and substance abuse in Nairobi yesterday. WILFRED NYANGARESI | NATION

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Regulations The proposed rules include raising the minimum legal age for drinking from 18 to 21 and barring the

New Nacada rules on alcohol trigger a public backlash

Players in the alcohol industry, including bar and restaurant owners, manufacturers and retailers, have strongly opposed the policy

BY STEVE OTIENO
AND KABUI MWANGI

Traders have resisted the new alcohol control rules, arguing that 1.3 million jobs are at stake even as the government vows to implement the proposed measures, which include raising the minimum legal age for drinking from 18 to 21 and barring the sale of alcohol in various outlets.

The sweeping reforms were unveiled under the National Policy for the Prevention, Management and Control of Alcohol, Drugs and Substance Abuse (2025) by Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen and the National Authority for the Campaign against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (Nacada).

The government argues that the measures are necessary to combat rising alcohol and drug abuse, particularly among the youth, and bans the sale of alcohol in places such as supermarkets, online platforms, and public transport. However, key players in the alcohol industry, in-

cluding bar and restaurant owners, manufacturers, and retailers, have strongly opposed the policy, describing it as exclusionary, unrealistic, and economically destructive.

Pubs, Entertainment and Restaurants Association of Kenya (Perak) Chairman Michael Muthami dismissed Mr Murkomen's claim that the private sector had been consulted during the policy's development.

He said the country stood to lose billions in tax revenue, and questioned how the Kenya Revenue Authority and National Treasury would respond to the financial impact of shattered businesses.

"You can't be looking for money while killing off businesses. They're burning the house to kill the rat," he said, while challenging the logic behind raising the drinking age to 21.

The move, he said, was driven by "false morality."

"We're in 2025, not 2005. Why ban online alcohol orders when they're the future of business?" Mr Muthami posed.

Saying the new rules treat legitimate businesses as criminals, Mr Muthami warned that the economic cost of the policy would be devastating, estimating that at least 1.3 million direct and indirect jobs are now at risk across the alcohol value chain.

This includes jobs in farming, distribution, manufacturing, and hospitality.

"I have spoken with everyone in the sector — Perak, Alcoholic Beverages Association of Kenya (Abak) and Retail Trade Association of Kenya (Retrak) — and no one was consulted (during the formulation of the policy). We were not even mentioned in the acknowledgements. They only spoke to the civil society and churches," Mr Muthami said.

While the East African Breweries PLC (EABL) said it is yet to analyse the impact of the new rules to its production volumes and sales forecasts, it decried a looming disruption to its e-commerce channel, which it says has been under development since 2020.

"This (policy shift) will greatly impact the e-commerce channel



which is only currently developing since the Covid-19 pandemic. We are, however, yet to analyse the logistical challenges that arise from this," said EABL Group Corporate Relations Director Eric Kiniti in an emailed response.

Responding to the rise in the legal drinking age from 18 to 21, the listed brewer has flagged an impending impact on jobs for people working in the sector who are within that age bracket, adding that it will also fuel consumption of illicit alcohol as having an ID will not serve as sufficient proof for outlets to verify age.

Noting that it will continue its business operations as usual

awaiting legislative action on the proposed policy, the company said it will be airing out its views on the cited issues once a substantive bill is formulated.

"The policy is not yet a legislation as some amendments have to be made to existing statutes through the outlined legislative process in line with the Constitution," said Mr Kiniti. "We will give our position and views when the bill is formulated and take part in the public participation process when we reach that stage."

Lamenting that the policy was developed without stakeholder involvement, Jaza Discounter Supermarkets founder and director Willy Kimani pegged the revenue netted from the sale of alcoholic beverages at 14 per cent of the total retail income.

"If enforced, such a ban would be ill-informed as supermarkets have some of the best compliance controls you'd find anywhere. It would also be an operational nightmare considering the impact the existing contracts with our suppliers and the stock already stacked up in our shelves," Mr Kimani told *Nation* during a phone interview.

In response to the backlash, Nacada, through its CEO, Anthony Omerikwa, sought to clarify its position on the issue and emphasised that the newly launched policy is not law, but a framework meant to guide future reforms.

"Contrary to reports suggesting that Nacada has banned certain practices such as online sales and celebrity endorsements, we wish to emphasise that no bans have been introduced. These are policy recommendations pending legal and regulatory review," Mr Omerikwa said.

He said Nacada will embark on public participation exercises in the next stages of the policy roll-out and will involve all stakeholders in a bid to establish an implementation framework.

"Public participation will be

central to this process," he said, while, at the same time, urging the media and the public to look at the document as a roadmap for change rather than an immediate enforcement tool.

Other than raising the minimum drinking age, the policy prohibits the sale of alcohol in supermarkets, public beaches, recreational facilities, toy shops and public transport.

It also seeks to ban alcohol consumption in restaurants, clubs, and any events attended by children or where adults are accompanied by minors.

It also bans several methods of selling alcohol including through online platforms, vending machines and home deliveries.

The policy seeks to enforce the mandatory 300-metre buffer zone between alcohol outlets and any nursery, primary, secondary, or tertiary learning institution. This zoning restriction aims to limit exposure of school-going children to alcohol

AT A GLANCE

State introduces new regulations

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sale of alcohol in various outlets



The government argues that the measures are necessary to combat rising alcohol and drug abuse, particularly among the youth, and bans the sale of alcohol in places such as supermarkets, online platforms, and public transport. PHOTO | SHUTTERSTOCK

and related marketing. The ultimate aim is to reduce visibility, accessibility, and normalisation of alcohol consumption in everyday settings.

The policy also introduces the "Polluter Pays Principle," which would compel alcohol manufacturers and distributors to contribute financially to the treatment and rehabilitation of individuals harmed by their products. This marks a major shift by placing social accountability on the alcohol industry.

Further, the government plans to use the Asset Recovery Agency to confiscate and auction properties linked to convicted drug traffickers, with proceeds used to fund addiction rehabilitation — signalling a tougher, multi-agency approach to both enforcement and public health.

Still, the assurance by Nacada has done little to calm the storm. The Retail Trade Association of Kenya (Retrak) issued a strongly worded statement expressing its dismay at being sidelined in the policy's development.

"From the outset, we wish to clarify that Retrak was neither consulted nor invited to contribute to the development of this policy," it said in a statement.

The umbrella body for retailers maintained that the country already has a robust legal and regulatory framework governing alcohol production and sale, and warned that adding more restrictions without enforcement or stakeholder engagement would only create chaos.

The association highlighted that formal retailers comply with age verification for online sales, advertising restrictions, and zoning requirements at both national and county levels.

In questioning the practicality of the policy's recommendations, Retrak noted that, in many commercial areas, schools and churches have peacefully coexisted with alcohol-selling establish-

ments for decades.

"We support efforts to curb alcohol misuse and under-age access, but the policy must be balanced, enforceable, and grounded in reality," the statement read.

The association called for inclusive dialogue but warned that any legislative move must respect constitutional principles of transparency and inclusivity.

"We look forward to inclusive consultations as the process advances through Parliament and the county assemblies," the association added.

Mirroring the resistance, the Alcoholic Beverages Association of Kenya (Abak) also voiced serious reservations about the new policy. While acknowledging the need to address alcohol abuse, Abak argued that Kenya already has sufficient laws regulating alcohol manufacture, distribution, advertising, and sales at both national and county levels.

According to the association, the core issue lies not in weak legislation but in poor enforcement. It also pointed to a study by Euronorm International, which found that 60 per cent of alcohol consumed in Kenya is illicit.

This, it said, demonstrates the ineffectiveness of enforcement mechanisms and the dangers of pushing legitimate operators out of the market. Abak also defended the use of digital platforms for alcohol sales, noting that existing systems already limit access by minors and ensure deliveries are made only to verified adults.

Expressing disappointment over the lack of consultation, Abak criticised the government for excluding manufacturers and industry stakeholders during the policy's drafting phase.

"It is unfortunate that the policy was developed without the input of alcohol manufacturers who could have added valuable insights," it said in a statement.

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Kenya formally files objections to Tanzania trade restrictions amid increasing diplomatic tensions

BY HILARY KIMUYU

Kenya has formally objected to Tanzania's new business licensing rules and tax measures, labelling them discriminatory and potentially obstructive to economic integration.

In a statement issued yesterday, Kenya's Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry expressed serious concerns regarding Tanzania's Business Licensing (Prohibition of Business Activities for Non-Citizens) Order 2025, which came into effect on July 28, and which prevents foreigners from participating in certain sectors, further escalating trade tensions between the two countries.

Trade and Industry Cabinet Secretary Lee Kinyanjui expressed concern over Tanzania's Finance Act 2025 and the amendments to the Excise (Management and Tariff) Act 2019.

These changes introduced new excise duties and an Industrial Development Levy, charged at the rates of 10 and 15 per cent respectively.

"The Government of Kenya has noted with concern the imposition of new and discriminatory tax measures by the United Republic of Tanzania, which threaten regional trade gains," Mr Kinyanjui said in the statement.

The order prohibits non-citizens from participating in 15 business sectors, among them salon operations, tour guiding, mobile money transfer services, and electronics repair.

The order, which took effect immediately, with a limited exception for current licence holders, carries significant penalties for non-compliance.

"The Business Licensing Order seems to criminalise lawful EAC (East African Community) investments and will harm both our economies. These measures are substantive and undermine the core objective of regional economic integration under the EAC Common Market Protocol (CMP)," he said.

He cited Article 13 of the CMP, which permits EAC nationals to set up and run businesses and forbids partner states from treating other EAC nationals less favourably than their own citizens.

"The Business Licensing Order, which seems to be criminalising lawful EAC investments, will hurt both our economies," Mr Kinyanjui added.

"It is therefore critical, in the spirit of EAC, that bilateral engagements be held to resolve these issues."

He noted that the EAC remains Kenya's largest export market, accounting for 28.1 per cent of the country's total exports, which are estimated to be worth Sh297 billion in 2024.

Tanzania is Kenya's second-largest EAC trading partner after Uganda, with intra-community

trade worth an estimated Sh63 billion in 2024.

The CS further said that Kenya, through the Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry, has been actively participating in consultative forums aimed at aligning national trade policies with the EAC Customs Union Protocol.

He highlighted the outcomes of the First Extraordinary Sectoral Council on Finance and Economic Affairs (SCFEA), at which Kenya and the other member states directed the EAC Secretariat to compile a list of excise duties, levies and charges contradicting the Customs Union Protocol.

This list is to be submitted by August 30, 2025.

The EAC Secretariat was also tasked with harmonising the definitions of 'imports' and 'exports' across member states in line with EAC standards by June 30, 2025, as well as with convening a second, compliance-focused SCFEA session by September 30, 2025.

Furthermore, Kenya and Tanzania have arranged additional bilateral discussions to address the

DISPUTE

Business ban hits Kenyans hard



Number of sectors in which foreign entrepreneurs are prohibited from participating in by the government of Tanzania in a bid to protect its local businesses.

disputed measures and settle ongoing trade disputes.

These include a technical meeting on tobacco product trade in Arusha from August 4 and 5, and a Joint Trade Committee session on levies, fees and charges from August 11-12.

"We are therefore positive that these engagements will yield positive results based on the foundational principles of the EAC, including the free movement of goods, people, services, labour, and capital," said Mr Kinyanjui.

"In line with the spirit of the EAC, 'one people, one destiny', we are committed to upholding the principles of non-discrimination, transparency, and equity in all our future trade-related decisions," the minister added.

On Tuesday, the new directive sparked a backlash from Kenyans. National Assembly Trade Committee chairman Bernard Shinali warned the move could trigger reciprocal restrictions.

Vehicle owners and transporters said the sudden decision undermined the spirit, objectives and legal framework of the EAC, threatening the livelihoods of many families in the process.

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Higher education Universities Student Leaders Association of Kenya has called for an urgent national dialogue

BY MERCY SIMIYU

The 194,372 students who qualified for university admission are off to a rough start following a delay in their loan applications.

The University of Nairobi and Maseno University are scheduled to open in two weeks, yet the Higher Education Loans Board (Helb) and the Universities Fund haven't informed students on the outcome of their loan requests.

Students are in the dark over the amount of money they will get from the government.

The students who spoke to *Nation* said that they only have admission letters indicating the fees they are expected to pay.

After placement by the Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Services (Kuccps), students were instructed to apply for scholarships and loans through Helb and the Universities Fund. The placement was delinked from funding in a model that was introduced in 2023, but which has since run into headwinds.

National dialogue

Efforts by the *Nation* to get answers from Education Cabinet Secretary Julius Ogamba, Principal Secretary for Higher Education Beatrice Inyangala and Helb Chief Executive Officer Geoffrey Monari were futile. They neither responded to phone calls nor reply text messages.

While addressing the media in Nairobi, the Universities Student Leaders Association of Kenya (USLA-Kenya) has called for an urgent national dialogue to address the escalating crisis in the funding of higher education, which has left thousands of students in uncertainty just weeks before university opening dates.

"We are calling for the immediate convening of a multi-stakeholder dialogue session under the Ministry of Education to respond to this Helb-centred crisis. This is not just about delays—it is a breakdown in the very architecture meant to support access to higher education for de-

Learners anxious as State delays varsity loan application results

Students, particularly First Years, on edge after Helb and Universities Fund fail to respond to their concerns



Education CS Julius Ogamba addresses journalists during the release of the 2024 Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service placement results at Jogoo House in Nairobi on July 1. LUCY WANJIRU | NATION

We were told Helb would help us, but now it's like the system is rejecting us; you get errors like 'ID not valid' or 'record not found', and there's no place to report or fix it

Faith Nduta, student



serving students from vulnerable backgrounds," USLA Kenya secretary-general Carel Omwoyo said.

"We were told Helb would help us, but now it's like the system is rejecting us; you get errors like 'ID not valid' or 'record not found', and there's no place to report or fix it," said First Year Bachelor of Education student at the University of Nairobi Faith Nduta.

For most first-timers, the application process has been frustrating, leaving them uncertain about how they will finance their university education.

"I thought the application would be straightforward, but now I'm stuck because I haven't even opened a bank account. It's

frustrating because I can't proceed without it, and the deadline is fast approaching," said Lucy Wanjiru, who is supposed to join Kenyatta University in September.

For students from humble backgrounds, the government funding is the only way they can afford to step into lecture halls. The silence from Helb and Universities Fund could mean the difference between beginning their academic journey or staying home.

"I was admitted to The East African University to pursue a Bachelor of Education degree. The fees is Sh55,000 per semester, and that's a huge burden for my parents. My father is a retired

Anxiety over university funding model					
	Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Band 5
Scholarships	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%
Loans	25%	30%	30%	30%	30%
Household Contributions	5%	10%	20%	30%	40%
Upkeep loan amount	60,000	55,000	50,000	45,000	40,000

teacher, and I come from a big family — we're barely managing. I sent an application to Helb, but the truth is, we don't know how much will be covered. All we know is that I'm supposed to report on September 1, and that money has to be paid. Not knowing where the money will come from or whether Helb will help in time is overwhelming," said Brian Ouma.

Sustainability of scheme

Last week, Treasury Cabinet Secretary John Mbadi told the National Assembly Education Committee that Helb has been allocated Sh41.2 billion in the 2025/2026 budget and Sh37.9 billion in the 2024/2025 financial year.

However, Mr Mbadi said that the long-term sustainability of the Helb scheme depends on more than just annual allocations. He called on the Ministry of Education and Helb to establish efficient systems for recovering loans from past beneficiaries to reduce reliance on annual budgetary support and ensure continued funding for future students.

"The National Treasury looks forward to the Ministry of Education and Higher Education Loans Board coming up with effective means of ensuring prompt and efficient recovery of the loans from past beneficiaries to supplement the annual allocation

hence ensure sustainability of the scheme," the CS said.


Categorisation

According to the higher education funding model, university students are categorised into five financial need bands, determining the proportion of support they receive from government scholarships, loans, and their own households.

Students in Band 1, considered the most vulnerable, receive 70 per cent in scholarships, 25 per cent in loans, and they are expected to contribute just five per cent from their households. Their annual upkeep loan stands at Sh60,000. On the other end, Band 5 students, deemed less needy, get 30 per cent scholarships, 30 per cent loans, and are required to contribute 40 per cent from their families, with a Sh40,000 upkeep allocation.

The model has seen some students like Felix Omondi lose valuable study time. He was placed to study for a Bachelor of Pharmacy at Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology in 2024. However, he has never reported after being categorised in Band Five. He appealed and succeeded but he has now lost one year of learning.

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IEBC says no law backing recall of MPs

BY KIMANI MWANGI

A coalition of concerned citizens from Nairobi has criticised the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) and Parliament for failing to uphold the constitutional right to recall elected leaders.

This follows delays in acting on a petition to recall Nairobi Woman Representative Esther Muthoni Passaris.

Speaking during a press conference held at Uhuru Park yesterday afternoon, the youth activists accused the electoral agency of "unconstitutional delay" in operationalising Article 104 of the Constitution, which grants

2017

When the High Court passed judgment that declared sections of the Elections Act 2011 governing recall unconstitutional and discriminatory.

citizens the right to recall Members of Parliament and county assemblies.

"We are here to express our deep concern and disappointment with the response received from the IEBC regarding our petition to recall the Women Representative of Nairobi County, Esther Muthoni Passaris," said

petitioner Valdano Kemoli.

According to the IEBC, while there is a statutory framework to process the recall of Members of County Assemblies (MCAs), no enabling legislation exists for recalling members of the National Assembly and the Senate. This gap follows a 2017 High Court judgement that declared sections of the Elections Act 2011 governing recall unconstitutional and discriminatory.

"While Parliament subsequently amended the law to address the recall of MCAs no such amendments have been made regarding Members of Parliament," IEBC Chairman Erastus Edung Ethekeon.

National News

Parliament Acting CEO Eveleen Mitei appeared before MPs



Teachers Service Commission Acting CEO Eveleen Mitei when she appeared before the National Assembly Implementation Committee yesterday. DENNIS ONSONGO | NATION

TSC: Why we have not reviewed pay and hardship areas

Teachers' employer says it is awaiting direction from Public Service Commission

BY SAMWEL OWINO

The Teachers Service Commission (TSC) has stated that it has not reviewed hardship areas for teachers, noting that it is awaiting direction from the Public Service Commission.

The Commission's Acting Chief Executive Officer, Eveleen Mitei, told a parliamentary committee that teachers are being paid hardship allowances as per Legal Notice No 534 of 1997.

"We are still paying hardship allowance as per Legal Notice No 534 of 1997. We have been informed that the Public Service is in the process of reviewing this, but as of now, we are still using the legal notice to pay the allowance," said Mitei while appearing before the National Assembly Implementation Committee.

She was responding to a question from the committee chairperson, Raphael Wanjala, who sought clarification on the criteria being used to determine hardship allowance eligibility, saying the system appeared discriminatory.

"Which criteria are you using to give this hardship allowance? You find that one area in a constituency is designated as hardship, while another is not. Teachers therefore seek to work in areas with hardship allowance, leaving the other areas understaffed," Mr Wanjala said.

"There are schools with many idle teachers who spend their time on TikTok, having allegedly bribed TSC officers to be posted

to hardship areas," he added.

Other MPs also raised concerns that some schools in their constituencies lack teachers, as many have moved to areas designated as hardship zones.

Kajiado East MP, Kakuta Ole Mai-mai, said schools in urban areas of his constituency were over-staffed, while rural schools remained understaffed.

In May this year, Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi told the National Assembly that the government planned to review the classification of hardship areas, a move that would save the government Sh6 billion annually. "I wish to inform the House that the implementation of the Inter-Agency Technical Committee report will reduce the financial implication of hardship allowance payments from Sh25 billion to Sh19 billion per annum, thereby saving the government Sh6 billion. This is due to the proposed harmonisation of designated hardship areas in the public service," Mr Mudavadi said.

He was referring to a report by the Inter-Agency Technical Committee, which conducted extensive stakeholder engagement to review policies on hardship area classification and allowances.

However, in July, Public Service

There are schools with many idle teachers who spend their time on TikTok, having allegedly bribed TSC officers to be posted to hardship areas

Raphael Wanjala



Cabinet Secretary Geoffrey Ruku announced that the government had suspended implementation of the report following public outcry from teachers, civil servants, and political leaders.

Mr Ruku said that, in conjunction with the Ministry of Education, the government had paused the rollout of the revised hardship classification to allow for further stakeholder engagement and reassessment of the eligibility criteria.

"We have decided to hold on to the report for now. We need to re-evaluate it together with stakeholders and elected leaders before its implementation," he said.

Last week, Nyando MP Jared Okello criticised the government's decision to halt the report's implementation without involving Parliament.

Mr Okello raised the matter with National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetang'ula, requesting that the Cabinet Secretary be summoned to explain the decision.

"I have read in the media that the government has halted the implementation of the report, yet we, who raised the matter in this House, have not been updated," said Mr Okello.

Speaker Wetang'ula advised the MP to formally write to his office so that House leadership could take up the issue.

Currently, 16 areas are designated as hardship by the civil service, county governments, and state corporations. The teaching service has 44 such areas, while the Judiciary has 21.

The issue of hardship area classification for civil servants, especially teachers, was first raised in the House by Mr Okello last month.

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SANLAM INVESTMENTS EAST AFRICA LIMITED UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

A) STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
	30 JUNE 2025 KSHS'000	30 JUNE 2024 KSHS'000
Income		
Fund management fees	1,339,318	708,918
Interest income	30,900	16,166
Other income	2,812	68
Total Income	1,373,030	725,152
Expenses		
Direct expense	(321,351)	(81,565)
Professional fees	(8,020)	(6,135)
Legal fees	(3,363)	(1,706)
Employee costs	(406,965)	(277,995)
Director's emoluments	(3,826)	(3,218)
Operational and administrative expenses	(116,572)	(146,867)
Depreciation expenses	(4,603)	(3,645)
Amortization expenses	(367)	(1,069)
Total Expenses	(865,067)	(522,200)
Operating Profit	507,963	202,952
Finance costs	-	-
Profit before tax	507,963	202,952
Current tax provision	(151,628)	(60,886)
Profit after tax	356,335	142,066

B) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION		
	30 JUNE 2025 KSHS'000	30 JUNE 2024 KSHS'000
Assets		
Non-Current Assets		
Property plant & equipment	24,040	19,462
Intangible assets	14,709	21,361
Deferred tax	11,347	-
Right of use assets	30,760	32,366
Total Non-Current Assets	80,856	73,189
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	409,556	256,482
Clients debtors	450,043	275,135
Prepayments	27,554	16,423
Tax receivable	-	25,720
Amounts due from related parties	12,976	3,951
Other current assets	37,914	46,716
Total Current Assets	938,043	624,427
Total Assets	1,018,899	697,616
Current Liabilities		
Trade payables	22,383	120,597
Accrued expenses	321,718	142,203
Tax payable	26,404	-
Amounts due to related parties	3,344	2,154
Total Current Liabilities	373,849	264,954
Non-current liabilities		
Deferred tax liability	-	1,539
Lease liability	35,040	35,239
Total Non-current Liabilities	35,040	36,778
Share Capital and reserves		
Paid up ordinary share capital	38,500	38,500
Share premium	137,030	137,030
Revenue reserves	434,146	219,913
Revaluation reserve	334	(441)
Total Shareholders' funds	610,010	395,884
Total Equity and Liabilities	1,018,899	697,616

C) OTHER DISCLOSURES		
1. Capital strength		
a. Paid up capital	175,530	175,530
b. Minimum capital required	10,000	10,000
(a-b) Excess	165,530	165,530
2. Shareholders' funds		
a. Total shareholders' funds	610,010	395,884
b. Minimum shareholders' funds required	10,000	10,000
(a-b) Excess	600,010	385,884
3. Liquidity		
a. Liquid Capital	421,883	228,442
b. Minimum liquid capital required (the higher of Kshs 5M and 8% Liabilities)	29,908	21,320
(a-b) Excess	391,975	207,122
4. Clients Funds		
a. Total clients' creditors	-	-
b. Total clients' cash and bank balances	-	-
c. Excess/Deficiency	-	-

The above are extracts of the company's unaudited financial statements as at 30th June 2025.

J.D. Stichbury,
Managing Director & Chief Executive

SANLAM UNIT TRUST FUNDS UNAUDITED FINANCIALS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

Statement of Profit or Loss and other Comprehensive Income	Sanlam Money Market Fund		Sanlam Fixed Income Fund		Sanlam Balanced Fund		Sanlam USD Fixed Income Fund	
	30 Jun 2025	30 Jun 2024	30 Jun 2025	30 Jun 2024	30 Jun 2025	30 Jun 2024	30 Jun 2025	30 Jun 2024
Income								
Investment income	4,691,721	1,995,782	3,221	2,262	2,609	1,946	4,829	1,240
Fair value gain	-	-	2,143	398	2,393	176	-	-
Total income	4,691,721	1,995,782	5,364	2,660	5,002	2,122	4,829	1,240
Expenses								
Operating expenses	(823,212)	(223,665)	(723)	(565)	(547)	(458)	(1,378)	(330)
Profit before taxation	3,868,509	1,772,117	4,641	2,095	4,455	1,664	3,451	910
Income tax expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Profit for the period	3,868,509	1,772,117	4,641	2,095	4,455	1,664	3,451	910
Statement of Financial Position								
Assets								
Investments	92,710,667	31,476,239	58,516	31,285	37,512	25,227	160,966	46,950
Total assets	92,710,667	31,476,239	58,516	31,285	37,512	25,227	160,966	46,950
Liabilities								
Accrued expenses	218,436	46,562	475	508	420	385	321	78
Liabilities excluding unit holder balances	218,436	46,562	475	508	420	385	321	78
Unit holder balances	92,492,231	31,429,677	58,041	30,777	37,092	24,842	160,645	46,872
Total liabilities	92,710,667	31,476,239	58,516	31,285	37,512	25,227	160,966	46,950

The above are extracts from the unaudited financial statements as at 30th June 2025.

Politics Meeting identified absence of a technical team as missing link in the MoU

Division in ODM forces Raila to put pressure on Ruto over deal

Aladwa calls for the implementation of the National Dialogue Committee report

BY MOSES NYAMORI

Two factions are said to have emerged in the Orange Democratic Movement (ODM) following the meeting by its top organ on Tuesday.

Sources in the Central Management Committee (CMC) meeting say top officials were split over the party's backing of the broad-based arrangement between ODM leader Raila Odinga and President William Ruto.

The development reportedly made Mr Odinga propose the formation of a technical committee that will review the implementation of the 10-point agenda.

Mr Odinga is piling pressure on Dr Ruto to protect the right to peaceful assembly and protests, compensate pending claims and protect the rule of law and constitutionalism.

Implementing these demands is likely to cement the deal or rock it ahead of the General Election in 2027.

During the meeting, National Assembly Minority Leader Junet Mohamed, ODM Chairperson and Homa Bay Governor Gladys Wanga, Youth League President John Ketora and Women League President Beth Syengo are said to have taken a strong position in supporting President Ruto and the government.

ODM Secretary-General Edwin Sifuna, who has criticised the deal, is said to have received the backing of the two Deputy Party Leaders – Godfrey Osotsi (Vihiga Senator) and Abdulwamad Nassir (Mombasa Governor) – as well as National Treasurer Timothy Bosire against the onslaught by other officials who were demanding Mr Sifuna's removal from the position.

The meeting questioned Dr Ruto's commitment in implementing the 10-point agenda that was signed in March.

In January, Mr Bosire rejected President Ruto's appointment as non-executive chairperson of the National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA).

Kisumu Governor Anyang Nyong'o is said to have taken a neutral ground, calling out both sides for extreme positions. The sources said Prof called out ODM officials who have started campaigning for President Ruto's re-election.

"While members arrived here with different viewpoints on many issues in the party and the country, the committee brokered an unbreakable unity of purpose and a single-minded focus on ensuring that ODM continues to be a loyal servant of the people and the country," the party later said in a



Front row: Mr Raila Odinga, Nairobi Senator Edwin Sifuna and Homa Bay Governor Gladys Wanga after the meeting on Tuesday. POOL | NATION

statement read by Mr Sifuna.

An official who spoke to the *Daily Nation* off record said the meeting opened a space for members to audit and question President Ruto's commitment to the 10-point agenda.

"If the proposed task force comes up with a report and the United Democratic Alliance (UDA) side declines to implement it, we will conclude that they are not committed to the MoU," the official said.

"Some of the issues, like compensation, ending abductions and police brutality are complex and have political implications. It would be a win for ODM if they are implemented as they touch the common person."

"For UDA, compensating victims of police brutality would be an admission to the killings and injuries that took place during the anti-government demonstrations."

Another official said colleagues took firm positions without being adversarial during the meeting that lasted several hours.

"There was a feeling that the secretary-general was causing confusion. Some at the meeting were of the view that there would be chaos in ODM if every official were to give personal opinions over party matters," the official said.

"Members, however, raised concerns with continued violation of rights and the arrests and abductions of people perceived to be critical of the regime. There was a feeling that as much as most of the agenda were yet to be fully implemented, there is progress."

As one of the supporters of the broad-based government, Makadara MP George Aladwa – who doubles up as ODM Nairobi Branch chairperson – called on the party to speed up the formation of a technical committee

that will work with UDA in addressing issues raised by party members and the public.

It follows resolutions from the Tuesday meeting over concerns raised about commitment to the broad-based government.

The Makadara lawmaker also called for the implementation of the National Dialogue Committee (Nadco) report, "which is expected to go a long way in promoting and protecting the rule of law and constitutionalism, fight corruption and stop wastage of public resources".

"We concur with the party support and call for an inter-generational national conclave to deliberate on the issues affecting the nation, with focus on youth agenda," Mr Aladwa said.

Mr Odinga has found himself attempting to manage the ODM factions.

How he manages the division will have a bearing on the future of the party and its influence going into the elections in 2027.

A team led by Mr Sifuna that is going around the country is attracting young UDA and ODM politicians.

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ODM official



These leaders have also launched an economic empowerment drive designed to counter a similar movement spearheaded by Deputy President Kithure Kindiki.

Faces in the nascent team include Mr Osotsi, Embakasi East MP Babu Owino (ODM), Mr Mohammed Ali (Nyali, UDA), Mr Timothy Wanyonyi (Westlands, ODM), Mr Anthony Kibagendi (Kitutu Chache, ODM) and Mr Caleb Amisi (Saboti, ODM).

Mr Odinga has in recent weeks appeared to be struggling to push for the implementation of some of the commitments.

He faces an uphill task in the effort to secure compensation for victims of police brutality. Most of the victims during the 2023 anti-government protests were his supporters.

The Tuesday meeting identified the absence of a technical team as the missing link in implementing the document.

"ODM will constitute a technical team to work with UDA as part of the infrastructure to assist with the implementation of the agreement," the party said.

"Of great concern is the full implementation of the Nadco report, promotion and protection of livelihoods of young people, the right to peaceful assembly and protests, the rule of law and constitutionalism, fighting corruption and wastage of resources."

During Madaraka Day celebrations in Homa Bay County last month, President Ruto did not react to a request by Mr Odinga to compensate victims of police brutality.

"An apology is a good first step. But what about the lives lost? The government must compensate the bereaved and the injured to help the nation heal and move in unity and peace," Mr Odinga said.

According to Machakos Deputy Governor Francis Mwangangi, ODM has in the past enjoyed massive backing because of championing human rights and devolution.

He said the Kenya Kwanza regime could refuse to implement some of the agreements to deny ODM an opportunity of taking credit.

"I think there is a feeling by the government that Mr Odinga's allies have benefited from state appointments and, therefore, have no ground to push the government on the commitments," Mr Mwangangi said.

He added that some of the issues ODM stands for are not in the interest of Kenya Kwanza, saying the President seems more interested in stifling devolution so that leaders continue kneeling for projects at State House.

"UDA is deliberately frustrating their implementation and denying ODM the bragging rights. If the agreements did not have timelines, I advise ODM to go back to the drawing board and agree on when every item should be implemented," he said.

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Senator Gloria Orwoba at Parliament buildings on April 8, 2024. FILE | NATION

UDA urges court to strike out Orwoba's ouster petition

BY JOSEPH WANGUI

The United Democratic Alliance (UDA) says Nominated Senator Gloria Orwoba is abusing the court process to stall the resolution to part ways with her.

The party wants the High Court to strike out a petition that is challenging her expulsion, a move that could pave the way for full implementation of UDA's resolution to replace her in the Senate.

Through its lawyer Adrian Kamotho, the ruling party says Ms Orwoba initiated proceedings at the Political Parties Disputes Tribunal over the same matter.

"We have filed an application to strike out the petition for incompetence. We have raised the issue of abuse of the court process, which is evidenced by the barrage of applications filed by the petitioner. She lodged parallel proceedings at the tribunal around the same time the petition was filed in this court," Dr Kamotho said.

The petition was filed in May after UDA initiated disciplinary proceedings against Ms Orwoba for reportedly shifting allegiance to another political movement.

She was accused of breaching the UDA Code of Conduct by attending the homecoming ceremony of former Interior Cabinet Secretary Fred Matiang'i and criticising President William Ruto's labour mobility programme.

The party then resolved to expel her, a decision that was ratified by Senate Speaker Amason Kingi, who declared her seat vacant.

UDA nominated Ms Consolata Wabwire Wakwabubi to replace Ms Orwoba. However, the High Court halted the expulsion through an interim order.

When the petition was called for mention yesterday, Dr Kamotho said the three-month timeline for determining the complaint at the tribunal is to end on August 20.

He added that there is a possibility of the High Court being embarrassed with two similar cases.

"We are staring at a situation this court will be seized with this matter, based on its original jurisdiction and possibly on appellate jurisdiction. To avoid that conundrum, we have filed the application to strike out the petition since the petitioner is exercising her right to access a judicial forum at the tribunal. We state that the petitioner came to this court with misleading information," Dr Kamotho said.

Ms Orwoba's lawyer Moses Mabeya denied the allegations. The judge granted him two days to file his submissions.

National News

Ignominy Civicus Monitor, a global human rights and civic freedoms watchdog, has added Kenya to its watch list

Protest killings put Kenya on list of shame

The State has been criticised for its brutal clampdown on dissent

BY ERIC MATARA

Kenya has been added to the list of 51 countries worldwide with worsening conditions for civic freedoms and human rights. It's among six others who have recently been included in the list of shame.

The others are El Salvador, Indonesia, Turkey, Serbia, and the United States of America.

The development comes weeks after the June 25 and July 7 protests, in which more than 60 people were killed and hundreds left nursing injuries.

Civicus Monitor, a global human rights and civic freedoms watchdog that tracks the state of civic freedoms—expression, association, and peaceful assembly—across 198 countries, has added Kenya to its watch-list following what it describes as “a disturbing escalation in State-led suppression of civic freedoms.”

In a statement on Wednesday, Civicus Monitor said that, more than a year after the June 25, 2024 protests against the Finance Bill, the Kenyan government continues to employ brutal tactics to silence dissent, including lethal force, arbitrary arrests, and digital surveillance.

“Civicus Monitor rates Kenya as ‘repressed,’ the second-worst rating a country can receive, indicating severe restrictions on the freedoms of expression, peaceful assembly, and association,” said Civicus Civic Space Research Lead Ine Van Severen.

Civicus Monitor is a global alliance of civil society organisations and activists, with over 15,000 members in 175 countries.

Its civil society members include Amnesty International, Oxfam, Greenpeace, Plan International, and Save the Children.

It draws data from over 20 partner organisations, using a rating system that classifies countries from ‘open’ to ‘closed.’ Kenya is rated as ‘closed,’ the worst rating a country can receive.

According to the watchdog, on June 25, 2025, thousands of Kenyans poured into the streets. However, instead of engaging



Demonstrators pour into the streets in Free Area, Nakuru, on July 7, 2025 to mark Saba Saba Day. BONIFACE MWANGI | NATION

with citizens’ concerns, the government responded with brutal force.

The events were documented in a recent Civicus Monitor re-

port titled “Police bullets, digital chains: State-sanctioned brutality in Kenya’s peaceful youth-led uprising.”

“At least 65 protesters were

State-sponsored goons operated alongside masked, plain-clothes security officers in unmarked vehicles.

Civicus Monitor



killed, hundreds injured, and over 1,500 arrested. There were reports of rape and gang rape, allegedly perpetrated by state-sponsored goons deployed to infiltrate protests, attack demonstrators, and loot businesses,” the statement read.

“State-sponsored goons operated alongside masked, plain-clothes security officers in unmarked vehicles—a practice explicitly barred by court order but still widely used,” the statement further noted.

Civicus Monitor faulted the State for its use of “terrorism charges” to criminalise dissent.

“The use of terrorism charges

against peaceful protesters raises serious concerns about the weaponisation of the legal system to criminalise dissent. Allegations that much of the violence was instigated by state-backed actors further underscore the systematic nature of repression. The Kenyan government has turned its back on the rights of the people,” stated Van Severen.

Civicus Monitor also cited the recent murder of teacher and activist Albert Ojwang at the Nairobi Central Police Station, saying Kenya has begun imposing restrictions on the use of digital space, further suppressing freedom of expression.

The human rights watchdog further urged lawmakers to reject a push by the State to introduce a law that threatens to entrench mass surveillance.

It said civil society groups fear a January 2025 directive requiring social media companies to establish physical offices in Kenya—issued amid rising online criticism of President William Ruto—could be a veiled attempt to undermine digital rights under the guise of national security.

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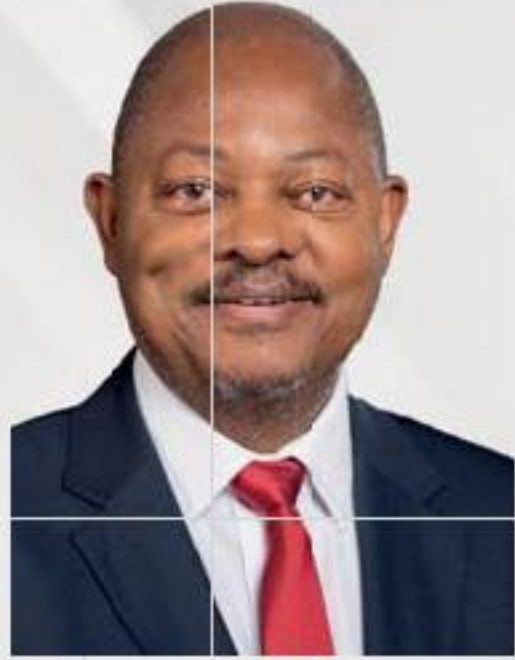
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East African Breweries PLC

CONDENSED AUDITED RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 2025



The Board of Directors of East African Breweries PLC (EABL) is pleased to announce its audited results for the year ended 30th June 2025



Our business continued to demonstrate resilience and strategic focus against a backdrop of mixed macroeconomic conditions across the region. While the broader East African economy showed signs of recovery and relative stability, external pressures persisted marked by shrinking disposable income and rising input costs.

Despite these challenges, EABL delivered a solid performance, anchored on strong strategy execution. Revenue grew 4% to Kshs 128.8 billion and profit after tax grew 12% to Kshs 12.2 billion.

The EABL Board has declared a final dividend of Kshs 5.50 per share, bringing the total dividend to Kshs 8.00 per share, 14.3% above last year.

The Board remains committed to guiding the company with a focus on long-term value creation. We remain prudent and optimistic about the growth prospects for our business.

Dr. Martin Oduor-Otieno – Group Chairman



EABL delivered a strong set of results marked by topline growth and double-digit profit expansion. All our markets recorded growth, fortifying our business position across the region.

During the year, we remained focused executing on our strategy, setting the right foundation for the results achieved and for sustainable long-term growth. We continue to invest in our brands, so they remain relevant for today's consumers, and to broaden our portfolio to cater for a greater variety of occasions. This strong portfolio supported by brilliant commercial execution is key to our continued growth and profitability.

Further, we continued to make progress on our long-term Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) goals, prioritized a people first culture and drove innovations and productivity across the business to mitigate inflation.

I am deeply grateful to our people, the Board, shareholders, consumers, customers, suppliers and other partners for their unwavering support and commitment.

Ms. Jane Karuku – Group MD & CEO

Net Sales
Kshs 128.8 bn
+4% vs LY

Profit After Tax
Kshs 12.2 bn
+12% vs LY

Total Dividend Per Share
Kshs 8.00
+14% vs LY

Condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year ended:

	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-24
	Kshs 'M	Kshs 'M
Net revenue	128,791	124,131
Cost of sales	(74,713)	(70,483)
Gross profit	54,078	53,648
Operating costs	(29,220)	(24,830)
Foreign exchange gains / (losses)	313	(3,921)
Earnings Before Interest and Taxes	25,171	24,897
Net finance costs	(5,859)	(8,126)
Profit before income tax	19,312	16,771
Income tax expense	(7,114)	(5,901)
Profit for the year	12,198	10,870
Other comprehensive income	515	(3,959)
Total comprehensive income	12,713	6,911
Basic earnings per share	11.97	10.30

Condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity

	Share capital & share premium	Other reserves	Retained earnings	Proposed dividends	Non-controlling interest	Total
	Kshs 'M	Kshs 'M	Kshs 'M	Kshs 'M	Kshs 'M	Kshs 'M
At 30 June 2023 & 1 July 2023	3,273	2,569	14,186	1,384	10,332	31,744
Total comprehensive income	-	(3,870)	8,146	-	2,635	6,911
Employees share based ownership plan	-	253	-	-	-	253
Dividends:						
- Final for 2023	-	-	-	(1,384)	(1)	(1,385)
- Interim for 2024	-	-	(791)	-	-	(791)
- Proposed final for 2024	-	-	(4,745)	4,745	-	-
At 30 June 2024 & 1 July 2024	3,273	(1,048)	16,796	4,745	12,966	36,732
Total comprehensive income	-	510	9,477	-	2,726	12,713
Employees share based ownership plan	-	64	-	-	-	64
Dividends:						
- Final for 2024	-	-	-	(4,745)	(500)	(5,245)
- Interim for 2025	-	-	(1,977)	-	-	(1,977)
- Proposed final for 2025	-	-	(4,349)	4,349	-	-
At 30 June 2025	3,273	(474)	19,947	4,349	15,192	42,287

Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the year ended:

	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-24
	Kshs 'M	Kshs 'M
Cash generated from operations	35,651	34,615
Net interest paid	(5,859)	(8,031)
Income tax	(6,025)	(4,486)
Net cash generated from operating activities	23,767	22,098
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(6,441)	(7,236)
Other investing activities	(39)	(24)
Net cash used in investing activities	(6,480)	(7,260)
Dividends paid	(6,830)	(2,176)
Net movement in borrowings	(8,817)	(9,709)
Net cash used in financing activities	(15,647)	(11,885)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	1,640	2,953
At start of the year	10,815	9,043
Foreign exchange impact of translation	289	(1,181)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	1,640	2,953
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	12,744	10,815

Condensed consolidated statement of financial position as at:

	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-24
	Kshs 'M	Kshs 'M
Share capital and share premium	3,273	3,273
Retained earnings	19,947	16,796
Other reserves	(474)	(1,048)
Proposed dividend	4,349	4,745
Non-controlling interests	15,192	12,966
Total equity	42,287	36,732
Borrowings	36,885	43,290
Other non-current liabilities	8,124	8,085
Non-current liabilities	45,009	51,375
Total equity and non-current liabilities	87,296	88,107
Property, plant and equipment	75,563	75,935
Other non-current assets	6,875	6,738
Non-current assets	82,438	82,673
Inventories	15,871	12,630
Trade and other receivables	16,497	12,650
Cash and bank balances	12,745	11,716
Other current assets	3,539	4,577
Current assets	48,652	41,573
Trade and other payables	37,597	28,354
Borrowings	5,405	6,376
Bank overdraft	1	901
Other current liabilities	791	508
Current liabilities	43,794	36,139
Net current assets	4,858	5,434
	87,296	88,107

Operating Environment

The macroeconomic environment across the region remained stable, with steady economic growth recorded. In Kenya, interest rates declined while the Kenya Shilling appreciated against major currencies, reversing the depreciation experienced in the prior year. In Tanzania, interest rates remained stable while the currency depreciated against major currencies. Uganda remained largely stable.

The business continued to navigate external pressures, including proliferation of illicit alcohol, sustained input cost inflation and declining consumer spending driven by reduced disposable income. These factors underscore the need for stronger regulatory enforcement and collaborative action to safeguard consumers and legitimate players within the sector.

Business Review

- Net revenue grew 4% to Kshs 128.8 billion while volume grew 2% as both beer and spirits registered growth across markets.
- Profit after tax grew 12% to Kshs 12.2 billion, driven by topline growth, foreign exchange gains and lower finance costs realized through reduction of both debt and interest rates. These offset the impact of one-off costs during the year.
- Cash and cash equivalents of Kshs 12.7 billion increased by Kshs 1.9 billion, driven by revenue growth and lower cost of debt.
- Total debt (including overdraft) reduced by Kshs 8.3 billion contributing to lower finance costs.

Looking Ahead

We remain focused on executing our strategy with discipline to continue building on the underlying growth momentum and deliver long-term sustainable growth.

Dividend

The Board of Directors recommend a final dividend of Kshs 5.50 per share subject to withholding tax. This dividend is scheduled for payment on or about 28th October 2025 to shareholders who are duly registered at the close of business on 16th September 2025. If approved, the total dividend for the year will amount to Kshs 8.00 per share (FY 2024: Kshs 7.00).

By order of the Board

Ms. Angela Namwakira

Group Company Secretary

Date: 30 July 2025

National News

Bilateral ties Museveni likens region's dysfunction to a disorganised house with scattered rooms

Ruto, Museveni raise concerns over trade restrictions in region

The two leaders have admitted that there is reluctance by partners to open up markets to each other

BY KEVIN CHERUIYOT

President William Ruto and his visiting Ugandan counterpart Yoweri Museveni have admitted that trade restrictions among East African Community (EAC) partner states are undermining the region's economic progress.

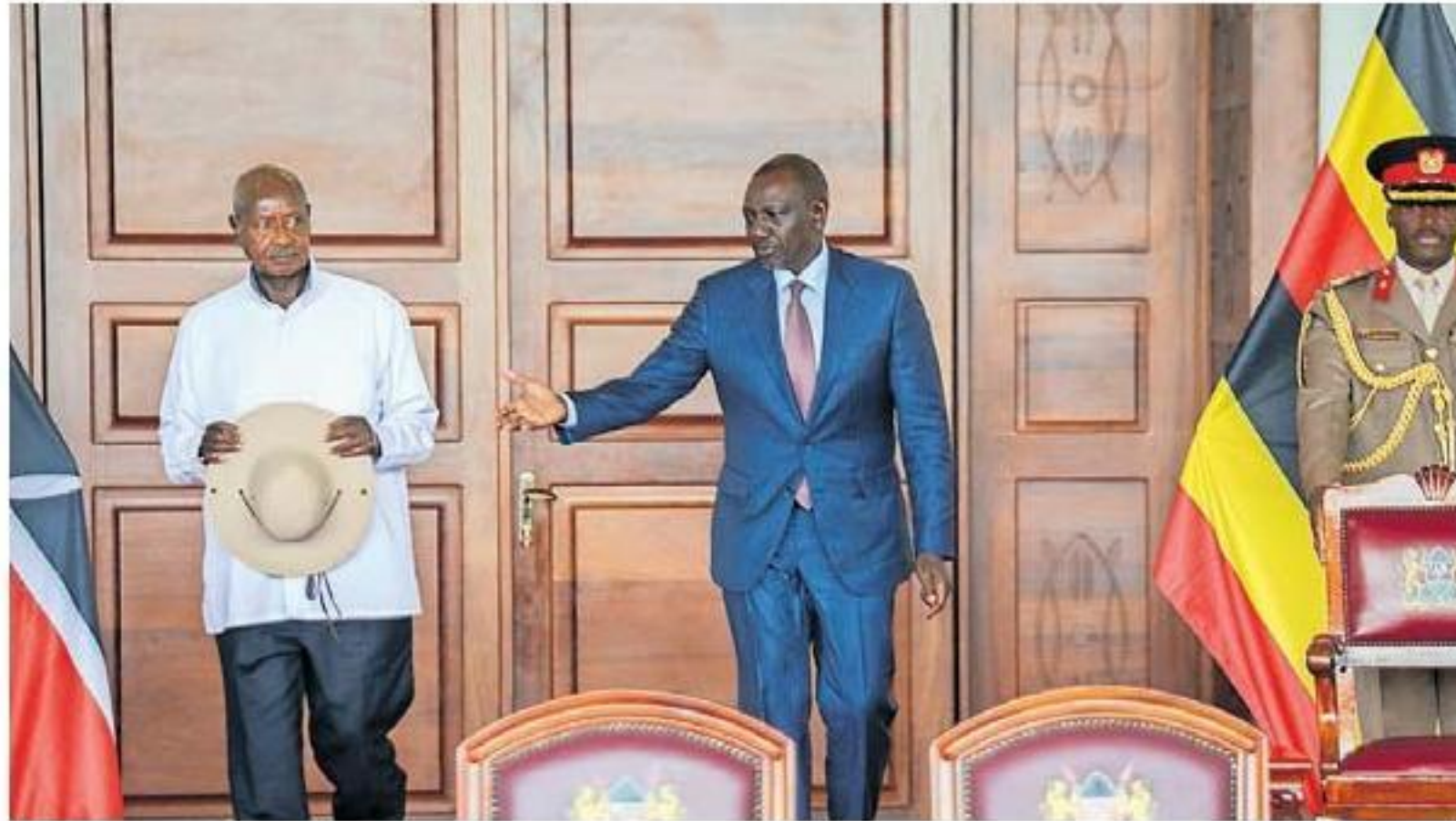
In a joint press statement yesterday at State House, Nairobi, the two leaders expressed concern over the reluctance by member states to open their markets to one another, condemning each country to a cycle of barriers.

The leaders met in Nairobi to discuss various issues, including trade, security, and regional peace. Their meeting came amid a rise in non-tariff barriers (NTBs) in a region where trade potential is considered to be performing nearly three times below its capacity.

President Museveni said the region must "wake up" and make "rational" decisions about trade and the economy. He was expected to give a public lecture at Kenya's National Defence College.

President Ruto said their discussions focused on "persistent non-tariff barriers that hinder the flow of goods and frustrate the objectives of regional integration under the EAC framework."

While neither leader mentioned specific countries, the meeting followed Tanzania's controversial move to ban foreigners from engaging in 15 economic activities generally considered "small businesses". Dodoma defended the move as a protectionist measure for locals, even though Tanzanian nationals enjoy the same rights in oth-



President William Ruto (right) with his Ugandan counterpart, Yoweri Museveni, at State House, Nairobi, yesterday. DENNIS ONSONGO | NATION

er EAC member states. Stakeholders in the private sector criticised the ban. Tanzania also reinstated an industrial levy on goods produced within the EAC, a move seen as a breach of the common external tariff designed to protect regional industries and encourage growth.

In Nairobi, President Museveni likened the region's dysfunction to a disorganised house with rooms scattered across different countries.

"You have countries like Uganda with no access to the ocean - South Sudan, Rwanda, Burundi, the Central African Republic, Chad... even Ethiopia, that big country, has no access to the sea. And people are not working to solve that. They are content. And you are president, minister... what are you ministering about?"

he posed during the press briefing.

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President Yoweri Museveni



that.

"When you produce goods and services, the next question is: who buys? If you don't answer that, and you are a leader... the future is very bleak. I am glad the region is waking up.

"How can you have a sitting room in one country, a bedroom in another, and a kitchen in yet another? How can we have such an arrangement?"

This was the first bilateral meeting in Nairobi this year between the two Heads of State, who have also clashed on trade issues including milk and poultry.

"The East African Community continues to demonstrate its potential as a model for regional integration. We emphasise the centrality of unity, economic convergence, and shared prosperity as guiding principles for deeper in-

tegration," President Ruto stated.

According to the EAC Secretariat, intra-regional trade has been growing steadily, though it continues to grapple with NTBs. In 2024, the EAC's total trade with the rest of the world rose by 14.17 per cent to \$124.9 billion, up from \$109.4 billion. Trade among member states also increased by 9.35 per cent to reach \$15.2 billion, accounting for 12.17 per cent of total trade volume.

However, experts at the East African Business Council argue that this figure could reach as high as 60 per cent if partner states fully implemented their agreements on the common external tariff and non-tariff barriers.

National interests

For instance, of the eight EAC member states, four that have so far passed their budgets for the next financial year have de-emphasised regional CET agreements, prioritising national interests instead.

In early July, the Council noted that resolving CET issues and eliminating NTBs could unlock \$63.4 billion in regional trade.

At State House, the two presidents called for the barriers to be resolved in a principled, practical, and timely manner due to their direct impact on livelihoods, particularly for farmers and small-scale traders.

President Ruto said a Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC) is scheduled to hold its mid-term review in October this year, which will be critical in addressing issues affecting cross-border trade. The JMC is a formal technical committee responsible for resolving bilateral trade disputes.

Security

High Court declines to suspend shoot-to-kill directive

BY JOSEPH WANGUI

The High Court has declined to issue an order barring police from implementing a controversial directive by Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen calling for the use of lethal force on violent protesters approaching police stations.

Justice Lawrence Mugambi found no evidence that police were acting on the alleged shoot-to-kill order issued by the CS during recent anti-government protests.

The court ruled that, in the absence of proof showing police had complied with the directive, granting a conservatory order would be futile.

"If we were to give orders, then we need evidence the police were executing the directives. Police are guided by statute, which outlines who is in charge of operations, and by the Constitution, which defines the functions of the Cabinet Secretary. Is there evidence the directives are being implemented?" asked the judge as he declined the application for conservatory orders by a lawyer's lobby group known as the Gema Watho Association.

He added: "The court cannot make orders in vain; it can only issue orders to stop a violation or an intended violation."

The judge also noted that the court had yet to hear from the National Police Service regarding their position on Mr Murkomen's directive.

In their application, the lobby group warned that the contested directive posed a threat to the Bill of Rights and that its implementation needed to be blocked.

The group argued that the CS's alleged inflammatory remarks, if left unchecked, could incite excessive police force against civilians.

The case was filed after the CS was quoted during a public meeting in Kikuyu town telling police to open fire on anyone who came near a police station and to defend themselves.



Justice Lawrence Mugambi.

Why off-duty misconduct could cost you a public job

BY PHILIP MUYANGA

A public officer is not immune from disciplinary action by their employer for unethical conduct or breach of integrity committed in private, a court has ruled.

The Employment and Labour Relations Court (ELRC) found that a public officer is bound by constitutional obligations to uphold ethics and integrity at all times - whether acting in their official capacity or in private life.

Justice Onesmus Makau, sitting in Nyeri, stated that "the constitutional reality must begin to dawn upon every public officer, in any rank of the public service, that they cannot be the devil in their private life and an angel while on public duty".

He made the determination in a case involving Mr James Irungu, an assistant accountant at Murang'a University of Technology (MUT), whose conduct while off-duty was found to have contravened the Constitution, the Leadership and Integrity Act, and the University's HR Policy on Staff Code of Conduct and Ethics.

"That duality in character demeans the public office they hold and exposes the state organ they serve to ridicule," ruled the judge on July 23.

Justice Makau said the violations amounted to valid grounds for Mr Irungu's dismissal. He was sacked on November 21, 2023 for misconduct related to his tenure as treasurer and later chairman of the Murang'a University Staff Sacco, the

court heard.

Mr Irungu challenged his dismissal at the ELRC, seeking a declaration that it was unfair, wrongful and unlawful. The court noted that he was accused by colleagues of abuse of office, mismanagement of the staff Sacco, and failure to service Sacco loans, among other unethical actions.

"There is no dispute that public entities investigated the allegations against the claimant and found them to be true," said

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the judge.

An inspection report by the Commissioner of Co-operatives was presented at the Sacco's Annual General Meeting in Mr Irungu's presence and was unanimously adopted. Justice Makau said the report recommended that Mr Irungu should not hold any office in the Sacco due to abuse of office, financial mismanagement, and failure to safeguard members' interests.

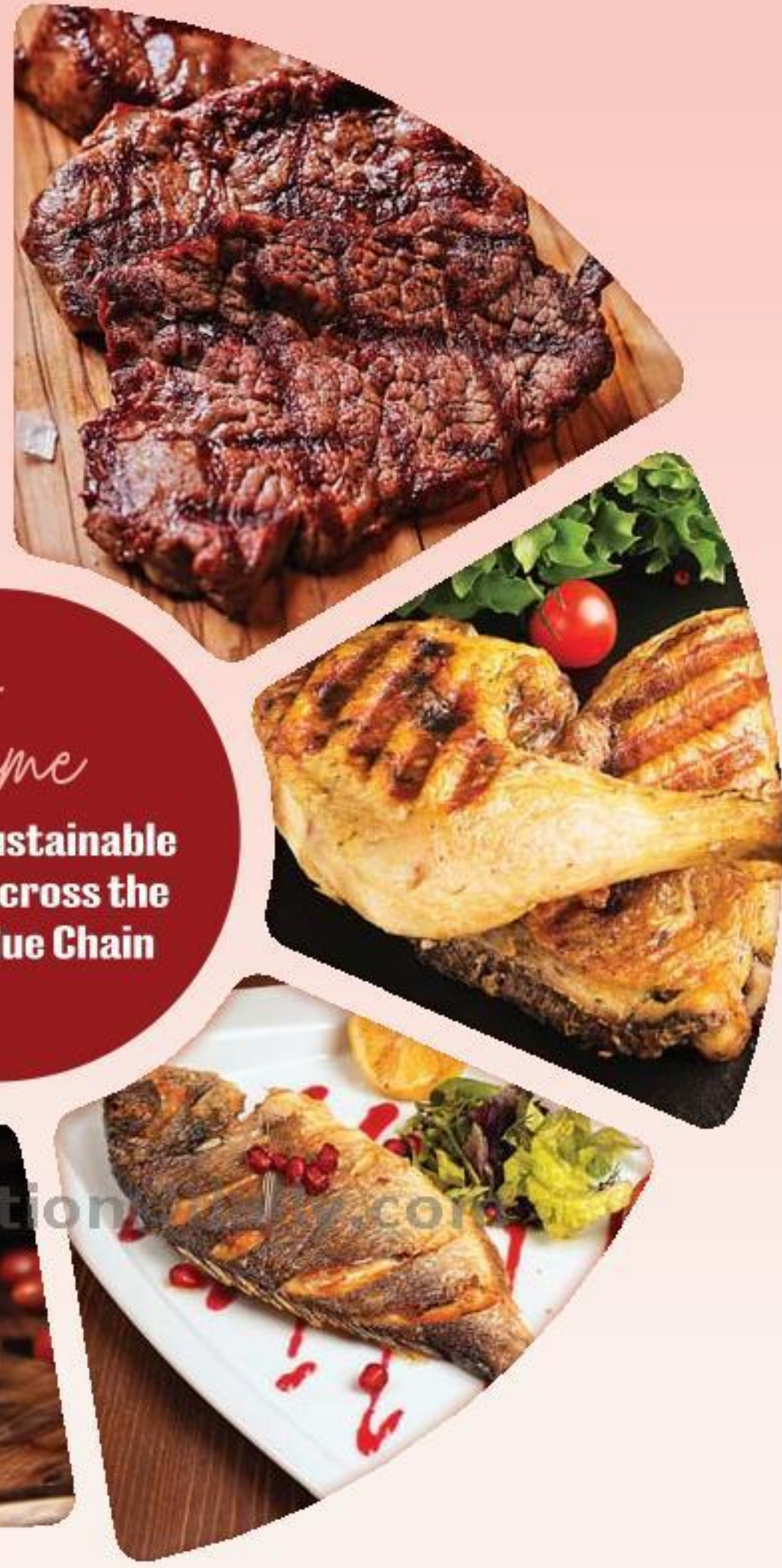
"The claimant never challenged the inspection report as provided for by law. I find that the respondent (MUT) has demonstrated it had the mandate to take disciplinary action against him for violating the Constitution, the Leadership and Integrity Act, and Schedule 3 of the University HR Policy Manual," ruled the judge.

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The County Government of Tharaka Nithi invites Applications for Registration of Suppliers for the Supply, Delivery and Provision of the following Goods, Works and Services to various County Government Ministries/ Departments and Public Institutions within the County for the Financial years 2025/2026 and 2026/2027 on a "as and when required basis"

CATEGORY A: REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS FOR SUPPLY OF GOODS			
NO.	TENDER NO.	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBLE CATEGORY
1.	TNCG/P/01/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF STATIONERY	OPEN
2.	TNCG/P/02/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF PHARMACEUTICALS	OPEN
3.	TNCG/P/03/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF NON-PHARMACEUTICAL AND DRESSING MATERIALS	OPEN
4.	TNCG/P/04/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF X-RAY, DENTAL EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES	OPEN
5.	TNCG/P/05/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF LAB REAGENTS AND MORGUE CHEMICALS	OPEN
6.	TNCG/P/06/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF PERISHABLE AND NON-PERISHABLE FOOD STUFF	W
7.	TNCG/P/07/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF CLEANING MATERIALS, DETERGENTS & DISINFECTANTS	PLWDS
8.	TNCG/P/08/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF BUILDING MATERIALS AND HARDWARE SUPPLIES	OPEN
9.	TNCG/P/09/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ELECTRICAL ITEMS	OPEN
10.	TNCG/P/10/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF UPVC, GI PIPES AND FITTINGS	OPEN
11.	TNCG/P/11/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF BALLS, SPORTS EQUIPMENT AND SPORTS UNIFORMS	OPEN
12.	TNCG/P/12/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF RENAL COMMODITIES	OPEN
13.	TNCG/P/13/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF GENUINE TIRES, TUBES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTOR CYCLES	OPEN
14.	TNCG/P/14/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF HOSPITAL LINENS, BEDDINGS & PATIENTS UNIFORM	OPEN
15.	TNCG/P/15/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF STEEL CABINET AND FIREPROOF CABINET	OPEN
16.	TNCG/P/16/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF POLYTECHNIC TRAINING AND LEARNING MATERIALS	OPEN
17.	TNCG/P/17/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF INDIGENOUS TREES AND ASSORTED SEEDLINGS	OPEN
18.	TNCG/P/18/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF FISH FEEDS AND FISH FARMING INPUTS	OPEN
19.	TNCG/P/19/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF FINGERLINGS AND BROODERS	OPEN
20.	TNCG/P/20/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF FERTILIZERS AND ASSORTED AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS	OPEN
21.	TNCG/P/21/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ECDE TEACHING AND LEARNING MATERIALS	OPEN
22.	TNCG/P/22/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF CERTIFIED AGRICULTURAL SEEDS AND RELATED ITEMS	OPEN
23.	TNCG/P/23/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF CHICKEN BREEDING STOCK AND INCUBATORS	OPEN
24.	TNCG/P/24/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF BEEHIVES AND BEE KEEPING EQUIPMENT	OPEN
25.	TNCG/P/25/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF GENUINE MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS AND BATTERIES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES/CYCLES	OPEN
26.	TNCG/P/26/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF TIMBER AND TIMBER PRODUCTS	OPEN
27.	TNCG/P/27/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF PHOTOCOPIERS, COMPUTERS, PRINTERS, PROJECTORS, LAPTOPS, UPS AND OTHER RELATED ICT MACHINES AND THEIR CONSUMABLES	Y
28.	TNCG/P/28/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF VETERINARY DRUGS AND VACCINES	OPEN
29.	TNCG/P/29/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF PABX AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT	OPEN
30.	TNCG/P/30/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF BOTTLED WATER AND OTHER REFRESHMENTS	OPEN
31.	TNCG/P/31/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF PETROLEUM, OILS, LUBRICANTS, COOKING GAS AND NON-REFINED FUELS (RENEWABLE COOKING PELLETS)	OPEN
32.	TNCG/P/32/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF LABORATORY MATERIALS (AGRICULTURAL)	OPEN
33.	TNCG/P/33/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS AND SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS	OPEN
34.	TNCG/P/34/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MEDICAL GASES AND INDUSTRIAL GASES	OPEN
35.	TNCG/P/35/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT	OPEN
36.	TNCG/P/36/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF NEWSPAPERS AND OTHER PERIODICALS	OPEN
37.	TNCG/P/37/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SURVEYING TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT	OPEN
38.	TNCG/P/38/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF PHYSIOTHERAPY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AND ORTHOPEDIC EQUIPMENT AND ITEMS	OPEN
39.	TNCG/P/39/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF OFFICE FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT	OPEN
40.	TNCG/P/40/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF PRINTED ACCOUNTABLE DOCUMENTS	OPEN
41.	TNCG/P/41/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF WATER DRILLING MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES	OPEN
42.	TNCG/P/42/2025/2026-2026/2027	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY AND OTHER RELATED FARM INPUTS	OPEN
CATEGORY B: REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS FOR PROVISION OF SERVICES:			
43.	TNCG/P/43/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF HOTEL SERVICES, ACCOMMODATION AND OTHER CONFERENCE MATERIALS.	OPEN
44.	TNCG/P/44/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE SERVICES	OPEN
45.	TNCG/P/45/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF GENERAL INSURANCE SERVICES	OPEN
46.	TNCG/P/46/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF ARCHITECTURAL AND INTERIOR DESIGN SERVICES	OPEN
47.	TNCG/P/47/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF AIR TRAVEL SERVICES AND AIR TICKETING SERVICES	OPEN
48.	TNCG/P/48/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF FUMIGATION AND PEST CONTROL SERVICES	PLWDS
49.	TNCG/P/49/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF BRANDING SERVICES, PRINTING OF T-SHIRTS, CAPS, BANNERS	Y
50.	TNCG/P/50/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF EXHAUSTION SERVICES (FOR SEPTIC TANKS AND PIT LATRINES)	OPEN
51.	TNCG/P/51/2025/2026-2026/2027	REPAIR AND SERVICING OF COMPUTERS, PRINTERS AND PHOTOCOPIERS (OFFICE MACHINES AND EQUIPMENT)	OPEN
52.	TNCG/P/52/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF ROAD MARKINGS AND SIGNAGE	OPEN
53.	TNCG/P/53/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF VIDEOGRAPHY AND PHOTOGRAPHY AND OTHER RELATED SERVICES	Y
54.	TNCG/P/54/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF CATERING SERVICES, HIRE OF TENTS/ CHAIRS/PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM, EVENT ORGANIZERS, PROMOTION, MARKETING	OPEN
55.	TNCG/P/55/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF SECURITY GUARDING SERVICES	OPEN
56.	TNCG/P/56/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF ICT SERVICES (WAN, LAN, INTERNET AND INTER-COM CONNECTION SERVICES)	OPEN
57.	TNCG/P/57/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES	OPEN
58.	TNCG/P/58/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF ASSET VALUATION SERVICES	OPEN
59.	TNCG/P/59/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF LANDSCAPING/ BEAUTIFICATION SERVICES AND LITTER BINS	W
60.	TNCG/P/60/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF SANITARY SERVICES INCLUDING BINS	OPEN
61.	TNCG/P/61/2025/2026-2026/2027	SERVICING AND MAINTENANCE OF FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENTS.	OPEN
62.	TNCG/P/62/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCE CONSULTANCY SERVICES	OPEN
63.	TNCG/P/63/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF AUCTIONEER AND DISPOSAL SERVICES	OPEN
64.	TNCG/P/64/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND DESIGN OF DAMS	OPEN
65.	TNCG/P/65/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING SERVICES	OPEN
66.	TNCG/P/66/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES OF GOVERNMENT MOTOR VEHICLE/ MOTOR CYCLES/STANDBY GENERATORS	OPEN
67.	TNCG/P/67/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY ON EMPLOYEE/ CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SERVICES	OPEN
68.	TNCG/P/68/2025/2026-2026/2027	REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF HANSARD AND AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT	OPEN
69.	TNCG/P/69/2025/2026-2026/2027	REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF OFFICE FURNITURE	Y
70.	TNCG/P/70/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF ASSET IDENTIFICATION AND TAGGING SERVICES	OPEN
71.	TNCG/P/71/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF PUBLIC RELATION SERVICES, MEDIA CONSULTANCY AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES	OPEN
72.	TNCG/P/72/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT SERVICES	OPEN
73.	TNCG/P/73/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF WATER DRILLING SERVICES	OPEN
74.	TNCG/P/74/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF HYDROGEOLOGICAL SURVEYS	OPEN
75.	TNCG/P/75/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY ON PHYSICAL PLANNING SERVICES	OPEN
76.	TNCG/P/76/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF CAR HIRE AND TRANSPORT SERVICES	OPEN
77.	TNCG/P/77/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF CLEARING AND FORWARDING SERVICES	OPEN
78.	TNCG/P/78/2025/2026-2026/2027	PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES INCLUDING INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF FIRE ALARM EQUIPMENT AND SECURITY SYSTEMS INCLUDING CCTV, DOOR ACCESS, METAL DETECTORS AND RELATED ACCESSORIES	OPEN
CATEGORY C: REGISTRATION OF WORKS CONTRACTORS			
79.	TNCG/P/79/2025/2026-2026/2027	REGISTRATION OF WATER WORKS CONTRACTORS	OPEN
80.	TNCG/P/80/2025/2026-2026/2027	REGISTRATION OF MECHANICAL WORKS CONTRACTORS	OPEN
81.	TNCG/P/81/2025/2026-2026/2027	REGISTRATION OF ROADS AND CIVIL WORKS CONTRACTORS	OPEN
82.	TNCG/P/82/2025/2026-2026/2027	REGISTRATION OF BUILDING WORKS CONTRACTORS	OPEN
83.	TNCG/P/83/2025/2026-2026/2027	REGISTRATION OF ELECTRICAL WORKS CONTRACTORS	OPEN
84.	TNCG/P/84/2025/2026-2026/2027	REGISTRATION OF METAL FABRICATION WORKS CONTRACTORS	OPEN
85.	TNCG/P/85/2025/2026-2026/2027	REGISTRATION OF FIRMS FOR INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF STREET LIGHTS AND FLOODLIGHTS	OPEN

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National News

Probe Four in custody after being discharged from hospital

Number of children feared dead in Kilifi cult climbs to eight

Malindi Resident Magistrate allows exhumation at Binzaro homestead

BY MAUREEN ONGALA

The number of children feared dead in the Binzaro cult probe in Kilifi County has risen to eight, investigators have said.

Police and family members said they have established the identity of a man whose body was found in a homestead in Chakama. He had been reported as missing in Busia County together with his two children.

Mr Paul Otieno said yesterday that his brother, Samwel Owino Okello Owuoyo, was from Ndhwa in Homa Bay County. However, he had been staying in Busia with his family before he went missing.

Samwel, who worked as a casual labourer, is said to have left mysteriously during the school mid-term break this month.

"He disappeared from home with his two sons and left behind two daughters. He lied to his wife that he was going to work in Ndhwa," said Mr Otieno.

Brother speaks out

Earlier, a couple that was rescued at the homestead had been declared missing in Siaya County along with their six children. The children are feared dead.

Samwel's disappearance was reported at Busia Police Station, while the case of the Siaya couple — Mr Jairus Otieno and Ms Lilian Akinyi — was reported at the Siaya Police Station.

Samwel's brother, Mr Otieno, said that he travelled to Malindi last week to identify the body after receiving a call from his sister-in-law, who had been informed of her husband's death.

"I went and confirmed that it was him. We want to know how he landed in Malindi because everything is a mystery to me," he added.

On Monday, a Malindi court issued an order for the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) to carry out exhumations at the homestead where the incident occurred. The exercise is intended to establish if bodies were buried there secretly.

Kilifi County Criminal Investigation Officer Robert Kiinge said a team is being put together for the exhumation.

"The exercise requires a set of different people, and we might take about two weeks to plan ourselves. Our court order has an expiry date, and so we want to ensure we begin work before



A house at Binzaro village in Kilifi County which is a potential crime scene in the cult probe. WACHIRA MWANGI/NATION

the deadline," he said.

Over the weekend, forensic detectives marked four spots suspected to be shallow graves.

Mr Kiinge said that they suspect eight bodies may have been buried there. However, there could be more graves, and locals have been urged to report any suspicious sites.

Four frail people who were rescued and admitted to the Malindi Sub-County Hospital have since been discharged. They are now in police custody.

Disagreement

Sources said that Mr Jairus Otieno and Ms Lilian Akinyi were living as outcasts in a makeshift house after being banished from the Binzaro homestead. This follows differences that arose between them and the leadership of the cult.

There was bad blood after reality dawned on the couple that they had lost all their six children. A source said Mr Otieno told the police that his children had been buried in the homestead.

6 Number of children a family said it had lost. The children are suspected to have been buried at Binzaro in Kilifi County.

An affidavit filed in court stated that Mr Otieno had informed the police that all six children were dead.

A source further said that there were several houses at the homestead, but one special one had a single entrance and three rooms. These included a preparation room, and a prayer room "which was the most sacred place where people died". The source said that each person had to "graduate" through every stage.

It is believed that the prayer room had plastic sheets where the dead were wrapped and buried. The preparation for death involved gradually reducing meals to the point where one could survive on water alone. This eventually led to starvation and death.

While allowing the exhumation, Malindi Resident Magistrate Irene Thamara said that it was in the interest of justice, and the application had merit.

"It is clear that in determining the exhumation request, the paramount consideration is the administration of justice. The prosecution believes that if the exhumation orders are guaranteed it will help to ascertain the cause of deaths, which I believe favours truth and justice," she stated in the ruling that was delivered on Tuesday.

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UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

Student Accommodation

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Unaudited 30-Jun-25 KSh's'000	Unaudited 30-Jun-24 KSh's'000
Rental income	157,918	53,072
Dividend income	12,969	16,931
Fair value gains	634,589	354,782
Other Income	-	-
Total Operating Income	805,476	424,785
Administrative expenses	(90,888)	(47,233)
Fund operating expenses	(147,748)	(106,349)
Profit from operation	566,840	271,203
Loss on disposal of subsidiary	-	(11,041)
Finance income	17,462	2,454
Finance costs	(379,301)	(81,203)
Profit before income tax	205,001	181,413
Income tax expense	-	-
Total comprehensive income	205,001	181,413

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

	Unaudited 30-Jun-25 KSh's'000	Audited 31-Dec-24 KSh's'000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets	13,293,723	11,993,616
Current assets	2,821,962	3,366,173
Total Assets	16,115,685	15,359,789
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Unit -Holders' contribution	5,869,713	5,698,098
Retained Earnings	1,846,555	1,641,554
Total - unit holder balances	7,716,268	7,339,652
Non-current liabilities	4,677,438	5,620,452
Current liabilities	3,721,979	2,399,685
Total liabilities	8,399,417	8,020,137
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	16,115,685	15,359,789

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JUNE 2025

	Unaudited 30-Jun-25 KSh's'000	Unaudited 30-Jun-24 KSh's'000
Net cash flows used in operating activities	(404,794)	368,701
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(474,359)	(782,251)
Net cash flows generated from financing activities	322,180	436,616
Net movement in cash and cash equivalents	(556,973)	23,066
Cash and cash equivalents as at start of the year	823,479	196,401
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	266,506	219,467

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN UNIT- HOLDER FUNDS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JUNE 2025

	Unaudited 30-Jun-25 KSh's'000	Unaudited 30-Jun-24 KSh's'000
Equity		
Total Equity at start of year	7,339,652	6,560,875
Additional unit-holders contribution	171,615	6,000
Total Equity	7,511,267	6,566,875
Retained earning		
Total comprehensive profit for the period	205,001	181,413
Assets Replacement Reserves	-	1,241
Dividends paid in the year	-	-
Total retained earnings	205,001	182,654
Total equity as at 30 June	7,716,268	6,749,529

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Unaudited 30-Jun-25 KSh's'000	Unaudited 30-Jun-24 KSh's'000
Rental and related income	524,101	534,234
Other income	267	281
Bargain purchase gain	-	11,041
Total Operating Income	524,368	545,556
Administrative expenses	(178,460)	(188,609)
Other operating expenses	(56,243)	(49,887)
Impairments	3,306	(4,813)
Profit from operation	292,971	302,247
Fair value gain on revaluation of investment property	151,701	49,052
Finance costs	(202,703)	(194,894)
Finance income	9,664	7,654
Profit for the Period	251,633	164,059
Income tax expense	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income for the Period	251,633	164,059

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

	Unaudited 30-Jun-25 KSh's'000	Audited 31-Dec-24 KSh's'000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets	10,733,210	10,581,982
Current assets	606,791	496,174
Total Assets	11,340,001	11,078,156
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Trust Capital	7,346,100	6,975,727
Retained Earnings	177,927	204,282
Fair value reserves	1,093,781	942,080
Total Equity	8,617,808	8,122,089
Current liabilities	2,722,193	2,956,067
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	11,340,001	11,078,156

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JUNE 2025

	Unaudited 30-Jun-25 KSh's'000	Unaudited 30-Jun-24 KSh's'000
Net cash flows generated from operating activities	241,847	316,800
Net cash flows (used in)/from investing activities	9,365	(1,186,915)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(189,494)	745,046
Net movement in cash and cash equivalents	61,718	(125,069)
Cash and cash equivalents as at start of the year	338,851	211,842
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	400,569	86,773

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN UNIT- HOLDER FUNDS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JUNE 2025

	Unaudited 30-Jun-25 KSh's'000	Unaudited 30-Jun-24 KSh's'000
Trust Capital		
Total Equity at start of year	8,122,088	7,377,537
Proceeds from issuance of Units	370,375	39,450
Total trust capital	8,492,463	7,416,987
Retained earning		
Total comprehensive income for the period	251,633	164,058
Assets Replacement Reserves	-	7,208
Dividends paid in the year	(126,288)	(152,859)
Total retained earnings	125,345	18,407
Total equity as at 30 June	8,617,808	7,435,394

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State road-funding strategy jump-starts stalled projects

The decision to securitise a portion of the Road Maintenance Levy has caused a profound human and economic impact on the lives of Kenyans across the country. By unlocking Sh175 billion to settle long-standing pending bills, the government has not only revived over 580 stalled road projects, but also breathed new life into communities, businesses and livelihoods that had been left in limbo.

A total of Sh65 billion has already been disbursed, and resumption of construction taken place in earnest, with strict timelines set for the contractors. By mid-next month, 80 per cent of pending road bills will have been settled, post-market losses will be reduced, and access to markets will be assured.

On a human level, the resumption of road works has created thousands of jobs for contractors, engineers, suppliers and casual labourers. For many families, it means restored incomes, dignity and the ability to meet daily needs. In areas where roads were incomplete or impassable, renewed construction has improved access to schools, hospitals and markets—making daily life safer and more efficient.

Economically, the impact has been equally significant. Contractors who had previously shut down operations due to unpaid dues have resumed work, restoring confidence in the construction sector and creating a ripple effect in related industries such as transport, hospitality and supply of materials.

Local economies are now experiencing increased activity as road networks are improved, travel times reduced, and rural areas better connected to national markets.

Practical solution

Securitisation has, therefore, not only addressed a financial backlog but also sparked a new wave of productivity, mobility and opportunity. It stands as a bold and practical solution to a long-standing challenge—bringing visible, measurable benefits to Kenyans on the ground.

Apart from resuming construction on many stalled projects, the government will undertake several new ones nationwide, especially in the Eastern parts of the capital, agriculturally-rich areas such as Nyandarua and in many other parts of the country.

Most of the work will be undertaken through such government agencies as Kura, Kenha and Kerra, with funds obtained from the securitisation.

Stalled infrastructure projects with maximum impact on communities and the economy will be revived, and this will go a long way in rejuvenating the construction industry, creating jobs across the population and also unlocking infrastructure investments nationwide.

Some of the flagship projects targeted in this drive include the expansion of Kiambu Road through Kenha. This will entail converting the often-congested vital link to the city through Thika superhighway into a four-lane dual carriageway with two service lanes on either side, covering Pan-



Ongoing construction of the Mombasa-Mtwapa highway on Thursday last week. WACHIRA MWANGI | NATION

On a human level, the resumption of road works has created thousands of jobs for contractors, engineers, suppliers and casual labourers



Joseph Mugweru Development

gani-Muthaiga-Ndumberi.

Funded by the China Exim Bank and expected to take 36 months to complete, the flagship project will have new interchanges, six pedestrian bridges, bus bays and non-motorised transport lanes.

It is set to improve mobility and safety, but most of all, ease congestion in Eastern Nairobi and the flow of traffic flowing into the Thika superhighway.

Stalled roads whose construction has resumed include, in Nyandarua County, the Siranga-Boiman Road, Siranga-Charagita road, and Charagita-Tumaini road.

In Marsabit County, the Segel-Marsabit road has resumed, while in Turkana County, the Todonyang-Likitaung-Kalokol route is underway. In Homa Bay County on the other hand, the Mbita-Sindo-Sori road (11.4 km of which has already been blacktopped as of May 2025) is back on track while, in Bomet County, Silibwet-Merigi-Kapkimolwa road (whose progress was affected by rains) has also resumed construction.

Other roads whose construction has resumed are Kitui County's Nguni - Nuu road and Enziu Bridge; Kwale County's Kwale - Kinango road and, in Mombasa County, the Bamburi - Mwakirunge - Kaloleni road. Kajiado County's roads which have resumed are the Ngong-Suswa road, in Lamu County the Garsen - Witu - Lamu road and the Lamu Old Town - Matondoni road have all resumed construction.

In Garissa/Isiolo counties, Garissa - Isiolo road has also been revived, and in Uasin Gishu County, the Soy - Serekea - Kilimani - Turbo road. Kisumu and Vihiga counties have seen the Seno - Kombewa - Kalandini road construction revived, Kakamega and Bungoma counties, the Kakamega - Navagolo - Musikoma road while in Baringo County, the Barpelo - Tot - Sigor - Marich Pass route, which is under phased development across three lots has also resumed.

Gone all out

Meru County has also seen its roads, which had stalled, resume. These include Chiakariga - Marimati - Gatunga road, Junction B6 - Katheri - Mpuri - Kithaku - Katheri.

In Kisii County, the bitumen upgrade of Eronge - Kebuse - Borabu - Makara Road has now resumed, while in Nairobi City County, construction of the Upper Hill - Haile Selassie interchange and underpass has resumed after power line relocation.

The much-talked-about Bus Rapid Transit Line 5 Project is also set to resume on the Thika Superhighway in Nairobi. Its resumption is now on the cards with Kunhwa Engineering & Consulting Co. Ltd already identified as the contractor.

The government has also gone all out to rehabilitate the access roads to Industrial Park facilities under the direction of Kura. This will entail the upgrading to bitumen standards of Mombasa Road (Devki) - Kinanie Park/ Kinanie Leather Park in Machakos County, which will be undertaken by the China Aerospace Construction Group (Kenya) Corporation Limited in collaboration with Global Link East Africa Ltd as a joint venture.

Mr Mugweru is a policy analyst

Though the msheshimiwa has apologised, I think this matter should be brought to the attention of the Parliamentary Service Commission



Benjamin Sogomo Education



Kenyans, please let us treat our teachers well

Zanzibar had a cultural activity where young people would be allowed a day to fight, individually or in groups, with those they had quarrelled with in the course of the year. It was a fight among peers. The annual event was mainly held in Makunduchi village.

This event traces its origin from Persia, now Iran. However, the fights have since been scaled down to mere mock battles. Tanzanian President Samia Suluhu Hassan was born in this same village.

The youth were forbidden from fighting any other time. The venue is a scrubland with mainly thorny bushes and sisal plants that are used in the fight, from 8am to noon.

There were no seats for guests and a whip from the protagonists could land on them. Spectators came with pets, the common ones being pythons. I attended this festival on the first week of August 1998 and I was amazed by its popularity. On this day, the guest of honour was Mrs Siti Hassan, the wife of then president Ali Hassan Mwinyi.

I have brought this up following the recent humiliation of teachers in Kisumu by an MP. The resultant uproar forced him to apologise. If this school had been in Zanzibar then, the targeted teachers would have booked an appointment with the MP, on an appointed date in Makunduchi. The 10 or so teachers would have been enough to teach msheshimiwa a lesson - without their union's help.

It is not an isolated case. Teachers have been humiliated, especially when academic performance in their schools is deemed poor. But no one, including top government officials, has a right to humiliate teachers. About five years ago, then Education Cabinet Secretary George Magooha humiliated an education officer in Eldoret in public. It was not interesting. We must control such behaviour.

Though the msheshimiwa has apologised, I think this matter should be brought to the attention of the Parliamentary Service Commission (PSC).

Also, shouldn't Speaker Moses Wetang'ula - as the PSC chairperson - issue a statement to assure teachers that this kind of unbecoming conduct is not acceptable? Shouldn't teachers, through their unions, take up the matter with the Commission of Administrative Justice so it can come up with policies that would save the public service from such unbecoming behaviour?

Let me end with personal experience. After being dismissed as a Permanent Secretary in 2004, I went to ask a senior public servant to talk to President Mwai Kibaki to give me another job.

He arrogantly told me to go back to the Teachers Service Commission and be appointed a deputy principal of a Harambee secondary school.

I realised that political dynamics had changed so our previous camaraderie had dissipated. I still wish I could have an opportunity to have a "Makunduchi moment" with him. To fellow teachers, note that you are not alone in this cruel world. However, you must fight on.

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DAILY NATION

Court order to military on HIV/Aids is crucial

Though HIV poses a serious health challenge, it cannot be the basis for discriminating against infected Kenyans in employment and other areas. Despite a robust campaign, HIV remains a huge problem, which is exacerbated by high levels of stigma and discrimination. This prevents people living with HIV from accessing vital testing, treatment, and support services, undermining efforts to control the epidemic.

The rights of individuals infected with HIV are protected by the HIV Aids Prevention and Control Act, 2006, which prohibits discrimination, ensures confidentiality, and promotes access to healthcare. It also mandates informed consent for HIV testing and prohibits compulsory testing.

While there are positive advancements in HIV prevention and treatment, increased access to testing and treatment, the HIV threat is still real. The country has been working hard to achieve its goal of reducing new HIV infections by 75 per cent by this year, but progress has been slower than anticipated.

The campaign focuses on strengthening prevention to attain major targets. Key initiatives include promoting condom use, particularly among young people. The country is also working to integrate HIV care with Universal Health Coverage and address potential impacts of funding withdrawals.

It is, therefore, quite commendable that the Employment and Labour Relations Court has ordered the Kenya Defence Forces (KDF) to publish its policy on recruitment and retention of persons with HIV within 90 days.

The government's official policy has been not to discriminate against HIV-positive persons. However, the military has been routinely ejecting recruits from its training colleges once their HIV status is confirmed.

The ruling on a case in which a young recruit was dismissed from training school after medical tests is crucial. The court's order to the KDF to make public its policy on recruitment and retention of persons with HIV is a welcome development. It should be comprehensively done.

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End school funds delays

Funding schools has become an increasingly challenging issue that is disrupting the academic calendar and hampering teaching and learning. National Treasury Cabinet Secretary John Mbadi says the government has been living the free education lie for years, as it perennially fails to disburse the right capitation to schools.

While every secondary school student is allocated Sh22,244, only Sh16,900 is released, and it is never on time, though the school heads are forbidden from sending the students home. The funds are released well into the term and, of course, not the whole amount.

Public schools have just closed a week earlier than scheduled at the end of the second term due to a lack of funds. This has thrown the academic calendar into disarray, raising concerns over preparations for the national examinations towards the end of the year.

Learners will be at home for a month instead of the earlier scheduled three weeks. According to Kenya Secondary School Heads Association chairperson Willie Kuria, schools are broke, and the situation is dire.

The delay in capitation disbursement has hampered the ability of the schools to cater for the basic operations, adversely affecting preparations for the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) examination.

They have no money, and yet they are, for instance, expected to conduct science practicals and buy essential materials. Schools received only Sh2,300 per student in the first term and Sh3,200 this term, both amounts far below what is needed to run academic and other programmes. The head teachers cannot perform miracles to feed students and settle electricity and water bills.

The quality of education will be undermined. Hopefully, however, the earlier closure should give the government more time to mobilise funds and remit them to schools as the third term begins. The delay as the candidates prepare to sit for the national exams will be too costly.

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Kenyan women will win it all

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At the 2025 Nike Prefontaine Classic in Eugene, Oregon, Faith Kipyegon shattered her own women's 1500m world record with a blistering 3:48.68, while Beatrice Chebet became the first woman to run the 5000m under 14 minutes. This historic day for Kenyan and African women in athletics underscored their growing dominance.

Earlier, on 12 June, Irene Jepkemboi threw 60.31 metres in the women's javelin at the US National Collegiate Athletic Association, becoming only the second African woman to surpass 60 metres, following South Africa's Sunette Viljoen's 69.35m in 2011. A Kenyan newspaper celebrated her journey: "Irene Jepkemboi: From barefooted footballer to Kenya's javelin star."

Julius Yego, the former world champion dubbed "Mr YouTube", called for more investment in women's field athletics.

But what if Jepkemboi's success stems from her unconventional path as a barefoot footballer rather than structured programmes? Perhaps the key lies in developing raw talent over brittle systems.

Kipyegon, Chebet and Jepkemboi embody a quiet revolution in Kenya, where women are not only closing the gender gap, but also outpacing men in sports and the arts. Their achievements, alongside a flawed yet transformative education system and broader socio-economic shifts, are playing a role in shaping the nation's identity.

In athletics, Kenyan women have outshone men in recent years. Since 2019, they have set more world records: Brigid Kosgei's 2019 marathon record (2:14:04), Ruth Chepngetich's 2024 sub-2:10 marathon (2:09:56), Beatrice Chebet's 2024 10,000m record (28:54.14) and Olympic gold, and Kipyegon's 2023 and 2025 1500m records plus consecutive Olympic golds.

While Kelvin Kiptum's 2023 marathon record (2:01:09) was great, men's achievements have been less frequent in 20 years. At the 2023 World Athletics Championships, women won six of Kenya's 10 medals, including three golds; men claimed none. Women's national volleyball team, Malkia

Nobel laureate Wangari Maathai showed that women could change the world, even from the margins



Charles Onyango-Obbo
What Others Say



Strikers, has secured nine African Championships, while the men's team last won in 1997, with only five titles total. Women's clubs have dominated, earning 13 African Club Championships, while men's teams have lagged for decades. These successes are no fluke. The 8-4-4 education system, introduced in 1985 and now being phased out, made co-curricular activities such as athletics and volleyball mandatory. This gave girls the chance to break free from cultural constraints. It is unlikely that that was the intention of the conservative government of Daniel arap Moi at the time. Teachers and NGOs such as Moving the Goalposts (MG) scouted talent early, creating a pipeline of athletic talent.

Education metrics reflect this shift: female literacy rose from 78 per cent in 2000 to 87 per cent by 2015, per UNESCO, and women's university enrolment climbed from 27 per cent in 1992 to 35 per cent by 2018. These gains empowered women like Kipyegon—a graduate—to excel globally.

Yet, success has a shadow. Since 2015, over 80 Kenyan athletes have faced doping bans, with women like 400m runner Joyce Zakary increasingly implicated. The lure is clear: global marathons offer up to \$100,000 in prize money, a lifeline for those from humble backgrounds. This pressure, while a challenge, also fuels their drive.

This nobler face of this same tenacity shines in the arts and activism. Kenyan women have dominated the Caine Prize

for African Writing, with wins by Yvonne Adhiambo Owuor, 2003, for "Weight of Whispers"; Okwiri Oduor, 2014, for "My Father's Head"; Makena Onjerika, 2018, for "Fanta Blackcurrant"; and Idza Luhumyo, 2022, for "Five Years Next Sunday" - compared to one man, Kenneth Binyavanga Wainaina, 2002, for "Discovering Home".

Nobel laureate Wangari Maathai showed women could change the world, even from the margins. Lupita Nyong'o's Emmy-winning *Sulwe* and her 2014 Oscar-winning role elevated messages of self-worth. Wanuri Kahiu's rainbow-affirming film *Rafiki*, despite a domestic ban, broke barriers with its bold storytelling. They carved paths through hostile terrain. The result? A Kenya where increasingly girls no longer ask for permission - they just run, jump, spike and sprint to their best.

There have also been economic and democratic shifts. The post-2010 Constitution opened new democratic spaces that women seized. One was the gender quota, requiring at least one-third female representation in public offices, further normalising female leadership. By 2017, women held 23 per cent of parliamentary seats, up from 9 per cent in 2007. Also, in 2017, three women were elected governors out of the 47 counties. Today, seven women serve as county governors. This happened against a backdrop of economic reform. Kenya's economy grew steadily from 2008 to 2013, peaking at 7 per cent in 2010. These years, and the post-2019 period, align with women's successes in sport and the arts.

What lies ahead? Current trends—including a 10 per cent rise in women's Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics enrolment since 2018—point to new frontiers. Grassroots tech hubs and creative collectives could foster more innovators such as coders and filmmakers. These emerging domains, paired with a knack for unorthodox talent development, promise more consequential things to come, beyond traditional arenas.

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Letters

THE CUTTING EDGE by THE WATCHMAN

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Advice for Ruto • Some unsolicited antidote therapy for President William Ruto from Taabu Tele! Says he: "He should grow a thick skin and spread the risk of incumbency by empowering Cabinet ministers and advisers to explain the government's agenda. His penchant for visibility and always itching to respond to all criticism exposes his insecurity and not always telling the truth." His contact is taabu.tele@mail.com.

Leave Raïla • Opposition leader Raïla Odinga's critics should give him a break, says Chris Kiriba. "I'm disappointed to hear them lambasting the ODM leader for his new camaraderie with President William Ruto. Those badmouthing Raïla on the vernacular radio and TV stations were in their comfort zones when he and others faced the Kanu dictatorship in the 1990s." His contact is chriskiriba14@gmail.com.

Sleeping on the job • For the umpteenth time, Job Otieno is calling on Nairobi Governor Johnson Saka-ja to wake up and serve city residents. "The mounting garbage, broken sewers spewing filth in estates, and dysfunctional streetlights are a mess in a city that prides itself as the best in the region. Senator Edwin Sifuna should seek sanctions on our behalf," Job pleads. His contact is Jobo2021@yahoo.com.

Build schools • Watching the news on the deplorable state of primary schools in Tharaka-Nithi County was quite depressing, says David Jasondu. "Children learn in mud-walled classrooms with dusty floors and no windows, yet we've NG-CDF and county funds. Deputy President Kithure Kindiki, who hails from here should stop "empowerment trips" and use money to build schools. jasondu19@yahoo.com)

Ball in DP's court • The many dilapidated primary schools in Tharaka-Nithi County shame Deputy President Kindiki, this being the backyard of the holder of the second highest office in the land, says John Njuguna. "As the man, who has been declaring at his public rallies that he's really tough, should by now have addressed this sorry situation and got it fixed." His email address is jowanju2002@gmail.com. Have an exemplary day, won't you!

LETTERS

Cease divisive tribal politics

As much as we recognise diversity in our society, one thing that we should not buy as citizens is divisive tribal politics. The recent challenge to former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua by Kenyans in the diaspora should be an eye opener to other leaders looking to win votes through ethnicity. We acknowledge our roots and respect our cultures, but no one should take advantage of that for self-redemption. Let not water down the efforts made by Gen Zs to liberate the country. Like the late Prof George Saitoti said: "Their comes a time when the interest of the country is before that of an individual." Let all be vigilant for a prosperous Kenya.

Lincoln Kinyua, Kiambu

Regulate all religious organisations

Religion in Kenya plays a vital role in shaping morals, offering hope, and building communities. Yet in recent years, we have witnessed the dark side of unchecked religious freedom, cults exploiting faith to control, isolate, and even harm followers. The 2023 Shakahola massacre remains a haunting reminder: Tens of lives were lost after followers of a preacher who is facing trial were manipulated into starvation under the guise of spiritual salvation. This tragedy was not a failure of faith, it was a failure of oversight. Kenya must act now not to limit religion, but to defend its sacred place in society from those who would misuse it.

Ezekiel Kipyego Rotich, Nairobi

Help learners in Tharaka-Nithi schools

A national TV station exposed the dire situation in schools in Tharaka-Nithi County. The schools, mainly in rural areas, are grappling with poor infrastructure, lack of amenities and electricity. This exposes learners to a hazardous learning environment. The cracked classroom walls pose a serious risk to learners and their teachers. The government and other stakeholders should provide resources to rural schools to improve the quality of education for learners receive in remote areas.

Peter Ojwang', Siaya

Ways to keep children busy during break

As schools close for the August holiday, many parents are unsure of how to keep their children meaningfully engaged, especially with the rising influence of social media and screen time. This break presents a valuable opportunity for families to reconnect and bond with their children. Parents can involve their children in home responsibilities and community activities that build life skills such as empathy, teamwork, and responsibility. Also, activities like cooking, gardening and volunteering can provide both fun and growth.

Sharon Chebet, Nairobi

Parents need to be vigilant

As schools break for August holiday, parents need to up their game to ensure children remain safe despite their busy schedules at work. Parents need to be vigilant of the people around their children while they are away at work. They can engage their children in the activities that they enjoy doing such as showcasing their talents. Whether it is sports or music, parents should show support. This will help children to keep away from bad company, drug abuse and criminal activities.

Roselyn Karisa, Mombasa

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TODAY IN HISTORY

July 31, 1994: Nairobi Mayor Steve Mwangi (right) resigns, citing "constant frustration" and lack of political support from the Minister for Local Government William ole Ntimama. Mr Mwangi, who was in office for 15 months, had engaged in a war of words with Mr Ntimama since his election. He told the press that he would remain the Kasarani Ward councillor. He is seen here with Democratic Party official Ngengi Muigai.

COMPILED BY ANNIEL NJOKA

LETTER OF THE DAY

Stop demonising the NIS, they work for all of us

In Kenya today, there are three phrases that instantly change the tone of any conversation: "he works for NIS," "she's an NIS agent," or "that guy is being followed by NIS." Once spoken, suspicion rises, people shift in their seats, and silence takes over. But the question we must now ask seriously and soberly is: when did NIS become a stigma?

The National Intelligence Service (NIS), by law and by function, exists not to haunt us but to protect us. Yet public discourse often treats it like some underground, rogue outfit as if working in intelligence is the same as being part of a secret cult. This narrative is not only

misleading it is dangerous, unfair, and unpatriotic.

We must remember: the NIS is not a vigilante group. It is a fully recognised, State-sanctioned security organ under the Constitution as part of the National Security organ under article 239 of our Constitution. It gathers intelligence to keep the country safe — from terrorism, cyber threats, criminal networks, and yes, even internal sabotage. Why, then, do we treat every mention of it like a warning sign?

There are many hardworking men and women in NIS who have dedicated their lives to quiet service. They wake up before us, work in silence, and return home

without applause. You will not see them in press briefings. They don't post on X. Their work is often thankless. But it matters.

To assume that anyone who disagrees with us, or thinks differently, is working for NIS is both lazy and paranoid. It reflects a worrying trend: instead of debating issues, we label people. Instead of facts, we resort to conspiracy. This is how democracies decay — not through coups, but through whispered suspicion.

It is the same attitude that leads to dangerous profiling. A university student from northern Kenya is quiet in class? "Must be NIS." A former activist now supports the gov-

ernment? "He flipped, NIS bought him." Even those who simply warn about rising extremism are met with murmurs: "watch that one."

We must stop this culture of suspicion. Kenya is a sovereign State. Like all sovereigns, it requires intelligence — both human and technical — to remain stable. That's not scandalous; it's common sense. No one says the NIS is perfect. No State organ is. Oversight is necessary, yes and abuse must be punished. But suspicion should not become a default setting. You cannot build a secure nation if you're always suspicious of those trying to secure it.

Ibrahim A. Issack, Nairobi





INVITATION TO TENDER

FilmAid Kenya invites tenders from interested and eligible bidders within Kenya as below.

NO	TENDER NUMBER	Audio and Video Equipment	
1.	FAK 01/07/2025	Equipment List:	
	No.	Description	Qty(pcs)
	1	HP Omini X Flip Ultra 7- 16GB RAM,1TB SSD, Display 14"	3
	2	ECOFLOW RIVER 2 800W	2
	3	BOSE S1PRO+ Wireless PA system speaker	2
	4	HONDA 1KVA generator	2
	5	Canon EOS M50 camera – 15-45mm lens	1
	6	ZOOM H4N recorder	1
	7	Manfrotto tripod stand 500AM	1
	8	RODE wireless pro lapel mic	1
	9	Canon M50 battery – LP-E12	1
	10	HP desktop all in one i7 16GB	1
	11	SanDisk 1TB SSD drive	1
	12	SD cards SanDisk 128GB	2
	13	SanDisk extreme card reader	1
	14	Triplite extension cables 6 way	2
	15	AKG WMS 420 boom mic	1
	16	K&F Concept ND filter	1
	17	ANKER power bank 20,000MAH	1
	18	CANON R 5C body+ lens	1
	19	DJI RS4 Gimbal	1
	20	SONY W1000 XM5 headphones	1
	21	SanDisk SD cards 512GB	5
	22	Canon LP-E17 batteries	3
	23	K&F nano x ND filter 71mm& 58mm	2
	24	RF to EF Canon adapter	1
	25	Rode mic pro	1

Sealed tender documents MUST be returned on or before Friday 8th August 2025.

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THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT NO. 13 OF 2019
**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PREPARE LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE
 DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

1. Kiamanyeki Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan Ref. No. CKR/352/2025/1
 2. Ndiriruku (B) Informal Settlement Local Physical and Land Use Development Plan Ref. No. CKR/352/2025/2

Pursuant to the provisions of section (47) of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019, NOTICE is hereby given that the County Government of Kirinyaga in partnership with the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, State Department for Housing and Urban Development under the Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP 2) intends to commence preparation of the above plans on 26th, day of July, 2025. The purpose of the Plan is to guide realization of Component I.1 of KISIP on Tenure Regularization.

The objectives of the plan are:
 I. To provide a planning framework for tenure regularization in the settlements.
 II. To provide a spatial framework for infrastructure provision in the settlements.
 III. To provide development standards and guidelines for development control in the settlements.
 Comments on the Proposed Plans may be directed to the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Lands, Physical Planning & Urban Development, County Government of Kirinyaga, PO Box 260-10304, Kutus or landskirinyaga@gmail.com not later than 10th August, 2025.
 Dated this 26th of July, 2025

Rev. Samuel Kanjobe
 County Executive Committee Member
 Lands, Physical Planning & Urban Development

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CONDITIONS OF SALE
 1. Viewing can be done at the storage to verify the details as these are not warranted by the auctioneer or our principal.
 2. Sale is AS-IS-WHERE-IS-BASIS and subject to reserve price.
 3. Payment is via bankers cheque or RTGS before close of business.

THE CAPITAL MARKETS ACT
 (Chapter 485A, Laws of Kenya)
Public Announcement

Pursuant to Regulation 4(1) of The Capital Markets (Take-overs and Mergers) Regulations, 2002
 31 July 2025

1. INTRODUCTION

Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development S.A. ("AKFED"), a Swiss for-profit entity and international development institution which invests in countries of East Africa, West Africa, Central Asia, and South Asia, owns ninety-two million, six hundred and eighteen thousand, one hundred and seventy-seven (92,618,177) ordinary shares in Nation Media Group Plc (respectively the "Shares" and "NMG"), representing fifty-four point zero eight percent (54.08%) of the total issued share capital of NMG.

AKFED intends to carry out an internal reorganisation of its shareholding in NMG. The reorganisation will entail AKFED transferring all the Shares to NPRT Holdings Africa Limited ("NPRT"), which is a wholly-owned Kenyan subsidiary of AKFED (the "Reorganisation").

Pursuant to Regulation 4(1) of the Capital Markets (Take-overs and Mergers) Regulations, 2002 (the "Take-over Regulations"), NPRT, on 30 July 2025, issued to NMG a notice of its intention to acquire effective control of NMG pursuant to the Reorganisation.

Because (i) the Reorganisation will not result in any change in the ultimate beneficial ownership of the Shares, and (ii) neither AKFED nor NPRT have any intention of making a take-over offer for the remainder of the share capital of NMG, NPRT, pursuant to regulation 5 of the Take-over Regulations, applied to the Capital Markets Authority, Kenya (the "CMA") for an exemption from having to effect a mandatory take-over offer of the shares of NMG not owned by AKFED.

2. THE OFFEROR

NPRT is a company incorporated under the laws of Kenya, with registration number PVT-9XUKMZBL, and is wholly owned by AKFED. Its principal purpose is to hold the Shares following the Reorganisation. The Offeror does not presently conduct any business in Kenya.

The Offeror does not own any shares in NMG as of the date of this public announcement, and neither its directors nor AKFED's directors hold NMG shares in their personal capacity.

3. THE OFFEREE

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4. STRUCTURE OF THE REORGANISATION

Pursuant to a share transfer agreement dated 30 July 2025 entered into between AKFED and NPRT, AKFED will sell and NPRT will purchase the Shares in consideration for the issuance to AKFED of shares in the issued share capital of NPRT. The Reorganisation is subject to satisfaction of conditions precedent typical of a transaction of this nature. The Reorganisation will be consummated by block trade of the Shares between the parties, subject to compliance with the NSE's Listing Rules (as amended).

Following completion, NPRT will become the direct holder, while AKFED remains the beneficial owner, of the Shares. No significant changes to NMG's operations or governance are envisaged.

No irrevocable undertakings have been obtained and no options to acquire have been given or received from any existing shareholder of NMG and no agreements, arrangements or understandings exist or are proposed between NPRT or any related company or person associated or acting in concert with it and any existing shareholders of NMG beyond the scope of this Reorganisation.

5. APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM MAKING A TAKEOVER OFFER

Pursuant to Regulation 5 of the Take-over Regulations, NPRT has submitted to the CMA an application for exemption from compliance with the requirement to make a mandatory take-over offer to the remaining shareholders of NMG.

The primary reasons for the application for exemption are:

- the Reorganisation will not result in any change in the ultimate control of NMG. AKFED, which currently holds 54.08% of the total issued shares in NMG, will sell its entire shareholding to NPRT. Since NPRT is wholly owned by AKFED, the ultimate control of NMG and ownership of the Shares remains unchanged;
- the primary purpose of this Reorganisation is for AKFED to own the Shares through a Kenyan company and does not involve any new external parties acquiring control over NMG;
- the Reorganisation does not involve any changes to the business operations, management, or strategic direction of NMG. Shareholders will continue to hold their shares in NMG, and their rights and interests will remain unchanged; and
- AKFED and NPRT do not have any intention to change the listing status of NMG on the NSE and cross-listing on the USE, RSE and DSE. They intend for NMG to continue to provide opportunities for the public to invest in NMG and to share and participate in the growth and direction of NMG's future.
- Neither AKFED nor NPRT have any intention to acquire additional shares in NMG nor effect a mandatory take-over or delisting of NMG in the foreseeable future.

6. CONDITIONS OF THE REORGANISATION

The Reorganisation's completion is conditional on the CMA granting the exemption under Regulation 5 of the Take-over Regulations and any other requisite approvals.

Completion is expected to occur as soon as all requisite approvals are obtained.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly appointed by our client, the financier, we shall sell by public Auction the under mentioned motor vehicle on 8/08/2025. The sale will take place at the yard as indicated below at **10:30am**.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principal, we shall sell the following property by **PUBLIC AUCTION:**
VACANT RESIDENTIAL PLOTS TITLES NUMBERS: MUGUGA/GITARU/2975 & 2976 OFF GITARU ROAD-GITARU AREA, KIAMBU COUNTY
ON FRIDAY, 15TH AUGUST 2025 AT 11:00 A.M. IN OUR OFFICE IN JOGOO ROAD YARD OPPOSITE CHURCH ARMY

The subject properties are situated approximately 400 meters due South East Kanjeru School Secondary and about 420 meters to the North East of K.A.G Church Gitaru, Gitaru Area, Kiambu County. The GPS Coordinates to a point within the subject property are 1°13'28.3"S 36°40'30.1"E. These are rectangular shaped, gently sloping in gradient, red soils residential plots whose boundaries are left open. The land parcels measure approximately [0.088 Ha i.e. 0.2174 Acres] each. Mains services, water and electricity are within the proximity, foul drainage would be onto a Septic tank or Soak pit. Immediate access road is murrum surfaced. Both plots are held on a freehold interest registered in the name of **DUNCAN KINYANJUI NDUNGU & ROSEBELL WANJIRU NABUTETE**.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All intending Purchaser(s) are requested to view and verify the details for these are not warranted by the Auctioneer or our client.
- Interested bidders are required to deposit KES.100, 000/= by way of CASH or Banker's Cheque to the Auctioneer before the Auction date in order to obtain a bidding number.
- The Declared Purchaser **MUST** pay a DEPOSIT of 25% by CASH or BANKERS' CHEQUE before close of business of the Auction day and the balance be paid within a Period of Ninety (90) Days from the date of sale.
- The Sale is subject to a Reserve Price.
- Conditions of Sale are available on request at our offices and viewing of the property is possible during normal working hours by prior arrangements with ourselves.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principles, the chargee, we shall sell the under mentioned property by public auction, **ON FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST 2025 AT OUR OFFICE KIGIO PLAZA 3RD FLOOR ROOM 3.55 AT 11.00 AM**

- All that piece of land known as **L.R.NO.JUJA/KIAURA/ BLOCK 7/ (MANG'U)/14, CROTON RIDGE ESTATE, OFF KENYATTA ROAD, KIAMBU COUNTY** measuring 0.045HA and in the name of **MARTIN MWATHI NDERITU & JANET NYOKABI WAMBUI**. The property is in Croton Ridge estate, off Kenyatta road, Kiambu County. It is situated about 700 metres off and to the right of Juja-Gatundu (Kenyatta road) deviating slightly past Kibii police station onto the road leading to Furaha Crest School. It lies about 700 metres to the North West of the said police station and borders Mama Nigma Coffee Farm. The property lies within GPS coordinates 1°04'03.3"S 36°57'50.4"E. The plot measures Nought Decimal Nought Four Five Nought of a Hectare (0.0450Ha) or thereabout. [Approximately 0.111 Acres]. The land is devoid of any structural improvement, hence vacant.
- All that piece of land known as **L.R.NO.JUJA/KIAURA/ BLOCK 7/ (MANG'U)/16, CROTON RIDGE ESTATE, OFF KENYATTA ROAD, KIAMBU COUNTY** measuring 0.0450HA and in the name of **MARTIN MWATHI NDERITU & JANET NYOKABI WAMBUI**. The property is in Croton Ridge estate, off Kenyatta road, Kiambu County. It is situated about 700 metres off and to the right of Juja-Gatundu (Kenyatta road) deviating slightly past Kibii police station onto the road leading to Furaha Crest School. It lies about 700 metres to the North West of the said police station and borders Mama Nigma Coffee Farm. The property lies within GPS coordinates 1°04'03.8"S 36°57'51.1"E. The plot measures Nought Decimal Nought Four Five Nought of a Hectare (0.0450Ha) or thereabout. [Approximately 0.111 Acres]. The land is devoid of any structural improvement, hence vacant.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All intending purchasers are required to view the property and verify the details as these are not warranted by the Auctioneers or the chargee.
- A 25% deposit **MUST** be paid in cash, bankers' cheque or RGTs during the day of the auction and balance paid within 90 days to the chargee/charge advocates.
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PUBLIC AUCTION

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- ON FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST 2025 AT NENKAI PLAZA 1ST FLOOR ROOM 211 AT 10:00 AM**
All that piece of land known as **L.R. NO. CIS-MARA/OLELESHWA/21077** Measuring 0.043 HA and in the name of **KENNEDY GITAU IRUNGU**. The property is in Kipangas Area, Narok Town outskirts, Narok County. It is situated approximately 2.3 kms off and to the right of Narok Narok Bomet tar surfaced road deviating opposite Ola petrol station. It is about 2kms North West of Maasai Mara University and about 6kms North West of Narok town.
Co-ordinates: The property is within GPS Co-ordinates: Latitude 1°05'02.9 South and Longitude 35°50'58.2 East.
- ON MONDAY 18TH AUGUST 2025 AT NENKAI PLAZA 1ST FLOOR ROOM 211 AT 10:00 AM**
All that piece of land known as **L.R. NO. CIS-MARA/OLELESHWA/5667 & 5668** Measuring 0.045HA & 0.045HA and in the name of **JOSEPH MALIT KIBELEKENYA**. The plots are situated at Total area in Narok town, Narok County. They are about 80 meters to the North of Father Ntalya school.
Co-ordinates: The property is within GPS Co-ordinates: Latitude 1°06'22.6" South and Longitude 35°51'50.2" East.

CONDITION OF SALE

- All intending purchasers are required to view the said parcel of land and verify details by themselves as these are not warranted by the auctioneers or our client.
- A 25% deposit **MUST** be paid in cash, bankers cheque at the fall of hammer and the balance within the next 90 days from the date of auction to the charges.
- Sale is subject of a reserved price.




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County News

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Controversy

MPs up in arms over 'unfair' Kenha roads deal

BY COLLINS OMULO

Senators have locked horns with the national government over the exclusion of locals from certain contracts in favour of foreign firms.

The lawmakers have raised an issue with the award of a contract, which was hurriedly cancelled under unclear circumstances, to a Chinese firm for the expansion of Kiambu Road into a dual carriageway.

Protesting the deal, Kisii Senator Richard Onyoka noted that the Kenya National Highways Authority (Kenha), in its invitation for bids for the Kiambu Road expansion project, included a proviso restricting eligibility to Chinese contractors or firms led by Chinese entities.

Financing arrangements

Kenha had floated the tender and specifically invited only Chinese firms in line with the financing arrangements agreed upon with China Exim Bank.

However, before the tender's scheduled closing date of August 22, 2025, the agency cancelled the procurement process without explanation.

The Senate Roads, Transport and Housing Committee has now been tasked to investigate the rationale behind Kenha's decision to limit eligibility for the project to Chinese contractors only or a consortium led by Chinese firms.

The committee that is chaired by Migori Senator Eddy Oketch is expected to clarify whether the Kenha contract aligns with procurement laws in the country, including the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, and whether it complies with any applicable bilateral or multilateral funding agreements.

Audit Cases of rampant theft of drugs have for long been a thorn in the flesh for county administrators

Theft of drugs in county hospitals triggers alarm

Counties lack proper internal controls to monitor stock levels and the movement of drugs

BY ERIC MATARA

An audit report has revealed how county hospitals are losing drugs to cartels, who later sell them to private pharmacies and clinics.

The report by Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu, covering the year ended June 2024, shows that some counties lack proper internal controls to monitor stock levels and the movement of drugs from stores to health facilities. In counties where systems exist, they are weak, exposing drugs and medical supplies to theft by rogue health workers.

Affected counties include Wajir, Nakuru, Mandera, Garissa, Tana River, Kiambu, Vihiga, Nyandarua, and Bomet.

In Wajir, the audit revealed that the county bought drugs worth Sh156.2 million.

A consignment worth Sh98 million was, however, not supported by store records.

As a result, it was not clear how much of the drugs was received in the health facilities. The county, Ms Gathungu noted, lacks an inventory management system for drugs and medical supplies.

"Instead," the report noted, "inventory records are maintained manually in physical files by the stores staff."

In Garissa, the county government procured drugs worth Sh108 million from the Ken-



Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu appears before members of the National Assembly Cohesion and Equal Opportunities Committee at Continental House in Nairobi in mid April. FILE | NATION

ya Medical Supplies Authority (Kemsa), which were distributed to various facilities within the region. The deliveries were, however, not recorded in the store ledgers. Furthermore, the health department bought drugs from a local supplier worth Sh26 million without supporting documents.

Hola Level Four Hospital in Tana River County lacked an electronic system for maintain-

ing drug inventories. In Nakuru, there wasn't an inventory management system. Bomet County procured drugs worth Sh103.1 million from Kemsa. However, inspection and acceptance reports for the drugs delivered and received, store ledgers, and counter receipt vouchers were not provided for audit.

The Vihiga Level Four Hospital received supplies worth Sh19

million during the year under review. The hospital uses an Information Management System to manage pharmacy records, including the receipt and dispatch of drugs. However, no annual reports generated from the system were provided to verify the supplies received from Kemsa during the year.

In Kiambu County, the audit revealed that inspection reports

We are working on a system to tighten the noose around those involved in the crime

Kericho Governor Eric Mutai



for the drugs supplied to various health facilities were not provided. The county purchased drugs worth more than Sh90 million during the period under review.

Cases of rampant theft of drugs have for long been a thorn in the flesh for county administrators. Governors in the South Rift region, at some point, called in the Directorate of Criminal Investigations to help curb the vice.

In Nakuru and Kericho counties, medical supplies worth tens of millions of shillings have found their way into private clinics and pharmacies.

Most affected

Kericho County Referral Hospital alongside Kapkatet, Londiani, Fort Ternan, Sigowet, Ainamoi, and Kipkelion sub-county hospitals are the most affected.

"We are working on a system to tighten the noose around those involved in the crime," Governor Erick Mutai said.

The governor directed senior officers in the Health department to reshuffle pharmacists, leading to the suspension of those implicated in the theft of drugs.

Dr Mutai has often come face to face with the suffering patients have been subjected to in the facilities during impromptu visits to Kericho County Referral Hospital, Kapkatet, and Londiani sub-county hospitals.

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Hope of bounty as Amboseli park handover nears reality

BY STANLEY NGOTHO

The County Government of Kajiado and communities surrounding the Amboseli National Park have moved a step closer to fully benefiting from the natural resource after the Cabinet ratified its handover to the devolved unit on Tuesday.

The development follows the August 2023 edict by President William Ruto directing a 50:50 revenue-sharing model between the county and the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS).

On Tuesday, the Cabinet further gave a nod for the National Treasury to compensate the KWS for any revenue losses, with a portion of park income still allocated to national conservation. The move is intended to empower local communities, promote sustainable stewardship, and ensure equitable sharing of ecological and economic benefits.

Once the process is finalised, a phased co-management model will be introduced in which Kajiado County will assume operational control while KWS retains nation-

al conservation responsibilities. Revenue will be shared between the county and KWS on a 50:50 basis. The devolved unit is eyeing at least Sh700 million annually in revenue, giving it a much-needed impetus for development projects. KWS rakes in at least Sh1.5 billion annually from park collections and related tourism activities.

Kajiado Governor Joseph Ole Lenku expressed optimism that the final handover will have a significant and beneficial economic impact on the local population.

"The Maa people have co-existed with

wildlife for years. With management of the park bestowed on the county government, they are assured of more economic benefits and more job opportunities for our youths. We expect more revenues to fast-track our development agenda," Mr Lenku said in an interview with Nation.

The governor hinted at plans to increase park revenues from Sh1.5 billion to Sh3 billion. Mr John Teum, 52, a resident of Kimana, called on the county government to triple its bursary allocation to needy learners with the increased revenue.

County News

Task force receives complaints about fake job agents

BY MISHI GONGO

At least 84 complaints have been filed with a government task force over schemes that have seen Kenyans in 15 counties lose more than Sh17.3 million to fake agents promising them jobs abroad.

The Multi-Agency Labour Mobility Task Force was formed to tackle rising cases of fraudulent work migration to Canada, Qatar, Australia, Germany and other countries.

Labour CS Alfred Mutua said more Kenyans are recording complaints with the committee.

"Most of those coming were promised lucrative jobs abroad, only to be left devastated, broke and in some cases, got stranded without travel documents," he told the *Daily Nation*.

Dr Mutua added that rogue agents and their accomplices would be arrested and prosecuted.

"We are deeply concerned by the growing number of cases where individuals pose as licensed recruitment agents, collect money and then vanish. Kenyans deserve safe, structured and dignified paths to work abroad. We will protect that right with the tools at our disposal," he said.

The task force has Labour PS Shadrack Mwandime, DCI boss Mohamed Amin and ODPP Secretary Alloys Kemo.

Dr Mutua said the government has established a one-stop centre to receive complaints, coordinate investigations and speed up prosecutions.

The team was formed soon after more than 100 youths from the Coast said they had been defrauded by a travel agency.

They shared accounts of being conned by a man identified as Mohammed Said, who was reportedly linked to an agency called Aamaliyah.

Some said their parents sold land, took huge loans or used their life savings for the jobs that never were.

"I paid Sh70,000 of the Sh150,000 required to secure a forklift job for my younger brother. The agent promised to finalise the process after I cleared the balance but disappeared," Mr Abdul Muhsin said.

He added that on demanding a refund, he was given a fake cheque.

Ms Saadia Gure, a mother of three, said she paid Sh470,000 last year for her son to get a driving job in the United Arab Emirates.

Kajiado Governor Joseph ole Lenku revoked existing agreements, citing corruption

Brokers lock residents out of carbon millions

Companies have been accused by the county assembly of enticing locals with quick money

BY STANLEY NGOTHO

Carbon credit brokers are quietly locking communities in Kajiado County into decades-long contracts valued at millions of shillings, often without proper consultations or transparent benefit-sharing arrangements, residents have said in a petition to the County Assembly.

The 13 residents of Ewuaso Oonkidong'i ward exposed what they described as "flawed and opaque market-driven solutions" that exploit pastoral communities across the county's carbon-rich rangelands, covering at least 2.5 million hectares in Kajiado alone.

At the heart of the complaint is a confidential 40-year carbon rights agreement seen by the *Daily Nation*.

In this agreement, a community ranch in Kajiado South sub-county transferred all carbon rights to a private brokerage company, with the title deed modified to include joint land ownership for four decades.

"The firm and its affiliates will be responsible for generating carbon credits for sale on the voluntary carbon market, based on the carbon rights derived from the project," reads the agreement, which requires communities to implement rotational grazing management programmes while surrendering control over their carbon assets.

The scale of carbon credit activities across Kajiado County is staggering.

In Kajiado South alone, the Maasai Wildlife Conservation Trust and REDD+ carbon projects cover at least a million acres, spanning Kuku A and B Group Ranches before extending to Imbirikani, Rombo Group Ranches and the Eastern Chyulu Community.

At the same time, soil carbon projects control the county's southern rangelands, while the Kajiado Rangeland Carbon Project straddles 1.5 million hectares across multiple sub-counties.

Even with these, residents say they have been kept in the dark

about the scope of the project, implementation timelines and – crucially – how revenue is to be shared.

The 15-page petition reveals troubling practices by carbon developers, including making "token payments to communities before proper measurement, verification or documentation, creating false expectations and eroding trust".

"Particularly of concern are soil carbon sequestration projects that proceed without any scientific or credible measurements of carbon, making payment and claims questionable", the residents say in the petition.

They are now demanding

Of concern are soil carbon sequestration projects that proceed without any scientific or credible measurements of carbon

Petition by 13 residents



mandatory free, prior and informed consent for carbon projects – in line with the country's carbon laws – transparent monitoring systems and equitable benefit-sharing arrangements overseen by the devolved government of Kajiado.

The controversy intensified after Governor Joseph ole Lenku's 2023 decision to revoke existing carbon credit agreements. Mr Lenku cited corruption. However, brokerage companies quietly returned months later.

'Illiterate residents'

"We call for formal investigations into the conduct of soil carbon companies and explore legal remedies for the affected communities," the petition demands.

During a July 24 Kajiado County Assembly session, Ward Representatives acknowledged that the matter extends far beyond Ewuaso Oonkidong'i, "with brokers preying on rangelands across Kajiado, exploiting poor and illiterate residents who are easily enticed with quick money".

County Environment Chief Officer, James Ngugi, told the *Daily Nation* that authorities are developing policies to regulate nature

asset trade, but residents insist it is coming too late for communities already locked in long-term contracts.

Kenya's carbon credit trading is governed by the Climate Change (Carbon Markets) Regulations of 2024, which require project proponents to secure National Environment Management Authority (Nema) approvals and sign community development agreements, ensuring fair compensation.

However, existing projects have until 2026 to comply with these regulations, leaving a two-year window in which questionable agreements can still operate under previous frameworks.

Unavoidable emissions

Carbon credits allow companies to offset unavoidable emissions by purchasing certified credits from projects that reduce or remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.

One quality credit represents a tonne of carbon dioxide reduced or removed under globally recognised standards.

But the petition comes at a time of rising global concern about carbon credit quality.

Activists argue that many projects exaggerate climate benefits while downplaying potential social and environmental harm to local communities.

The Ward Representatives have committed the petition to the County Assembly Committee on Water, Environment and Natural Resources, which has been tasked with speeding up investigations and reporting back to the House.

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Special school for hearing impaired gets a Sh50m facelift



Ushiriki Wema Foundation Chairperson Tessie Musalia receives a bouquet of flowers from pupils at Chekombero Special School for the Hearing Impaired in Vihiga County yesterday during the handover of newly renovated and refurbished facilities valued at Sh50 million. The upgrades were funded by the Mudavadi Memorial Foundation Trust and other donors. With her is the school's principal, Mr Wilson Otieno. PHOTO: IPOOL

Hopefuls for State-funded work plan turned away

BY SAMMY KIMATU

Climate Worx, a State-funded youth programme, faces an uncertain future after those called to begin work were turned away on Monday.

Those selected for the programme are to work in two phases. In South B, Nairobi, those hired last week were to report to work on Monday.

"I borrowed money to buy gumboots and a rake after confirming that my name was on the list. On reporting to work, the chief told me to wait. There is still no communication," a young man said yesterday.

South B Assistant County Commissioner, Ibrahim Adan, said last week marked the end of work for Cohort One – Phase One and Two.

Mr Adan said 500 youths would be hired for Cohort Two – Phase One and Two.

DN2 Property



BY SYOVATA NDAMBUKI

Remember the warm embrace of walking on old school wooden parquet floors? The way they creak softly with each step, as if trying to whisper the household's secrets. Or the mysterious speckle of terrazzo floors in old bathrooms and kitchens. The cool, and solid feel of concrete floors, in houses we once lived in. And then we swore to never have these floors in our homes, because they were... old school.

These heritage floors are making a strong comeback, shinier, prettier and improved for durability. But with a touch of timelessness. Will they replace the beloved ceramic tiles, and what about them has really changed? *DN2 Property* caught up with two experts, and they shared the newest developments.

Who is bringing back vintage floors?

Kelvin Kirimi the General Manager at Struchem Africa, a construction company that provides flooring, waterproofing and other construction services says heritage floors have seen renewed interest over the last five or so years. Wooden parquet, terrazzo and polished concrete are currently the most popular vintage options. Sur-

Vintage floors make a strong comeback with fine touch of timeliness

Demand is mainly driven by factors like sustainability, nostalgia and a shift towards durability. People are looking for unique aesthetics. Heritage floors are easier to personalise and customise to one's own taste

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Renewed interest coming from young people exposed to diverse architectural styles

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prisingly, this renewed interest is coming from younger people exposed to diverse architectural styles.

"They are seeking timeless inspiration from previous decades or other countries. Some find ideas from content platforms like Pinterest, which pique their curiosity," says Kirimi.

The demand for heritage floors is mainly driven by factors like sustainability, nostalgia and a shift toward durability.

"Terrazzo uses recycled materials like glass and stone chippings. Polished concrete uses the existing slab if it is in a good condition. You don't have to add additional materials on top of the slab"

These are considered more sustainable flooring methods than buying new tiles and retiling every so often. When it comes to durability, Kirimi explains, well-done porcelain or ceramic tiles can last for 15 years while parquet floors can go for 50 years with regular re-sanding or restoring.

"Some of the parquet floors we are restoring, are as old as 30 plus years. Polished concrete or terrazzo can last 30 or 40 years and they can be restored over and over again, if damaged"

Lastly, people are looking for unique aesthetics. Heritage floors are easier to customise based

Will heritage floors replace ceramic tiles?

on personal tastes. Unlike other floors which come with a standard pattern, these floors offer limitless options for customisation. "With parquet for instance, you can personalise the patterns. People use chevron patterns which are V-shaped, zig zag like arrangements, herringbone or basket weave and others"

The cost question

On where these floors are most suitable, Kirimi says, polished concrete is more popular in commercial buildings such as malls, retail spaces, warehouses and godowns, as well as hospitality buildings. Institutions like schools and hospitals are going for Parquet, which never really left the scene entirely, is still popular in residential homes and in some hotels, the classic wood floor being installed in specific sleeping rooms because it is warmer and more

homely.

On matters cost, the initial cost of installation is definitely higher than popular tiles. However, Kirimi says, "I try to look at it as the total cost of ownership, rather than focusing on the initial investment. With tiling, although initially cheaper, in a span of a few years, you have to retiling, while heritage floors do not demand costly replacement once installed. They are also low maintenance and they last longer.

For polished concrete, typically you may spend Sh1,500 to Sh3,500 per square metre. Terrazzo floors may cost between Sh 1,600 to up Sh10,000 depending on the types of aggregates and binders used. Popular binders (the material used to hold everything together) — used in terrazzo flooring include white or grey cement but you can also use epoxy as a binder which is gaining

popularity. The choice of binder influences cost".

Misconceptions, challenges with polished concrete

As with any vintage style, people make assumptions. Kirimi notes, the major misconception is that heritage floors are too expensive. People are more focused on the short-term cost, rather than the long-term value and the reduced replacement cycle. They also think these floors are too hard to maintain. However, with improved and advanced installation processes, they require minimal maintenance effort.

Kirimi also says that there is also a lot of misinformation around polished concrete.

"People imagine polished concrete erases or hides all the imperfections of the concrete floor slab, just like other popular flooring options. But in reality, it reveals the true character of the structure," he says.

Poor quality slabs

Installing concrete floors today takes a different approach from what we had previously. The process starts from the slab, which is sanded and polished to achieve a desired shine. However, the floor slab has to be done correctly, first with the proper concrete grade, to withstand sanding and polishing. Different polishing pads or tools are used to achieve the level of gloss the client wants. It can be a matte finish, a glossy or super glossy appearance. A concrete floor hardener is then used and a sealant is applied to prevent dirt or stains from penetrating the floors. The sealant makes the floors easy to manage.

However, not all concrete floors can withstand this process, due to a culture of poor workmanship in Kenya.

"A lot of people use the normal class of concrete (class 20) but we recommend class 25 and above. If the floor does not meet the specifications, we cannot install polished concrete floors unless the building owner agrees to either redo the screeding afresh. If the floor slab is weak, the floor might crack during the grinding or polishing process or chip away. Unfortunately, it is very common to find structural issues in floors. We end up turning down about 80% of polished concrete requests due to poorly done slabs. We normally insist on examining samples of the existing floors first. If it is weak, they moment you start grinding, you notice the structural issues and poor workmanship," explains Kirimi.

We also spoke to Samuel Mungai, the director and founder of StoneKraft Limited, a company that specialises in restoring and installing polished concrete, terrazzo and marble floors. He shed light on how heritage floors have improved, from what we had, while answering critical questions for people who might have these floors from way back and are considering restoration.

Advanced knowledge

Mungai says, the first major advancement is knowledge. "There is more information and exposure on how to install and restore these floors. New equipment and machines have also improved vintage floors greatly. What was used in the 70s, especially locally was inefficient. Most work was manual but they did their best given the scarce knowledge and archaic tools. If you go to CBD today, there are still some really good old school terrazzo floors."

Mungai explains that currently, 90 per cent of the materials remain the same (cement, aggregates or chips), although newer binders like epoxy are becoming more popular in terrazzo. Epoxy-based terrazzo is a bit expensive but it offers flexibility when playing around with colours."

To further improve durability and performance in modern terrazzo floors, Mungai says that during the mixing of materials they add admixtures. These are bonding agents that improve the workability and also reduce the amount of water used, ultimately improving the overall durability while preventing cracks.

Modern machines

Machines too have improved a great deal, taking heritage floors to a whole new level. Back in the 70s people used abrasive stones to polish terrazzo floors. The process was extremely tedious and manual. Nowadays, there are different machines for various processes. For instance, once you pour the terrazzo, you have to cut off the top cream or cement to reach the aggregates and expose the beauty of the terrazzo. Diamond tooling machines, which are more ef-

cient, are available.

Just like polished concrete, the Terrazzo also needs to be polished to achieve a glossy appearance. Modern polishing or sanding machines — which are powered by electricity — come with different pads, ranging from coarse to finer options which give better results. These tools can achieve smoother, shinier and more refined surfaces which are easier to maintain.

Chemical treatments which typically improve concrete are also advancing. Beyond the polishing techniques, there are other new intermediary steps of treating concrete.

"Once you buff the top concrete layer, you may end up with a porous slab. This can be rectified using hardeners or densifiers, to protect or improve the floor's structural integrity. Waterproofing agents can also be added to the mix," Mungai says.

Can old floors be restored?

For those with old heritage floors, the option has always been upgrading to tiles. However, these floors can be restored using modern techniques and machines. Mungai says, first, a survey is done to establish the floor's condition. "We look at the condition of the floor; is it falling apart and is it salvageable and what is the level of damage. If it's repairable, will it be presentable?"

The survey also establishes the expected traffic or how the floor is used to determine the best type of flooring.

"We also check the climatic conditions — if you're in Mombasa, we are dealing with a lot of humidity and salt"

Lastly, the building owner's expectations influence the decision to restore or not to. Most of the restoration materials are quite expensive. However, most people are keen on retaining the sentimental value, regardless of the cost".

Mungai says restoration is always better than installing new floors because there is less disturbance on the overall structure. And there is no much difference in cost of restoration and that of installing new heritage floors. Mungai says, overall restoration cost is often based on the condition of existing floors and the size.

Not all that glitters...

When old architectural trends come back, they return to a different context with new materials. There is plenty of room for improvisation. In the case of terrazzo floors or polished concrete, some service providers will apply a topical coat of varnish, after a few sanding steps. For a durable mirror like shine, Mungai says you need to go through a minimum of 10 polishing and sanding steps before adding the sealant.

Levies, local manufacturing

The government is encouraging local manufacturing. Since 2023, imported construction materials like steel, iron and clinker have been subjected to the Export Promotion and Investment Levy at 17.5%. In 2025, this levy was extended to sanitary ware and ceramic products at 3%.

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Kelvin Kirimi



International

Warning Flights out of Honolulu airport in Hawaii resume as the main airport remains closed

Tsunami waves trigger evacuations across Pacific

It is most powerful quake to hit the region since 1952, say Russian scientists

HONOLULU, WEDNESDAY

A magnitude 8.8 earthquake off Russia's far eastern Kamchatka Peninsula triggered tsunami waves of up to five metres nearby and sparked evacuation orders as far away as Hawaii and across the Pacific on Wednesday.

The shallow quake damaged buildings and injured several people in the Russian region, while much of Japan's eastern seaboard – devastated by a 9.0 magnitude earthquake and tsunami in 2011 – was ordered to evacuate.

A resident in the city of Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky said the shaking went on for minutes.

"I decided to leave the building. It felt like the walls could collapse any moment. The shaking lasted continuously for at least three minutes," said Yaroslav, 25.

Footage released by the region's health ministry showed health workers in Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky performing surgery as the tremors shook their equipment and floor.

Tsunami waves struck parts of Kamchatka, partially flooding the port and a fish processing plant in the town of Severo-Kurilsk and sweeping vessels from their moorings, regional officials and Russia's emergency ministry said.

Verified drone footage showed

the town's entire shoreline submerged, with taller buildings and some storage facilities surrounded by water, which poured back into the sea.

"Today's earthquake was serious and the strongest in decades," Kamchatka Governor Vladimir Solodov said in a video posted on Telegram.

Russian scientists said it was the most powerful quake to hit the region since 1952.

In Hawaii, waves of up to 1.7 metres hit the islands before the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center reduced its caution level for the state around 0850 GMT, saying no major tsunami was expected.

Coastal residents were earlier told to get to high ground or the fourth floor or above of buildings, and the US Coast Guard ordered ships out of harbours.

Flights out of Honolulu airport resumed later, the transport department said, while the main airport in Maui remained closed with passengers sheltering in the terminal.

Tsunami waves of nearly half a metre were observed as far as California, with smaller ones reaching the Canadian province of British Columbia.

The US Geological Survey said the quake was shallow at a depth of 19.3 kilometres, and centred 119 kilometres east-southeast of Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky, a city of 165,000 people.

Tsunami alarms sounded in coastal towns across Japan's Pacific coast and evacuation orders were issued for tens of thousands of people.

Workers evacuated the stricken Fukushima nuclear plant, where a meltdown following the 2011



People watch the coast from Hiyoriyama Park after Japan issued an evacuation alert following an earthquake in Russia that triggered a tsunami warning yesterday. PHOTO | REUTERS

tsunami caused a radioactive disaster, operator Tepco said.

Footage on public broadcaster NHK showed people on the northern island of Hokkaido on the roof of a building, sheltering under tents from the sun, as fishing boats left harbours to avoid any damage from incoming waves.

Broadcaster Asahi TV said a 58-year-old woman died when her car fell off a cliff as she was evacuating in central Japan's Mie prefecture.

Automaker Nissan Motor suspended operations at some factories to ensure employee safety, Kyodo news agency reported.

Three tsunami waves were recorded in Japan, the largest being 1.3 metres, officials said.

Chief Cabinet Secretary Yoshimasa Hayashi said no injuries or damage had been report-

ed, and there were no irregularities at nuclear plants.

Tsunami waves of one to three metres can be fatal for people who are swept away, NHK said.

The US Tsunami Warning System said waves of more than three metres were possible on

I decided to leave the building. It felt like the walls could collapse. The shaking lasted continuously for at least three minutes

Yaroslav, Petropavlovsk resident



some coasts of Russia, the northern Hawaiian islands and Ecuador, while waves of one to three metres were possible in Japan, Hawaii, Chile and the Solomon Islands.

Russia's Ministry for Emergency Services said a kindergarten was damaged but most buildings withstood the quake. No serious injuries or fatalities have been reported.

Several people in Kamchatka sought medical assistance following the quake, Oleg Melnikov, regional health minister, said.

In Severo-Kurils, south of Kamchatka, waves exceeded three metres, with the largest up to five metres, RIA news agency said.

Alexander Ovsiyannikov, the town's mayor, urged locals to assess damage to their homes and not to use gas stoves until inspections are carried out. (Reuters)

Taxi plunges in river, killing four

KAMPALA• Four people died and 13 others were injured when a taxi plunged into a river in Uganda's eastern district of Busia on Tuesday. According to police, the commuter taxi from Busia to Tororo plunged into River Malaba at Amunguru bridge after hitting a pedestrian. "Preliminary investigations indicate the speeding vehicle knocked down and killed a person who was crossing the road," the statement said. "The vehicle veered off the road, struck the bridge and plunged into the river, killing three passengers and injuring 13, including the driver." Police added that the injured were taken to hospital, while the bodies were taken to the mortuary. "We urge motorists to observe speed limits and yield to pedestrians," police said in the statement. (Xinhua)

UK to recognise Palestine amid Israel criticism

LONDON• Britain has rejected criticism that it is rewarding Hamas by setting out plans to recognise a Palestinian state if Israel does not take steps to improve the situation in Gaza. The sight of emaciated children in Gaza has shocked the world. A monitor said on Tuesday that a worst-case scenario of famine is unfolding there and immediate action is needed to avoid widespread death. PM Keir Starmer set a September deadline for Israel, prompting rebuke from his colleague in Jerusalem, who said it rewards Hamas and punishes victims of the 2023 cross-border attack. US leader Donald Trump said he does not think Hamas "should be rewarded" with recognition of Palestinian independence. (Reuters)



Angola's President João Lourenço. FILE | NATION

Hundreds arrested during deadly fuel protests in Angola

LUANDA, WEDNESDAY

Police in Angola say four people have been killed and 500 arrested after protests in capital, Luanda. What began as a three-day strike by taxi drivers against rising petrol prices has escalated into one of the most widespread and disruptive waves of protest the country has seen in years.

Thousands joined demonstrations in Luanda on Monday that saw roads blocked,

shops looted cars destroyed and clashes between demonstrators and police. There has been gunfire in parts of the capital.

Demonstrations spread further afield to the central city of Huambo.

"The fuel price issue is the last straw that has reignited public discontent. Hunger is rife and the poor are becoming miserable," local activist, Laura Macedo, said.

The strike was called by taxi operators in response to the decision by the govern-

ment to raise the price of diesel by more than 33 per cent.

This has resulted in higher fares for Angolans who rely on the taxis and driven up the price of staple foods and other basics.

President João Lourenço has dismissed such concerns, saying protesters are using petrol prices as a pretext to undermine his administration.

"Even after the increase, the price of die-

sel in Angola remains around 40 US cents per litre, and there are not many countries with prices this low," he said.

The average monthly wage in Angola is 70,000 kwanzas (\$75), and a promise by the presidency to increase this to 100,000 has not materialised.

Protesters chanted against fuel price increases, five decades of rule by MPLA party and expressed frustration with the country's state of affairs. (BBC)

Business 105%

Financing that Equity will provide in school bus purchase deal

KenGen rolls out maiden electricity storage facility

BY JOHN MUTUA

The Kenya Electricity Generating Company (KenGen) has set up its first battery storage for electricity marking the start of a plan meant to save excess power generated during the day and use it at night. It will also help avert steep power bills tied to increased use of thermal sources.

The 1.16 megawatt-hour (MWh) Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) will serve the company's 52-kilowatt modular data centre at its headquarters in Nairobi.

A BESS is an ensemble of rechargeable batteries that can store energy from different sources and discharge it when needed. It can also be used to balance the electricity grid, provide backup power, and improve network stability.

Reliable power supply

A BESS stores excess electricity (geothermal, wind and solar) generated during the day but is not used. The energy is then available when demand peaks in the evening, making it critical to Kenya's efforts to ensure a reliable and affordable supply of power.

"By integrating battery storage into our data infrastructure, we are not only reducing our carbon footprint but also showcasing how energy utilities can lead in sustainable innovation," said KenGen chief executive officer Peter Njenga.

Lack of BESS has seen Kenya miss out on excess wind and solar power, which is needed when demand peaks in the evening, highlighting the heavy price consumers pay due to the lack of a storage facility for the energy generated during the day.

This has left Kenya grappling with shaky supplies when demand rises or heavily relying on thermal plants and imports from Ethiopia.

Nation Media Group and Global Compact Network sign partnership deal



Nation Media Group Managing Director and CEO Geoffrey Odundo poses for a photo with Global Compact Network Kenya Executive Director Judy Njino after signing a Memorandum of Understanding at Nation Centre in Nairobi yesterday. The agreement marks the third year of partnership between the two organisations under the United Nations Global Compact framework.

LUCY WANJIRU | NATION

Report Regulator breaks the rule on paying for undelivered goods

Gathungu queries Sh21m Epra pay for cars in Japan

Auditor-General says amount was paid for SUVs while on the assembly line

BY PETER MBURU

The Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (Epra) is on the spot for paying Sh20.69 million for two sport-utility vehicles while they were still under production thousands of kilometres away at a factory in Japan, and in breach of the public procurement law.

Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu faulted Epra for payments to CFAO Motors for a Toyota Fortuner and a Toyota Hiace as they were still being assembled in May and June last year, breaking a law prohibiting paying for goods before they are delivered.

An audit covering the year to June 2024 revealed that Epra awarded the tender for the supply of the two vehicles to a local distributor (CFAO Motors) at a contract price of Sh20.69 million. Some Sh13.57 million was paid

for the Toyota Fortuner and the rest for the Hiace.

"Management made full advance payments for the vehicles totalling to Sh20,694,911 before delivery contrary to section 146 of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, 2015, which provides that no works, goods or services contract shall be paid for before they are executed or delivered, and accepted by the accounting officer of a procuring entity or an officer authorised by him or her in writing, and that no advance payment shall

be made before the contract is signed," said Ms Gathungu.

Article 146 of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, 2015 (Revised in 2022) prohibits advance payments for goods not delivered.

Epra's Director-General Daniel Kiptoo, however, said the State agency breached the law to abide by the supplier's terms.

"CFAO Motors Ltd, the vehicle supplier, requires full payment before allocation and registration of vehicles, as per their standard operating policy," he told Nation.

The audit also flagged a decision by Epra to acknowledge that it had received the vehicles, through letters dated May 23 and June 25, 2024, even after the supplier indicated that they would be delivered later in September and November last year. The audit notes that on May 15 and June 16 last year, CFAO Motors wrote to Epra informing it that the vehicles would arrive later in the year. "However, an inspection and acceptance com-

mittee certified the vehicles as received on 23 May, 2024, and 25 June, 2024, respectively, and additionally certified that the vehicles had been received and taken on charge as per order and specifications," stated Gathungu.

"As at the time of conclusion of the audit in December 2024, the two vehicles had not been delivered to the authority," said the report signed on December 27, 2024.

Epra, however, says the vehicles were delivered on December 6 and December 14 last year, contradicting the audit that was concluded two weeks after the reported delivery.

Mr Kiptoo said the vehicles were inspected on January 17, 2025, though the Auditor-General said she found documents stating that Epra's inspection and acceptance committee had inspected and certified the vehicles as received back in May and June last year, about six months before their reported arrival.

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COST

13.5m

Amount that was paid for Toyota Fortuner

BRIEFLY

FINANCE

Family Bank inks Sh2.6 billion deal with UK financier

Family Bank has inked a Sh2.6 billion (\$20 million) deal with British International Investment to support trade financing for micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises across Kenya. The partnership will direct the funds towards financing trade for MSMEs, with at least 50 per cent of the cash directed at women-led businesses and agribusiness-related enterprises. **Edna Mwenda**

MOBILITY

Equity, CFAO in school transport financing deal

Equity Bank Kenya has signed a deal with vehicle dealership CFAO Mobility to provide up to 105 per cent financing for institutions seeking to purchase buses and vans. The asset finance deal is aimed at easing the cost of buying school transport, and covers not only the full value of the vehicles but also insurance and other associated costs. **Sylvia Kathonji**

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440.00	240.00	Kakuzi Plc Ord 5.00		439.00	
350.00	81.00	Kapchorua Tea Kenya Plc Ord	345.00	339.50	5,900
430.00	320.00	The Limuru Tea Co. Ord 20.00		310.00	
32.60	13.60	Sasini Ltd Ord 1.00	15.20	15.05	7,000
289.00	120.00	Williamson Tea Kenya Plc Ord 500	245.00	245.25	11,600

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52.50	33.70	Equity Group Holdings Ord 0.50	50.25	50.25	466,300
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47.35	15.00	KCB Group Ord 1.00	47.35	47.30	1,842,100
66.50	28.50	NCBA Group Ord 5.00	66.00	65.75	73,000
180.00	90.00	Stanbic Holdings Ord 5.00	177.00	177.00	321,500
320.00	134.00	Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ord 5.00	315.00	310.25	192,700
18.35	10.10	The Co-op Bank of Kenya Ord 1.00	17.00	17.00	355,500

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4.66	4.66	Homeboyz Entertainment Plc Ord 0.50		4.66	
9.18	3.83	Kenya Airways Ord 1.00	5.10	5.14	222,600
3.46	2.00	Longhorn Publishers Ord 1.00	2.46	2.68	1,900
5.00	1.76	Nairobi Business Ventures Ord 1.00	1.83	1.80	38,200
22.40	10.60	Nation Media Group Plc Ord 2.50	13.70	13.55	11,300
7.78	1.80	Sameer Africa Plc Ord 5.00	7.76	7.08	76,300
10.80	4.50	Standard Group Ord 5.00		6.60	
18.70	10.85	TPS Eastern Africa Ord 1.00	14.50	14.50	1,000
0.41	0.16	Uchumi Supermarket Ord 5.00	0.29	0.29	156,300
3.95	1.80	WPP ScanGroup PLC Ord 1.00	2.55	2.51	109,400

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	39.60	40.10	100
3.27	0.72	E. A. Cables Ord 0.50		1.71	
55.75	4.38	E.A. Portland Cement Ord 5.00	44.60	43.25	4,300

ENERGY & PETROLEUM

7.52	1.94	KenGen Ord 2.50	7.40	7.34	592,200
12.40	1.30	KP & LC Co Plc Ord 250	11.35	11.00	457,600
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	25.45	25.35	65,600
24.70	6.30	Umeme Ltd Ord 0.50	9.58	9.52	1,079,400

INSURANCE

8.70	4.01	Britam Holdings Ord 0.10	8.54	8.52	55,700
3.19	1.60	CIC Insurance Group Ord 1.00	3.39	3.38	164,300
247.00	142.00	Jubilee Holdings Ord 5.00	239.00	231.75	7,400
2.97	1.05	Kenya Re Insurance Ord 2.50	2.22	2.21	2,448,600
12.20	3.30	Liberty Kenya Holdings Ord 1.00	10.90	10.95	8,500
11.00	4.00	Sanlam Kenya Ord 5.00	7.98	7.96	3,800

INVESTMENT

16.50	7.60	Centum Investment Co Ord 0.50	11.50	11.55	136,200
1.12	0.27	Home Afrika Ltd Ord 1.00	0.61	0.63	494,100
1,500	1,500	Kurwitu Ventures Ltd Ord 100.00		1,500.00	
5.60	1.91	Olympia Capital Holdings Ltd Ord 5.00	4.03	4.00	400
1.78	0.29	Trans-Century Plc Ord 0.50		1.12	

INVESTMENT SERVICES

10.00	5.22	Nairobi Securities Exchange Ord 4.00	9.66	9.96	26,600
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MANUFACTURING & ALLIED

95.00	65.00	B.O.C Kenya Group Co Ord 5.00		89.50	
495.00	325.00	British American Tobacco Kenya Ord 10.00	402.00	399.75	35,800
23.90	11.00	Carbacid Investments Ord 1.00	21.60	21.95	3,400
244.00	100.00	East African Breweries Ord 1.00	226.00	224.00	205,700
2.33	0.86	Flame Tree Group Holdings Ord 0.825	1.20	1.26	44,900
77.00	10.40	Kenya Orchards Ord 5.00		67.50	
0.27	0.27	Mumias Sugar Co. Ord 2.00		0.27	
31.00	12.00	Unga Group Co. Ord 5.00	20.00	19.55	200
5.90	5.90	Shri Krishana Overseas Plc 0.20	6.26	5.90	25,200

TELECOMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY

27.50	11.50	Safaricom Ltd Ord 0.05	27.40	27.85	8,515,400
20.00	20.00	Lap trust I-Reit Co. Ord 20.00		20.00	
3330.00	1880.00	Absa New Gold ETF	4010i	4080	
761.00	761.00	Satrix MSCI World Feeder ETF		761.00	

NSE ALL SHARE INDEX: 01st Jan 2008 -100 Dwn 0.82pts - 163.67 NSE 20-Up 5.03pts - 2570.81 01st sep 2015=4101.67 Dwn 4.27 pts 4199.94 NSE 20-SI -30 Aug 2023=1000 Dwn 4.21pts - 1613.27

COMMERCIAL BANK RATES

		Euro	\$	£	C\$	SF	IR	JY	ZR
ABC	buy	149.10	129.00	172.25	93.85	160.05	1.47	87.17	7.19
	sell	149.94	129.50	173.18	94.02	160.87	1.48	87.57	7.25
Absa	buy	149.52	129.10	172.23	93.92	160.54	1.49	86.93	7.20
	sell	150.01	129.30	172.75	94.20	161.19	1.49	87.18	7.22
Co-op	buy	146.49	128.50	170.06	91.84	158.05	1.44	86.21	6.29
	sell	151.66	129.50	174.49	95.59	162.89	1.61	89.46	8.15
Equity	buy	148.53	128.90	171.62	93.54	159.59	-	86.69	7.18
	sell	149.25	129.50	172.43	94.00	160.43	-	87.11	7.21
NBK	buy	149.55	129.00	172.32	93.99	160.55	1.49	87.05	7.21
	sell	149.77	129.40	172.54	94.14	160.90	1.49	87.19	7.22
KCB	buy	147.90	129.03	171.46	93.42	158.14	1.49	87.00	7.19
	sell	148.39	129.43	172.06	93.74	159.14	1.49	87.00	7.22
NCBA	buy	149.90	129.05	172.45	94.53	160.65	1.48	87.15	7.22
	sell	149.90	129.25	172.75	94.70	161.00	1.48	87.30	7.24
Stanbic	buy	149.41	129.00	172.31	93.68	160.65	1.49	86.97	7.21
	sell	149.89	129.40	172.55	94.27	161.15	1.50	87.24	7.32
Prime	buy	147.90	129.00	171.55	93.40	158.85	1.47	86.55	7.20
	sell	148.40	129.50	172.05	93.90	159.35	1.43	87.15	7.30

CBK RATES

	Exchange Rate	Swiss Franc	160.5068
US Dollar	129.2401	100 Japanese Yen	87.3746
1 Sterling Pound	172.5291	1 Swedish Kroner	13.4062
1 Euro	149.3240	1 Norwegian Kroner	12.6793
1 South African Rand	7.2314	1 Danish Kroner	20.3159
Ksh/USH	27.7391	1 Indian Rupee	1.4879
Ksh/TSH	19.8855	1 Hongkong Dollar	16.4657
Ksh/RWF	11.7347	1 Singapore Dollar	100.4587
Ksh/BIF	23.0652	1 Saudi Riyal	34.4567
1 UAE Dirham	35.1860	1 Chinese Yuan	18.0127
1 Canadian Dollar	94.3630	1 Australian Dollar	84.1612

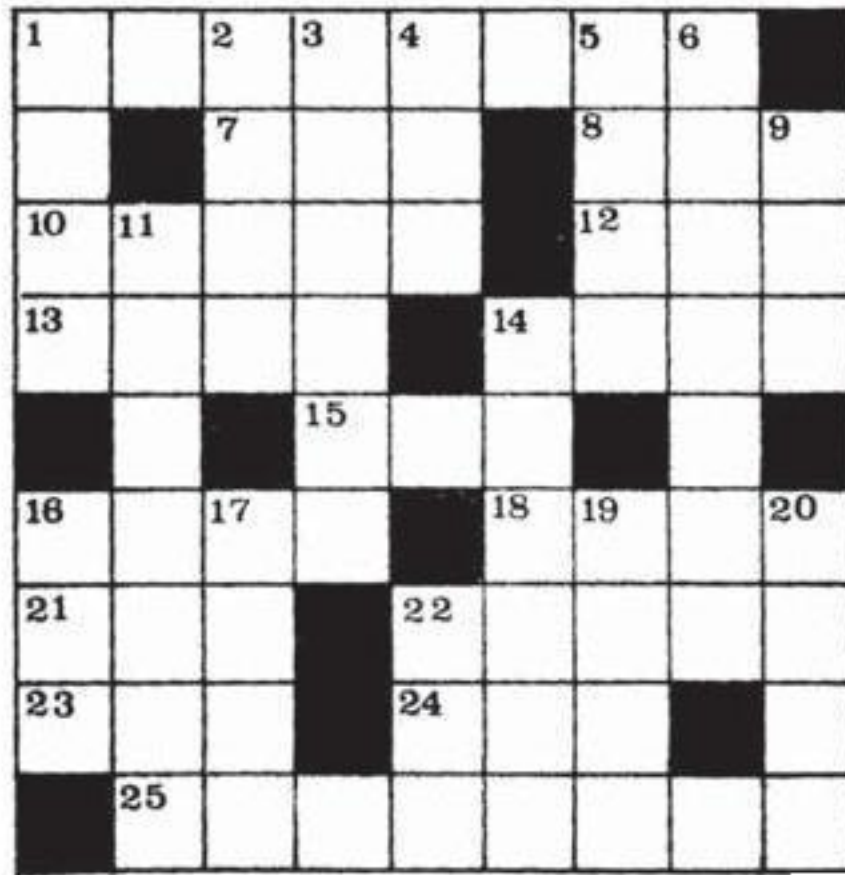
UNIT TRUSTS

		Daily Yield	Annual Rate
African Alliance Kenya Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.65%	7.92%
African Alliance Kenya Enhanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.02%	8.33%
Britam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.61%	11.19%
Britam Money Market Fund	USD	4.59%	4.70%
Absa Shilling MMF	Kenya Shilling	8.40%	8.73%
Absa Dollar Fund MMF	USD	4.05%	4.13%
Gulfcap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.89%	13.11%
Gulfcap Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	13.13%	13.94%
Gulfcap Shar'ah Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.08%	7.33%
Old Mutual Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.57%	11.06%
Old Mutual Dollar Money Market Fund	USD	5.08%	5.20%
Etica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.49%	12.18%
Etica Money Market Fund	USD	5.87%	6.05%
CPF Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	6.99%	7.24%
Co-op Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.85%	9.25%
Co-op Bond Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.26%	10.81%
Arvocap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.65%	11.18%
Arvocap Alimasi Fund	Kenya Shilling	1.30	1.31
Mayfair Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.05%	8.38%
Mayfair Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	15.19	15.1
Enwealth Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.32%	10.83%
CIC Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.42%	8.75%
CIC Wealth Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.00%	7.00%
CIC Dollar Fund	USD	4.55%	4.65%
Equity Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	4.96%	5.08%
Kuza Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.43%	12.11%
Kuza Money Market Fund	USD	5.36%	5.51%
Madison Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.50%	11.07%
Madison Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.81%	12.53%
Orient Kasha Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.86%	12.47%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.81%	11.37%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	USD	5.28%	5.41%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.96%	12.71%
Lofty-Corban Bond Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.43%	13.17%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	USD	5.24%	5.36%
Cytonn Money Market	Kenya Shilling	12.53%	13.34%
NCBA Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.95%	8.24%
NCBA Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	3.31%	3.36%
ICEA LION Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.97%	9.39%
ICEA LION Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	10.41	10.41
ICEA LION Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.71	11.71
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (3 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.61%	11.14%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (6 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.63%	11.17%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (12 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.81%	11.36%
Sanlam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.82%	10.32%
Sanlam US Dollar Fund	USD	5.21%	5.35%
Apollo Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.81%	10.31%
Genghis Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.53%	8.9%
GenAfrica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.95%	11.51%
KCB Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.49%	9.91%
KCB Money Market Fund	USD	5.12%	5.24%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	USD	6.68%	6.91%
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	USD	5.80%	5.97%
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.48%	12.17%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.36%	13.15%
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	USD	5.16%	5.28%
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.60%	10.04%
Dry Associates Special High Yield Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.36%	13.60%
Faulu Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.80%	10.26%
Britam Bond Plus Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.44%	12.11%
Zimele Fixed Income Fund</			

Leisure

SIMPLE CROSSWORD

- ACROSS:**
 1. Artist who carves designs
 7. A slimy or sticky substance
 8. Range of knowledge
 10. Allocate or assign
 12. Equine animal
 13. Sunbeams
 14. A place where a house is to be constructed
 15. Estimated time of arrival (abbreviation)
 16. A large farm building used for storing grain or housing livestock
 18. A quantity of something that is possessed illegally
 21. 100 square meters
 22. A short story conveying a moral
 23. A large beer or wine cask
 24. Rock that contains minerals like iron or gold
 25. Ancient Greek philosopher
- DOWN:**
 1. Rise high into the air
 2. Unattractive
 3. Unfasten or slacken
 4. Earthenware cooking vessel
 5. Kwabena..., veteran Ghanaian Highlife music singer
 6. Having a quiet and soothing quality



9. Nairobi Stock Exchange (abbreviation)
 11. His life was restored by Jesus
 14. Vast African desert
 16. As blind as a ... (simile)
 17. City in Nevada, USA, known for casino gambling
 19. Help in commission of crime
 20. Meadows
 22. Supporting or in favour of

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

- ACROSS:**
 Bear hug
 7 Leo
 8 Ibo
 10 Feast
 12 VAT
 13 Fast
 14 Eels
 15 Ear
 16 Sled
 18 Akan
 21 Pep
 22 Aside
 23 Ate
 24 Pew
 25 Emeriti
- DOWN:**
 1 Buff
 2 Alas
 3 Rested
 4 Hot
 5 Give
 6 Tots
 9 Ballad
 11 Eaglet
 14 Eraser
 16 Spat
 17 Epee
 19 Kiwi
 20 Nevi
 22 Ape

SUDOKU

Enjoy the Sudoku Game Daily

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

Can't get enough of the games?

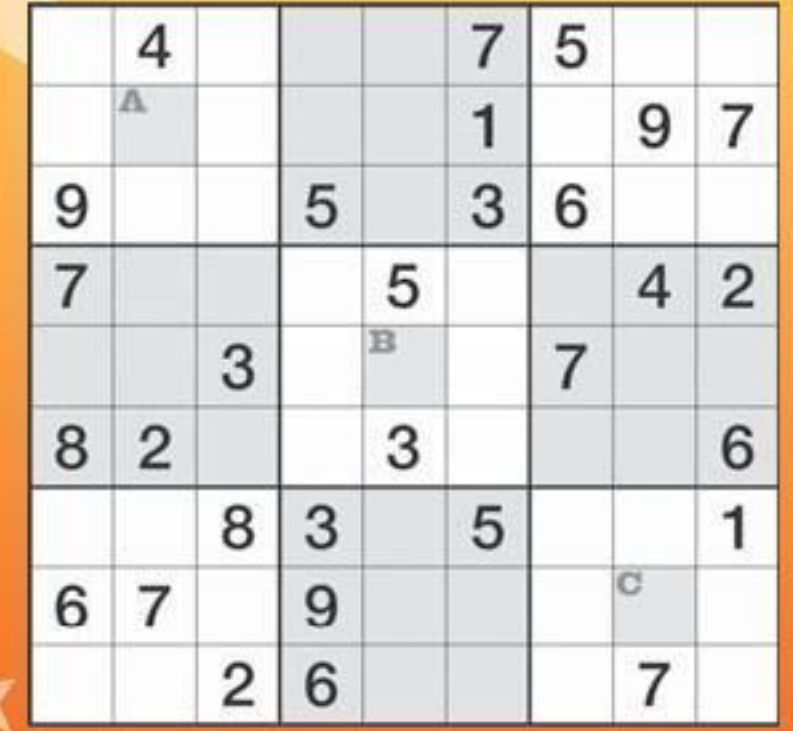
If you are done with this one then there's more online. Get started at www.nation.africa/kenya/puzzles



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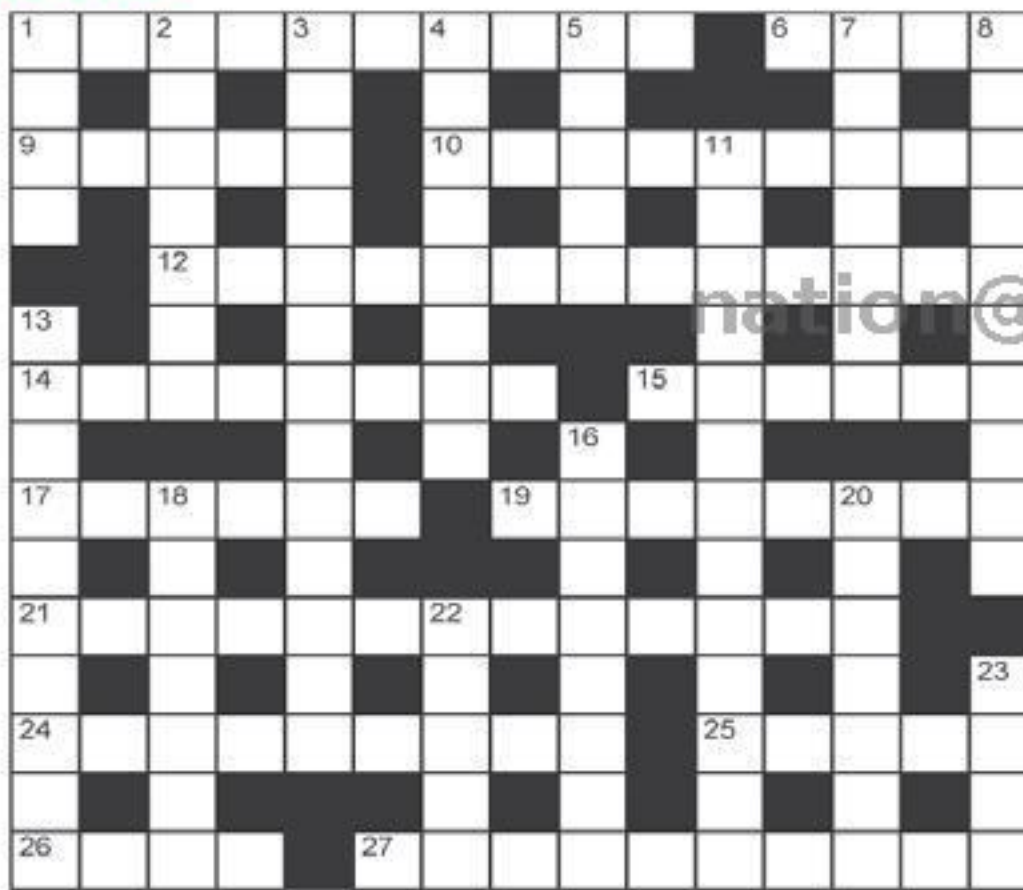
YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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



COMPLEX CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
 1 Book Ravi, a nifty comic (6,4)
 6 Initially, Boris led our Conservatives United group (4)
 9 Sweet old boy sent back honour (5)
 10 Hanging in Bilbao, Dali's questionable slave in the Harem (9)
 12 Vulgarity that escapes the tongue? (13)
 14 Woman of substance that could be sweet (8)
 15 Extravagantly playful, free European city (6)
 17 French dramatist popular among competition (6)
 19 Reportedly meet Olaf changing stage name for singer (4,4)
 21 A quick one followed by a few chasers in typical country pub (4,3,6)
 24 Captures chappies regularly getting stripped in painting (9)
 25 Tiny egg to do with Christmas, we gather (5)
 26 Still one notorious mountain dweller (4)
 27 System sound check? (6,4)
- DOWN**
 1 Very current live buzz (4)
 2 One bearing title of horse broken by Spooner? (4,3)
 3 Clothes salon I answered, penning letters sent in Greek



- (13) 13 Pale, richly crafted cheese (10)
 4 Beginning to film Italian actress on walls of castle in Tuscan location (8)
 5 Perhaps Jack Sparrow blowing his top, angry (5)
 7 I'd put out readily convertible currency for after-dinner drink (7)
 8 Fed up daughter, maybe 13 tops, leaving (7,3)
 11 Momentary sensation aunt made a drama of (13)
 16 Paraffin increased in price in Wounded Knee (8)
 18 My old, open fabric ornamental headdress (7)
 20 Like bookish Jude Bellingham's debut in new course (7)
 22 Doctor behind preliminary outline (5)
 23 Handled soft material (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

- ACROSS**
 1 Dick Whittington
 9 Flageolet
 10 Pages
 11 Earwigs
 12 Hairdo
 15 Bookshop
 16 Blur
 19 Gran
 20 Fallible
 23 Ottawa
 24 Gumdrop
 26 Lippy
 28 Barrister
 29 Waiting for Godot
- DOWN:**
 1 Duffel bags
 2 Clairvoyant
 3 Weediest
 4 Illusion
 5 Titchy
 6 Napkin
 7 Tug
 8 Nose
 13 Deliberated
 14 Free spirit
 17 Kangaroo
 18 Slumping
 21 Papyri
 22 Gasbag
 25 Slow
 27 Phi

CODEWORD

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

through the puzzle to its completion. Solution in memory of paper.

1	2	3	4	5	2	6	7	8	9	7	10	1	14
2		1				11		12		13		2	15
3	1	14	4		11	10	5	4	9	11	4	3	16
4		1		7		4		2		7		4	17
5	4	15	4	2	4	5	9	11	4			5	18
		5		1		7				13		6	19
4	16	4	8	12	11		17	2	13	6	5	7	20
19		4				20		6		2		8	21
4			7	4	8	1	21	17	9	22	4	9	22
23		24		25		2		2		4		10	23
5	4	17	2	1	6	2	7		13	19	7	11	24
6		11		13		1				4		12	25
26	10	4	9	11		9	23	5	9	25	4	13	26

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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

YOUR STARS

- AQUARIUS | JAN 21 - FEB 19**
 Business matters look promising, but you could find yourself torn between the need to attend to these matters and the desire to relax at home. If you have to make a choice, it might be best to choose the former, because today's aspects promise opportunities that might not come around again for a while.
- PISCES | FEB 20 - MAR 20**
 Things may roll along nicely in love and romance and then suddenly run into a snag, Pisces. Perhaps you failed to recognize an important birthday or anniversary. Perhaps you were expected to act a certain way or do something you failed to do.
- ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20)**
 You may feel more centered than usual, which encourages you to stand up for yourself and say the things you must to people who

- need to hear others. There may have been recent arguments with a partner, but those should subside now, thanks to today's serene feelings. Perhaps you've gained greater insight into the cause of the tension.
- TAURUS | APR 21 - MAY 20**
 You may have that awful feeling that you really need to get down to work yet something seems to stand square in the way of progress. Perhaps you feel like you're at a four-way stop with three other cars. You can't all go at once, yet no one knows whose turn it is.
- GEMINI | MAY 21 - JUNE 21**
 You're anxious to take action, Gemini especially when it comes to matters of the heart. Be careful about acting too hastily. It's important that you and your loved one be on the same page first. There's a whole story that has to play out first.

- CANCER | JUN 22 - JULY 22**
 It may feel as if something or someone is trying to keep you from moving ahead with your ambitious goals. At first you may resent this ball and chain attached to your ankle, but on closer examination, you'll see that this hindrance is actually a help.
- LEO | JULY 23 - AUG 22**
 You're apt to feel more talkative than usual, Leo. There are many times when you may shrink from a situation in disgust or perhaps boredom. You're usually anxious to move from one scene and get on with the next. Feel free to call the shots and speak your mind.
- VIRGO | AUG 23 - SEP 23**
 You may be anxious to try an uncharted path that speaks to your sense of risk and adventure, Virgo. It's important to temper these actions with realistic planning. You're

- much more likely to get a flat tire when you don't carry a spare. Make sure you have the proper resources to pull yourself out of any jam along the way.
- LIBRA | SEP 24 - OCT 23**
 Other people are likely to be anxious to get up and moving with their plans, Libra. It might be better for you to hang back a bit and see how things pan out before you take action. Let others go across the river first to learn the best way. It could be that you're jumping ahead of the game.
- SCORPIO | OCT 24 - NOV 22**
 Your heart has been active, and you're probably feeling the need to take charge of a certain relationship. Instead of being too hasty in your pursuit of this relationship, you should probably do more planning than rush into any commitments.

- SAGITTARIUS | NOV 23 - DEC 21**
 There is solid grounding to your emotions right now that is helping you stabilize your sensitive feelings. As you become more attuned to your internal needs, you may discover that recent actions in romance and love may not have been particularly appropriate.
- CAPRICORN | DEC 22 - JAN 20**
 Your relationships are going well from an intellectual perspective, but from an emotional one, you might feel like they aren't as fulfilling as you'd like. Perhaps you're letting your brain do too much of the driving. It's time to let your heart take over and have its needs be tended to for a while. As your energy shifts, so will that of people around you.

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NAIROBI & UPCOUNTRY

PERSONAL NOTICES

A109 Lost

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the original title deed described below has been reported lost. The title number is **Ruiru/Ruiru East Block 2/22217**. The registered owner is Charlotte Wangui Njau. The title was lost at or about June 15th to May 2024. Replacement will be sought from the Land Registrar after **30 days** from the date of the notice. Anyone with the information or objections regarding this title should contact the undersigned immediately.
Contact: DW GICHIO & CO ADVOCATES, P.O. BOX 1679-0232 RUIRU, TEL: 0794797754, Email: dwgichioandcompanyadvocates@gmail.com

LOSS of Title deed Kitale Municipality Block 15/Koitogos/3716

LOSS of Title Deed LR No.36/VII/559 INO Hannah Kasivi Sila

LOSS of Title Deed: LR NO. NAIROBI/ BLOCK 10/584 property of Tirupati Kenya Limited

LOSS of Title deed NO Kiplombe /Kiplombe Block 10 (Growth) 587

LOSS of title Kiganjo Kiamwani 1089

LOSS of title Kiganjo Kiamwani 1095

LOSS of title Kiganjo Mundoro 662

LOSS of title Lr 11344/1590 LR 139424

LOSS of Title LR 2358/10 (IR 257562)

LOSS of title LTK/ ENTARARA/105

LOST Certificate of Lease No. Nairobi/ Block 134/1299

LOST of Title for Kibirichia/Kibirichia/ 1097 for Dinah Kagendo Nkoroi

LOST title Bassi/Bosingi/4074

LOST Title Deed for parcel number Muhito/ Mbiuni/ 431 of Machira S/O Mugo

LOST Title deed Kaagari/Weru/13994

LOST title deed Kantafu plot Donyo Sabuk/ Komarock Block 1/ 2000

LOST Title Deed:LR Number:22932/21 of Patrick Kiplangat Kiptanui & Benjamin Kipchirchir Kiptanui

LOST title deed Molo/ Nyakinyua Nakangei 25 Block 11

LOST Title Deed Ndivisi/Ndivisi/4340

LOST title deed Ngong Ngong/5123

LOST Title Deed: Nyaribari Chache/ B/B/ Boburia/10856 of Annah Moraa Onkoba

LOST Title deeds Nanyuki Municipality block 3/236 and 252

LOST Title Kajiado/Kitengela/38745 Abel Segeto Sebugua

LOST title Kiambaa/Kihara/4479

LOST title Lr 11344/1589 IR 139425

LOST title Lr 12715/12519 Lr 192174

LOST title LR no. 209/7383/2

LOST title Nakuru/Njoro/141 Mary Waitira Mwangi & Richard Mwangi Waruingi

LOST title Nginda/Samar blk 1/216 Monica Wambui Kinuthia & Mwangi Kinuthia

LOST Title No. Ndalani/Ndalani Block 1/2472 Stephen Mutua Matheka

LOST title Number: Block 72/1458 of Risper Achieng Odongo

LOST title Nyandarua/Lesirko/3127 of Peter Michael Gichuhi

LOST Titles Iraini/Chehe/64 & Magutu/ Gathehu/714 Njega Kang'oti

PERSONAL SERVICES

A167 Acupuncture
MEN'S Vitality Clinic 0722-242243

PAIN Relief Clinic 0724-044383

A279 Notices

FORM PLUPA/DC/3 (r.3(3)(xi)) THE PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019) PUBLIC NOTICE:
NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED EXTENSION OF LEASE TO THE CERTIFICATE OF LEASE FOR PLOT No. NAIROBI BLOCK 95/476-SPRING VALLEY, OFF LOWER KABETE & SHANZU ROADS.
The proprietors of the above plot of size **0.1001 Hectare**, propose the referred Planning Permission subject to approval by the Nairobi City County Government.
Individual(s), institution(s), members of the public, etc., with comments or material objection(s) to the proposal, are asked to forward them in writing within **(14) days** hereof, pursuant to stipulations of PLUPA's section 58 (7) & (8) and address them to:
The CECM i/c - Lands, Urban Planning & Built Environment, Nairobi City County Government, P.O. Box 30075-00100, Nairobi. Name of Regd. Planner - J.B. Koyier, RPP. No. 0102, Mobile No. 0734074251. Dated: 31/07/25

PUBLIC NOTICE
Physical and Land Use Planning Act, Cap. 303. NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USER
The registered owners of Plot No. **MOMBASA MUNICIPALITY BLOCK II/6** in Nyali area, wishes to change the user from Residential (Single Dwelling) to Residential (Multiple Dwelling) subject to approval by the County Government of Mombasa. Individuals, institutions or members of the public 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 - Department of Land, Housing and Urban Planning, County Government of Mombasa. P.O. Box 81599-80100, MOMBASA. Plan. Marvin Mugambi RPP 0323

PUBLIC NOTICE
PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (NO. 13 OF 2019) CHANGE OF USER:
The Owner of Agricultural Land parcel NOs. Makeni/Kalungu/ 852 located in Kibwezi West Sub County and Along Kibwezi-Kitui road, Makeni County proposes to change its Use from Agricultural to Residential Use (Apartments) subject to approval by County Government of Makeni. Individuals, institutions or organizations etc. with objections or comments to the proposal are requested to forward the same in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice to:
CECM- Lands, Urban Planning and Development, Environment and Climate Change County Government of Makeni. P.O. Box 78-90300, Wote-Makeni. Registered Planner Nathan Mutunga RPP 0274

REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S COURT AT MAUA ELC SUIT NO. E159 OF 2024
Simon Mukania Kithure.....Plaintiff
-VERSUS-
Bernard Murithi M'limbe.....1st Defendant
Stanley Ngolua M'ipwi.....2nd Defendant
John Gitonga Baitemenge.....3rd Defendant
Nchebere Kaiyandi.....4th Defendant
Joseph Kobia M'kutitu.....5th Defendant
Silas Kobia.....6th Defendant
Peter Maore Uthari.....7th Defendant
Joseph Kubania M'etaya.....8th Defendant
Joseph Mbiti.....9th Defendant
David Muliuki Mwambia.....10th Defendant
Isaya Mutuma M'ameru.....11th Defendant
Geoffrey Mbaabu Kathao.....12th Defendant
Elijah Gitonga Ezekiel.....13th Defendant
Flora Nkatha Jakuba.....14th Defendant
Attorney General.....15th Defendant
IN COURT ON 5/5/2025 BEFORE THE HONOURABLE DAMACLINE BOSIBORI (SRM) ORDER

Application for:
1. THAT this Honourable court be pleased to certify that this application as most urgent and the same be heard Ex-parte in the first instance.
2. THAT leave be granted to the Plaintiff's Advocates on record, **M/S. MWIRIGI KABURU AND COMPANY ADVOCATES**, to effect service of the pleadings herein upon the 1st - 14th Defendants by means of substituted service, being the publication of an advertisement in the Daily Nation Newspaper.
3. THAT costs of this application be provided for: **UPON READING** the Notice of Motion dated **8th April 2025** brought under certificate of urgency pursuant to Orders 5(2) and Order 5 Rule 17 (4) of the Civil Procedure rules and Sections 3A of the civil procedure act and all enabling provisions of the law and the Supporting Affidavit sworn by **SIMON MUKARIA KITHURE** on 8/4/2025 and the annexures thereto and **upon hearing** Counsel for the Plaintiff/Applicant;
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:
1. THAT leave be and is hereby granted to the Plaintiff's Advocates on record, **M/S. MWIRIGI KABURU AND COMPANY ADVOCATES**, to effect service of the pleadings herein upon the 1st - 14th Defendants by means of substituted service, being the publication of an advertisement in the Daily Nation Newspaper.
GIVEN under my Hand and the Seal of the Honourable Court at MAUA this 5th Day of **May 2025.**
ISSUED AT MAUA THISDAY OF2025 SENIOR RESIDENT MAGISTRATE MAUA LAW COURTS

A279 Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019 CHANGE OF USE
The registered owner of parcel no. **Ntima/Ntakira/5636** located at Gikumene along the Gikumene-Nchaure road, Inenti North Sub-County, Meru County proposes to change its use from Agricultural to Light Industrial Use (Godown) subject to approval by the County Government of Meru. Any individual, institution or organization wishing to make any representations or objections to the above proposal is requested to forward the same in writing within **14 days** from the date of this notice to:
The CEC Member -Lands, Physical Planning, Urban Development and Public Works, County Government of Meru, P.O. Box 120-60200, Meru. Name of registered Planner: Joseph Muthuri Nchani | Reg.No:0127

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FORM PLUPA/DC/3 PUBLIC NOTICE
Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019 NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USER
The registered owner of Land Title number loc 12/ sub loc 1/1312 located along Kangema - Ihigini road (approximate 300M from Kangema Main Stage) intends to change use from agricultural to Multi dwelling Residential subject to approval by murang'a county government. Individual(s), institution(s), organization(s) etc. with objections/comments to the proposal should forward the same in writing within **fourteen (14) days** from the date of publication of this notice to:
THE CECM, LAND, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, Murang'a County Government, P.O. Box 52-10200, Murang'a

PUBLIC NOTICE
Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019 EXTENSION OF LEASE AND CHANGE OF USER
The Owner of LR No. 29274 situated in West Lamu Island, Lamu County wishes to Extend the lease and Change the User of the Plot from Ranch to Agricultural subject to the approval of the County Government of Lamu. Any interested person or institution wishing to make any representation or objection to the above application, stating grounds for objection may send them in writing within 14 days from the date of this publication to:
The CECM-Department of Lands, Energy, Housing & Physical Planning, Water & Natural Resources, Infrastructure, Urban Development & Public Works, Lamu County Government, P.O. Box 74-80502, Mokolwe, Lamu.

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Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019 CHANGE OF USE
The registered owner(s) of **Ngong/Ngong/110608** located within Kajado County proposes to Change use from Agricultural to Residential **Multidwelling Use (Town Houses)** subject to approval by County Government of Kajado. Individuals, institutions or members of the public with comments and or objections to proposal are requested to forward them in writing within **14 Days** of this notice to:
The C.E.C.M; Lands, physical planning, Housing and Urban Development, County Government of Kajado P.O. Box 11 KAJIADO.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019 CHANGE OF USER
The registered owners of Plot No.: **Kisumu/Manyatta "B"/64**, within Nyamasaria area, along Nairobi road within the City of Kisumu proposes to change the use of the property from Agricultural User to Light Industry (Petrol & Service Station), subject to approval by the County Government of Kisumu. Individuals, Institutions, etc with objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within **(14) days** from the date 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 AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT, 2019 EXTENSION OF USER
The Registered Owner of Plot Title No. **Nairobi/ Block 15/635** located along Argwings Kodhek Road within **Kilimani** area is proposing to **Extend Use** of the land to include ATC Kenya Operations Ltd **CSM/ Base Transceiver Station** subject to approval by the County Government of Nairobi.
Any individual(s), institution(s) or organization(s) with objection(s) to the proposal are hereby requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice to:
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D278 Legal Notices

REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT AT MALINDI ELC SUIT NO. ELC05 E026 OF 2025 (O.S)
JACOB KAHINDI PLAINTIFF
-VERSUS-
JACINTA MWELI SAMUEL..... DEFENDANT
SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY ADVERTISEMENT
To:
JACINTA MWELI SAMUEL P.O. BOX 242 KILIFI COUNTY
Take notice that a **CASE** has been filed against you in the MALINDI ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT ELC Suit NO ELC05 E026 OF 2025 which you are named as Defendant.
Service of pleadings to this suit on you has been ordered by means of this advertisement. A copy of the pleadings in MALINDI ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT ELC Suit NO ELC05 E026 OF 2025 may be obtained from the court at MALINDI ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT at MALINDI LAW COURTS Malindi OR from the law firm below.
THE MATTER WILL BE MENTIONED TO CONFIRM SERVICE OF THIS NOTICE ON 21st October 2025.
TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in default of your attendance on the said date the matter may proceed ex-parte and such orders may be given as the court may deem fit and just to grant.
Dated at **Mombasa** this ...30th... day of JULY...2025.
MWANGUNYA & COMPANY ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFF
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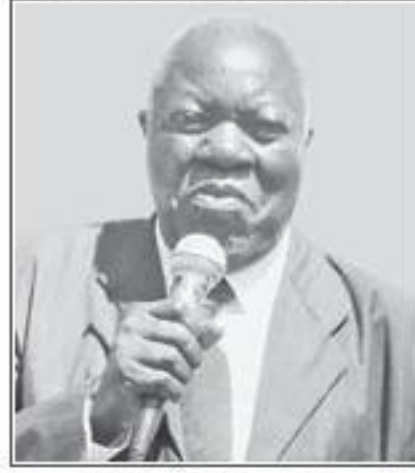
REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT AT MALINDI ELC SUIT NO. ELC05 E025 OF 2025 (O.S)
AYUBU KOMBE ZIRO PLAINTIFF
-VERSUS-
ERNEST HARRY OKOTI MAHERO..... DEFENDANT
SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY ADVERTISEMENT
To:
ERNEST HARRY OKOTI MAHERO KILIFI COUNTY
Take notice that a **CASE** has been filed against you in the MALINDI ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT ELC Suit NO ELC05 E025 OF 2025 which you are named as Defendant.
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Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on to glory of Rev. David Shikambi Luvai of Chepsui Village, Kapsasuri, Nandi County. Beloved husband of the late Mathabel Luvai. Son of the late Ezekiel Luvai and the late Maudi Shidikha. A devoted and cherished father of Geoffrey M. Luvai (Ministry of Health, Narok), the late Hellen Khasoa, Kennedy A. Luvai (Nairobi), and Emmanuel A. Luvai (Ministry of Health, Busia). He was a dear brother of the late Jerida Azangu, Zipporah Logedi, the late John Luvai, Stella Musungu, the late Alice Luvai, Mathias Luvai, and Elizabeth Muyagida. A treasured uncle of many including Hon. Patrick Logedi, Rose Musungu, Moreen Luvai, Pamela Usagi, Gloriah Mugala, Mercy Logedi, Brenda Luvai, Cyprian Luvai, Gellan Musungu, among others. Father-in-law of Joan, Esther and Susan. Rev. Luvai was a loving grandfather and great-grandfather to many, and a beacon of faith, wisdom, and kindness in the lives he touched. The cortege will leave Crescent Hospital Mortuary on Thursday, 31st July 2025, for his home in Chepsui Village, where the funeral service and burial will take place on Friday, 1st August 2025.



Rev. David Shikambi Luvai
Born: 5th May 1940 –
Rested: 20th July 2025

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

Death and Funeral Announcement

We are deeply saddened to announce the passing on of Leah Jerono Kiprotich (Shokwei Mama Jemeli) of Tilolwo village, Keiyo South, Elgeyo Marakwet County which occurred on 23/7/2025 after a short illness.



Leah Jerono Kiprotich

She was beloved daughter of the late Michael Kiprotich Chebore, the late Tioyoi Kiprotich, Martha Kiprotich and Kabon Kiprotich.

Wife of the late Kipsat Bukata. A loving Mother of Loice, Shadrack Busienei (Inspectorate, Nairobi County) Nathan, Janet, Amos (Commander) and Philip (Iten).

Sister of Emmy, Vincent, Charles, Nicholas, Priscilla, Esther, Sarah, the late Carol, Lillian and Lydia. Mother-in-law of Micah, Sarah, Tabitha and Rose. She was blessed with 18 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Fundraising to support funeral expenses will be held on Thursday 31st July, 2025 at Charter Hall, Nairobi from 5:30p.m and her Tilolwo home from 2:00 p.m. The cortege will leave Kamwosor Sub-County Hospital Funeral Home on Friday, 1st August, 2025 for an overnight vigil at her home. The burial service will take place on Saturday 2nd August, 2025 at Tilolwo Village, Keiyo South Elgeyo Marakwet.

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with profound sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Joyce Gathoni Gichuki peacefully at home on 28th July 2025 after illness bravely borne.



Joyce Gathoni Gichuki

She was loving wife of the late Benjamin Gichuki Muondo. Sister of James Wahome, Wairimu Muchemi, Will Kariuki, Wanjiru Muhato and Johnson Gituro (all deceased).

Sister-in-law of the late Hezekiah Thuku, late Samuel Mukunga, late Moses Macharia, Joseph Kingori and Hannah Wangari.

She was cousin, aunty, grand and great grandmother to many.

Family and friends are meeting daily for prayers at her home mile nne Baari, Nyahururu from 5.30pm to 6.30pm.

The cortege leaves Pope Benedict XVI Funeral Home Nyahururu on Saturday, 2nd August 2025, 8.00am for funeral service and interment at her home.

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with profound sadness and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the sudden demise of Mama Esther Ayanga Apiyo, daughter of the late Yona Odera and Mama Peres Odera. Wife of the late Patrick Apiyo Ochogo. Mother of Stephen Apiyo, Caren Apiyo, Rev., Evance Apiyo, Henry Apiyo, the late Vincent, Ouma, Fredrick ochieng, the late Alfred Ochieng. Others: Huldah, Beryl, Mercy, Robert, Eunice, Caren, Pamela, Ken, Okoth, Sam, Dave, Jeremy, Daddy, Apinde, Ocheing, Charles Awili, and others. Daughters-in-law are Quinter Apiyo, Jesicah Apiyo, Maureen Apiyo. Sons-in-law are Joseph Ayugi, John Amimo, Nick Odoyo. Sister-in-law of Nashon, Tobias, the late Allan Otieno and many more. Sister of Monica Amoko, Paul Odera, Jacob Odera, Zacky, Awinda, and of the late Anna Rotah, Onim, Jowi, Agumba. Daughter-in-law of the late Jacob Ochogo. Sarah Adoyo, Teresiah Ochogo. Niywendene are Andrew, Esther Sewe, John, Pamela Odimo, late Justus, and Florence Okumu. Grandmother of Amos, George, Cliff, Grace, Patrick, Lenny, Esther, Patrick Favor, Baraka, Leon, Faith Tandi, Kelly, Tony, and many more. The cortege leaves Kwe National Home, Kisumu, on 31/7/2025. For a church service at St. Luke's Akado 1:00 PM. Burial will be held on 1/8/2025, at Akado Mowlem Village, Kolwa Central, led by Rt. Rev. Charles Ochieng Ong'nyo.



Mama Esther Ayanga Apiyo

R.I.P Mama, R.I.P Dada, R.I.P Madhee. Amen.

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of Julius Mokaya Manyansa, which occurred on 18th July, 2025, while undergoing treatment at Bosongo Hospital.



Julius Mokaya Manyansa

He was the beloved son of Thomas Manyansa and Joyce Bisieri, a devoted husband of Margaret Ongori, and a loving father of Otwor, Barongo, and Peninah. He was a cherished brother of Bwari, Vanis, Edward (KDF), and Tabitha. A dear brother-in-law of Lilian and esteemed uncle of Precious, Sabina, Clinton (KDF), Daudi, Bathsheba, Melodian, Pacificah, and Ivyline. He was a treasured nephew of Tabitha, Sabasi, Matiany, Oscar, Teresa, Milikah, Agnes, Gladys, Senior Assistant Chief Marando, Moses, Elijah, and the late Atuti.

Julius was a close cousin of Robert, Jared, Ondieki, Abel Dancun, Victor, and Onchong'a, and a valued in-law of Simon, Julia, Jane, and Mautia, and the late Joshua, Rona, and Beatrice. He was the adored grandson of Arabi, Bosibori, Moraa, Orina, Thomas, Alice, and of the late Barongo and Sabina.

The cortege will leave St. Catherine Ichuni Hospital Mortuary on Thursday, 31st July 2025, for his final journey. The burial will take place on Friday, 1st August 2025, at his home in Kenyoro 1 Village, Nyankoba Sub-location.

Julius was a man of quiet strength, deep love for his family, and unwavering integrity. His warmth, humility, and dedication to those around him will be deeply missed but fondly remembered.

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

Celebrating a Matriarch



Teresa Waiganjo

With deep sorrow and grateful hearts, we announce the promotion to glory of Mrs. Teresa Waiganjo, daughter of the late Peter Ndirangu, the late Tabitha Wambui and the late Regina Wambui. Wife of the late Mr. Samuel Waiganjo; devoted mother of Jane, Ndiritu & Rose, Wambui and Esther & David.

Daughter-in-law of the late Ayub Ndiritu and the late Hannah Wanjiru.

Doting grandmother of Ian Waiganjo, Kuria, Waiganjo, Kamau, Nyambura and Gitau.

Sister of the late Marko, the late Mugo, the late Kihara, Muita, Karemeri, Kimondo, Wairimu, Wachira, Wanjiku, Wangechi, Wairima, Wairimu, Wangari, Wangui, Njoki, Gitatha, and Ngumy.

Sister-in-law of the late Wambui, Nyambura, the late Muhoro, Guandaru and Wangechi.

An auntie and cousin to many.

There will be a Requiem Mass on Friday 1st August 2025 at St. Paul's Catholic Chapel, University of Nairobi at 10.00am.

The cortege leaves Nyeri Funeral Home on Tuesday 5th August 2025 for funeral mass and interment at the family residence in Muthua-ini, Kiondwe village, Nyeri starting 10.00am

"A life well lived is not measured by years, but by the love given, the lives touched, and the faith kept. Though gone from our sight, your light lives on."

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

Promotion to Glory

With deep sorrow, we announce the passing of Daktri Daniel Onkangi Paul, which occurred on 13th July 2025, at KUTRH. Daniel was loving husband to Bilah Kerubo Onkangi and Teresa Nyaboe Onkangi, and a proud father to: Enoch Orina, Hulder Moraa, Ruth Nyabonyi, Florence Kwamboka, Paul Ogero, Charity Magoma, and Bushnel Moraa. Daktri Onkangi was the beloved son of the late Paul Ogero Mosoti and the late Penina Magoma Ogero. He was son in-law of Mr. & Mrs. Japhet Matiangi and Mr. & Mrs. Michael Nyariki. His siblings include Zachariah, the late Samwel, Agnes, James, John, Evans, the late Peris, Joyce and the late Teresa. Brother-in-law of the Matiangi's and Nyariki's. Treasured grandfather of Paul, Rommy, Justus, Ricky, Shirlyn, the late Rei Carson, the late Jackie, Preston, Travis, and Tazana. Uncle of the Ogeros, Mosotis and Magomas. He was a cousin of the families of late Mageo, late Misati, late Momanyi, late Kemuna, late Nyakerario, Ondiba, Nyachio, late Maria Moraa and many more. The cortege leaves KUTRH Funeral Home on Thursday 31st July 2025 for burial on Friday 1st August 2025 at his home Amakara, Riyenga Village, Borabu, Nyamira County.



Daktri Daniel Onkangi Paul

We will Miss you. Rest in peace till we meet again.

Death and Funeral Announcement

With humble acceptance of God's will, we announce the passing of Sarah Nyamurwa Mugo.



Sarah Nyamurwa Mugo

She was the wife of late Mugo Kinyanjui. Daughter of the late Gathuri Kabera and late Minnie Waithira Gathuri.

She was the mother of John Kinyanjui Mugo & Esther Wanjiru Kinyanjui, Edith Wanjiku Mbiriri & George Mbiriri Njoroge, Stephen Gathuri Mugo & Nancy Sophia Gathuri, Minnie Waithira Chege & James Chege Karanja, Geoffrey Mwaura Mugo & Judy Wamaitha Mwaura, the late Lucia Wanjiru Mugo, Daniel Kabera Mugo & Waithira Kabera, the late Hannah Wairimu Kimani & Charles Kimani Mwaura, Charles Kuria Mugo & Jecinta Wanjiku Kuria.

She was a sister of Zipporah Wanjiku Kariuki, the late Kabera Gathuri, the late Kimani Gathuri, the late Hannah Wairimu Kamau, late Mary Wambui Gathuri and late Daniel Kariuki Gathuri.

She was a grandmother and great-grandmother to many.

Friends and family are meeting at her home in Mutuini, near Dagoretti Railway Station and the residence of Stephen Mugo Ongata Rongai Mayor rd No. 22 daily at 6:00 PM for prayers and funeral arrangements.

The cortege will be Leave Umash Funeral Home Nairobi on 5th August 2025 at 9:30 AM. Funeral service will be held at Virgin Mary Orthodox Church Mutuini at 11:00 AM, followed by burial at her home at 2:00 PM.

Death and Funeral Announcement

With humble acceptance of God's will, we announce the passing of Mrs. Lydia Nduta Njuguna, of Cristol Ceramics on Monday, 28th July, 2025 after a short illness. She hails from Karugia Village, Maria-ini Sub-Location, Ngurwe-ini Location, Kandara Sub-County, Murang'a County.



Lydia Nduta Njuguna

Daughter of the late David Kinyungu, and the late Charity Wambui. Daughter in law of the late Laban Njuguna and the late Milcah Nyathira and wife of Martin Muiruri Njuguna.

Mother of Sylvia Nyathira Muiruri, Allan Njuguna Muiruri of Skyward Airlines and Wambui Muiruri of Pioneer Girls High School.

Sister of Catherine Njeri, Judy Kinyungu, Phyllis Kinyungu, Dickson Kamau and Emmah Wangari. Sister-in-law of the late Colonel Felix & Martha Njuguna, Ezibon & Elizabeth Njuguna, the late Rufus & Grace Waithaka, the late Paul & Alice Kariuki, the late Titus & the late Grace Njuguna, Douglas & Pauline Kangethe, Michael Chege, Rachael Kamau and James Mwangi.

She was a loving Aunt to many.

Family and friends are meeting daily from 5.30 p.m. at their family home in Mushroom Gardens, Kiambu Road.

The cortege will depart from Kenyatta Memorial Funeral Home (KU Referral) on 5th August, 2025 at 7.00 a.m. for the funeral service at St. Peter's, ACK Church, Karugia, Murang'a County, followed by interment at the family home in Karugia sub area.

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

Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with deep sorrow, we announce the passing of former beloved elder Moses Njeru M'Mugeta, a faithful member of the Kaloleni Newlife Seventh Day Adventist church. He peacefully departed this life on Thursday 24/07/2025 at Our lady of Lourdes Mwea hospital - Karira after a short illness briefly borne.



Moses Njeru M'Mugeta
Sunrise: 19/09/1948
Sunset: 24/07/2025

He worked with AMBU Limited Company as a manager situated along Kibande road in Nairobi, Ministry of water in Kakamega and earlier as a teacher at Karura S.D.A School.

He was the son of the late Mr. Jotham Mitaru Mugeta and the late Ms. Elizabeth Runji (Beatrice) Kamuru. He was brother of the late Pastor Elijah Ndwiga (Kairuri Church of God 7th Day), Phides Nthinwa, the late Pastor Samwel Mugoh, the late Mary Muthoni, Esther Ruguru and Daniel Njue (Neno Sacco).

Brother -in-law of Joel Kiragu, the late Priska Mutitu (Murwathimu family), Margaret Wakaria, Ngari Kibobo and Juliet Wamuta.

He was grandfather and uncle to many.

The friend and relatives are meeting at his home in Mutuandu Village, Kathangari Location, Manyatta Division, Embu County. The cortege will leave Gakwegori Funeral Home on 1st August 2025 at 8.00am for the funeral service and burial at his above home.

He will be dearly missed by his family, friends, and church community.

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Cllr. Dionisio Gabriel Nduma Minigi

We, the family of the late Cllr. Dionisio Gabriel Nduma, extend our deepest gratitude to all who stood with us during this time of sorrow.

Your prayers, visits, comforting words, financial support, and presence gave us strength and solace as we honored and laid our beloved to rest.

We are truly touched by the overwhelming love shown by the church, community, friends, relatives, colleagues, and neighbors.

May the Lord bless you richly and repay your kindness in ways beyond measure.

With heartfelt thanks, The Family of Cllr. Dionisio Gabriel Nduma

Fare thee well Dad. You lived a life of purpose and service. Your legacy of faith, excellence, and compassion will live on in us.

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

Heller Keller

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Forever IN OUR Hearts



Pauline Ann Wambui Mbayah

It is with profound sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Pauline Ann Wambui Mbayah (Executive Director and Head of Stanbic Foundation), on 27th July 2025 at the Nairobi Hospital after an illness bravely borne.

She was a loving wife of Julius Mbayah Mungai (Director Britam Holdings PLC). Beloved mother of Mary-Ivy Mbayah, Grace-Michelle Mbayah, Chantal Mbayah and Natasha Mbayah.

She was the daughter of Francis Njoroge Macharia and the late Grace Wangui Njoroge. Daughter in-law of the late John Mungai Mbayah and the late Mary Nyandundu Mungai.

She was sister of Lucy Nyawira and James Waiguru, the late Peter Macharia, Stephen Ndigiririgi, Richard Gikonyo, Gideon Gitonga, Samuel and Elizabeth Ichai, Carolyn Muthoni, David and Beth Kariuki. She was Sister in-law of Joe and Gladys Njenga, James and Stella Njogu, Bernice Wangui, Justinea Wanjiku, the late David Gathii and Dennis Ngige among others. She was cousin, aunty and friend to many.

Prayer Meetings

A prayer meeting will be held at the Allamano Center, Consolata Shrine, Westlands Today Thursday 31st July 2025 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

The cortege leaves Lee Funeral Home Nairobi on Saturday, 2nd August 2025 at 7:00 am for the funeral service at Consolata Shrine Westlands at 8:30 am. Thereafter, the burial will take place at their family home in Kahuho (Gatuanabu), Muguga Ward, Kabete Constituency, Kiambu County.

You make known to me the path of Life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand - Psalm 16:11

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

- Helen Keller -

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Death and Funeral Announcement



James Kimungu Muiruri (King)

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of James Kimungu Muiruri (King), who died on 27th July 2025 in a tragic road accident.

Beloved son of Naomi Wambui Muiruri and the late Bethuel Muiruri Laban.

Loving brother of Dr. George Njoroge, the late James Kimungu Senior, Alice Wacheke, the late Esther Njeri, Isabel Wangui (USA), Rosemary Waithira, Eunice Wambui (USA), Stephen Karanja, David Mwangi 'Spike', John Kimani (USA) and Michelle Mwangi.

He was a special friend of **Julie Anne Mukami**.

A cherished uncle and cousin to many.

Family and friends are meeting daily for prayers and funeral arrangements at Kahawa Sukari, Wundanyi road and at Gathiruini, Komothai, Kiambu County. The burial service will be held on the 8th of August at Gathiruini.

“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.” ~ Psalm 34:18

Death and Funeral Announcement



Judson Nyambane Nyambati

It is with profound sorrow and heavy hearts that we announce the passing away of our beloved Judson Nyambane Nyambati, which occurred on the 3rd of July, 2025.

Nyambane was the cherished son of the late Mzee Samson Nyambati Nyamweya, Mama Alice Nyambati, and the late Mama Peris Nyoando.

He was a beloved brother of the late Mwangi, Omari and Lydia, Oigara and Rose, Kwamboka and Ben, Paul and Dorothy and a stepbrother of the late Nyambane, the late Leah, the late Isabella, Nyamwamu and Agnes, Isaack, Ratemo and Margaret, Kemuma, and Bochere.

He was a devoted husband of Doreen Ratemo, and father of Hydn, Shube, Nixon, Winslet, Kimberly and Alicia. He was a loving son-in-law of the late Mzee Robert Ratemo and Mama Alice Ratemo, brother-in-law of Wycliff, Milly, Eli, John and Eric.

Nyambane was a dear nephew of the late Samuel Mikaye, the late Elizaphan Maobe, the late Salome Nyamokami, the late Delilah Nyangara, the late Hon. James Nyamweya, the late Anna Kwamboka, the late David Mogaka, the late Dr. Andrew Nyamweya, the late John Marube, the late Milka Kerubo, Ambassador Peter Nyamweya, and Commissioner Bonareri Oeri.

He was cousin of Peter, Kepha, Leah, Nyabera, Ombati, the late Ratemo, Mongeri, Ongeri, the late Stephen, Fanny, Noah, Nyambane, Nasser, Manyange-Oeri, among many others.

Family, friends, and colleagues are meeting daily at Kisii Sports Club and at his home in Kemera every evening from 5.00 p.m. for funeral arrangements.

The burial will take place on 15th August 2025 at his Kemera home.

For those who would like to send gifts of love, please send them to Pay Bill Number 247247, Account Number 600525 Account name Judson Nyambane -Funeral Fund.

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Coach McCarthy looks to write history with Harambee Stars **← P.32**

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There is no conflict of interest, says Ingwe coach

BY JOHN ASHIHUNDU

AFC Leopards coach Fred Ambani has dismissed claims of conflict of interest at the club where his young brother, Bonface Ambani, is the new chairman.

There have been questions on how Bonface would handle his bother if he underperforms.

Fred said: "I was appointed in 2023 by the previous office, led by Dan Shikanda, to assist Tomas Trucha. I later assumed the role of coach in December last year."

"Trucha left after leading the team into nine games, and registering three wins and two draws. I ended five-game winless streak. We finished the league in position six with 51 points from 34 matches. Nobody has complained about my performance."

He said he is not looking forward to be favoured because his brother is Ingwe's chairman.

"Bonface is my boss. He has the power to sack me if he feels I am not living up to expectations as the coach," said Fred, who is assisted by Kenneth Wendo

Fred, who spoke after the clubs' annual Gala Dinner and Awards ceremony in Bungoma at the weekend, said he does not see any conflict of interest between the technical bench and the management office, led by his brother as claimed by some fans.

Meanwhile, new AFC Leopards patron Ken Lusaka urged the club members to embrace the idea of turning the club into a limited liability company after existing under a community banner since it was established in 1964.

Secondary Schools Term Two National Games Western football champs Musingu crush Garissa

Teams storm semi-finals



Truphena Medrine (right) of Butere Girls, beats Rehema Hamis of Nasokol Girls during their Kenya Secondary School Sports Association National Term Two Games football match at Kakamega School yesterday. PHOTO | ISAAC WALE

Butere, Madira eye girls' football final, Kwanthanze on course to claim volleyball title as competition heats up

BY AGNES MAKHANDIA AND PHILLIP ONYANGO

Several teams in different disciplines qualified for the semi-finals of the Kenya Secondary School Sports Association (KSSSA) national Term Two Games with matches

to spare as the event entered day two in Kakamega County.

The semi-finals will be played tomorrow with the teams having already booked automatic slots to the East Africa games. The East Africa Games will be played in Kakamega County on August 14-24. In boys' football, Western champions Musingu High from North Eastern 9-2 in pool "A" to qualify for the semis with a game to spare. Musingu, who had defeated Moi Mbiruri Secondary from Eastern region 5-1 on Tuesday, will face Nyanza region champions Agai Secondary, who had also beaten Moi Mbiruri 1-0 at the same venue. Agai beat Garissa 9-1 on Tuesday.

In girls' football, Western region rivals Butere Girls and Madira High both qualified for the semis yesterday, also with games in hand.

Kenya under-17 star Lornah Faith bagged a brace to help national champions Butere beat Nasokol Secondary from Rift valley 2-0 in Pool "A" at Kakamega School. Madira beat Mwanambeyu Secondary from Coast 2-0 at the same venue.

Margaret Njeri and Cathrine Wambui scored in either half for Madira in their Pool "B" match.

Butere had defeated Dr Charles from Eastern region 5-0 on Tuesday while Madira saw off Kobala Secondary from Nyanza region 1-0 yesterday.

Butere will play Riuru from the Central region, while Madira will take on Dagoretti Mixed Secondary from Nairobi region today in their last match.

In girls' volleyball, East Africa champions Kwanthanze Secondary from Eastern region swept aside Eldas Secondary from North Eastern 3-0 (25-1, 25-2, 25-4) to book an early ticket to the East Africa Games.

Kwanthanze had, on Tuesday, beaten Nyakongo Secondary from Nyanza region 3-0 in their opening match at Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology.

Kwanthanze will finish their Pool "B" match with unbeaten Western region champions Bishop Sulumeti Secondary who had also defeated Eldas on Tuesday 3-0 and laboured to win against Nyakongo 3-2 (25-22, 25-17, 12-25, 24-26 and 15-12) yesterday.

In Pool "A" Rift Valley and national champions Kesogon Secondary beat Kinale Secondary from Central region 3-0 (25-12, 25-7, 25-12) having beaten Soweto 3-0 on Tuesday.

In netball, defending champions Oyugi Ogango Secondary booked their place in the semis after a second straight win, beating St Dorcas of Nairobi 124-01. Also booking a place in the last four was Bukokholo from Western who beat Kinal from Central 60-31. In pool "B", St Joseph's Girls Kitale beat Kaya Tiwi from Coast 52-16, though both teams have already qualified for the semi-finals.

Obath takes over as new Kenya Open Golf Ltd boss

BY LARRY NGALA

Patrick Obath has been appointed the new Kenya Open Golf Limited (KOGI) chairman, taking over from Peter Kanyago who has retired.

Obath is no stranger to the sport, having served as Tournament Director of the Magical Kenya Open since 2011.

Before that, he had served as vice captain of Nyali Golf and Country Club Mombasa in 1997, and took its captaincy the following year. He later became the club's vice chairman in 1999 and chairman in 2000, when he moved to Nairobi.

Nationally, Obath has been instrumental in elevating the event to global standards, securing its place on the DP World Tour, and enhancing Kenya's reputation as a premier golfing destination.

Kanyago, who retired on Monday, joined KOGI in 2004 and rose through the ranks to become chairman in 2011. He replaced Richard Kemoli.

Also retiring is the out-going Finance Director Joe Wangai, who also joined the board in 2011.

Kanyago and Wangai have been at the centre of KOGI's growth and development, overseeing its transition into a

globally recognised tournament organiser. The two senior golfers did not seek re-election during the AGM, and offered to retire during the meeting at Muthaiga Golf Club on Monday.

Obath will now lead a board that includes former Muthaiga chairman Ronald Meru, former Kenya Golf Union chairman Lucas Marang'a, Zuhura Ogada, Faith Kanaga, Francis Okwara, Regina Gachora, current Kenya Golf Union chairman Chris Kinuthia and his vice Brian Akun.

An Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) will be convened soon possible to invite applications for two vacant direc-

tor positions in the KOGI board. KOGI will establish a clear nomination process and the timeliness for the appointment of new directors.

In his first public remarks as chairman, Obath sought to outline his vision saying: "Having elevated the role of golf, it is now time to support the development of local talent, strengthen partnerships, and inspire the next generation."

Obath, a seasoned golf administrator, became the natural successor to the outgoing chairman Kanyago because of his leadership experience and strategic insight.



2024 AFRICAN NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIP
2 days to go



Treacherous Hosts face the two most successful nations in the tourney DR Congo and Morocco in the preliminaries

Harambee Stars no strangers to tough group foes in major CAF tournaments

But Kenya will have their work cut out for them in Nairobi as history does not favour them at this level

BY MICHAEL KIRWA

Even as an exercise guided by random choice, the consistent wicked accuracy of Africa Cup of Nations and Africa Nations Championships finals draws in landing Kenya in tough groups borders is startling.

In the draw for the 2024 Chan on January 15, Kenya's Harambee Stars were pooled in Group "A" with Angola, DR Congo, Morocco, and Zambia. The tough group instantly earned the "Group of Death" moniker

It is not difficult to understand why. Out of the teams in the four tournament groups, it is Harambee Stars' four opponents who rank among the highest in Chan experience.

DR Congo won the 2009 and 2016 editions while Morocco won in 2018 and 2020. They are the competition's record winners with two titles each.

They have also played the most matches in the tournament's history, 26 and 19 respectively. With 12 wins each, the duo have also won the most matches in the competition's history.

Angola, runners-up in 2011, ranks joint-fifth with Guinea, Niger, and Nigeria on the number of matches played at Chan – 15.

Zambia, the country Harambee Stars have faced the most among its group opponents with 52 meetings, finished third in the inaugural Chan tournament held in Cote d'Ivoire in 2009. They rank fourth all-time in terms of tournament experience with 17 matches played. Zambia is one of four countries – Algeria (six matches), Tunisia (six



Kenya players huddle together after a training session at Mo international Sports Centre, Annex ground on July 18. PHOTO: I FK

Group 'A'

- Kenya
- Morocco
- Angola
- DR Congo
- Zambia

matches), and Madagascar (two matches), that has never lost a group stage match at Chan. Their record stretches to 12 matches.

At the 1972 Afcon, Kenya's maiden appearance in the competition, Harambee Stars were drawn in a difficult group containing the hosts and favourites Cameroon and the West African duo of Mali and Togo. Mali reached the final while the Indomitable Lions were knocked out in the semi-finals.

In 1988, Kenya had no chance whatsoever after drawing proven continental heavyweights Cameroon, Egypt and Nigeria. Cameroon beat Nigeria 1-0 in the final.

Kenya were again drawn against giants Cameroon in the 1990 Afcon finals together with continental giants Senegal and per-

ennial campaigners Zambia. Stars could manage just one point in a draw with Senegal.

The expansion of Afcon to 12 teams in 1992 only served to compound Harambee Stars' woes. Harambee Stars' tournament ended in just four days after losing 2-1 to Nigeria and 3-0 to Senegal in their tough pool.

Afcon 2004 had Kenya winning for the first time ever at Afcon after defeating Burkina Faso 3-0. However, defeats to Mali and Senegal hindered progress to the knock-out stages.

Harambee Stars returned to Afcon after a 15-year hiatus in 2019 but again found themselves with big boys Senegal and Algeria beside minnows Tanzania.

As expected Algeria crushed Kenya 2-0

while Senegal tore them apart 3-0.

The two giants eventually met again in the final with Senegal carrying a Kenya's results at Afcon means that they hold the record of the most appearances, six, in the competition without progressing beyond the group stages.

Kenya's record in Chan is decidedly dismal.

From the tournaments inception in 2009, Harambee Stars have never competitively qualified to play in the finals and, in fact, only made it to the 2024 edition as a co-host with Uganda and Tanzania.

Hopefully, with home support, there can be a change of fortunes for Harambee Stars as they prepare to fight in this treacherous group.

How women are rewriting the story of football

Women's football is no longer a niche



Gladys Midecha | Parity in sports

As I watched the 2024 Women's Africa Cup of Nations (Wafcon) unfold in Morocco and the Women's Euro 2025 captivate audiences across the world, I was struck by the remarkable transformation of women's football. From Rabat to Zurich, Nairobi to London, women's football is no longer a footnote, it's commanding the spotlight.

For Africa, the last 27 years of Wafcon have been akin to raising a child: from its first wobbly steps to now running alongside the world's biggest tournaments. Wafcon has grown from humble beginnings into a vibrant showcase of talent, passion, and hope.

The 2024 Wafcon final was nothing short of electric. In Rabat's Prince Moulay Abdellah Stadium, Nigeria's Super Falcons edged Morocco 3-2 in a thrilling contest, securing a re-

cord 10th title. More than 50,000 fans filled the stadium, with millions watching on television and online across Africa and the diaspora—making it the most-watched women's football match in African history.

Back home, Kenya's Harambee Starlets wrote history when they beat Botswana in the final round to qualify for the Fifa Under-17 Women's World Cup. They became the first national team to qualify for a Fifa World Cup.

Besides the history, this was a statement of intent from a nation hungry to grow its women's game.

At the Women's Euro there emerged a star who connects worlds. Michelle Agyemang, born in England to Ghanaian parents, was named Young Player of the Tournament. Her technical skill, creativity, and maturity captivated audiences and gave African girls every-

where a figure to look up to—a reminder that talent transcends borders.

Investment in facilities has played a crucial role in these breakthroughs. Morocco's state-of-the-art women's training centre has been vital to their success, while Botswana's National Sports Campus provides the Mares with professional-grade facilities and coaching. Kenya continues to face infrastructure challenges but remains focused on developing its women's football pathways.

Women's football is no longer a niche. The 2024 Wafcon was broadcast in over 120 countries while the Women's Euro 2025 attracted over 250 million viewers globally.

Sponsorship revenue for women's football has tripled since 2017, with major brands now investing heavily. This commercial surge signals that the women's game is now a serious business.

Yet, challenges remain. Majority of women players earn less than \$5,000 (Sh646,182) annually, often juggling football with other jobs. Payment delays, lack of medical insurance, and contract insecurity continue to affect players' lives.

Equally important is the growing presence of women coaches, who are breaking barriers and shaping the future of the game. From national team benches to youth academies, female coaches are not only developing tactical expertise but also providing crucial mentorship to young players. Their leadership offers relatable role models who understand the unique challenges women face in football, inspiring confidence both on and off the pitch. As more federations invest in training and empowering female coaches, the game's foundation strengthens, promising a more inclusive and sustainable future.



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2024 AFRICAN NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIP 2 days to go



The rest of Group 'A' boys DR Congo, Angola, Zambia expected today

BY CECIL ODONGO

Zambia will be the last team from Group "A" to arrive in the country today evening.

All Group "A" matches will be held in Nairobi at Moi International Sports Centre and Nyayo National Stadium.

Two time champions Democratic Republic of Congo are expected in Nairobi today morning and Angola in the afternoon as excitement for the delayed 2024 African Nations Championships continues to grow.

DR Congo have been booked at the Hyatt Regency Hotel while Angola will stay at the Movenpick Hotel.

Morocco, who won the trophy in 2018 and 2020, were the first Group "A" side to arrive in the country on Monday and are based at the Upper Hill Hotel.

The 26-man squad Atlas Lions have been training at Kasarani Annex.

They open their campaign on Sunday against Angola at Nyayo Stadium.

Football Kenya Federation via its communication department confirmed DRC will jet in a 8.20am while Angola will land at 2.40pm.

Angola will hold a meeting with the CAF team about the logistics of the tournament and its rules at Kasarani at 10 am followed by DRC at 2pm tomorrow.

Morocco and Kenya had a meeting with the CAF team on Wednesday and are now solely focusing on their Sunday fixtures.

Zambia will be depending on the experience of former Chelsea and Ghana coach Avram Grant (*below*) to guide them to their first title.

"On paper it seems to be a tough group but I trust my team and our abilities. Chipolopolo midfielder Frederick Mulambia was quoted in *africatopsports.com* earlier in Lusaka.



Bring it on Kenya captain Omar says team eager to test themselves in their first appearance

Coach McCarthy ready to write history with Harambee Stars

He will become first South African coach to manage another African nation in finals of major tournament

BY MICHAEL KIRWA

Harambee Stars coach Benni McCarthy is set to become the first South African to lead the national team of another African country at a major continental tournament.

Before McCarthy, only four other South Africans – April Phumo, Thabo Senong, Ephraim Mashaba and Moses Maliehe – had coached a foreign national team but not in a Africa Cup of Nations or African Nations Championship final.

"I am grateful for the career that I have had and me being here, is not just for South African football. I am a young coach and I want to show people that they can also get to this level if they believe in themselves. I am happy to be working here and helping young players gain experience to be better players," said McCarthy yesterday during Kenya's open training session at Police Sacco Stadium.

Harambee Stars open their campaign against twice winners DR Congo in a Group "A" fixture on Sunday from 3pm at Moi international sports Centre, Kasarani.

The delayed 2024 will be jointly staged in Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda from August 2 to August 30.

McCarthy said Harambee Stars were ready for the challenge in their inaugural Chan finals.

Other teams in the group are 2011 runners-up Angola, two-time champions Morocco, and Zambia, who finished third at Chan 2009.

While McCarthy believes that winning their first match of Chan 2024 will boost Harambee Stars' chances of progressing beyond this so called "Group of Death" a setback will not mean the end of the world.

"It is important that we have the right mindset so that we bounce back from challenges that may arise," the 47-year old



Harambee Stars' Lewis Mbadi (centre) works out with his mates at Police Sacco Stadium, South C, in Nairobi yesterday. CHRIS OMOLLO | NATION

ex-Manchester United coach said.

If Harambee Stars progress to the knock-out stages, they may meet South Africa but McCarthy sees the match against his motherland like any other match.

"This is football and the match will be just like any other. There is no time for things of sentimental value before the match. We all want to win. After the match, we can go back to being friends and colleagues," said McCarthy.

McCarthy and Harambee Stars have already had their fair share of distractions and setbacks in preparations.

First, the squad was hit by the withdrawals of Kakamega Homeboyz's Moses Shumah and FC Talanta's Emmanuel Osoro, who were last season's FKF Premier League top scorers with 17 and 16 goals respectively.

The duo have since transferred to Zambia's Power Dynamos, becoming ineligible to represent Kenya.

Only players plying their trade in their country's domestic leagues are eligible to feature on the championship.

Later, Harambee Stars withdrew from the Cecafo Four Na-



tions tournament in controversial circumstances. The tournament took place in Tanzania from July 21 to July 27.

Kenya citing sub-standard accommodation and training facilities for their withdrawal.

Just a couple of days ago, Stars were jolted by exit of fast rising

Harambee Stars coach Benni McCarthy during a team training session at Police Sacco Stadium yesterday. CHRIS OMOLLO | NATION

forward Mohammed Bajaber who signed for Tanzanian giants Simba SC, plus injury enforced withdrawals.

"Bajaber had a grade two tear in his thigh muscle. It was going to be a gamble to keep him in the team because he would only have been available after the group stages. We would be playing a man less and that would have been risky," McCarthy said.

"Bajaber is a player I really like. He is loyal to this team and he would have been valuable to us. Releasing him gives him time to focus on his recovery and move to his new club," McCarthy added.

Kenya Police midfielder Brian Musa has a hamstring injury while medical tests revealed that 23-year old Bandari defender Pamba Swaleh has a heart defect.

McCarthy thus called up three new players – Shabana winger Brian Michira, Tusker midfielder Chrispine Erambo, and Sofapaka Kenya will be captained by Police defender Abud Omar, who at 32 is the team's oldest member.

Omar described the transfers Shumah, Osoro, and Bajaber to foreign clubs as "bittersweet".

CBE CONNECT

Igniting minds, shaping futures



Wildlife Club members at Kenyatta Primary School in Nakuru City, with their teachers, display drawing materials after sketching murals of the Nubian giraffe on the wall of their classrooms. The giraffe is endangered and the murals act as constant reminder to learners on importance of conservation. PHOTO BONIFACE MWANGI | NATION

Conservation: A mural to champion the Nubian giraffe

BY BONIFACE MWANGI

As Victor Imenyi, 13, and Mercyline Onyango, 15, dip their paintbrushes into tins half-filled with ink, their faces light up with excite-

ment. The two learners, members of the Wildlife Club at Kenyatta Comprehensive School, are about to begin an art project on one of the school's walls alongside their fellow club members. Their teacher and club patron, Ms Lucy Nyamu, addresses the class, "Today, we're going to draw

something different, the Nubian giraffe! Has anyone ever seen or heard of this animal?" she poses.

The learners glance at each other but none raises their hand.

Ms Nyamu explains what a Nubian giraffe is, using photographs to guide her explanation, then organises the learners into small

groups.

She tells them that the project is especially important because it is part of a competition involving other public schools in the area.

"This time, I want you to give me your very best. Let's bring this trophy home," she says.

Once everything is in place,

the group assigned to clean the wall gets to work quickly, while Victor and Mercyline get down to painting. Some learners focus on sketching various types of vegetation, and others start working on the giraffes.

Speaking to *CBE Connect*, Victor

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Career Pathways



A mural of the endangered Nubian giraffes drawn on classroom walls by learners at Kenyatta Primary School in Nakuru City. PHOTO | BONIFACE MWANGI

Mural to save the Nubian giraffe

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says the project has opened his eyes to the existence of this unique giraffe sub-species.

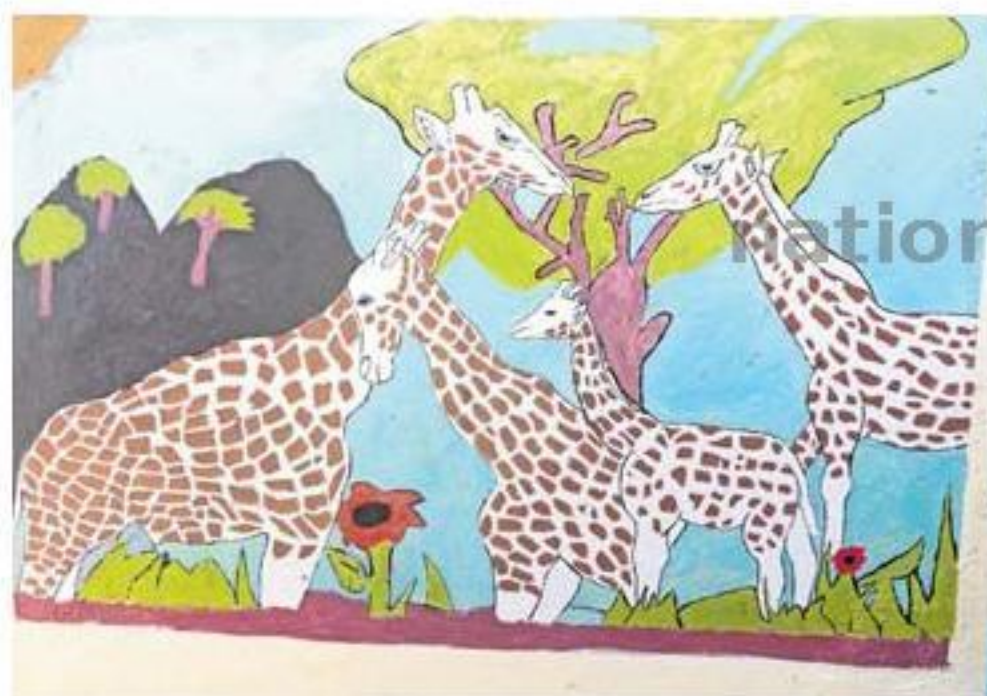
"I love this wildlife group. It has taught me many things I didn't know, especially the importance of conserving both plants and animals," he says.

Mercyline shares that mural painting helps her learn more effectively than reading from a book or listening in class.

"When you draw something, it sticks in your mind and that helps during exams," she says.

Ms Nyamu notes the importance of involving learners in conservation efforts to help restore populations of endangered species.

According to Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) data, poaching has drastically declined as awareness of its dangers continues to grow.



A mural of endangered Nubian giraffes drawn on classroom walls by learners at Kenyatta Primary School in Nakuru City. PHOTO | BONIFACE MWANGI

"These young people take the message home after we teach them at school, and they share it with their families, increasing awareness."

Although the Nubian giraffe is listed as critically endangered on the IUCN Red List, its population in Kenya has

increased by over 700 per cent in the past 50 years.

From a low of just 130 animals in the mid-1970s, Kenya is now home to at least 1,040 Nubian giraffes, according to KWS.

The Wildlife Club at Kenyatta Primary School has

80 registered members who hope that the murals will serve as a daily reminder of the importance of environmental conservation.

Interesting facts: There are four distinct species of giraffes: Maasai, reticulated, northern, and southern. The Nubian giraffe is one of three sub-species of the northern giraffe.

Also known as the Baringo or Ugandan giraffe, the Nubian giraffe has chestnut-coloured spots surrounded by mostly white lines, with unspotted undersides. Males have a particularly prominent median lump.

Nubian giraffe has extremely long forelegs, which give it an impressive stride. Despite its slow galloping rhythm, it can reach speeds of up to 48 kilometres per hour.

Career pathways corner

How Junior Secondary is building skills, shaping careers for the future

BY DR EDWIN OGADA

IN Kenya today, a quiet yet powerful transformation is happening in our education system. For learners who have just completed Grade Six, transitioning into Junior Secondary School marks the beginning of an exciting new chapter. Junior Secondary School education, covering Grades 7, 8, and 9, serves as a vital link between primary school and the final stages of secondary education.

But this new level of learning is not just about adding more years to schooling; it is about preparing young Kenyans for a future that values skills, values, and practical knowledge just as much as academic success.

As learners settle into their junior classrooms, they begin to experience something different from what many of their older siblings knew under the old 8-4-4 system. The Competency-Based Education (CBE) encourages students not only to memorise facts but also to understand how to apply what they learn.

Across subjects, from mathematics and English to agriculture and computer studies, the focus shifts to what learners can do with knowledge, rather than just how much they can recall during examinations.

At the heart of this new approach are seven key competencies that each learner is expected to develop as they progress through junior school. These include; the ability to communicate and collaborate effectively, think critically to solve real-world problems, and

use creativity and imagination to bring new ideas to life.

Learners also build digital literacy skills to thrive in a technology-driven world and learn how to be responsible citizens who contribute positively to society. The ability to learn independently and believe in one's own potential, what educators call "self-efficacy", is also encouraged.

Daily learning activities are now more interactive. Instead of passively listening to long lectures, students engage in projects, group discussions, presentations, and hands-on practical work. Life skills classes might include role-playing real-life situations, while science lessons could involve experiments or nature walks.

Subjects such as business studies, visual arts, and pre-technical education expose students to a variety of experiences, helping them discover their interests and strengths.

Teachers guide more than instruct, encouraging learners to take the lead in their own learning journey. Rather than a single major exam determining a learner's future, continuous assessments monitor growth and understanding throughout the school year. For every junior learner, this phase offers not only an opportunity to learn but also to build confidence, curiosity, and purpose. It is the foundation on which future careers and life goals are built. As Kenya prepares young people for a changing world, junior school education is becoming one of the most crucial steps on that path.

Senior school under CBE will begin in January 2025.

Quote of the week



"I want to assure you that education cannot be compromised. We cannot compromise access to education, quality, affordability, and we cannot compromise relevance."

President William Ruto

Today in history NASA's moon mission ends in fiery crash

ON July 31, 1999, NASA ended its Lunar Prospector mission by crashing the spacecraft into the moon's surface. The goal was to confirm the presence of frozen water in deep craters at the moon's south pole.

The spacecraft struck a shadowy crater called Shoemaker, where scientists hoped the impact would release a cloud of water vapour into space.

Telescopes around the world were watching, but nothing was seen. No signs of water were detected in the plume, leaving the big question: Is there water on the moon?

Launched in January 1998, Lunar Prospector was part of NASA's Discovery

Program, a series of low-cost space missions focused on answering key questions. Prospector spent over a year orbiting the moon, collecting data about its gravity, magnetic fields, and surface materials.

One of its most exciting discoveries came in March 1998, when NASA announced that the spacecraft had detected strong signs of hydrogen at the moon's poles.

Since hydrogen is often associated with water, this finding suggests that frozen water ice might be hiding in the dark, cold craters near the poles. Scientists estimated there could be millions of tons of ice mixed into the moon's soil.

To confirm if water ice existed on the moon, NASA chose to crash the spacecraft into the south pole, hoping the impact would release water vapour. Telescopes saw nothing clear. The crash may have hit a dry spot, or the water was trapped in minerals that didn't release vapour.

Even without visible proof of water, Lunar Prospector gave scientists valuable information. It helped create detailed maps of the moon's surface, revealed unusual magnetic fields, and even hinted that the moon might have a small iron-rich core deep inside.

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Power: How solar panels turn sunlight into electricity

BY MESHACK YOBBY

TO understand how solar panels work, we need to understand two key things; First, sunlight is not just light—it is made up of tiny energy particles called photons. Second, solar panels convert these photons into usable electricity.

A solar panel is made up of many small units called solar cells, or photovoltaic cells. These cells are usually made from silicon, a material found in sand that is cleaned and processed for use in electronics.



Silicon is special because it is a semi-conductor. This means it can carry electricity, but not as easily as metals do. Think of it like a road where electricity can

travel, but sometimes needs a little push. Factors such as heat or added chemicals (a process called doping) can change how well it conducts electricity.

Each solar cell is like a tiny sandwich made of two layers of silicon. One layer has extra electrons, and the other has fewer electrons—basically, empty spots. When sunlight hits the cell, energy from the photons knocks electrons loose, causing them to move quickly to fill the empty spots. This movement of electrons creates an electric current, which we recognise as electricity.

Solar panels do not need direct sunlight to work—they just need

light. Even on cloudy or rainy days, there are still photons in the atmosphere. While the panels may not produce as much electricity as on a bright sunny day, they still generate power.

A well-designed solar system, with enough panels and a good battery, can power an entire home—including lights, a TV, a refrigerator, and phone chargers. Some homes even use solar power to run water pumps and internet routers.

In Kenya, the Garissa Solar Power Plant is the largest of its kind. It has over 200,000 solar panels spread across the land, generating clean, renewable energy for thousands of people.

>Feature>

BY JOHN NJOROGE

School holidays are here once again, a time to relax and bond with our loved ones. Are you excited?

One way to make this break meaningful is by having a conversation with your parents or guardians about your talents and how your classes are helping you nurture them. Share how your teachers have supported you in discovering your strengths. Do not be shy to ask your family and siblings for help as you continue developing your gifts during the holidays.

Just before schools closed, CBE Connect visited Our Lady of Fatima Schools, Baraka, in Kuresoi North, Nakuru County during the school's Cultural Day. Dressed in a skirt made of banana fibres, Grade Five learner Peninah Nduta, 11, shared how she first encountered Creative Arts in Grade 4.

"It was a project about making clothes using newspapers. I found it very interesting, and when I got home, I decided to make one on my own," Peninah recalled. She used old newspapers and pins to craft both a skirt and a dress.

Peninah continued to develop her creativity, and her dedication was recently recognised when her teacher, Mr. Martin Too, chose her to represent the school in creative arts during the Cultural Day. The aspiring fashion designer was thrilled by her teacher's encouragement.

"Cultural Day has enhanced my skills because I've learned how other tribes express their cultures. I encourage my fellow learners to participate in such activities so they can grow their talents," she said.

Similar sentiments were shared by Mesh Ramsey, a Grade 6 learner who also dreams of a career in fashion and design. Wearing an outfit made of maize stalks, Ramsey said he was inspired by his older sisters, who used to fashion dresses from

Learners showcase designs and talent at school's Cultural Day



Learners at Our Lady of Fatima Schools, Baraka, in Nakuru County show off their improvised clothes during a Cultural Day recently. PHOTOS | JOHN NJOROGE | NATION.



Mesh Ramsey and Peninah Nduta, learners at Our Lady of Fatima Schools, Baraka dressed in improvised garments during the Cultural Day.

mango leaves.

"They looked beautiful in their mango leaf dresses. Since they're fashion and design experts, they encouraged me to follow in their footsteps and promised to support me," said

Ramsey.

Ramsey made his first improvised garments in Grade Five after a Creative Arts lesson. Last year, he participated in the school's Cultural Day, and received awards for show-

ing his creativity using cypress leaves. Motivated by the recognition, he committed to improving his skills even further. Ramsey dreams of pursuing a degree at the University of Nairobi and becoming a neurosurgeon. He believes that confidence, hard work, and courage are key ingredients for success.

Both Peninah and Ramsey expressed a desire to train others in using locally sourced materials to make various items.

Speaking at the event, Kuresoi North Director of Education, Mr. Jacob Okome, the role of culture in fostering unity and inclusivity.

"I urge learners to embrace different cultures. It helps you discover unique aspects such as fashion and poetry, and gives you a platform to showcase your talents," he said.

Reading List

BOOK: FANTASTIC! WOW! AND UNREAL!

AUTHOR: RUTH HELLER

PUBLISHER: PUFFIN BOOKS

REVIEWER: REV. KARIUKI WA NYAMU

This book is about interjections and conjunctions. What is an interjection? An interjection is a short exclamation or word that expresses a strong and sudden feeling or emotion, such as surprise, fear, anger, love, joy, or pain. It is normally followed by an exclamation mark (!). The Kiswahili word for interjections is Vihi-sishi. Examples of interjections include Hey! Oh! Ouch! Hooray! Aha! Cool! Alas!

On the other hand, a conjunction is a word that joins or connects words, phrases, clauses, or sentences. There are three main types of conjunctions: coordinating conjunctions, subordinating conjunctions, and correlative conjunctions. The Kiswahili word for conjunctions is Viunganishi.

This read-aloud book is made livelier by eye-popping artwork—colourful dragons, mysterious sea creatures, and rainbow-striped zebras leaping from the pages. It is simple enough for schoolchildren being introduced to the parts of speech. This highly creative book will have young readers saying, "Hurrah! Yippee! Whoopee! Hallelujah!"

The story reinforces what is taught in English language activities.

Some of the conjunctions learned in the book include if, than, although, because, provided, and nevertheless.

Activity: Fill in the blanks with the correct letters to form pronouns used as conjunctions:

th_t, wh_se, w_o, wh_ch

Some of the compound conjunctions mentioned in the book include on the contrary, as a matter of fact, and in the meantime.

You can describe how each is used in a sentence, can't you?

The author uses rhyme to make the story delightful. For example:

yet/but, for/nor, these/disease, sight/right, tallest/smallest, bird/absurd, claws/paws.

This keeps the reader entertained and looking out for more.

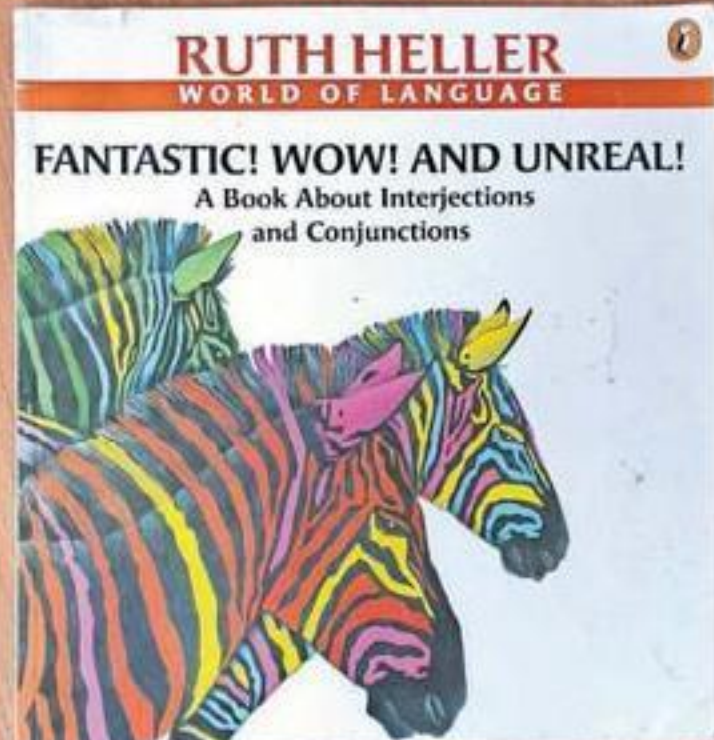
Well, why are conjunctions likened to glue?

Please read the story to find out!

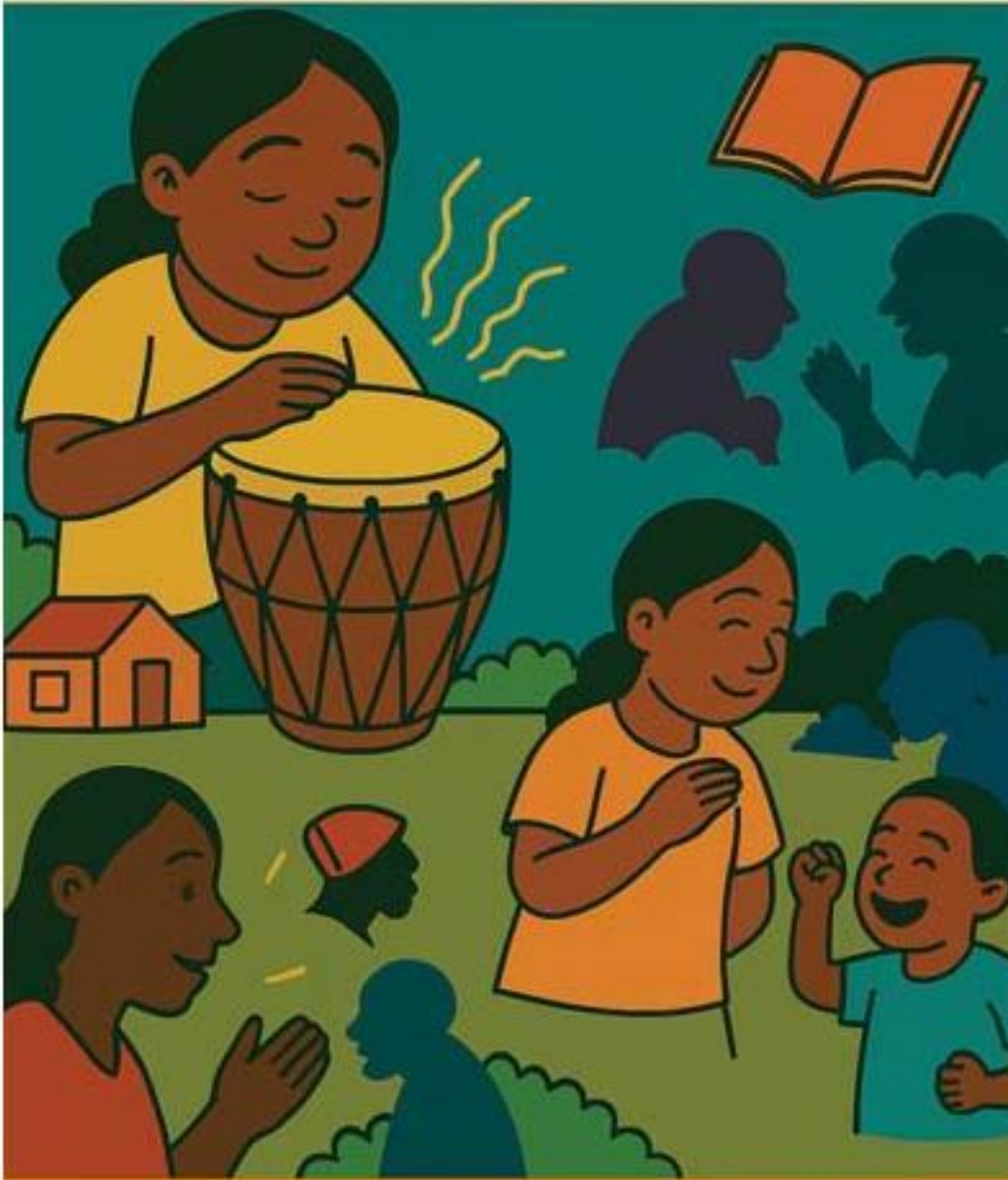
Other beautiful books in this series include Kites Sail High, Many Luscious Lollipops, Merry-Go-Round, and Up, Up and Away.

Please look for them and enjoy the read!

Storybook cover by Rev. Kariuki wa Nyamu



NJERI AND THE TALKING DRUM



by Caroline Amunga

BY CAROLINE AMUNGA

ONE bright morning in the village of Mwioko, Njeri sat under the mango tree, holding her grandfather's old drum. It was brown and round like a giant roasted nut, with a skin that whispered stories when touched. Njeri was curious. "Why is this drum so special?" she asked.

Her grandfather, Mzee Thuo, smiled like the sunrise. "This is not just a drum, Njeri. It listens and talks. It remembers stories older than the river."

Njeri laughed. "Drums don't talk!"

But that night, as the moon painted silver light across the sky, Njeri tiptoed outside and gently tapped the drum.

Thum! Thum!

Suddenly, the air shimmered, and the drum spoke, not with words, but with sounds and beats that made pictures in her mind. She saw a boy walking barefoot to school with books tied by a string. She saw a woman grinding maize with tears falling like rain, and then a fire crackling as people danced and sang around it.

Each beat was a story. Each sound was wisdom. The drum showed her how elders told tales of courage, how riddles shaped clever minds, and how songs taught children the names of birds and rivers. Njeri sat there all night, listening and learning. In the morning, she ran to her grandfather.

"Babu, the drum spoke to me! I saw stories!"

Mzee Thuo nodded. "Now you understand. Oral traditions are the heartbeats of our people. We don't only write, our voices carry knowledge too."

That weekend, Njeri stood before her class with the drum. She tapped it softly. Thum! Thum!

She spoke of the boy who loved learning, the woman who forgave, and the songs that healed broken hearts. Her classmates listened, eyes wide.

"I learned that stories live not just in books, but also in memories," she said. "We must respect our elders and learn from their words."

Her teacher smiled. "You have used your voice like a river, flowing with meaning."

Moral Lesson:

Wisdom does not only live in books but also stories passed by mouth from one person to another. We learn by listening, respecting, and remembering. Oral tradition teaches us to value language, history, and culture.

Grammar highlights for learners:

Use of past tense verbs: *sat, asked, ran, saw*

Use of adjectives: *old drum, bright morning, giant nut*

Use of simple sentences and conjunctions: *She saw a boy walking... and then a fire crackling...*

Use of prepositions: *under the tree, in the morning, across the sky.*

>Health>



Why eating junk food is bad for your health

BY MESHACK YOBBY

Junk food is tasty but unhealthy. It is usually high in sugar, salt, or fat, but low in nutrients such as vitamins and fibre.

Examples of junk food include chips, sweets, soda, and fast food such as burgers. It is called 'junk' because it fills you up without giving your body the essential nutrients it needs to stay strong and healthy.

Eating too much junk food can lead to weight gain, tiredness, and other health problems.



Science shows that junk food is carefully designed to make us crave for more. Most of the snacks that line shop

counters are packed with high amounts of salt, sugar, and unhealthy fats. While these ingredients make food taste

better, they also trigger a chemical in the brain called dopamine, the same feel-good signal released when you are happy or excited. That is why eating junk food feels rewarding. But the more you eat it, the more your brain begins to depend on it for pleasure.

In some cases, researchers have found that people react to junk food in the same way they react to addictive substances. A 2008 study conducted by researchers at the Scripps Research Institute found compelling evidence that junk food may rewire the brain in ways similar to drug addiction.

In the experiment, rats given constant access to unhealthy food developed a tolerance. Their brain's reward system grew less responsive over time, driving them to consume even more junk food to feel satisfied.

When scientists replaced the junk food with healthy options, the rats refused to eat the nutritious meals, enduring a 14-day hunger strike rather than switching back to a balanced diet. This, along with other studies, helps explain why some teens say they feel like they "can't stop" once they start snacking.

Outside many Kenyan schools, hawkers sell cheap snacks at the gates. Inside, school tuck shops are often filled with biscuits, sodas, and deep-fried treats. And then there's the influence of social media. On TikTok and Instagram, food challenges, bright packaging, and influencer promotions make junk food look 'cool' and fun.

While you do not need to give up all tasty food, you can switch to better options. A banana or mango, roasted groundnuts, boiled sweet potatoes, or even popcorn without too much salt are all good alternatives. These foods nourish your body with the vitamins, energy, and strength it needs.

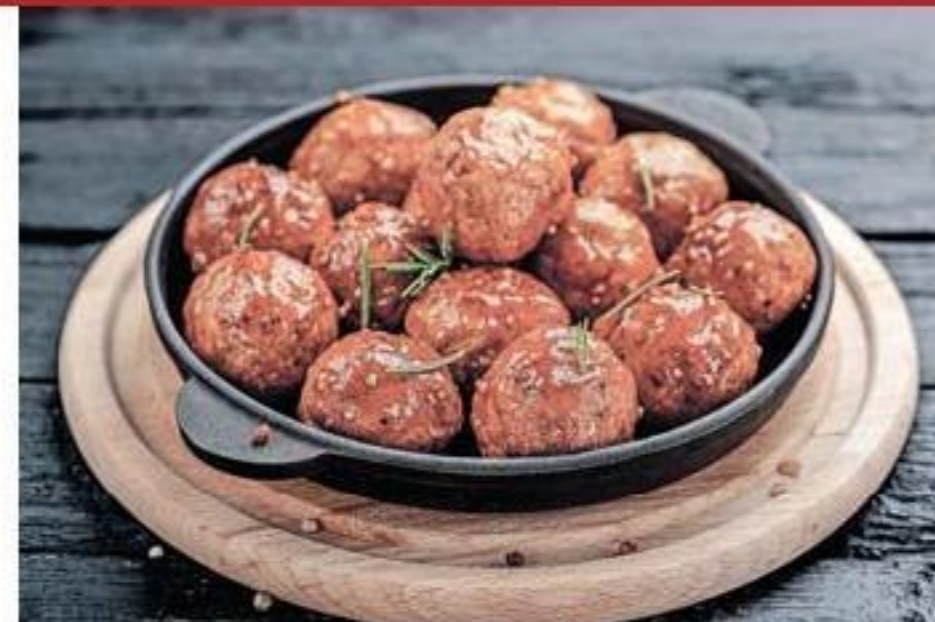
Chicken meatballs

Ingredients:

- 500g minced chicken
- 1 egg
- ½ cup breadcrumbs
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 teaspoon ginger, grated
- 1 teaspoon salt, to taste
- ½ teaspoon black pepper
- 2 tablespoons dhania, chopped
- Cooking oil

Instructions:

- i. In a bowl, combine minced chicken, egg, breadcrumbs, onion, garlic, ginger, salt, pepper, and parsley. Mix well using your hands for the best results.



- ii. Wet your hands (to prevent sticking) and roll the mixture into small balls.
- iii. To cook the meatballs

using a pan, heat oil in a pan over medium heat. Fry meatballs in batches for 8-10 minutes, turning until golden

- iv. If you prefer baking, pre-heat oven to 200°C, place meatballs on a greased tray, and bake for 15-20 minutes until cooked.
- v. Serve with ugali, mashed potatoes, rice, or pasta.

For your safety, never attempt to cook without the supervision of a responsible adult.

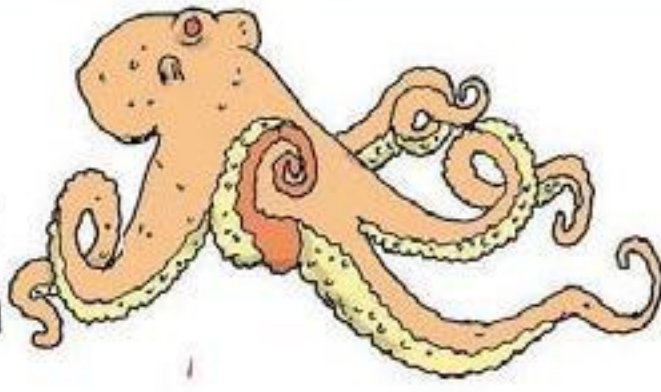
Do you have a favourite recipe you wish to share? Write to us at: juniorspot@ke.nationmedia.com

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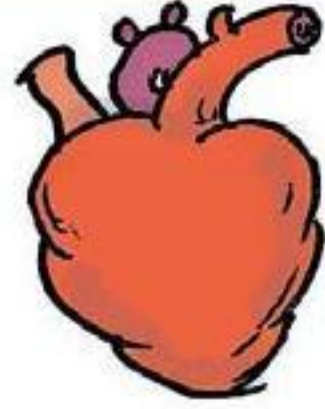
Picture story

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We learn about animals and creatures with weird but true facts. An



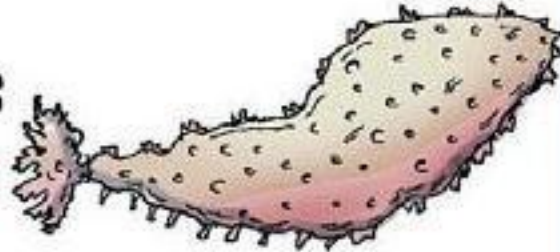
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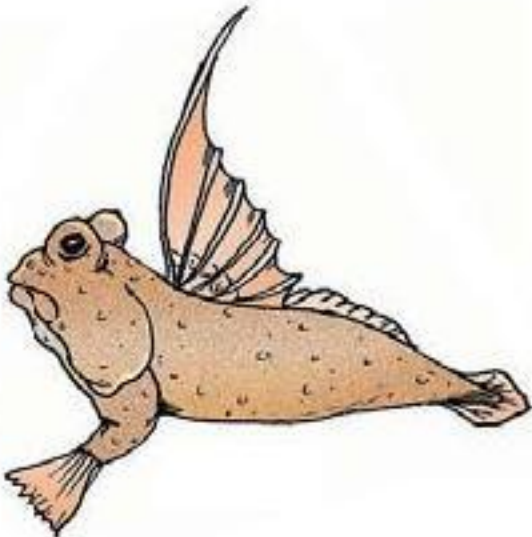
Two hearts pump blood to the gills, which are specialized respiratory organs that facilitate



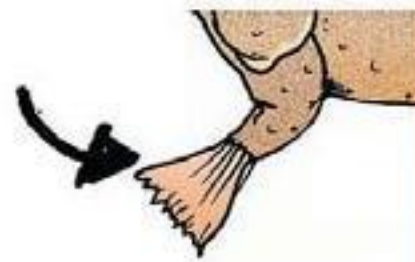
absorption from water while the third heart pumps blood to the rest of the body.



when threatened, can expel their internal organs to scare off predators. The



is a fish that can walk on land using their



fins like legs. Goats have horizontal rectangular



which gives them a field of vision from 320 to 340 degrees. This enables them to spot predators while they are foraging.

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>crossword>

ACROSS

- 1. As stubborn as a ... (simile)
- 3. Kenya's second longest river
- 6. A woodwind musical instrument
- 9. Wanamuziki hu... nyimbo
- 11. The past tense of 'lead'
- 12. The past tense of 'tear'
- 13. Adam and Eve's garden
- 14. Kisawe cha kitenzi 'keti'
- 15. At this place
- 17. The opposite of 'win'
- 20. A large plant, eg, the mugumo
- 21. The sound made by a lion

- 1. The sound made by a cow
- 2. The largest Nilotic ethnic group in the west of Kenya
- 4. A male cat
- 5. Chukua mali ya wenyewe bila ruhusa
- 7. The past tense of 'break'
- 8. Asiye na mwana a... jiwe (methali)
- 9. Perfect
- 10. The opposite of 'curse'
- 15. The past tense of 'hit'
- 16. Regret
- 18. Mwenda tezi na ... marejeo ni ngamani (methali)
- 19. The organ of hearing

DOWN

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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Participate in the Daily Nation Essay Writing competition and win!!!

ESSAY



Instructions

1. Write a compelling essay in line with the topic of the month.
2. Your Essay must not be less than one and a half pages.
3. It should be written in a legible handwriting

CATEGORIES

Every month, we will award the best essay (both primary and secondary) from all regions in Kenya categorised as follows: Nairobi, Nyanza, Central, Eastern & North Eastern, Coast, Rift Valley and Western.

We will award the best pupil from each region for both primary and secondary, totaling to 14 winners each month.

Additionally, the subject teacher and the school that produces the winning essay will be awarded.

Monthly prizes

The cash prizes are as follows:
Winning essay (student's award) - **Sh3,000**
The subject teacher - **Sh3,000**
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Once you have written your essay, cut out this coupon (See the marked area written 'cut here') and attach it to your essay.

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

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NOTE: Photocopies of the coupon will not be accepted.

THIS MONTH'S ESSAY

PRIMARY/JUNIOR SCHOOLS

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

Our environment is very important. We need to take care of it to keep it clean and healthy. Write about some ways you can help protect the environment in your Community.

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Write a composition ending with the following sentence

... I realized that every decision holds a consequence and therefore one should think carefully before making one.

All essays must be submitted before 31st July, 2025 after which a new topic will be given.

DAILY NATION

Essay Writing Grand prize

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

Sh50,000

Where school fee voucher is not applicable, the winner will receive a gift worth the same amount.

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

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

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NAME OF THE SUBJECT TEACHER _____

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REGION _____ ADDRESS _____

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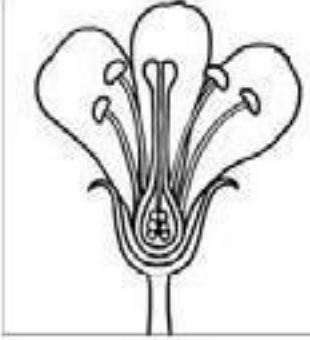
NAME OF SCHOOL _____

KPSEA | INTERGRATED SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

1. During a class discussion learners on flower, learners stated the parts of flower and functions. Which one of the following parts of flower is not correctly matched with its functions

Parts of flower	Functions
Stigma	Produces pollen grain
Petal	Attract insect for pollination
Filament	Support the anther
Style	Support the stigma

2. The diagram below shows flower parts



The parts labelled P Q R are

P	Q	R
A. Stigma	Petal	Ovule
B. Petal	Petal	Stalk
C. Corolla	Stigma	Ovule
D. Ovary	Filament	Sepal

3. A certain animal lays eggs has scales and the body temperature varies with the surroundings, the animal described is likely to be

- A. Duck
B. Frog
C. Spiny
D. Gecko

4. Which one the following animals has the same number of the legs as the spider

- A. Ticks
B. Flea
C. Crab
D. Cockroach

5. Grade 6 learners listed some of the characteristics of certain animal

- i. Lay eggs
ii. Body temperature varies with the surroundings
iii. Breathe through lungs
iv. Body covered with scales

Which one of the following pair of animals has all the characteristics listed above?

- A. Fish and rat
B. Whale and shark
C. Bird and cat
D. Lizard and tortoise

6. Driving a motor vehicle with a well maintained engine will mainly control pollution of?

- A. Air only
B. Water only
C. Air and water
D. Air and soil

7. Use of excess fertilizers will mainly pollute

- A. Soil only
B. Water only
C. Soil and air
D. Soil and water

8. Learners were discussing the reasons of lighting a house, the following reasons were given except

- A. To read comfortably
B. To feel warm
C. For safety purposes
D. To discourage pests

9. In a certain activity learners sat at different positions around a learner who was blowing a whistle. Which one of the following aspects of sound were the learners investigating

- A. Direction of sound
B. Noise pollution
C. Special sound
D. Loud and soft sound

10. Heat is transferred through a vacuum by

- A. Radiation only
B. Convection only
C. Conduction and convection
D. Convection and radiation

11. The property of light used in working a lamp in a room is that light

- A. Form shadows with opaque objects
B. Bends as it passes from one media to another
C. Travel in a straight line
D. Spread in all direction

12. Which one of the following materials allow light to pass but one cannot see through it clearly

- A. Milk
B. Clean water
C. Frosted glass
D. Plastic

13. A periscope work on fact that light can be

- A. Refracted
B. Reflected
C. Diffused
D. Absorbs

14. A bowl made of iron may float when placed on

water because of its

- A. Weight
B. Shape
C. Size
D. Material

15. Which one of the following pairs consist only of materials that would not sink in water even when their shape is changed

- A. Glass
B. Wood
C. Wax
D. Aluminum

16. Which one of the following is not definite for liquid

- A. Shape
B. Mass
C. Volume
D. Weight

17. The figure below shows processes W,V,X,Y which bring about changes of state of water



Which two processes require a decrease in temperature?

- A. X and Y
B. Y and W
C. W and V
D. V and X

18. In which one of the following are the percentage of carbon dioxide and inert gases

- A. 0.03% and 0.97%
B. 0.03 and 78%
C. 0.97 and 0.03%
D. 21% and 78%

19. Which one of the following substance will be attracted by magnet?

- A. Steel
B. Copper
C. Brass
D. Aluminum

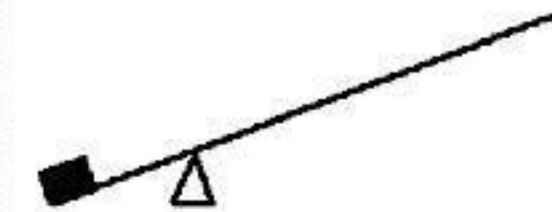
20. In which one of the following method of separation of mixtures would only one substance be recovered from a mixture of two substances

- A. Decanting filtering
B. Filtering
C. Evaporation
D. Sieving

21. Force is measured using an instrument called

- A. Newton
B. Spring balance
C. Beam balance
D. Weighing scale

22. The diagram below shows an example of a lever



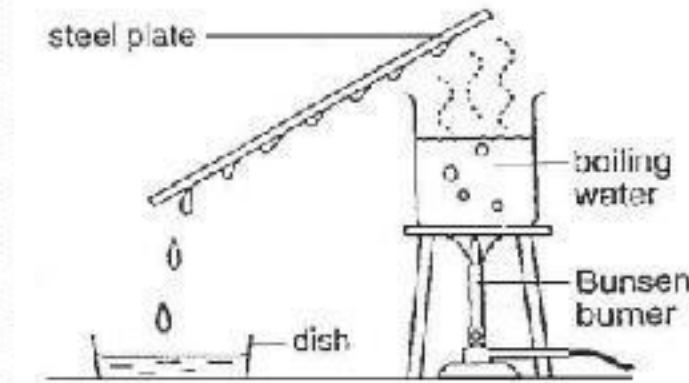
Which of the following levers belong to the same class as the lever shown in the diagram above

- A. Spade
B. Scissor
C. Fishing rod
D. Tong

23. An inclined plane make work easier by

- A. Decreasing the load
B. Change direction of force
C. Reduce effort required
D. Increase effort distance

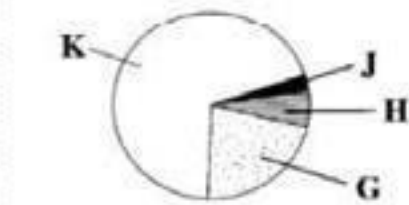
24. The diagram below represents a set up used to demonstrate a certain process



The process investigated is

- A. Convection
B. Condensation
C. Freezing
D. Evaporation

25. The chart below represents approximate percentage of air components

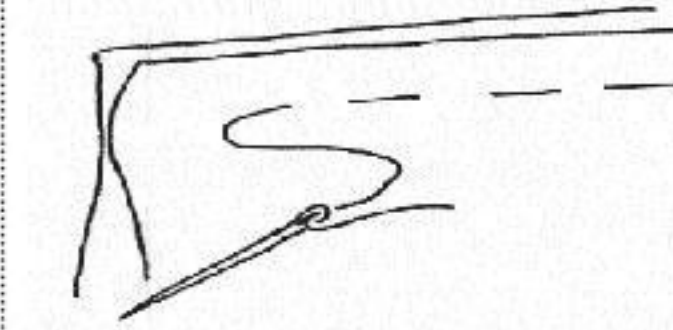


Which portion represents the gas that is neces-

sary for burning?

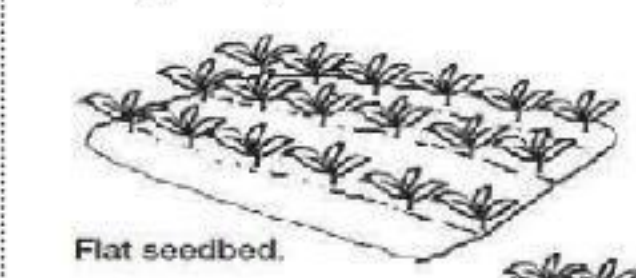
- A. G
B. J
C. H
D. K

26. Identify the stacking stitch shown in the diagram below



- A. Even stitch
B. Long and short stitch
C. Back stitch
D. Long stitch

27. The picture below shows a type of a nursery used to grow vegetables



It is known as

- A. Ground nursery bed
B. Seedbed
C. Container nursery bed
D. Sunken nursery bed

28. Which of the following is not an example of vegetable that can be grown in a nursery bed?

- A. Kales
B. Spinach
C. Peas
D. Tomato

29. When establishing a nursery bed. Ben and Emma used a certain tool to level the nursery bed. Which tool did they use?

- A. Shovel
B. Jembe
C. Trowel
D. Rake

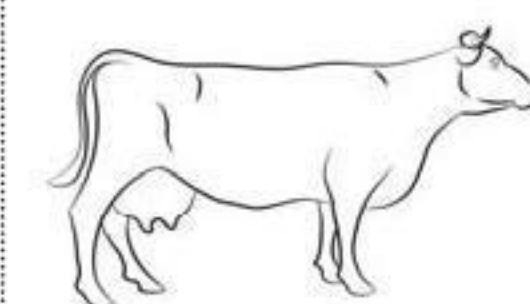
30. After growing vegetable seeds in a nursery bed, a farmer realized that the seedlings were many and overcrowded. He removed the excess seedlings. This process of removing excess seedlings is called

- A. Weeding
B. Thinning
C. Shading
D. Mulching

31. Which animals is not an example of a domestic animals

- A. Fish
B. Donkey
C. Bee
D. Hare

32. The picture below Shows a certain animal we get all the following products from the animals below except?

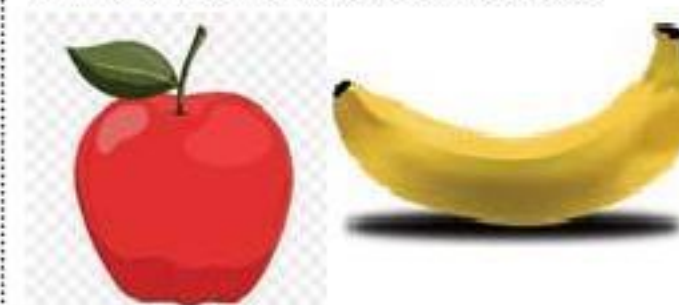


- A. Milk
B. Manure
C. Mutton
D. Hide

33. Grade 4 learners are planning to collect materials to use to make a scarecrow. They need the following materials except?

- A. Pieces of sticks
B. Dry grass
C. Strings
D. Soil

34. A learner drew the following foods



In which food group do they belong?

- A. Body building foods
B. Protective foods
C. Energy giving foods
D. Strength building foods

35. Which one shows the main reason why a scarecrow is used in the farm?

- A. To kill wild animals that damage crops
B. To scare away wild animals that damage property.
C. To keep off thieves that steal crop produce

D. To scare away pests that destroy crops

36. During a visit to a nearby farm, grade five learners were able to note the following in a farm



Which method of water conservation is practiced in the farm?

- A. Drip irrigation
B. Mulching
C. Sprinkler irrigation
D. Shading

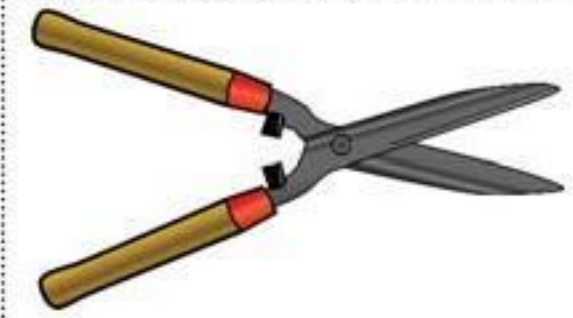
37. Learners were discussing about products for different domestic animals. Which domestic animal listed below was wrongly matched with its product

- A. Sheep Mutton And Wool
B. Goat Milk And Skin
C. Cattle_ Beef And Hide
D. Pig_ Pork And Hide

38. Which among the following is the best routine practice in rearing small domestic animals in considering the available space?

- A. Feeding
B. Maintaining appropriate number
C. Parasite control
D. Cleaning tools and equipment

39. What is the function of the tool drawn below?



- A. Handling animals
B. Restraining animals
C. Shearing animals
D. Treating animals

40. Grade 4 learner from uturi primary school were discussing the importance of preparing a shopping list. The learners gave their answers as follows

- Who among them gave a wrong answer?
A. Kiiru: we are able to choose the most important items
B. Cherop: we are able to spend a lot of money
C. Musau: it saves time when shopping
D. Ochieng: it helps to save money

41. Four boys were planning what they would prepare for dinner for their families. Who among them planned a balanced diet?

- A. Asa: chapatti, beef stew, vegetable salad
B. Lenny: rice, beans, meat
C. Mbarika: ugali, cabbage, mangoes
D. Enol: rice, potato stew, oranges

42. As he was taking a walk, Mr. Muno saw a boy with the following signs and symptoms

- i. Thin, brown, scattered hair
ii. Poor growth
iii. Swollen stomach
iv. Dull
Which nutrient should the boy's parents include in his diet?

- A. Vitamin
B. Proteins
C. Carbohydrates
D. Iron

43. The posters below were made by learner showing the causes of non-communicable diseases. Which poster contained wrong information?

- A. Use of cosmetics with harmful substances
B. Regular exercise
C. Excess intake of fat
D. Junk food

44. While learning how to clean a plane wood the teacher instructed grade 5 learners to scrub the surface following the direction of the grain. What is the reason for this?

- A. To avoid breaking surface
B. To remove the fixed dust
C. To make it easy to dry
D. To avoid leaving scratches

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**THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATION COUNCIL
KENYA JUNIOR SCHOOL EDUCATION ASSESSMENT, KJSEA 906
AGRICULTURE AND NUTRITION
TIME:2 HOURS
SECTION A**

1. Which one of the following methods involves cutting and drying forage under the sun?
A. Baled hay
B. Mulching
C. Standing forage
D. Stacked hay.

2. The factors below may affect the qualities of hay from harvesting up to storage. Which one of the following least fits in the group?
A. The stage at which the forage is cut
B. Presence of foreign materials such as dust
C. Conditions in the storage area
D. The size of the storage area

3. A baling box is a special piece of equipment to make rectangular bales of straw. Which one of the following would be most appropriate for constructing a bale box.
A. 20cm×25cm×75cm
B. 40cm×50cm×75cm
C. 75cm×75cm×75cm
D. 60cm×50cm×75cm

4. Tr. Kapendo was teaching learners on the importance of conserving left over meals. Which one of the following was odd one out.
A. Saves on labor
B. Maximizes waste production
C. Provides a variety
D. Promotes creativity

5. The dish below can be reheated using the listed methods EXCEPT?



- A. Frying
B. Baking
C. Grilling
D. Steaming

6. Grade 9 learners were preparing mukimo as part of their class project. Why was it not advisable to drain throw away the cooking liquid?
A. It can be used later
B. The liquid can be used to soften the mixture
C. It can be drunk as soup
D. It can be used to prepare another meal.

7. Identify the following method that is used in reheating food.



- A. Shallow frying
B. Frying
C. Grilling
D. Roasting

8. Aisha a grade 9 learner came across the following picture. What component of integrated farming was it likely to be?



- A. Vegetable production
B. Poultry keeping
C. Rabbit keeping
D. Fish rearing

9. Which one of the following is not a benefit of integrated farming for resource conservation
A. It reduces dependence on chemical fertilizers.
B. It increases usage of water for irrigation
C. It improves soil fertility
D. It recycles nutrients

10. Amina came across a farmer who was applying a liquid nutrient solution directly on to the leaves of a plant. What was the farmer likely to be carrying out?
A. Foliar feeding
B. Use of organic pesticides
C. Mechanical weed control
D. Use of Mexican flower

11. Systematically changing the types of crops grown in a particular field from season to season can best be defined as?
A. Livestock integration
B. Crop diversification
C. Crop rotation
D. Agriculture

12. A farmer from Kapsoit village planted the following crops. Which of the following crops was likely to be a short season crop?
A. Arrow roots
B. Coffee
C. Parsley
D. Maize

13. Grade 9 learners were preparing a site for stacking hay. Why did they elevate the area?
A. To scare away rodents
B. To prevent water logging
C. For easy accessibility
D. It is easy to make

14. Care should be taken when reheating left over meals. Which one of the following is not a disadvantage of over cooking food?
A. Leads to undesirable taste
B. Restoration of color
C. Loosing nutrients
D. Wastage of fuel

15. Which one of the following is not a requirement of preparing organic foliar feed?
A. Rabbit urine
B. Agrochemicals
C. Water
D. Measuring cup

16. Which soil conservation measure helps a farmer in improving soil fertility?
A. Strip cropping
B. Stone lines
C. Soil bunds
D. Trash lines

17. What is the importance of farm layout?
A. Ensure maximum utilization of land
B. Leads to high yields
C. Boosts creativity
D. Improves soil fertility

18. The following picture shows a type of a garden used by a farmer. Use it to answer question 18-19. Identify the garden.



- A. Suspended garden
B. Raised bed garden
C. Moisture bed garden
D. Horizontal garden

19. Give the main reason why the farmer uses the above type of a garden?
A. Increased yields
B. Utilize limited space
C. Control crop pests
D. Control crop diseases

20. A farmer inspected his vegetable crops and observed that the leaves had shrunk and reduced in size. Which crop pest most likely damaged the leaves?
A. Aphids
B. Birds

- C. Caterpillars
D. Cut worms

21. Grade 8 learners were dressing a poultry carcass. Which practice did they do after beheading?
A. Washing
B. Singeing
C. Defeathering
D. Gutting

22. Which of the following is a modern method of preserving meat?
A. Sun drying
B. Smoking
C. Salting
D. Refrigeration

23. Basting is a technique used in roasting foods. What is the meaning of basting?
A. Immersing food in lemon
B. Sprinkling food with vinegar
C. Adding spices and herbs on food
D. Applying oil on food during cooking

24. Which one of the following is an advantage of basting food?
A. Maintains the temperature of food
B. The cooked foods last for long
C. Prevents food from drying
D. Reduces cooking time

25. Bundi wants to launder his loose colored apron. Which of the following practices would help him prevent excess loss of color?
A. Use hot water to wash
B. Soaking before washing
C. Washing using friction method
D. Washing using kneading and squeezing

26. Karao wants to unblock the kitchen sink. One way he can use is?
A. Pouring hot water
B. Pouring a disinfectant
C. Cleaning with a lot of soap
D. Cleaning with a lot of water

27. Which one of the following is an activity carried out during daily cleaning of the kitchen?
A. Cleaning the walls
B. Removing cob webs
C. Wiping the windows
D. Emptying the dustbins

28. Yussuf planted Sukuma wiki seeds then after a while he noticed some did not germinate. Which one of the following practices was he likely to carry out?
A. Watering
B. Earthing up
C. Gapping
D. Mulching

29. Which of the following value-added product can we not obtain from potatoes?
A. Juice
B. Crisps
C. Flakes
D. Canned potatoes

30. The process of extracting honey from a beehive is called?
A. Pollination
B. Extraction
C. Pasteurization
D. Fermentation

SECTION B

31) a. What are short season crops? (1 mark)

b. Identify two short season crops grown in your locality. (2 marks)

c. Give 3 organic gardening practices that can be used to grow the short season crops.(3 marks)

32. James rears the following animal in his farm.



a. Identify the component of integrated farming

carried out by James. (1 mark)

b. Explain how this component helps to conserve resources. (2 marks)

33. Grade 9 learners found the following in their kitchen
i. Left over beef
ii. Uncooked rice
iii. salt
iv. seasoning

a. Which method can they use to conserve the left-over beef? (1 mark)

b. Describe how they can use the method in (a). (3 marks)

34. Study the methods of conserving forage shown in the pictures below



a. Identify the pictures shown in a, b and c respectively. (3 marks)

b. Highlight two ways in which households can conserve forage. (2 marks)

35. Conserving forage ensures that its nutritional value is maintained and spoilage is minimized. Briefly explain how forage can be conserved using box bailing method, (5marks)

36. List 3 types of water storage tanks. (3 marks)

37. Mogaka wanted to establish a water harvesting and storage unit at home. Mention 2 factors that he needed to consider. (2 marks)

38. It is always advisable to disinfect household articles used by the sick. Outline two importance of disinfecting the articles. (2 marks)

39. Re using laundry water for irrigation causes soil pollution.

a. Explain how the soil is polluted when the laundry water is used. (1 mark)

b. Give two ways for harvesting rain water for irrigating vegetables in a school garden. (2 marks)

40. Grade 9 learners were making mandazi during a practical lesson.
a. Outline one reason why the learners should sieve the flour before mixing it with other ingredients. (1 mark)

b. Why do school going children prefer carrying to school products made from flour mixtures(2mks)

41. A group of learners were discussing how to plan and prepare balanced diet
a. State 2 factors to consider when planning for meals. (2 marks)

b. Write 2 foods that make a balanced meal the learners can prepare for lunch. (2 marks)

EXAMS

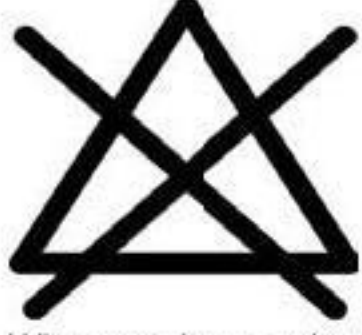
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45. You want to launder your loose colored shirt at home. Which of the following steps will you avoid in the laundering process?

- A. Sorting
- B. Washing
- C. Soaking
- D. Ironing

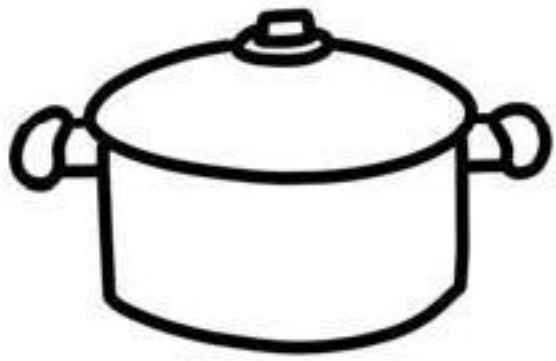
46. Melisa bought a blouse she noticed that the blouse had a label attached on the inner side with the symbol below?



What was the meaning of the table?

- A. Use a chlorine bleach
- B. Do not bleach
- C. Dry in the sun
- D. Do not dry clean

47. Kiama wanted to clean the kitchen utensil below when he realized he did not have steel wool.



The following can be improvised instead of steel wool except?

- A. Sand
- B. Charcoal
- C. Soft cloth
- D. Ash

48. Grade 6 learners from Zuchu School were asked by their teacher to bring the materials below

- A. Pair of scissors, hook, frame, threads
- Which methods of fabric construction were they to learn?
- A. Crocheting
- B. Weaving
- C. Knitting
- D. Bonding

49. Peter's family was watching television one evening when they saw a beautiful advertisement on a new brand of floor. Which of the following is not an advantage of such an advertisement?

- A. Gives us knowledge on new products
- B. Help us to have variety.
- C. Some advertisements are entertaining.
- D. Some give us false information.

50. Help us to have variety Some advertisements are entertaining Some give us false information The food that provide the body with the correct food substances is called

- A. Balanced diet
- B. Nutrition
- C. Meal
- D. Food

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1. A	11. D	21. B	31. D	41. A
2. C	12. C	22. B	32. C	42. B
3. D	13. B	23. B	33. D	43. B
4. A	14. B	24. B	34. B	44. D
5. D	15. C	25. A	35. B	45. C
6. A	16. A	26. D	36. A	46. B
7. B	17. A	27. A	37. D	47. C
8. B	18. A	28. C	38. B	48. B
9. A	19. A	29. D	39. C	49. D
10. A	20. C	30. B	40. B	50. A

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1.A	7.C	13.B	19.B	25.D
2.D	8.B	14.B	20.A	26.A
3.B	9.B	15.B	21.C	27.D
4.B	10.A	16.D	22.D	28.C
5.D	11.C	17.A	23.D	29.A
6.B	12.C	18.A	24.C	30.B

SECTION B

31a. Short - season crops are those that mature quickly and can be harvested within a few weeks or months.

32b. Examples of short season crops
Vegetables
Legumes
Spice crops

31c. Organic gardening practices. That can be used to grow short season crops.

- a) Use of organic manure.
- b) Use of organic control of pests.
- c) Mechanical weed control.
- d) Use of organic foliar feed.
- e) Companion planting.

32a) Fish rearing

32b) Water used in fish ponds can be used to irrigate vegetables after proper treatment.

Fish waste provides organic food for plants that grow in water.

33a) Preparation of other recipes.

33b) Take your beef and cut it into small pieces.

- Wash the rice thoroughly.
- Using medium heat, put oil in a sufuria and add chopped onion and fry until golden brown.
- Add tomatoes, carrots and any other ingredient of choice and let it cook for a few minutes.
- Add beef and seasoning such as salt and let it simmer for a few minutes.
- Add water depending on the amount of rice and let it boil.
- Add rice and let the meal cook and moderate heat until all the water drains.
- Stir the food and remove it from the source of heat.
- Serve and garnish with leaves of parsley.

34a) baled hay b) stacked hay
c) standing forage

34b) Households can conserve forage by:
i) Harvesting, baling and storing surplus forage during periods of abundant forage.

NiE launch at Viraj, Nyandarua schools



A teacher at Viraj International School in Syokimau, Machakos County, presents a certificate to a learner during the NiE activation.



The pupils display pens they won for correctly answering trivia questions during the activation.



Nation Media Group's Market Development Partner Joe Munyi (right) gifts the school's headteacher Job Buoro an NiE T-shirt during the event.



A teacher and learners follow proceedings. PHOTOS | CHRIS ADUNGO



Learners at Nyandarua Boarding Comprehensive School during the NiE launch.



Learners who correctly answered questions clad in NiE T-Shirts they won. PHOTOS | JOHN NJORGE

ii) Establishing forage reserves by setting aside a portion of land for planting forage plants such as grasses.
iii) Selecting and growing drought-resistant forage crops to keep forage healthy even during droughts.

35. Construct a wooden box measuring 75cmx50cmx40cm
-Harvest mature grass and leave it for 2-4 days in the field to dry, ensure you turn the grass to ensure even drying
-Stretch two strings loosely in the baling box.
-Place the dried grass in the baling box.
-Compress the dried grass or straw placed in small layers at a time and keep adding more grass as you compress until the baling box is full.
-Tie the hay bundle tightly using strings and then remove the bale from the box.
-Store the hay in a dry shaded place.

36. Types of water storage tanks
-Plastic
-Metallic
-Concrete

37. Factors to consider when setting up a water harvesting and storage unit at home or at school
-Location
-Accessibility
-Type of crop to be irrigated
-Size of the farm
-Dimension of the storage unit
-The slope of the land
-The cost of work

38. It helps to kill disease-causing micro-organisms
-It helps to prevent or eliminate bad smell.
-It also helps to reduce allergies and respiratory systems.
-It contributes to maintaining hygiene and a clean living environment.

39a) Accumulation of salt-excess salt can prevent plants from absorbing water properly leading to wilting or stunted growth.
-Blockage of soil pores-soap-like substances in laundry water can cause soil particles to stick together.
-Toxicity to soil organism-Many chemicals in laundry water are toxic to

beneficial soil organisms like worms and bacteria.

39b) By use of gutters
-Use of diversion channels
-Water ponds
-Tanks
-Use of shallow water pans

40a) -Removing impurities
-Break up lumps
E -Aerate the flour
-Even distribution of ingredients

40b) They are easy to pack and carry
-They have a pleasant aroma
-They can be stored for a relatively long time before they deteriorate
-They are quite appetising and have an attractive appearance

41a) age health status
occasion gender
cost or social status

42. Ugali+ beans+cabbage
Chapati+lentils+spinach