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Activist Rose Njeri in the dock at the Millimani Law Courts in Nairobi yesterday, where she was accused of breaking the cybercrime law. [Collins Kweyu, Standard]

ABUSE OF POWER Rose Njeri, a software developer and civic activist, thought she was using her skills to educate Kenyans on the Finance Bill and have them register their dissent. In return, a law that targets hackers is being used to prosecute her. Her arrest and arraignment has lawyers and critics up in arms accusing the State of weaponising cybercrime laws to silence digital activism and public participation. All eyes are on the Judiciary on June 20 to see where hacking starts and dissent stops. **PAGE 4 & 5**

IEBC nominees cleared amid fears of potential bias and political links

► Report on their vetting to be debated in the august House today.

► The commissioners are expected to conduct the 2027 General Election.

JOSPHAT THIONGÓ, NAIROBI

Seven nominees to the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission have been approved by the National Assembly.

This is despite fears of potential bias in execution of their mandate thanks to their special relationship with key figures in the broad-based government. Yesterday, the Justice and Legal Affairs Committee (JLAC) cleared Erustus Edung Etheke, who had been nominated as the chairperson, Ann Njeri Nderitu, Moses Alutalala Mukwhana, Mary Karen Sorobit, Hassan Noor Hassan, Francis Odhiambo Aduol and Fahima Araphat Abdallah as commissioners.

This report of their vetting is expected to be debated on the floor of the House today. This was confirmed by JLAC committee chairperson George Murugara yesterday, as he tabled the report.

"I beg to give notice of the following motion. That taking into consideration the findings of the departmental committee on JLAC in its report on the vetting of nominees for the position of chairperson and members of the IEBC laid on the table of the house today. Pursuant to the provisions of article 252b of the constitution the committee approves the appointment of Erustus Edung Etheke as the chairperson and Ann Njeri Nderitu, Moses Alutalala Mukwhana, Mary

Karen Sorobit, Hassan Noor Hassan, Francis Odhiambo Aduol and Fahima Araphat Abdallah as members of IEBC," submitted Murugara.

Parliament is now expected to debate the committee's report and to either approve it, reject it or make amendments to the appointees who have strong links to President William Ruto and ODM leader Raila Odinga and their close associates, raising concerns amid a trust deficit on the part of IEBC to deliver a credible election.

During their vetting on Saturday last week, the seven nominees faced questions of how they would restore the public's trust in IEBC even as they defended their suitability for office.

Etheke faced tough questions of his impartiality ahead of the 2027 polls, having worked with State House Deputy Chief of Staff Josphat Nanok. The House team raised concerns over his previous ties with Ruto aides and revealed that it had received formal objections from three individuals who had cited perceived bias on the part of Etheke due to his prior association with Nanok, the former Turkana governor.

"The objection claims you might favour President William Ruto in the 2027 elections because of your links with Nanok, who was your boss when you served as legal advisor in Turkana," said Rarienda MP Otiende Amollo.

But Etheke responded that he would abide by the Constitution and the laws of Kenya in carrying out his mandate should he be confirmed for the coveted position. "No official whether small or big shall influence my running of the commission and I shall rely on the laws of Kenya. I shall not be biased in favour of President William Ruto," he said.

He explained that his relationship



National Assembly's Justice and Legal Affairs Committee (JLAC) chair George Murugara in Nairobi on February 13, 2025. [File, Standard]

with Nanok was purely professional and only lasted for four years as they served in different capacities in Turkana county government.

"Our professional relationship ended in 2022 after Nanok left and I continued serving under Jeremiah Lomorukai, the current governor for another two years. For the record, I am not related to Nanok—not even at the clan level, let alone family. Our work together was about service delivery for the people of Turkana, and nothing more," he clarified.

"Whatever past professional associations I may have had, the IEBC is an independent institution, and I

intend to uphold that independence without compromise."

The nominee, who declared his net worth to be Sh227 million, further dismissed the notion that he had been "pushed" by certain interest groups to apply for the chairperson's role.

"I want to emphasize that all these conspiracy theories that I might have been pushed around by certain interest groups to apply (are not true). Ordinary Kenyans are actually concerned and they urged me to apply. I went through interviews, they were televised, I gave my account on why I should be considered for this position," he said.

AT A GLANCE

- IEBC chair nominee Etheke – formerly worked with current State House Deputy Chief of Staff Josphat Nanok at the Turkana County Government
- Anne Nderitu- Current registrar of Political Parties. Mps questioned the "helping hand" behind her quick career ascent and claims of lack of independence in the execution of her mandate as the Registrar
- Moses Mukhwana- close ties with Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi and relationship with Ruto. Previously served as a legal consultant in the now-defunct Amani National Congress (ANC) party
- Hassan Noor- Former Rift Valley Provincial Commissioner. Related to National Assembly Leader of Minority Junet Mohamed. His name was part of the last minute list of nominees to be vetted by IEBC
- Mary Sorobit- previously served at the Jubilee Party secretariat. Currently member of UDA party

Anne Nderitu, the registrar of Political Parties faced claims of being pushed by "higher-ups" and had to defend her nomination to the commission and claims of lack of independence in the execution of her mandate as the Registrar.

"I'm equally impressed by the nominee that she served for two years after university before she joined IEBC having been seconded by the late former IEBC chair Wafula Chebukati. I'm wondering what is this helping hand that is taking her through all these positions. Is she the deep state that people talk about?" posed Wajir East MP Mohamed Daud.

Amollo said there had been objections to her nomination as a commissioner based on her current role.

"We have submissions objecting to your nomination on the grounds that you are currently serving as the Registrar of Political Parties, and therefore, ineligible for the position of IEBC commissioner," Amollo said.

Nderitu whose net worth stands at Sh138 million, referred to a 2014 ruling by the National Assembly, in which the Speaker ruled that a public office does not fall vacant upon nomination but only after appointment.

NANDI

Slain Catholic priest laid to rest, concerns raised over insecurity



Mourners view the body of Fr Allose Cheruiyot in Uasin Gishu County yesterday. [Peter Ochieng, Standard]

Emotions ran high yesterday as slain Catholic priest Father Allose Cheruiyot Bett was laid to rest in Nandi County yesterday.

Political leaders expressed concerns over rising insecurity in banditry-prone North Rift following the priest's murder in Tot. They claimed the suspects remain at large, walking freely despite information provided by locals during security meetings.

While speaking at Fr Allose's burial at Terige Secondary School, the political leaders questioned the failure of security agencies to take action and ensure the killers are brought to justice.

Elgeyo Marakwet Governor Wesley Rotich claimed that witnesses had volunteered details about those in the terror group responsible for Fr Allose's death. He was based at St Mathias Mulumba in Tot parish.

"The residents are aware of what transpired when the priest was killed. We even engaged with the

locals, and they were willing to assist the police in the investigation. The names of the suspects were submitted to the security team in charge of the investigation, but no action has been taken," he said.

He said military and police camps have been established in Kerio Valley as part of the government's security interventions. "The death of Fr Allose should mark a turning point in addressing security challenges in Kerio Valley. Something must be done to end banditry here," he said.

Among elected officials present were Kapsaret MP Oscar Sudi, Nandi Governor Stephen Sang, Nandi Senator Kiprotich Cheragei, Uasin Gishu Governor Jonathan Chelilim, and MP Johana Ng'eno from Emurua Dikir.

Mr Sudi urged security officials to take decisive action against the bandits wreaking havoc in the villages, arguing that legal court procedures would not

effectively restore peace for the locals. He suggested implementing a shoot-to-kill policy for security forces to eliminate criminals attacking residents and stealing livestock. "The court processes will not provide a solution for our people; the hearing and determination of cases will take ages. Whoever kills with a gun must face the same fate—there is no negotiation with a criminal," Sudi asserted, claiming that bandits have resorted to random attacks and killings to intimidate the government.

Cheragei said police inaction is the greatest hurdle in the fight against crime, noting that known criminals are raiding residents in broad daylight.

"The Catholic Church has played a crucial role in community development and restoring peace among the communities of Baringo, Elgeyo Marakwet, and West Pokot. Security should be provided for priests," he said. [Edward Kosut]

Staff wrangles stall SHA recruitment process

▶ Court orders SHA to re-advertise jobs, blocking exclusive hiring.

▶ Employee criticize abandoning of the initial hiring plan, causing unnecessary disputes.

MERCY KAHENDA AND EDWIN NYARANGI, NAIROBI

Wrangles continue to disrupt the transition and recruitment process at the newly established Social Health Authority (SHA), with reports indicating growing discontent among some staff.

The Public Service Commission (PSC) is reported to have issued letters to some staff members who did not apply to transition to SHA, or who opted for redeployment to other public service institutions.

This development comes even as Senators demanded that the SHA should absorb all the defunct National Hospital and Insurance Fund (NHIF) employees.

The Senators are also calling for a thorough vetting of staff to weed out unscrupulous employees who approved numerous fictitious claims, causing the loss of millions of taxpayers' shillings.

Senate Majority Leader Aaron Cheruiyot told the House that about 95 to 99 percent of former NHIF staff are hardworking Kenyans who served the country well and deserve another chance.

"We all know NHIF staff approved amputations four to six times; such people should not get another chance. That's why we want thorough vetting to ensure staff with integrity serve Kenyans at SHA," said Cheruiyot.

His remarks followed a statement by Senate Majority Whip Boni Khalwale, who urged the Senate Health Committee to disclose the total number of staff SHA plans to recruit to meet its required establishment.

A recent court ruling ordered all positions to be re-advertised publicly, effectively blocking the exclusive hiring of former NHIF employees.

"Some employees have received letters from the PSC. Most of them are those who did not apply to join SHA, as well as those who opted to move to other public service roles," said a source who requested anonymity due to the sensitivity of the matter.

Two weeks ago, the PSC extended temporary contracts for former NHIF employees deployed to SHA. Several positions had already been advertised internally, with recruitment restricted to former NHIF staff.

These roles included quality assurance officers, county coordinators, directors, deputy directors, finance officers, accountants, benefits and actuarial officers, claims and case management officers, administration officers, records management officers, corporate communication officers, and provider management officers.

Other advertised positions cover primary healthcare fund management, beneficiary registration and compliance officers, legal officers, office administration, drivers, supply chain officers, corporate communication officers, information technology, planning and linkages, and human resources.

In a letter dated May 19, 2025, addressed to the Principal Secretary for Medical Services, Dr Ouma Oluga, the Public Service Commission (PSC) explained that extending the temporary deployment of staff from the defunct NHIF to the Social Health Authority (SHA) was necessary due to delays in finalizing the recruitment process.

The PSC noted that the recruitment at SHA is still ongoing and has been stayed by the Employment and Labour Relations Court in Nairobi.

"In view of the above, and considering that the initial deployment period ends on May 21, 2025, before the recruitment exercise is fully completed, the commission has decided and directed that the deployment of staff from the defunct NHIF to SHA be extended for a further six months or until the recruitment exercise (suitability interviews) at SHA is completed, whichever is earlier," reads a section of the letter. Last week, the court ordered the SHA to publicly re-advertise its jobs and barred the exclusive hiring of former NHIF staff, ruling that the March 2025 recruitment process was unconstitutional for limiting competition.

The court directed that positions including quality assurance officers, county coordinators, directors, deputy directors, and other advertised vacancies be re-advertised.

Advertisements must be open, fair,



The Social Health Authority (SHA) building at Upper Hill in Nairobi. [Edward Kiplimo, Standard]

1,730
EMPLOYEES

NUMBER of employees who were temporarily deployed to SHA in October 2024 for six months.

competitive, and transparent, in full compliance with the law, free from restrictions or limitations.

A total of 1,730 employees were temporarily deployed to SHA in October 2024, with the understanding that their contracts would last only six months.

Initially, the employees were to undergo a suitability test, with those qualifying transitioning to perma-

nent roles within the authority.

Those who do not qualify for permanent positions at SHA are to be sent to the Public Service Commission (PSC) for redeployment, while some employees were expected to be offered early retirement.

An employee, who requested anonymity, told *The Standard* that the process remains uncertain, affecting smooth operations within the authority.

The employer is also reported to have failed in communicating clearly with staff, fueling animosity throughout the transition.

"Our biggest concern is salaries. Job grades at NHIF were different, including the salary scales," the employee said.

Before the transition, NHIF, as a government parastatal, independently set salaries and only sought advice from the Salaries and Remuneration Commission (SRC).

However, under SHA, salaries are determined solely by the SRC. This change means some employees face a salary shortfall of between Sh80,000 and Sh100,000.

Despite the uncertainty surrounding recruitment and pay, SHA leadership has remained silent on the salary issue, which continues to disrupt smooth workflow.

"Staff have asked to see the SHA staff establishment and structure. They also want to know why proposals from the transition committee, such as an early retirement package similar to one offered years ago, were not considered. That would have allowed a peaceful separation, as no one planned to leave employment," the employee added.

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2. To read the notice convening the meeting.
3. To confirm the minutes of the Fifty Third Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 26 July 2024.
4. To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2024 together with the Chairman's Statement and the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
5. To note that the Directors do not recommend payment of a dividend for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.
6. To approve the Directors' fees as indicated in the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2024.
7. "To re-elect a Director. Mr. Davinder Devgun Singh who retires by rotation in accordance with Article 113 of the Company's Articles of Association and being eligible, offers himself for re-election as a director of the company."
8. To note reappoint Messrs. PKF Kenya LLP, Certified Public Accountants having offered themselves to continue in office as external Auditors to the Company by virtue of section 721(2) of the Companies Act, 2015 and to authorize the Directors to fix their remuneration for the ensuing financial year.
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Lawyers, activists protest cyber law State is using to prosecute Njeri

► Lawyers say the government is using a law created to punish hacker to tame dissent.

► Njeri was arrested for creating an online platform asking Kenyans to reject the Finance Bill.

NANCY GITONGA, NAIROBI

Lawyers yesterday fought off the charge brought against Rose Njeri, terming it fictitious, as they poked holes in the plan to pin her down using provisions of the Cybercrimes Act.

In the end, Njeri did not take a plea as her legal team battled the charge brought by the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), raising fresh questions over whether the State is weaponising the Computer Misuse and Cybercrimes Act to stifle civic participation and digital activism.

The case, which has ignited a national conversation about the intersection of law, technology, and democracy, saw high-profile legal minds and civil society come together in a courtroom showdown that may set a precedent for years to come.

Njeri, a software developer and civic activist, was arraigned at the Milimani Law Courts after spending more than 90 hours in police custody.

She faces one count: Unauthorised interference with a computer system, contrary to Section 16 of the Computer Misuse and Cybercrimes Act (2018).

According to the charge sheet, Njeri is accused of creating and deploying a web-based programme that allowed members of the public to send emails to the National Assembly's Finance Committee, expressing opinions on the controversial Finance Bill, 2025.

The DPP alleges that the mass emailing disrupted the normal functioning of the Committee's systems.

The alleged offence occurred on May 19 at 8:01 pm.

But as the prosecution sought to nail her on what they termed "unauthorised interference with a computer system", her legal team saw something far more troubling: The potential weaponisation of law to crush civic dissent.

Njeri was arrested on May 30 and held in police custody without being granted bail or presented in court until a public outcry and mounting protests forced action.

Outside the Milimani Law Courts, chants of "Free Njeri! We want justice!" rent the air as activists camped for hours under the glare of police officers, some of whom chased protesters

away and arrested others. "This case is not just about Rose. It's about every Kenyan who wants to be heard by their government," said a protester.

After several hours of protests, Njeri — who had been held in an undisclosed location — was finally arraigned at 12:45 pm before Milimani Magistrate Geoffrey Onsarigo.

Inside the courtroom, the stakes were high.

However, when the matter was called, Njeri — represented by a team of lawyers including former Chief Justice David Maraga, Senior Counsel Kalonzo Musyoka, Senator Dan Maanzo, former LSK president Eric Theuri, Kibe Mungai, Ndegwa Njiru, and advocate John Khamwina — did not take a plea.

Instead, her defence mounted a fierce constitutional and procedural challenge to the very basis of the prosecution.

Led by Maraga, the team argued that the prosecution's case was built on vague accusations and a misinterpretation of Kenya's cybercrime laws.

"The charges brought against Ms Njeri lack specificity, are poorly drafted, and fail to establish any real criminal intent," said Maraga.

"What we are seeing is a clear case of the law being stretched to punish a tech worker for what is, at worst, a contractual or civil dispute."

Malicious hackers

"The Computer Misuse and Cybercrimes Act was designed to target malicious hackers, fraudsters, and cyber terrorists — not freelance web developers caught in business disputes," said the former CJ.

"Charging someone like Rose Njeri under this law weaponises legislation in a way that could stifle innovation and silence dissent in the tech sector." Maraga further criticised the manner of Njeri's detention, arguing that there was a sinister motive behind her arrest on Friday.

He urged the court to release her, arguing that the police could have simply summoned her to present herself at any station, rather than employing the heavy-handed tactics used.

Senator Maanzo argued that the charge was not only vague and ambiguous but also unconstitutional.

"This charge violates Article 25(c) of the Constitution, which guarantees the right to a fair trial and prohibits its limitation," Maanzo said.

"It does not disclose any offence and must be struck out." Senior Counsel Kalonzo Musyoka was more direct:

"If her crime is to sensitise Kenyans



Activist Rose Njeri in the dock at Milimani Court in Nairobi yesterday. [Collins Kweyu, Standard]

to say yes or no to a Finance Bill, then what crime is that? Are we criminalising engagement now?" Former LSK President Theuri was equally blunt:

"Our view is that the charge is defective. The law defines cybercrime as unauthorised access or interference with a computer system — what we know as hacking. Rose did not hack anything." According to Theuri, the law being cited was never intended to criminalise the sending of emails to a publicly available government email address.

"The particulars of the offence as they have provided do not meet the criteria set out in law," he argued.

"Even though she may have created a system that enabled a lot of people to send emails, the email address was used for the purpose for which it was set."

"She created a system that sends emails to an address that was specifically set up to receive public input. You cannot criminalise someone for helping citizens

participate in their democracy." In fact, the very purpose of public hearings on the Finance Bill is to encourage citizen feedback. He emphasised that sending emails to an address created for public feedback cannot amount to hacking.

"You cannot accuse someone of causing too many people to send emails when the address was meant to receive emails. That cannot be criminal." Theuri further accused the government of abusing the Cybercrimes Act to silence dissent.

Section 118 of the Constitution requires Parliament to conduct its business in an open manner and to facilitate public participation in law-making.

Article 10 of the same document outlines public participation as a national value.

At the same time, Muigai also termed the charge illegal and absurd.

According to him, the State had invoked a law designed to prosecute hackers and digital criminals in order to charge Njeri.

Yet, the particulars of her alleged offence revealed no hacking, no intrusion, and no harm.

Instead, they described her role in building a digital platform for citizens to engage with legislation — the very essence of democratic duty.

"Parliament expects public participation. The Constitution demands it," Kibe said.

"How can someone be charged for doing what Article 10, 118, and Article 3 of the Constitution require her to do?"

Kibe added that the charges facing

Njeri "are not criminal but political." "What the State is doing is weaponising the law, twisting a statute meant for cybercrime into a sword to silence democratic expression," he added. Behind him, supporters of Njeri clutched signs, eyes blazing with solidarity and fear.

If building a civic website could be a crime, who was safe?

"This," Kibe said, "is not a prosecution. It is persecution. And in a democracy, lawful mobilisation is not a threat — it is a right!" He accused the DPP of being used politically by the government.

The disputed platform created by Njeri allowed citizens to input their views on the Finance Bill through a web interface, which then auto-generated an email to a designated address at the National Assembly.

The prosecution argues that this caused "interference" — a charge typically reserved for actions such as system intrusions, malware deployment, or data tampering.

But her lawyers contend that the platform was merely an efficiency tool — the digital equivalent of thousands of Kenyans writing to their MPs.

The DPP, however, insisted there is enough evidence to proceed to trial.

Through State Counsel Victor Owiti, the DPP informed the court that the charges against Njeri are well-drafted and proper in law.

However, the court deferred plea-taking and released Njeri on a personal bond of Sh100,000, pending a ruling on June 20 on the legality of the charge.

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David Maraga, Former Chief Justice

Outrage as web developer faces 'vague' charges

► Rights lobby groups and Kenyans on social media warn State against intimidating critics.

► Some politicians argue that Njeri was facilitating public participation on Finance Bill, 2025.

FIDDELIS MOGAKAAND
MOURICE ODIWUOR, NAIROBI

Kenyans expressed outrage over the arrest and detention of Rose Njeri, a young software developer and human rights activist, who was arraigned in court under vague cybercrime charges.

Njeri, known for creating a web portal to campaign against the Finance Bill, 2025, was arrested on Friday and held in police cells over the extended weekend. The Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) alleges that her web application, hosted at <https://civic-email.vercel.app>, auto-

matically generated and sent mass emails to the National Assembly Finance Committee's email, disrupting its systems.

Kenyans and human rights groups flooded social media, condemning the arrest as a violation of Njeri's rights and criticising the charges as unclear.

Amnesty International Kenya issued a statement expressing shock at Njeri's transfer from Pangani Police Station to an undisclosed location without notifying her family or lawyers.

"Rose Njeri has been held for over 88 hours, in violation of Article 49 of the Kenyan Constitution, which guarantees the right to be informed promptly of arrest reasons, to communicate with an advocate and necessary persons, including medical professionals, and to be released on reasonable bail or bond within 24 hours," said the lobby.

The organisation and Njeri's family highlighted Njeri's underlying medical condition, noting that her prolonged detention without access to



Activists protest at the Milimani Law Courts where Rose Njeri was charged yesterday. [Collins Kweyu, Standard]

“Rose Njeri has been held for over 88 hours, in violation of Article 49 of the Kenyan Constitution, which guarantees the right to be informed...**”**

Amnesty International Kenya

proper care exacerbates the violation.

The Kenya Human Rights Commission (KHRC) echoed these concerns, stating that Njeri's rights were violated and holding Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja accountable. "The Constitution guarantees arrested persons the right to prompt information and communication with advocates. Njeri has been unlawfully detained for over 72 hours and denied bail," the KHRC declared.

Social media users accused authori-

ties of using the law to intimidate rather than prosecute Njeri. "The charges against Rose Njeri show they just wanted to lock her up over the weekend and slap her with a high cash bail to frustrate her," posted Jim Njue on X.

Journalist Larry Madowo of CNN remarked, "The Kenyan government brags about youth digital skills while punishing them for using those skills."

The government was urged to release Njeri, accusing President William Ruto's administration of silencing dissent. Former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua noted that, as the one-year anniversary of the 2024 Gen Z protests against the Finance Bill approaches, the government has learned nothing about engaging with citizens.

"Instead of dialogue, they're escalating crackdowns to silence voices, especially with the new Finance Bill looming," he said.

Gachagua praised Njeri's innovation, calling her arrest "an attack on the youth's courage and spirit" and demanding her immediate release.

Former Public Service Cabinet Secretary Justin Muturi and Senate Majority Leader Aaron Cheruiyot defended Njeri, with Muturi saying her "platform facilitated Kenyans' voices on the Finance Bill 2025, a direct contribution to constitutional principles."

"Njeri created a platform for public participation, which is exactly what it's about. I don't understand why she's incarcerated," added Cheruiyot. newsdesk@standardmedia.co.ke



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CRIME

Senators alarmed by pension fraud targeting retirees

Senators have expressed concern over a growing trend where criminals are defrauding retirees of their pension lump sum payments

Migori Senator Eddy Oketch revealed that fraudsters are accessing sensitive personal banking information, enabling them to monitor bank transactions and strike soon after the pension is deposited.

Oketch cited the case of Violet Akoth Nyatol, a retired teacher who recently lost her entire Sh2,498,029 pension payout. The funds had been deposited into her Absa Bank Kenya PLC account.

He called on the Senate Finance and Budget Committee to provide a statement on the number of such fraud cases reported in Absa Bank accounts since 2022 and the status of investigations.

Oketch also questioned whether the Central Bank of Kenya and the Directorate of Criminal Investigations were aware of the cases and what action, if any, they have taken. Additionally, he urged the committee to compel Absa Bank to explain what measures it has taken to seal loopholes that allow fraudsters to access customer data and monitor transactions. **[Edwin Nyarangi]**



Migori Senator Eddy Oketch. [Boniface Okendo, Standard]

KAKAMEGA

Governor threatens to cancel contracts over project delays

Kakamega Governor Fernandes Barasa has given contractors one month to complete all 60 Early Childhood Development Education (ECDE) centres, warning that failure to meet the deadline will lead to contract termination

Speaking in Malava Constituency, the governor criticized the slow progress by contractors in building the classrooms, which are scheduled for commissioning next month.

"I am putting these lazy contractors on notice: if they fail to finish the classrooms on time, they will be sent home, and we will invoke legal clauses against them," he said. Barasa revealed that he has allocated Sh180 million in the 2025/2026 financial year budget to boost the county's education sector.

"We have challenges with bursaries, but they are being addressed," he said. **[Benard Lusigi]**

Ruto's secret Somaliland meeting sparks storm over foreign policy

► Somaliland president's Nairobi visit risks straining Kenya-Somalia diplomatic ties.

► Analysts warn Kenya's actions may embolden other separatist movements.

BRIAN OTIENO, NAIROBI

President William Ruto's Thursday meeting with Somaliland President Abdirahman Irro has once again raised questions about Kenya's foreign policy and the diplomatic advice the Head of State gets.

The meeting, which analysts argue is a diplomatic blunder, risks straining the already fragile relationship between Kenya and Somalia, from which Somaliland hopes to break away.

Contrary to the norm, whenever Dr Ruto meets a foreign dignitary, the Kenyan State House has not published any image of the meeting or its details, which Somaliland was all too glad to reveal.

Irro's spokesperson, Hussein Aden Igeh, shared an image of the two Heads of State at the State House in Nairobi and details of the meeting on his official X account. The meeting happened on the day Somaliland opened a liaison office in Kenya's capital.

"The two Heads of State engaged in a wide-ranging discussion on matters of mutual interest and regional significance, with particular attention to bilateral cooperation – including the promotion of trade, investment, economic development and enhanced air connectivity," Igeh said in part, describing the meeting as "cordial and productive."

He disclosed that the meeting also discussed peace and regional stability and education and institutional development, focusing on academic exchanges, among other issues.

"The meeting reaffirmed the strong and long-standing relationship between Somaliland and Kenya – a partnership anchored in mutual respect, shared values and a common vision for peace, stability and prosperity across the region," added Igeh.

President Irro met former Prime Minister Raila Odinga on Monday. His Foreign Affairs Ministry said the meeting had "underscored the deep personal rapport between President Abdirahman Irro and Hon Odinga—a resolute champion of Somaliland's sovereignty and democratic aspirations for decades."

Hargeisa has been aggressive in its latest push for recognition, lining up meetings with top Kenyan officials, who also include National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetang'ula.



President William Ruto at a past campaign rally in Narok County. Experts have questioned his foreign policy after he held a meeting with Somaliland President Abdirahman Irro. [Kipsang Joseph, Standard]

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On Saturday, the Somaliland president engaged "key international partners, multilateral institutions and foreign envoys based in Nairobi", as the state's Foreign Affairs ministry announced on X. Later in the evening, he engaged the diaspora community in Kenya.

On Friday, Kenya's Ministry of Foreign Affairs reaffirmed that it had not "granted approval" to Hargeisa to open the liaison office.

"...its investiture of the status of a Diplomatic Office does not enjoy the imprimatur of the Republic of Kenya and cannot be allowed to proceed," the Ministry said in a statement dated May 26.

Ruto's meeting with Irro will, undoubtedly, rattle Mogadishu, which has often been critical of Nairobi's closeness to Hargeisa. In 2020, Somalia recalled its diplomats from Kenya and expelled Nairobi's following a meeting between former Presidents Uhuru Kenyatta and Muse Bihi Abdi.



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Prof Macharia Munene, Political analyst

At the time, Somalia accused Kenya of "recurrent outright" interference in the Horn of Africa nation's internal affairs. Mogadishu has yet to react to the latest developments.

Hargeisa has appeared almost desperate for recognition from Kenya, the region's economic powerhouse. In an opinion article in a regional weekly, Ismail Shirwac, the first secretary of the Republic of Somaliland in Kenya, argued for the formalisation of diplomatic relations between Nairobi and Hargeisa. "Recognising Somaliland as a sovereign state offers Kenya a remarkable opportunity to reinforce its position as a champion of democracy, regional stability and economic growth," wrote Shirwac.

Nairobi has blown hot and cold about its recognition of the breakaway state, which it mostly considers as a regional government within the Republic of Somalia, in keeping with the African Union's guidelines. Indeed, the Foreign Affairs Ministry made this point in its statement.

"As Somalia continues to advance its state-building and institutional development agenda, the Government of Kenya, through sustained dialogue with the Federal Government of Somalia, stands ready to support these efforts to enhance co-operation and mutually beneficial partnerships," the Foreign Affairs Ministry stated.

Kenya and Somalia have partnered in fighting the Al Shabaab terrorist group but have often differed in other aspects, such as a maritime dispute that the International Court of Justice adjudicated in Mogadishu's

favour, but whose decision Nairobi does not recognise.

While Nairobi acknowledges Mogadishu's legitimacy, Kenya has often sought to please Hargeisa, deploying Mining Cabinet Secretary Hassan Joho to welcome the visiting president. A statement by Kenya's Foreign Affairs Ministry, which said Nairobi "avails itself of this opportunity to the Liaison Office of Somaliland in Nairobi, the assurances of its highest consideration", gave hope for recognition. Kenya's position risks "opening a can of worms," as Macharia Munene, a professor of history and international relations, argued.

"Ruto seems to be an ambivalent man whose actions give the impression that he is encouraging the recognition of Somaliland, and that is what Hargeisa wants. It sends the wrong signals to Mogadishu," said Prof Munene.

Machakos Deputy Governor Francis Mwangangi, an international relations expert, concurred, saying Kenya "should not be seen to be supporting regionalism."

"We know Somalia is one, and the world is working to stabilise the country as so. Why would we want to oppose this One-Somalia policy?" Mwangangi posed. "Other countries may in the future support a push by breakaway factions in Kenya."

Prof Munene also made this point, highlighting a previous situation when the Mombasa Republican Council sought to have the Coast secede from Kenya. "If Somaliland gets away with it, then maybe the Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo should, too," he stated.

SANLAM KENYA PLC

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	31-Dec-24	31-Dec-23
	KShs '000	KShs '000
Insurance revenue	7,359,029	6,936,282
Insurance service expenses	(5,672,959)	(5,048,193)
Net expenses from reinsurance contracts	(1,042,555)	(1,201,990)
Insurance service result	643,515	686,099
Interest revenue calculated using the effective interest method	413,872	244,768
Other interest income	2,551,436	2,757,142
Other investment revenue	2,307,477	(1,940,684)
Investment return	5,272,785	1,061,226
Net finance expenses from insurance contracts	(3,789,450)	(682,425)
Net finance income from reinsurance contracts	42,322	9,477
Net financial result	1,525,657	388,278
Other operating expenses	(128,478)	(220,937)
Other incomes	355,250	(6,043)
Finance costs	(734,812)	(604,610)
Profit before tax	1,661,132	242,787
Income tax expense	(606,245)	(369,355)
Profit/(Loss) for the year after tax	1,054,887	(126,568)
Other comprehensive income		
Other comprehensive income; net of tax	-	-
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	1,054,887	(126,568)
Comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to:		
Equity holders of the parent	959,870	(161,128)
Non-controlling interest	95,017	34,560
Profit/(Loss) per share (basic and diluted)	6.67	(1.12)
Shares used in calculating loss per share	144,000,000	144,000,000

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	31-Dec-24	31-Dec-23
	Kshs. '000	Kshs. '000
Assets		
Fixed assets and intangibles	507,487	605,081
Investment properties	2,399,680	2,479,580
Financial assets	30,129,688	28,106,621
Reinsurance contract assets	423,411	1,153,349
Other assets	818,741	991,422
Cash and cash equivalent	2,007,596	2,039,290
Assets held for sale	2,879,329	-
Total assets	39,165,932	35,375,343
Capital and reserves		
Issued share capital	720,000	720,000
Statutory fund	3,371,581	2,380,139
Retained earnings	(2,319,915)	(2,288,343)
Shareholders fund	1,771,666	811,796
Non controlling interest	149,471	54,454
Total capital and reserves	1,921,137	866,250
LIABILITIES		
Borrowings	4,216,156	4,657,144
Insurance and reinsurance contract liabilities	27,535,254	27,823,965
Other liabilities	2,727,181	2,027,984
Liabilities Held for sale	2,766,204	-
Total liabilities	37,244,795	34,509,093
Total equity and liabilities	39,165,932	35,375,343

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	31-Dec-24	31-Dec-23
	KShs '000	KShs '000
Issued share capital	720,000	720,000
Opening reserves	91,796	252,924
Profit/(loss) for the year attributable to equity holders of the parent	959,870	(161,128)
Shareholders' funds	1,771,666	811,796
Non-controlling interest	149,471	54,454
Balance at end of the year	1,921,137	866,250

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

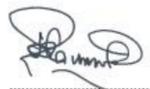
	31-Dec-24	31-Dec-23
	Kshs. '000	Kshs. '000
Net cash flows used in operations	(2,582,589)	(1,212,035)
Net cash flows generated from investing activities	3,843,683	1,610,100
Net cash flows used in financing activities	(1,159,345)	(32,020)
Net increase in cash resources	101,749	366,045
Effects of changes in exchange rates	(723)	25,163
Cash and cash equivalents at the start of the year	2,039,290	1,648,082
Reclassification of assets held for sale	(132,720)	-
Cash resources at the end of the year	2,007,596	2,039,290

SUMMARY DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION REPORT

During the year, the Group paid KShs 193.8 million (2023: KShs 138.2 million) as directors' emoluments.

The summary consolidated financial statements and summary director's remuneration report are extracts from the audited Group financial statements and director's remuneration report.

A full copy of the Group financial statements including explanatory notes is available from our website www.sanlam.com/kenya. They were approved by the Board of Directors on 12 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:


Dr John P N Simba, EGH, MBS, OGW
 Chairman


Dr Patrick Tumbo, EBS
 Group Chief Executive Officer

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF SANLAM KENYA PLC

Opinion

The summary consolidated financial statements of Sanlam Kenya Plc, which comprise the summary consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, the summary consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the summary consolidated statement of changes in equity and the summary consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, the directors' remuneration report and related notes (together "the summary financial statements") are derived from the audited consolidated financial statements and the directors' remuneration report of Sanlam Kenya Plc for the year ended 31 December 2024. In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements and directors' remuneration report as at and for the year ended 31 December 2024, (Securities) (Public Offers, Listing and Disclosures) Regulations, 2002, in accordance with the Kenyan Companies Act, 2015 and the Capital Markets

Summary financial statements

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by International Accounting Standards Board and the Kenyan Companies Act, 2015. Reading the summary financial statements and our report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited consolidated financial statements and our report thereon.

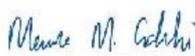
The audited consolidated financial statements and our report thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited consolidated financial statements and directors' remuneration report in our report dated 12 March 2025. That report also includes the communication of key audit matters. Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements for the current period.

Directors' responsibility for the summary financial statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of the summary financial statements in accordance with the Kenyan Companies Act, 2015 and the Capital Auditor's responsibility. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements and directors' remuneration report based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 810 (Revised), "Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements".

The engagement partner responsible for the audit resulting in this report of the independent auditor on the summary financial statements is CPA Maurice M. Gachuhi, Practicing Certificate No. P/2699.


 Maurice M. Gachuhi

For and on behalf of

KPMG Kenya, Certified Public Accountants

P.O Box 40612-00100 Nairobi

Date: 12 March 2025

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 79th Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held via electronic communication on Friday 27 June 2025 at 11.00am. to conduct the business detailed below:

AGENDA

- To table the proxies and note the presence of a Quorum.
- To read the Notice convening the meeting.
- To confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 26th June 2024 and the Extra Ordinary General Meeting held on 11 December 2024.
- To consider, and if approved, adopt the Balance Sheet and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 together with the reports of the Chairman, the Group Chief Executive, the Directors, the Auditor and the Statutory Actuary.
- To note that the Directors do not recommend the payment of Dividend for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.
- To elect Directors:
- Mr Rohan Patel retires by rotation in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association and offers himself up for re-election.
- Dr Grace Mwalimu retires by rotation in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association and he offers herself for re-election.
- Ms Rose Agutu retires by rotation in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association and he offers herself for re-election.
- In accordance with the provisions of Section 769 of the Companies Act, 2015 the following Directors, being members of the Audit, Actuarial, Risk and Compliance Committee be elected to continue serving as members of the Committee:
 - Freda Britz (Chair Person)
 - Nelius Bezuidenhout
 - Cornie Foord
 - Rose Agutu
 - Amine El Kernighi
- To approve the Directors' remuneration.
- To note that the auditors, KPMG Kenya as will continue in office in accordance with Section 721(2) of the Companies Act No. 17 of 2015 until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.
- Special Business** - To consider and if deemed fit to approve the following policies pursuant to Regulation 8.21 of the Thirteenth Schedule to the Capital markets (Public Offers, Listings, Disclosures) Regulations, 2023:
 - Directors Remuneration Policy
 - Stakeholder Management Policy
 - Corporate Disclosure and Procedures Policy
 - Dispute Resolution Policy; and
 - Board Appointment Policy and Procedure

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To transact any other business with the permission of the Chair for which 48 hours notice had been given to the Group Company Secretary at the registered office of the Company.

By Order of the Board



Emma Wachira
 Group Company Secretary
 Date: 3 June 2025

NOTE:

- Shareholders wishing to participate in the meeting should register for the AGM by doing the following:
 - Dialling *483*902# for all networks and follow the various prompts regarding the registration process; or
 - Sending an email request to be registered to sanlamagm@image.co.ke; or
 - Shareholders with email addresses will receive a registration link via email through which they can use to register.

In order to complete the registration process, shareholders will need to have their ID/Passport Numbers which were used to purchase their shares and/or their CDSC Account Number at hand. For assistance shareholders (whether in Kenya or outside) should dial the following helpline number: (+254) 709 170 000 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday. Any shareholder outside Kenya should dial the helpline number to be assisted to register.
 - Registration for the AGM opens on 4 June 2025 at 9:00 a.m. and will close on 25 June 2025 at 11.00a.m. Shareholders will not be able to register after 25 June 2025 at 11.00a.m.
 - In accordance with Section 283 (2) (c) of the Companies Act, the following documents may be viewed on the Company's website <https://www.sanlam.com/kenya> (i) a copy of this Notice and the proxy form; (ii) the Company's audited financial statements for the year ended 2024.
- The reports may also be accessed upon request by dialling the USSD code above and selecting the Reports option. The reports and agenda can also be accessed on the livestream link.
- A shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the meeting and who is unable to attend electronically is still entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on his behalf. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company. To be valid, a proxy form, which is available from the Company's head office or the Share Registrar's offices, must be completed and signed by the shareholder or the duly authorised attorney of the shareholder and must be either emailed to sanlamagm@image.co.ke or lodged at the offices of the Company's Share Registrar's Image Registrars, 5th Floor, Absa Towers (formerly Barclays Plaza), Loita Street, Kenya so as to arrive not later than 11.00am on 25 June 2025. A proxy form is attached to this Notice [and is available on the Company's website via this link: <https://www.sanlam.com/kenya>]. Physical copies of the proxy form are also available at the following address: Image Registrars Limited offices, 5th Floor Absa Towers (formerly Barclays Plaza), Loita Street.
 - Any person appointed as a proxy should submit his/her mobile telephone number to the Image Registrars no later than 24 June 2025 at 11.00 a.m. Any proxy registration that is rejected will be communicated to the shareholder concerned no later than 25 June 2025 at 11.00am to allow time to address any issues.
 - Shareholders wishing to raise any questions or clarifications regarding the AGM may do so by:
 - sending their written questions by email to agm@sanlam.co.ke;
 - shareholders who will have registered to participate in the meeting shall be able to ask questions via sms by dialling the USSD code above and selecting the option (ask Question) on the prompts; or
 - to the extent possible, physically delivering their written questions with a return email address to the registered office of the Company at Sanlam Tower, 15th Floor, Waiyaki Way, Westlands, Nairobi, or to Image Registrars offices at 5th floor, Absa Towers (formerly Barclays Plaza), Loita Street; or
 - sending their written questions with a return email address by registered post to the Company's address at P. O. Box 10493-00100 Nairobi.

Shareholders must provide their full details (full names, ID/Passport Number/ CDSC Account Number) when submitting their questions and clarifications.
 - All questions and clarification received by the Company by Wednesday 25 June 2025 at 5:00 pm will be responded to by the directors of the company by 25 June 2025. A full list of all questions received and the answers thereto will be published on the Company's website before the commencement of the General Meeting. Some of the questions will also be answered during the meeting.
 - The AGM will be streamed live via a link which shall be provided to all shareholders who will have registered to participate in the AGM.
 - Duly registered shareholders and proxies will receive a short message service (SMS) prompt on their registered mobile numbers, 24 hours prior to the AGM acting as a reminder of the AGM. A second SMS prompt shall be sent one hour ahead of the AGM, reminding duly registered shareholders and proxies that the AGM will begin in an hours' time and providing a link to the livestream.
 - Duly registered shareholders and proxies may follow the proceedings of the AGM using the livestream platform and may access the agenda, ask a question, propose and second resolutions and vote via the VOTE tab on the livestream link. Duly registered shareholders and proxies may vote via the USSD prompts as well as through the vote tab on the livestream link.
 - Results of the AGM shall be published on the Company's website <https://www.sanlam.com/kenya> within 24 hours following conclusion of the AGM
 - Shareholders are encouraged to continuously monitor the Company's website <https://www.sanlam.com/kenya> for any updates relating to the AGM.

► Part chairperson accuses senior officials of plotting to undermine her authority.

► Political analysts say UDA turmoil signals Ruto may form new party soon.

NDUNGU GACHANE, NAIROBI

Crisis in UDA: Infighting, power rifts and defections shake the ruling party

The ruling United Democratic Alliance (UDA) is showing signs of implosion, driven by internal wrangles among its leaders whose public outbursts are sending worrying signals to the party's general membership.

Party chairperson and National Executive Council (NEC) member Cecily Mbarire has taken her frustrations public, pointing an accusing finger at Deputy President Prof Kithure Kindiki, who also serves as the party's deputy leader.

Mbarire's discontent comes just two weeks after Kindiki publicly rebuked Public Service and Human Capital Development Cabinet Secretary Geoffrey Ruku, accusing him of "public incitement" over ongoing government development projects. As infighting continues, UDA suffered a major political setback on May 7, when NEC member Joshua Kanake led a group of disillusioned grassroots leaders in defecting from the ruling party. They accused UDA of betrayal, abandonment and failing to deliver on its promises.

However, it was Mbarire's public disillusionment last Sunday that laid bare the deepening rift within the party. The fallout comes amid growing backlash in the Mt Kenya region following the formation of the Democracy for Citizens Party (DCP) by former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua, after his impeachment and subsequent fallout with President William Ruto.

In a rare show of frustration, Mbarire accused senior government officials of orchestrating a plot to undermine her authority. Speaking during Madaraka Day cel-



Deputy President Kithure Kindiki with Embu Governor Cecily Mbarire during a progress meeting on the first cohort of 19 County Aggregation and Industrial Parks (CAIPs), attended by county governors, Council of Governors chair Ahmed Abdullahi, Cabinet Secretaries, Principal Secretaries, and other senior national and county officials in Nairobi, recently. [DPCS, Standard]

ebrations at Makima Primary School in Mbeere South, one of her strongholds, Cecily Mbarire declared an all-out political war on individuals she accused of holding secret meetings in Nairobi to plan local political activities without involving her or other elected leaders.

"There are some government leaders holding night meetings in Embu

to plan politics without involving me and other elected leaders," Mbarire said. "These officers from Nairobi lack respect and pretend to understand our local politics."

Appealing for support, she warned her opponents: "I dare you to come back to Embu again. We will settle this man-to-man. I am elected by the people of Embu County, and you will respect me. I will not allow anyone to sabotage or bypass me."

She reminded party leaders of the hardships she endured defending the Kenya Kwanza administration, particularly in the Mt Kenya region.

"If anyone has suffered for supporting the government, it is me. We traveled all over Embu with MCAs and the deputy governor, urging people to support the government for their benefit. And now, you come all the way from Nairobi to disrupt Embu," she said.

Notably, Mbarire spoke two days after Kindiki toured Embu town, during a visit the governor did not attend. Kindiki held a consultative meeting with the Embu Town business community and small-scale traders.

On the same day, Kindiki met the governor at his Karen residence, alongside other national and county officials, to receive an update on progress toward establishing and operationalizing 13 priority County Aggregation and Industrial Parks.

"Construction of CAIPs in 13 coun-

ties- Meru, Homa Bay, Busia, Kirinyaga, Embu, Uasin Gishu, Garissa, Migori, Machakos, Kwale, Wajir, Kisii and Bungoma- will be complete by August 31, 2025. The cost of constructing each CAIP is Sh500 million, equally shared by the National Government and the respective County Government," Kindiki posted on his X account after the Karen meeting.

Sources within the Kenya Kwanza administration say Mbarire's loyalty is under scrutiny. She is accused of failing to boost the ruling party's popularity in Embu, ahead of a crucial by-election to replace Ruku.

"There is growing concern that the governor is not doing enough to promote UDA in Embu. We risk losing the Mbeere North seat to the opposition. There are also ideological clashes between Mbarire and Kindiki over the party's candidate for the

parliamentary seat," a UDA insider revealed.

Tensions worsened after President Ruto was heckled in Embu, an incident that baffled Kindiki given that the Deputy Party Leader comes from the same county. "You are the national chairperson of UDA and a governor," Kindiki said last year. "Your party leader, the president, visits your hometown and is heckled — how can you still be trusted? How is that possible?" he challenged Mbarire.

UDA now faces an uphill battle to stay relevant after a group of officials from Embu ditched the party, accusing it—and Mbarire—of sidelining grassroots voices and running the party like a personal project.

"Danson Muriuki, UDA Coordinator for Manyatta Constituency, added that the party had failed the people and that they could no longer support a regime that ignores its grassroots soldiers and abducts young people.

"Our political marriage with UDA is toxic. There are no children, and the spouse has already married other wives. The way we came is the way we go," Joyce Murekio, another vocal coordinator, said.

On May 11, another incident that laid bare the differences of the ruling party saw Kindiki scold Ruku after he called on the government to tarmac roads in the region.

Ruku had appealed to Kindiki to prioritize infrastructure improvements in Siakago on behalf of the elders, a move that appeared to irk the DP. Kindiki would later the following day refute the claim that he was scolding Ruku claiming the remarks were directed at a former CS hailing from the same region.

"My remark being discussed referred to a former Cabinet Secretary from the same area and other ex-leaders who manifested similar conduct, to affirm that governments worldwide operate on the principle of collective responsibility."

In January, Kindiki was again on the spot after he equated Kiharu MP Ndindi Nyoro's position of the National Assembly Budget and Appropriations Committee as that of an assistant chief, a move that exposed the rifts within the ruling party.

"I want to ask the Majority Leader, because most matters need parliamentary support and a budget. The Majority Leader is responsible for pushing these once the President approves. The chair of the Budget Committee holds less power—it's like comparing an assistant chief to a County Commissioner. Kimani Ichung'wah is the County Commissioner," Kindiki said.

Political analysts see the ruling party's current turmoil as the last gasps of a fading vehicle. They believe President Ruto may soon launch a new party to seek re-election.

"UDA was a special purpose vehicle, and its work is done. I don't expect the party to use the wheelbarrow symbol again. The infighting shows leaders are already competing for positions in the new party on the way," said Dr Judy Makira, political analyst and Embu University lecturer.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS - WORKS

Project No: P156834
Credit No: 6030-KE
Country: KENYA
Name of Project: Water and Sanitation development Project-Conditional Liquidity Support Grant (CLS) II
Contract Title: CONSTRUCTION OF PIPELINE IN MUTHIGI
RFB Reference No.: NGANWASCO/CLSG II/2024-2025(2)

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Water and Sanitation development Project-Conditional Liquidity Support Grant (CLS) II, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Construction of Muthigi Pipeline as contract No.: NGANWASCO/CLSG II/2024-2025(2)
- The Ngandori Water and Sanitation Company PLC now invites sealed Bids from eligible bidders for works as indicated on the table below:

Tender Description	Quantity	Closing Date
CONSTRUCTION OF MUTHIGI HOPE PIPELINE, REPAIR AND RE-INSTATE AFFECTED STRUCTURES DURING PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION	1.5KM PIPELINE OF DIAMETER 400MM	18 th June 2025 11:00AM

- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IFP Borrowers" dated July 2016, revised 9th Edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), which can be found in the following website: www.worldbank.org/procurement and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from WSP physical address and inspect the bidding document during office hours 0900 to 1700 hours excluding weekends and public holidays at the address below.
- The bidding document in English may be downloaded free of charge from the company's website www.ngandoriwater.co.ke. Bidders who download the bidding documents are required to notify the Purchaser by email with full contact details that they intended to participate, this will facilitate issuance of notifications by the Purchaser, to all bidders where necessary.
- Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before 18th June, 2025 11:00 AM. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on 18th June, 2025 11:00 AM East African Time (EAT).
- All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of Ksh 740,000 in the form of a Bank/Insurance Guarantee.
- Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.
- The address referred to above is:

Attention: The Managing Director,
Company: Ngandori Water and Sanitation Company PLC.
Address: P. O. Box 1326-60100
Town: Embu
Street: Embu-Mbuwori Road
Tel.: +254709747759
Email: ngandoriwater@yahoo.com
Website: www.ngandoriwater.co.ke

NB:

- NO AWARD UNTIL ESIA REPORTS ARE CLEARED BY WB AND NEMA LICENSE ISSUED.
- MANDATORY PRE-TENDER SITE VISIT WILL BE HELD ON 11th JUNE 2025



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Fury over illegal mining in West Pokot as residents demand action

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Cecily Mbarire, UDA chairperson

LEGISLATION

IG can't recall guards without written notice, rules court

The High Court has ruled that the Inspector General of Police cannot withdraw security from public officials without a written notice.

Justice Lawrence Mugambi, in his verdict over the withdrawal of bodyguards for governors Ochilo Ayacko, Gladys Wanga, James Orengo, Anyang' Nyong'o and Simba Arati, said that security details are benefits afforded by the government to its officers and cannot be taken away whimsically.

According to the court, the security personnel are assigned to office holders owing to their job and the risk that comes with their office.

He asserted that it is unfair and illegal to be denied the essential service, saying the police bosses cannot act against their internal policies to protect the government, its offices, assets, and officials.

Jacjohn Owino had sued the Inspector General of Police and the Attorney General and named the five ODM governors as interested parties.

According to Owino, the security of the governors was recalled for being vocal against the government.

In response, Commissioner of Police Peter Nyaga argued that the National Police Service Act does not impose a specific duty on the police to provide protective security to VIPs and other government officers.

He said instead, a 2016 government policy provides conditions under which those entitled to security are to be denied or withdrawn.

On the other hand, the AG argued that the case was misconceived, driven by rumours and speculations. The government's legal advisor also contended that other events had overtaken the case.

Governor Ayacko, through the County Secretary Oscar Olima, told the court that his police security was withdrawn on July 18, 2023, without notice or explanation.

Wanga argued that the withdrawal was illegal and discriminatory as all governors are entitled to security. She said there was no evidence that she had breached any law or conditions.

According to the ODM chairperson, the police bosses were in breach of their own policy, adding that she expected to enjoy her security just like any other governor.

Governors Orengo, Nyong'o and Arati did not participate in the case. **[Kamau Muthoni]**



Police Inspector General Douglas Kanja. [Jenipher Wachie, Standard]

RULE OF LAW

Court orders State to keep off Delamere land

The High Court yesterday temporarily prohibited the government from occupying a 10,000-acre portion of the Delamere Estates, which spans 42,516 acres.

Justice Millicent Odeny ordered the Ministry of Lands to refrain from subdividing or alienating the land, and instructed the parties to submit their documents by June 10.

This ruling followed an application by the Delamere family, represented by Jonathan Stewart Coulson, who has sued the Lands Cabinet Secretary and Principal Secretary, the National Land Commission and the Attorney General.

Coulson argued that through a letter dated

March 28, PS Nixon Korir claimed that Lord Hugh Cholmondeley had offered to surrender 10,000 acres to the government in 2017.

"The PS quoted the wrong title number of the land and wrongly referred me as the Managing Trustee, Soysambu Conservancy, saying the land was to be used to resettle squatters," he said.

"The pattern of events is indicative of an illegal and fraudulent operation to forcibly acquire the land. It is incredible that despite being the technocrat and a custodian of the land records the PS could brazenly quote a wrong parcel number and even use a document."

He added that there have been several invasions

on the land by individuals claiming ownership and some had filed a suit for adverse possession, which was dismissed. "Shortly after the invasions, the PS wrote and the letter confirms my fear of the government officers' involvement during the invasions," he submitted.

He attached trespass reports he made to the Elementatita and Gilgil police stations, insisting that no arrests nor prosecutions have been made.

"Some invaders have come to be known and they have openly bragged of being protected by senior government officers. If the court does not intervene urgently, I stand to lose my property," he said. **[Daniel Chege]**

MPs reject Senators proposal for Sh465b equitable share to counties

► Members back National Assembly Majority Leader's stand that counties should get Sh405 billion.

► Senators argue counties need more cash to cater for Housing Levy and medical workers, among other needs.

JOSPHAT THIONG'O, NAIROBI

The National Assembly has rejected Senators' proposal to increase equitable share revenue to Sh465 billion.

In a move that could further delay the release of the funds to the counties, MPs yesterday rallied behind the National Assembly Leader of Majority Kimani Ichung'wah who moved a Motion to reject the amendments to the Division of Revenue Allocations Bill, 2025.

"This Bill as approved by the House had about Sh405 billion but the other House has since amended that and proposed that we increase that to about Sh465 billion. That is Sh60 billion above what is agreed. And bearing in mind the fiscal space that we have, it may not be practical to increase by Sh60 billion. Having considered that we thought it's only fair that we reject this amendment by the Senate to allow us to go into early mediation and, therefore, beg to move the House to reject in totality this proposal by the Senate," moved Ichung'wah.

Bumula MP Jack Wamboka seconded the Motion before the members unanimously voted out the proposals.

"Bearing in mind the fiscal space the country is operating in, it is only abnormal for anyone to think we should be increasing these monies upwards. I beg to reject as I second

Ichung'wah," said Wamboka.

The matter is now headed for mediation.

In an earlier communication sent to the Senate, National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetang'ula said the proposed Sh405 billion allocation is equivalent to 25.8 per cent of the audited and approved actual revenue for financial year 2020/2021.

Wetang'ula told the Senate that the proposed allocation approved by the National Assembly on April 9 was informed by the trends in the performance of revenue.

"This figure was informed by the Government commitment to implement a fiscal consolidation plan targeting to reduce the fiscal deficit to 4.3 per cent of GDP in financial year 2025/2026 with this designed to slow down accumulation of public debt, improve primary surplus thereby achieve fiscal sustainability," he said.

The Speaker noted that the national government continues to solely bear shortfalls in revenue in any given financial year whereas the county governments continue to receive their full allocation despite the budget cuts.

"Article 218(2)(b) of the Constitution requires that the division of revenue between the two levels of government and among county governments takes into consideration the criteria set out in Article 203(1) of the Constitution which includes factors such as: national interest, public debt and other national obligations, the needs of the disadvantaged groups and areas," he said.

But during the consideration of the Bill at the Senate, Finance and Budget Committee Vice Chairperson Tabitha Mutinda said they had arrived at the Sh465 billion after considering several factors, one being the Housing Levy deductions as an additional recurrent cost to the 47 counties.



National Assembly Majority Leader Kimani Ichung'wah asked legislators to reject the proposal to raise counties share of the budget. [David Gichuru, Standard]

SH536
BILLION

AMOUNT that the Council of Governors had proposed to be shared among the 47 counties.



Mutinda said the Council of Governors had proposed Sh536 billion, which they scaled down considering that non-remittance of statutory deductions had led to an increase in pending bills.

The Nominated Senator told the House that they also considered county aggregation and industrial parks, noting that 18 counties have already received funding and contractors started work.

"The Community Health Promoters is a key programme that is shared in terms of the remuneration between the county government and national government. We have met the Nairobi County team and they say the national government has given them their share, but the county government has not with this being a budget of about Sh4 billion," said Mutinda.

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Gachagua denied Kasarani permit for the launch of his political party

▶ Former DP's party holds its first National Executive Council meeting in Nairobi.

▶ Party accuses President Ruto of being behind move to deny them Kasarani Stadium.

FIDDELIS MOGAKA, NAIROBI

Former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua's Democracy for Citizens Party (DCP) is seeking another venue to hold its launch after the government blocked efforts to hold the event at Kasarani Stadium yesterday.

The party is now looking for private partnerships as they claim the government has denied them public amenities to launch the event.

Terming the Kenya Kwanza administration "a paranoid government" deputy party leader Cleophas Malala criticised President William Ruto, accusing him of being behind the move to deny them the venue.

Speaking after attending their first National Executive Council (Nec) meeting at the party headquarters, Malala however maintained that they hope to launch the party within the month, adding that they had established a committee that will vet social amenities with a capacity to hold between 40,000 to 50,000 supporters.

"We have set up a committee to look into that, the issue of capacity, because the numbers of delegates that we are inviting are big numbers," he said.

Before the cancellation of their booking, DCP had paid Sh3.7 million to reserve the Kasarani gymnasium where it was expected to unveil the party's vision, manifesto and leadership. "I am writing to formally request to book the Kasarani Stadium Gymnasium for our official party launch event, scheduled for Tuesday, June 3, 2025, from 8am to 5pm,"

DCP's letter read in part. It added: "The event is expected to host approximately 5,000 attendees, including party members, supporters, invited guests and press members."

However, on May 28, the former DP was barred from using the venue by the Sports Kenya Director-General, Gabriel Komora, who cited the upcoming African Nations Championship (CHAN) 2025.

"We regret to inform you that the venue will not be available due to prior bookings by sports teams. We are also not taking further bookings due to preparations for the upcoming African Nations Championship (CHAN)," Komora wrote.

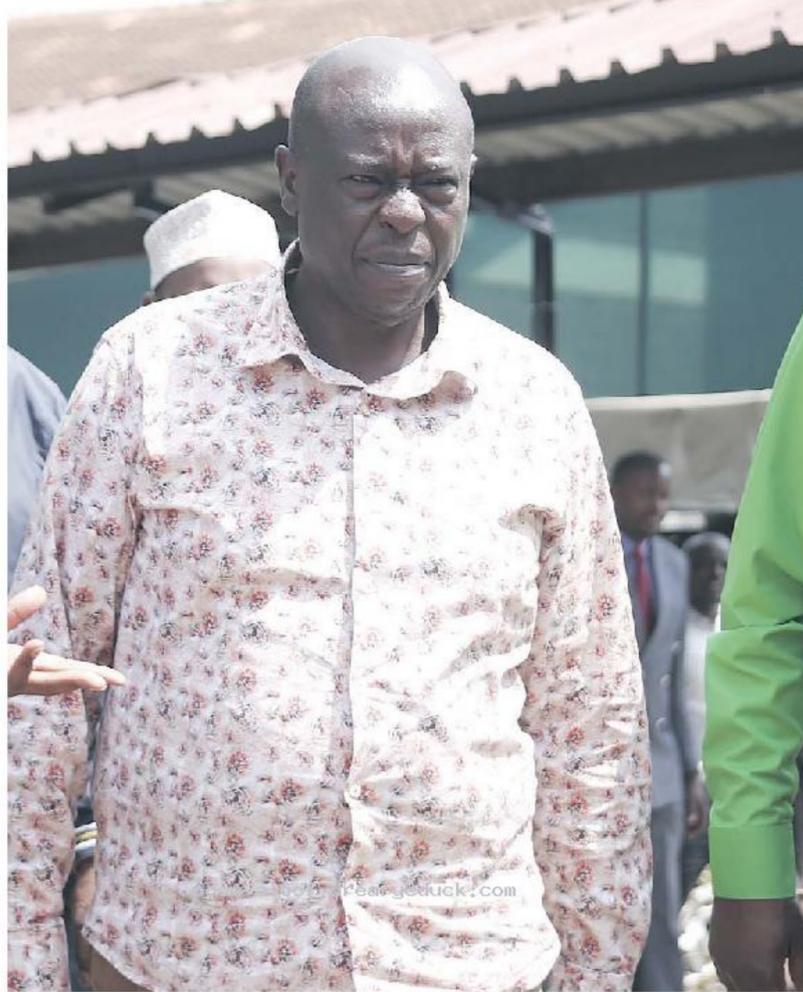
"Kindly consider looking for an alternative venue. We apologise for any inconvenience caused, and we take this opportunity to thank you for your request to utilise the facility."

This was despite Sports Kenya informing the party that the venue was available on May 21, and the management of the sports complex even approving their booking of the venue for the party launch.

Former Laikipia Women representative Cate Waruguru accused the government of muzzling voices of dissent and the opposition referring to the Kakamega incident where Malala and Gachagua supporters were teargassed and denied entry to Kakamega town.

"Kenya is an interesting country, the same Malala who was fighting for William Ruto at a time when the previous regime had put him (Ruto) and his party under attack, is the same one who is now frustrating him," Waruguru noted.

She further warned Ruto and his government agencies were not above the law and that they had to respect the Constitution. "And therefore, for that reason, we want to remind the President of the Republic of Kenya, William Ruto, so are the government agencies, that they are not above the law. We are not talking of a Kenya



Democracy for Citizens Party (DCP) party leader Rigathi Gachagua after the first National Executive Committee meeting in Nairobi yesterday. [Kanyiri Wahito, Standard]

Party launch

50K

EXPECTED

SUPPORTERS of former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua's DCP party launch. The party is accusing President Ruto of denying them public facilities for the event.

that is a constitutional democracy. This is not a banana republic," said Waruguru.

She announced that the party will hold civic engagements with their supporters across the country on the merits and demerits of the Finance Bill, saying that they would complement Gen Z efforts to demand for their rights.

After the NEC meeting Gachagua proceeded to Kiambu town where he urged the residents to punish Ruto's allies in the region for going against their wishes.

CORRUPTION

Ghost claims fuel uncertainty in UHC workers' standoff

As the Universal Health Coverage (UHC) workers' strike hits 95 days, tension continue to rise over claims that thousands of them are 'ghost workers.'

The workers, demanding to be absorbed under permanent and pensionable terms, payment of gratuity and the inclusion of Global Fund staff, now face accusations that threaten their legitimacy.

Tharaka Nithi Governor Muthomi Njuki, also chair of the Council of Governors' Health Committee, recently claimed there are over 3,000 ghost workers in the counties' health payrolls. This has sparked outrage among UHC staff and union leaders.

Joseph Ngwasi, National Chair of the Kenya National Union of Nurses (KNUN), dismissed the claims. "If there are ghost workers, it is the government which knows who these workers are in their own payroll. We are not opposed to the end code. We do not support impunity in this country," he said.

Alias Mtai, UHC National Representative, added: "We are not ghosts. We are healthcare workers who have been offering services in various counties."

He urged authorities to revisit the 2020 Public Service Commission (PSC) adverts and verify how many workers were recruited, replaced, or left service.

Speaking during the unveiling of the Social Health Authority (SHA) CEO, PS for Medical Services Ouma Oluga revealed that the Council of Governors submitted a list of 7,875 UHC workers, while the ministry only pays 7,637.

"This means the council submitted more names than we are actually paying," said Oluga. [Ryan Kerubo]



Tharaka Nithi Governor Muthomi Njuki. [File, Standard]

NAIROBI

Summon foreign ministers over activists' torture, groups urge



LSK president Faith Odhiambo and Amnesty Kenya Director Irungu Houghton. [Wilberforce Okwiri, Standard]

Rights groups are demanding that Kenya and Uganda's Parliaments summon their respective Foreign Affairs ministers to explain action taken to serve justice and protect their nationals.

This follows the abduction and torture of Kenyan activist Boniface Mwangi and Ugandan journalist Agather Atuhaire by Tanzanian authorities. In a joint statement issued Tuesday, the civil society organisations under the Police Reforms Working Group (PRWG) urged East African legislators to break their silence and hold regional governments accountable.

This followed the violent and unlawful detention of the two human rights activists in Dar es

Salaam between May 19 and 23, 2025. "We petition Kenyan and Ugandan parliamentarians to summon their respective Foreign Affairs ministers to account for actions taken to protect their nationals and spell out the steps being taken to secure justice and compensation for the suffering and trauma experienced," said Amnesty International Kenya director Houghton Irungu.

The organisations further announced plans to formally petition members of the East African Legislative Assembly (EALA) to initiate a public parliamentary hearing into the incident.

The call for political action comes after Mwangi and Atuhaire testified at a press conference on

June 2, recounting the inhumane treatment they endured at the hands of Tanzanian police.

They described being subjected to beatings, sexual assault, verbal abuse, and humiliation tactics allegedly used to punish them and extract information. The consortium called on the East African Community and the international community to take immediate action against a "brutal campaign against dissent" in Tanzania.

"For four long days, they were denied medical treatment and access to their families or legal representatives," said Law Society of Kenya president, Faith Odhiambo.

[Jacinta Mutura and Clare Ochieng]

Macharia steps down from TSC after a decade

► New CEO being sought as Evaleen Mitei appointed in acting capacity.

► Outgoing boss lauds her team for support and takes pride in reforming TSC.

MIKE KIHAKI, NAIROBI

Dr Nancy Macharia, the Chief Executive Officer of the Teachers Service Commission, has begun a one-month terminal leave ahead of her retirement on June 30, 2025.

The commission has appointed Evaleen Mitei as the acting CEO while the search for a permanent replacement commences. In an internal memo dated June 1, Dr Macharia expressed her gratitude to the TSC community for their support during her tenure. "I am proceeding on terminal leave with effect from today, June 1, 2025, pending my retirement from

the Teachers Service Commission on June 30, 2025," she said.

Dr Macharia's decade-long tenure has come to an end—marking, either the conclusion of an era or the end of an error. Since taking over in 2015 from Gabriel Lengoiboni, she has overseen reforms and transformations within Kenya's education sector.

Macharia is hailed as a reformist who brought structure and accountability to teacher management. Her time at TSC reshaped the teaching profession—streamlining systems, expanding recruitment and boosting efficiency.

Under her leadership, over 100,000 teachers were employed, helping address staffing shortages across schools. Two Collective Bargaining Agreements were negotiated and implemented. The TSC introduced automated promotions, resulting in 168,389 teachers in lower job groups receiving upward mobility after three years of satisfactory service.

Another 73,902 teachers earned competitive promotions through the



Teachers' Service Commission (TSC) CEO Nancy Macharia before the National Assembly's Committee on Education on April 15, 2024. [Elvis Ogina, Standard]

Continuous Professional Development (CPD) and Career Progression Guidelines (CPGs).

Macharia also oversaw the implementation of digital systems, including a feature on the TSC portal that allowed teachers to leave unions directly—accelerating administrative efficiency and shifting power dynamics in union-employer relations.

As she transitions into the next chapter of her professional life, Dr. Macharia expressed heartfelt gratitude for the journey and the accomplishments achieved together.

"As I transition into the next chapter of my professional life, I have been reflecting on the solid and firm foundation that we have built together, and honestly, I leave with a heart full of profound gratitude for everything we have accomplished," she added.

Despite these milestones, Macharia's tenure was dogged by controversies which fractured long-standing union relations. This triggered mass protests, and left many educators questioning whether the reforms truly served their interests.

The 2017 signing of the Sh54 billion

CBA between TSC and both teachers unions of Knut and Kuppet, spiralled into turmoil. The unions accused Macharia of weaponising the deal to introduce punitive policies.

Key policies that triggered backlash included Career Progression Guidelines (CPGs): Meant to streamline promotions, they were criticised for sidelining long-serving teachers and complicating advancement for those without specific training modules. Others were Teacher Performance Appraisal and Development (TPAD) which intended to retrain teachers and ensure accountability, the program was widely perceived as overly bureaucratic.

Teachers had to pay Sh 6,000 annually for retraining and renewing their practice certificate every five years—an expensive and time-consuming process. A 2019 court ruling invalidated the CPG for Knut members, but Macharia retaliated by excluding those teachers from pay increments.

This move affected 103,624 tutors, creating a deep rift between the employer and unionised teachers. Salaries for non-union members were adjusted upward while unionised staff remained stagnant.

The TSC further escalated the battle by threatening to recover benefits paid to Knut members since 2017, prompting mass defections from the union. A new TSC portal feature allowed teachers to opt out of Knut with a click, leading to over 150,000 teachers quitting the union.

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NOTICE TO THE NOMINEES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Pursuant to Article 196(1) and (2) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, section 7(3) and (4) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies) Approval Act, 2017, **Mr. Vincent Mwamiri Chanzu, following his nomination to the position of County Secretary and Head of Public Service,** is hereby invited to appear before the County Assembly Select Committee on Appointments on **Thursday, 12th June 2025 at 10:00am** at the County Assembly Headquarters- along Majengo - Luanda Road Opposite Vihiga Police Station.

The nominee is required to collect vetting form from the Office of the Clerk to the County Assembly during official working hours or download the same from the County Assembly Website www.vihigacountyassembly.or.ke and submit it duly filled on or before Monday, 9th June 2025 at 2:00pm.

The nominee MUST bring the following:

1. Original National Identity Card/Passport
2. Original Academic and Professional Certificates, Curriculum Vitae and other Testimonials including but not limited to thesis, journals and Publications
3. Clearance Certificates from; KRA, Higher Education Loans Board, CID (Certificate of Good Conduct), EACC, CRB,
4. Letter from respective Professional Bodies and Commission on University Education (applicable to those with foreign degrees only).

Members of the public are invited to attend or submit any information or comments on the suitability or otherwise of the candidate. Written submissions and evidence of the same may be made by way of sworn in affidavit or statement under oath and sent or delivered to: The Clerk, Vihiga County Assembly, P O Box 90 - 50300, MARAGOLI on or before 12th June 2025 at 8:00am.

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NOTICE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

INVITATION TO SUBMIT INFORMATION ON PENDING BILLS/CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JULY 2013 TO 30TH MAY 2025

The County Assembly of Bungoma notifies the general public to submit information on Liabilities owed by the **County Government of Bungoma (Both the County Assembly and the County Executive)** since inception of Devolution in 2013. The information to be submitted includes:

- a) Pending Bills/Claims in Relation to goods, works and services

Please note that only bill(s)/claim(s) submitted with the following attachments will be considered:

1. Award letter/ Letter of Offer
2. Contracts/LPO/LSO
3. Certificate of Completion/Partial completion
4. Invoice(s)
5. Delivery note(s) in case of supply of goods
6. Any other relevant documents

The claims can be emailed to info@bungomaassembly.go.ke or physically delivered at the County Assembly of Bungoma, Office of the Clerk, 4th Floor at the Main administration building. The envelope should be clearly marked as "Submission in response to public notice on Pending Bills."

It is a criminal offence for an individual or a firm to submit a fraudulent Pending Bill/ Claim.

NOTE: The County deadline for submission of the claims is **Monday 9th June 2025**. Any LATE claims will not be accepted.

CHARLES WAFULA
CLERK OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY



"Rather than embrace dialogue, it (the government) is using fear and intimidation to silence those who speak up."

Rigathi Gachagua, Former deputy president



EDITORIAL

World should condemn Tanzania's shocking human rights abuses

On Monday, Kenyan activist Boniface Mwangi and Ugandan activist Agather Atuhaire gave accounts of their harrowing experiences in the hands of Tanzania police officers. The duo was arrested on May 18 in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, where they had gone to attend the treason case against Tundu Lissu, the leader of the opposition Chama Cha Mapinduzi party.

Martha Karua, the leader of the People's Liberation Party, former Chief Justice Willy Mutunga and other Kenyan lawyers were detained at the Julius Nyerere International Airport and eventually deported.

The extent of the inhumane treatment and torture meted out on Mr Mwangi and Ms Atuhaire is shocking, not least because this is the 21st century in which human rights are taken seriously. Stripping prisoners naked, suspending them upside down, torturing them and inserting objects into the most intimate parts of their bodies is barbaric if not demonic.

Unfortunately, the despicable acts seems to have had the express permission of none other than President Samia Suluhu as she commented that the Kenyans intended to cause chaos in Tanzania.

And not only the President. During a special session to discuss Kenyan youths' cyber-bullying of the Tanzanian President following the mistreatment of Kenyans, MP and after MP in the country's assembly termed our youths ill-behaved and praised police for protecting their country ostensibly from external elements. They even urged that the officers be given better terms of service due to their good work.

It is baffling that MPs can regard torture, including sexual assault of suspects, as good conduct by police officers that is worthy of praising.

That said, it is shameful that Prime Cabinet Secretary and Foreign Affairs Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi and National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetang'ula also made statements that seem to support the mistreatment of Kenyans in Tanzania.

But while Kenya goofed, through these leaders who should have known better, Uganda has not issued any statement over the ordeal its activist went through. It is imperative that Kenya and Uganda condemn Tanzania over the shocking torture of their citizens. President William Ruto particularly should strongly condemn these violations as he is the chairperson of the East Africa Community. He should call Tanzania to order and demand an apology.

The African Union and the international community should also not remain tight-lipped amidst these egregious human rights abuses. They should similarly condemn Tanzania and mull appropriate action against the architects of this barbarity.

While we cannot pretend to be talking from a moral high ground on human rights as a country, Tanzania's torture tactics, as described by the two activists, have crossed the line. Suluhu's government cannot pretend to be the model administration in the region when its security personnel treats suspects worse than the devil. Telling Tanzania to respect human rights is not interfering with the country's internal affairs.



MY TWO CENTS

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Letter to Tamara: Being born a girl tops list of 100 ways to die



FAITH WEKESA

Dearest Tamara, Words fail me. Words completely fail me. But I need you to know how sorry I am. We all failed you. Your short life need not have ended like it did. This, certainly, is not how the story of your life would have been.

We forgot to tell you that being born a girl in this country tops the list of a 100 ways to die. From the moment you drew your first breath, you were marked. Not as a child but an object, a prey, in the eyes of the demented, broken men among us. Maybe if we had told you this, you would have grown with your antenna up; more alert to sense danger, more guarded before it befell you.

We misled you, Mama, when we told you to trust older people. We said they are our friends, our relatives and our neighbours. We lied when we said you could trust their words and their intentions. Had we been clear, maybe, just maybe, you would be here

today. Maybe you wouldn't have spared a glance at this monster that led you to your end.

We were out of our minds when we alluded that we are one big village and that 'it takes a village' to take care of you. That every grown up is an uncle and aunt who would look out for you. We lied little one. That is why everyone who saw you walk hand in hand with that demon went about their business. No one intervened.

Had we been honest about how selfish, how insensitive we have become, maybe you would have been here. Maybe you wouldn't have subconsciously depended on society to protect you at your most vulnerable moment. Maybe today, you would be in class with your friends working at being the next artist, engineer, columnist maybe?

Since they found you, I have tried not to recreate the horror that you must have experienced in those final moments. Did you plead for your life? Did you even understand what was happening to you? Wasn't the terror in your eyes enough to stop him?

I hear they arrested him. That he is in custody. But can we trust our justice system to do right by you? And even if it does, what punishment would suffice? I am a law abiding citizen, Mama. I believe in the rule of law. But this once, I wish the police were a tad late.

We had a national prayer day the other day, Tamara. All our leaders gathered to 'pray for the nation'. I saw children you age representing their counties in the event.

And it broke me. They were just kids like you. I listened to the prayers and hoped someone would mention your name, maybe pray for your soul and invoke the name of God for justice to prevail. Instead, they prayed against the 'spirit of social media', whatever that means. They prayed for unity. They also prayed for healing. I am not sure though what can heal you Mama.

And then, Madaraka Day happened. I don't know if you enjoyed watching national events like I did at your age. You should have seen the crowds! Men and women scrambling for seats on the eve of the event. They slept there Mama. They literally sat through the cold night so as to watch the event live.

Crazy, right? What if our men stayed awake like that to watch over their children, to secure their future instead? Again, no one mentioned your name. It would not help form a formidable winning coalition for the next election, would it?

You did not deserve this, Tamara. We did not deserve you. I refuse to let you be yet another statistic. You were a beautiful young girl with a whole life ahead full of possibilities. I say your name today Tamara because it must be remembered. I only pray that yours is the last name we say when we talk about femicide.

Rest well Mama. We did you wrong. All of us did.

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PALAUVER

Kenyans are living in fear and do not know who will be targeted next by blood-thirsty shadowy criminals, says Evalyn Omito [omitovalyn@gmail.com]. "Following the brutal killing of Father Alloice of the Tot Parish in Elgeyo Marakwet, Father John Maina of Igwamiti Parish in Nyahururu, Kasipul MP Charles Ong'ondo Were and the attempted assassination of Juja MP George Koimburi, security should be stepped up for leaders and ordinary Kenyans alike. No one feels safe anymore, not even the police officers."



It is funny, says Faith Oyoo [oyoofaith329@gmail.com], how fast things move when a national event is about to be held in a county. "Suddenly, leaders know how to keep time. Roads get cleared, buildings get a fresh coat of paint, but what these leaders don't know is that we have watched this movie that uses the same script," she says, noting that the latest beneficiary of 'maendeleo chap chap' was Homa Bay County, which hosted this year's Madaraka Day celebrations last week.

While speaking to Kibra residents who were affected by the recent fire outbreak, notes Githuku Mungai [githukumungai@gmail.com], President William Ruto promised that affordable houses would be built for them, similar to the ones in Mukuru Kwa Njenga. "In a moment of visible frustration, the President lashed out at critics who, he said, were questioning him by asking who told him that Kenyans needed affordable houses. The President then rhetorically asked: How should we deal with such naysayers?" How should we?



Mr President, says Ronny Obuolo [ronyobuolo1@gmail.com], you have been assuring Kenyans and even international media houses that there will be no more abductions and extra-judicial killings. "In the recent abduction case of Juja Member of Parliament George Koimburi, the official communication was that police were not involved. Who should we run to? The police should be protecting Kenyans and if they say they can't, that's a sign of incompetence. To anyone who is under threat, stay woke because no one is coming to protect you."

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Were Kenyans out to meddle in Tanzania affairs?



ERIC MWANDO, PHARMACEUTICAL TECHNOLOGIST



Trip was politically motivated

I concur with the Speaker of the National Assembly Moses Wetang'ula that Narc Kenya party leader Martha Karua and fellow activists who were denied entry into Tanzania were out to meddle in the affairs of the country, and so they should not lament over the action taken by the Tanzanian authorities. I say this because unlike former Chief Justice David Maraga who did not run into trouble

with the Tanzanian government, their entry into the country was politically motivated. Just as Wetang'ula posed, what exactly was Karua going to do? What motivated her to go to Tanzania while back home she does not cut an image of a distinguished legal practitioner? We all saw the dramatic clips of activist Boniface Mwangi shouting at Tanzanian officials. Who sent him there, and on whose behalf was he acting? Such action amounts to disrespect of territorial integrity and must be dealt with firmly. The Kenyan government did not send any of them there.

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FATHIYA HUSSEIN, RIGHTS ACTIVIST



Assembly Speaker is out of order

National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetang'ula was completely out of order to allude that the Kenyans had gone there to interfere with the internal affairs of the nation. Nothing can be farther from the truth. I find his remarks grossly irresponsible and unfortunate, given the fact that he is the Speaker of the highest law-making organ in Kenya. If an individual of the Speaker can make such comments, how

do we expect the ordinary folk, who do not understand the law, to interpret issues? I think Wetang'ula's remarks are informed by the bad behaviour being cultivated among leaders of the East African nations to entrench suppression of political dissent, which must be called out in its entirety. As a lawyer, Wetang'ula should have been the first to condemn the incident and call for tolerance in the spirit of the East African Community. He should not be seen to subscribe to the negative profiling of Kenyans by countries whose democratic space is limited. Kenyans should not be cowed by officials whose aim is to 'sell' fear and oppression.

Text and photos: Erastus Mulwa

SOCIAL MEDIA

Let's end the growing woke culture and foster meaningful dialogue

June 2024 will remain the month Kenyans crossed the Rubicon on matters governance and accountability. Indeed, almost a year after the protest, there is still a lot to rejoice about, especially on rights awareness and calls for leaders to be accountable. In less than one year, not only was the Cabinet reshuffled, but we have seen Cabinet secretaries engaging the public more even as people have heightened civic education across the country.

However, and just like the Yoruba people warn us of the sweet soup that also burns the tongue, there might be one worrisome negative effect of the protest: The cancel or the woke culture.

Unfortunately, the media, globally, has also been a victim. This culture of outrage has fostered an environment where balanced journalism is often undermined by aggressive online campaigns that seek to discredit dissenting voices rather than engage them. Traditional media is increasingly pressured to conform to prevailing social narratives or risk being boycotted, "cancelled," or labelled as 'enemies'. Without doubt, this culture not only threatens press freedom but also erodes the public's access to diverse viewpoints, and, consequently, weakening the core democratic principle of a free and pluralistic media.

For instance, in March 2021, Piers Morgan faced a media storm after questioning the veracity of claims by Meghan Markle during her interview with Oprah Winfrey, ultimately leading to his resignation from 'Good Morning Britain'. Noteworthy, Morgan has been a vocal critic of what he describes as "woke culture," which he argues silences honest discourse through fear and censorship.



Bruno Otiato, Political scientist

I digress. The June protest, evidently, gave birth to alternative voices on matters leadership and governance with most of them enjoying a massive social media following. Unfortunately, these voices are turning social media to be an echo chamber of their current ideological positions and activism. Woo unto you if you have an active social media presence and you do not agree with the feelings or the sentiments of some of our current social media influencers.

And while it is the democratic right of any one to criticise the political leadership and or any institution, what should concern all Kenyans is the fact that increasingly, activism is taking the form of misinformation, incitement, and online vigilantism. This is not accountability; neither is it civic engagement. This is chaos dressed up as activism, fueled by an imported woke culture that has already shown its destructive power in parts of the Western world.

Indeed, we all agree that criticism, oversight, and holding institutions accountable are healthy, even necessary, components of democracy. However, the calls for personal threats to leaders, destruction of property of institutions, and the weaponisation of digital platforms to erode trust in institutions without offering viable solutions, was never the desire of the youth that joined the protest in June. Further, the well designed social media attacks and vile sentiments shared through the platforms makes one wonder whether those engaged in the current activism are seeking to reform institutions or destroy them. One wonders whether there is a desire for meaningful change; or a resolve has been made to 'burn, baby, burn' so that we can later 'build, baby build'.

The philosophies of resistance, that have been described are similar to those that played out during the struggle for the rights and dignity of Black Americans in the civil rights era in the early 1960s, Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr had different approaches to solving the matter. On the one hand, Malcolm X advocated for self-defence and believed that non-violence in the face of violence was a sign of weakness and that blacks must seek justice 'by all means necessary'. On the other hand, King, inspired by Mahatma Gandhi, advocated for a non-violence and civic disobedience and called for the blacks to 'build, baby, build', instead of 'burn, baby, burn'.

In conclusion, it remains the responsibility all social media influencers, and indeed all Kenyan youth in the digital space, to reflect on the power that comes with their influence, especially on social media.



GITOBU IMANYARA,
FORMER MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

Why Ruto's apology to young people was not good enough

On a calm afternoon, President William Ruto stood before the nation and issued a half-hearted apology to Kenya's youth. "If the Gen Zs were wronged, then sorry," he said, brushing past a moment that should have been marked by solemn national reflection. It was not the apology Kenya needed. It was a pseudo lawyerly deflection masquerading as empathy. And that "if"—small as it is—did too much heavy lifting.

It suspended truth in midair, as though there is still ambiguity over whether state power has been misused against a generation that is now the face of civic awakening in Kenya. Less than a week after that statement, Rose Njeri was arrested—not for rioting, not for destruction of property, not for inciting violence. She was arrested for doing what the Constitution not only permits but requires: Facilitating public participation on the Finance Bill 2025.

In a country governed by the Constitution—an instrument forged in the furnace of reform struggles and people's resistance—public participation is not a favour granted by the state. It is a right. It is a duty. It is, in fact, a cornerstone of Kenya's constitutional democracy.

Yet Rose was picked up by police for asking fellow citizens to submit their views on one of the most consequential legislative proposals of the year. This is not just overreach. This is State-sanctioned repression.

Let us be clear: When the youth begin organising forums to understand the implications of the Finance Bill—on digital taxation, bread prices, student loans, fuel, or housing levies—they are not undermining the state.

They are strengthening the republic. But when the state responds to that civic engagement with criminal arrests, intimidation, and silence, the line between governance and authoritarianism begins to blur.

The question now is not whether the state has wronged Gen Z. It is how long it will continue to do so.

Kenya is not a dictatorship—yet. But the signs of democratic decline are unmistakable. When a state begins to treat civic consciousness as subversion, and public participation as provocation, then the institutions of democracy are not just weakening—they are being hollowed out.

We must ask ourselves: When is a country considered to be degenerating into a failed state? Is it when its citizens loot and burn in the streets? Or is it when the state abandons the rule of law, detains its critics arbitrarily, and criminalises constitutionally protected activities?

History teaches us that anarchy does not always come in the form of riots. Sometimes, it arrives dressed in uniforms, carrying handcuffs, and backed by official silence. Sometimes, it is slow, administrative, procedural—but no less lethal to freedom.

The arrest of Rose Njeri is not an isolated case. It fits a pattern. In the last two years, we have seen a worrying increase in arrests of online activists, student leaders, journalists, and whistleblowers. Police powers are



being used not to protect citizens, but to punish those who speak up. And this is happening while the same government speaks of the digital economy, youth innovation, and a "listening presidency."

You cannot praise youth civic engagement in public, then prosecute it in private. You will be practising democracy in reverse. Public participation is enshrined in Article 10 of our Constitution. The courts have repeatedly emphasised its centrality in governance. It is not a procedural checkbox. It is substantive. It is about involving citizens in decisions that affect them. It is, in the words of the Supreme Court, a safeguard against impunity and excess.

The Finance Bill 2025 touches every Kenyan's life. It determines what prices will go up, what services will be cut, and what free-



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doms will shrink under the weight of economic strain. That young people are leading public discourse on this bill should be a cause for celebration, not suppression.

When the state begins to fear its youth, it is not because the youth are dangerous—it is because the state has something to hide.

Ruto has often spoken of his own rise from humble beginnings. That story inspired many. But it now rings hollow if those who come after him—young, ambitious, and civic-minded—are punished for trying to shape the nation he once aspired to lead.

The "if" in his apology to Gen Z was an attempt at plausible deniability. It was also a betrayal of truth. There is no "if" in the tear gas that choked peaceful protesters. No "if" in the police truncheons that battered students. No "if" in the arrests of those facilitating democracy.

What we are witnessing is not a failure of policy but a failure of political will. A state that fears its citizens' voices is already halfway to autocracy. Kenya must step back from this precipice.

To criminalise civic education and participation is not only unconstitutional—it is dangerous. It sends a message that power is to be protected, not questioned; that youth are to be ruled, not represented.

But Gen Z is watching. And organising. And rising. Their crime? Daring to care. And if that is a crime, then this country is no longer governed by law, but by fear. Let the "if" no longer stand. Let truth speak plainly.

Budget

This year's Finance Bill should not lead to loss of lives



LEONARD KHAFABA

This year's Finance Bill risks becoming yet another flashpoint in the increasingly fractious relationship between the government and sections of the public. For many, opposing the Bill has become a symbolic rejection of perceived bad governance. But this conflation is both dangerous and misguided.

According to Oxford Languages, a Finance bill is "a legislative bill proposing changes to taxes, duties, etc." More broadly, it refers to legislative proposals introduced annually that outline adjustments to tax and revenue-related laws. In Kenya, the Finance Bill is presented alongside the national budget estimates. Together, they form the fiscal blueprint outlining how the government intends to raise and spend public funds.

It is important to understand that taxation is the cornerstone of government revenue. Taxes fund essential public services including health, education and infrastructure. It is the civic responsibility of every Kenyan to pay taxes, save for exceptions clearly laid out in law.

The Finance Bill is crafted by the National Treasury and submitted to Parliament. As mandated by Article 118 of the Constitution, Parliament must facilitate public participation in the legislative process. The Finance Bill is no exception—it must be debated not only by legislators but also by the citizenry.

Some important questions arise: Must every proposal in the Finance Bill be universally popular? And should those opposing the Bill not also offer credible alternatives to plug the financial deficit that would result from rejection?

While engaging the public is vital, opposition to unpopular yet necessary measures should not be a rallying cry for lawlessness. Calls for storming protected spaces and violent demonstrations serve only to derail constructive debate. Last year's protests against the Finance Bill tragically descended into chaos and led to the loss of lives—a tragedy that must not be repeated.

A functioning state requires the ability to collect taxes. When this ability is undermined, the state teeters on failure. Reduced revenue compromises essential services and cripples the government's capacity to meet both domestic and international obligations. Kenya cannot afford such a collapse.

In parliamentary systems such as the Westminster model, the defeat of a Finance Bill is akin to a vote of no confidence in the government. Often, it triggers a resignation or snap elections. Without offering viable fiscal alternatives, is this what Kenyan opponents of the Bill are implicitly demanding?

Our Constitution provides multiple avenues for accountability. Public participation allows citizens to voice their concerns during the legislative process. Parliament has the authority to revise the Bill, and the public can vote out representatives who fail to reflect their aspirations. Additionally, the Constitution permits the recall of elected officials under specific conditions.

Spanish philosopher George Santayana said, "those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it." The tragic events surrounding last year's Finance Bill debate are still fresh. They must remain an indelible lesson in just how fragile the peace we enjoy is. Lives were lost in what should have been a peaceful democratic process. Let us not allow history to repeat itself.

Debate must be robust, yes! Protest is a constitutional right. But neither should lead to loss of lives. Kenya's democracy, and its future, depends on our collective commitment to lawful engagement, informed debate and mutual respect.

Mr Khafafa is a public policy analyst



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HOT ON TWITTER

Farouk asks Luhya leaders dance

@jimNjue_: Farouk Kibet orders Western leaders to dance like little children. This feels like a humiliation ritual.

@teranga_lion: Dance nione! Sounds like King Mswati picking his next bride.

@jkmathia1: This is shameful to the Mulemba nation. Why would leaders behave like kids?



@KingBillionar: @GeorgeNatembeya, you must tell the Luhya community they cannot be reduced to traditional dances for Ruto's PA. It's shameful.

@szaimo: The whole community is put to shame, Riggy has been vindicated.

@CMunyori: It is a humiliation ritual to show us who's the boss! Arrogance galore!

@KendiMboyz: Haha, Farouk turned Western leaders into his personal dance troupe. Talk about a power move!

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FROM THE WEB

'Stop these political prayers mock God'

Standard Digital: Barrack Muluka, "Stop these political prayers that only mock God, the people."

George Ruguru: By the way, why are the prayers held in a hotel?

Hellen Jeffrey: The ceremony should be conducted by the clergy, not politicians.

Kam Kam: Such prayers are an abomination to God.

David Yorklan: Everyone has a right to pray.

Christopher Juma: Judgment is for God, not you.

Mwanyika Mzame: Why should one feel offended by someone making his prayers to his God?

Ken Osango: Judgmental political analysts representing God.

Benbellah Shikuku: Can this guy listen to himself and get to understand what this kind of advice implies?

Kim Ng'ash: Benbellah Shikuku, those are not prayers, but show offs. We mock God too much.

PARLIAMENT

Stop wasting time on politically convenient Bills and legislate for jobs that secure our future

Last week, Aldai MP Maryanne Kitany tabled a motion in Parliament calling for metered internet billing. According to her, this would make data more affordable for citizens. While well-intentioned, this proposal is completely out of touch with the deeper and more pressing issues facing millions of Kenyans today.

With almost one in five Kenyans out of work and youth unemployment reaching crisis levels, Parliament should be focusing on laws that create jobs, not policies that tinker with data bundles. This Bill, like many others debated in the House recently, reflects a worrying trend where MPs use Parliament to push through politically safe and shallow proposals instead of confronting the real economic struggles facing their constituents.

The country is grappling with a growing unemployment crisis. According to the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics, about 2.5 million youth aged between 15 and 34 years are jobless. The World Bank adds that nearly one in five working-age Kenyans has no job, and many more are underemployed or stuck in insecure informal work.

Across the country, families are struggling to survive as incomes dry up and the cost of living continues to rise. Parents can no longer afford school fees, young graduates are stuck at home with no job prospects, and hopelessness is creeping in. Additionally, many young people are turning to alcohol, crime, or risking their lives to seek work abroad. At the same time, legislators are busy debating policies that do not move the needle on employment or economic growth. We cannot afford this kind of misaligned leadership.

The role of an MP is to create and support laws that change lives. Bills should be driven by the needs of the people, not by what looks good in media interviews or social media posts. We need laws that encourage investment in agriculture, manufacturing, and technology startups that can



absorb our growing workforce. We need legislation that funds youth training, supports local businesses, and builds jobs from the ground up. MPs can push for a national employment guarantee programme that pays youth to work on community projects.

They can legislate to offer tax breaks to companies that hire first-time job seekers or fund innovation hubs in rural areas where young people can access internet, training, and mentorship. It is time we reminded our lawmakers that their true duty is to shape the future with bold, people-focused legislation. **Kelvin N Jomo, Communications Strategist**

Implement proposals in these reports

As we approach the 2027 general elections, there is justifiable fear among Kenyans. The recent reference to the 2007 post-election violence by former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua sent shivers down the spines of those familiar with the tragic events of that year. Apart from this, there are fissures that must be filled through implementing recommendations of four key reports.

The 2004 Ndung'u Report on irregular land allocation adequately addresses land concerns. The government should implement the recommendations here, which majorly demand that all lands revert to their original purposes. The Krieger Report on the post 2007 election violence gives guidelines on how to peacefully run an election, and especially the presidential contest.

The Waki Report on the 2007-8 post election violence would best be read by all Kenyans to avoid triggers that lead to such violence. The Akiwumi Report on the 1992 clashes also comes to mind.

It is important for our leaders to tone down their rhetoric and know that peace surpasses personal political interests. No leader should pretend that there's no learning curve to benchmark on best practices to keep our country safe and prosperous.

Kenneth Kuboka, Vihiga

HOUSING

Those against affordable housing project wrong

Lack of money drives many poor families to informal settlements. Unfortunately, such areas have a negative effect on children who grow up with a sense of hopelessness, surrounded by poverty, lack of educational opportunities and crime. These people need help to get out of their tough situations. That is why the affordable housing scheme should get the support of all Kenyans.

Critics of this initiative should back off since it has the potential to elevate the living standards of many Kenyans forced to live in the

slums because they lack opportunities to improve their lives. With good housing and better social amenities, people living in informal settlements would have the esteem and confidence to face the world with hope for a better future.

The government should pay more attention to these informal settlements, improve the infrastructure, offer free medical care, build schools and create more job opportunities for the youth. Everybody deserves a fair chance in life. **Raphael Otieno, Migori**



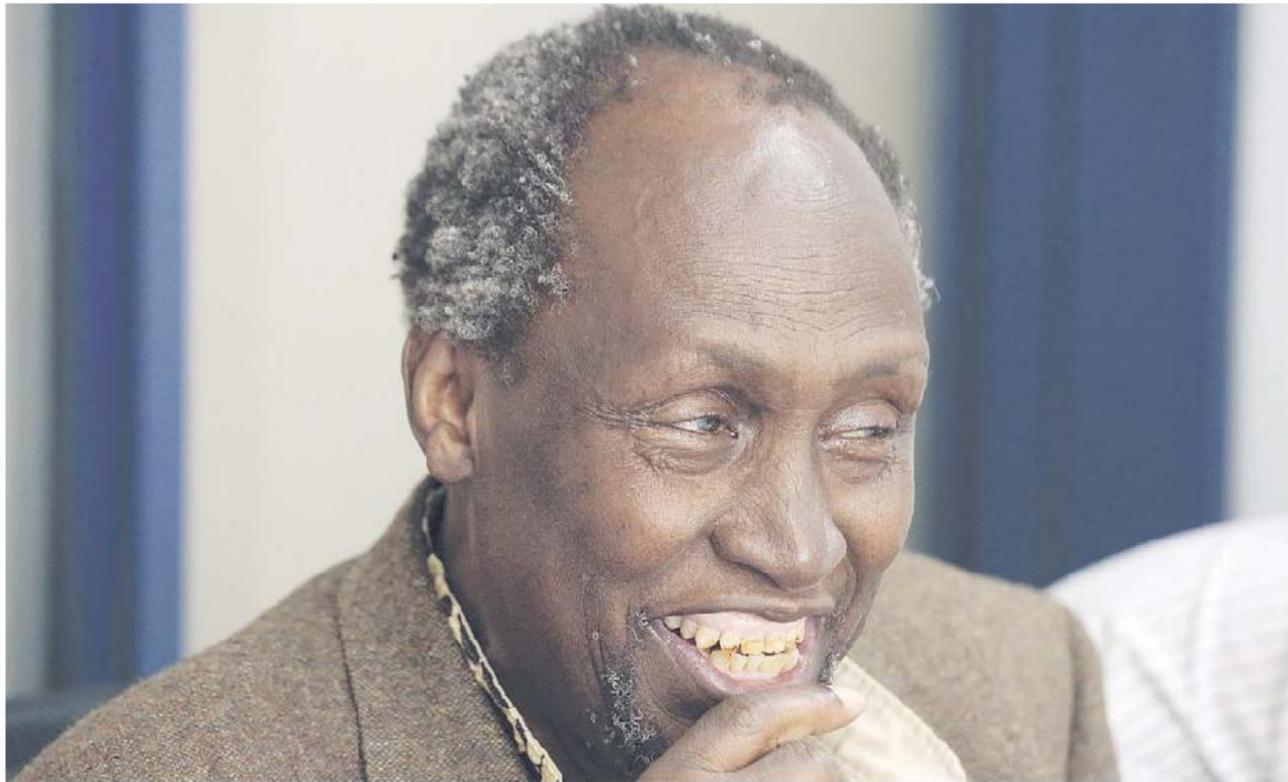
POLITICS

Ruto-allied legislators should leave Gachagua alone now

Members of Parliament (MPs) allied to President William Ruto have demanded the arrest of former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua for incitement. Gachagua has been a vocal and fierce critic of President William Ruto's administration. On several occasions, he has called out the government for corruption, extra-judicial killings and abductions. The question arises; is the government afraid of Gachagua? Why should the government viciously attack opposition leaders over oversight?

This kind of intimidation, in a bid to silence dissent, is intolerable in a democratic

country like Kenya. It is shameful for MPs to push agendas that are malicious and politically driven to silence the opposition. Are the legislators not satisfied with Gachagua's impeachment? More than 60 people were killed during the Genzled protests, yet MPs have remained silent. Justice delayed is justice denied. When will families of the victims get justice? Corruption and over-taxation have rocked the country, yet the MPs are just watching as Kenyans are being exploited beyond measure. The legislators should stop being hypocritical and fight for justice. **Allan Kyaka, Mombasa**



Ngugi wa Thiong'o during an interview at the Standard Group offices on July 2, 2029. [File, Standard]

Ngugi: Hero of the second liberation with few equals

► Country did not treat Prof Ngugi well despite global stature and immense contribution to literature and political reawakening.

► The academic rejected colonial pigeon holes from a young age because they were based on wrong criteria.

MAURICE AMUTABI, NAIROBI

On May 28 2025, Kenyans received sad news of the passing of Prof Ngugi wa Thiong'o, an academic giant, pioneer scholar of African literature, an academic elephant on the African novel, a *mukuyu* tree of African prose and style, an *iroko* tree of decolonisation literature and a lion of African orature, cultural revivalism and deconstruction of 'whiteness' and 'bourgeois' hegemony in Africa.

Ngugi pioneered in many areas and his story cannot be told in a single article such as this.

Mourning such an icon is not possible, we can only celebrate him.

Ngugi was part of the movement of Kenya's second liberation which started in the 1960s and 1970s and succeeded in 1992. For his role in liberation, he was arrested and detained many times due to his literary works. It is therefore not surprising that more than three generations of Kenyan scholars have been weaned on the writings of Prof Ngugi wa Thiong'o.

Many of his ideas remain relevant today as they were when he first wrote them, thereby guaranteeing him great academic and scholarly legacy, which will remain to influence many genera-

tions to come.

He will forever be celebrated as true rebel with a pen, and with a cause. Many scholars agree that Ngugi refused to be put down and some of the characters in his books show similar defiance and resilience.

I beg the indulgence of the reader to allow me to mourn the academic giant by moving back and forth without being a slave to chronology and academic correctness.

I was introduced to Ngugi at a fairly young age, in high school, by our Literature teacher Francis Makanga Musieka who took us through his novel, *The River Between*. Ngugi was in detention at the time and we were told that he was detained because of his books, *Petals of Blood*, *Devil on the Cross* and *I will Marry when I want* (with Ngugi wa Mirii).

The banning helped to make the books even more popular and we read them in hiding. At the University of Nairobi, we listened to nostalgic stories about his time when we joined in 1986. We were told about Okot p'Bitek, Taban Lo Liyong and many others who had since left.

Inspiring literature

Studying Ngugi's novels at the Ingotse Secondary School allowed us to look at literature differently. As we went through *The River Between* the antagonism between Kinuthia and Waiyaki, Muthoni and Nyambura, Joshua and Kabonyi created interesting oppositional binaries, and tensions, as well as paradoxical dualities that were illustrative of the title of the book, hostility between the two ridges Makuyu and Kamenjo, and the symbolic role of Honia River as a unifying and cleansing factor.

I remember the contents of the book as if I read it only yesterday due to the trauma stories of encounter between Europeans and Africans, Christianity and indigenous religion, English and Gikuyu, and many other images, tropes, plots and subplots, resulting in victims such as Muthoni, who died due to female circumcision.

The book inspired me and many other literary minds like Kennedy Buhere, David Matende, Adalo Moga, Rose Mutiso, Peter Matu who pursued literature at the University of Nairobi.

We attended literature classes and yet we were studying different courses such as political science, history, sociology and geography due to the manner in which the literary giants on campus taught, with many not failing to mention and quote Ngugi. These included Chris Wanjala, Henry Indangasi, Hellen Mwanzi and Kavetsa Adagala. They had some scholarly swag and arrogance about them, just like their mentor, and we loved it. The defiance and coded language of describing



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the state, which at the time was authoritarian, was not only attractive but inspiring.

When writing about Ngugi, many things come to mind. The first is that he had very few peers in Kenya and this was revealed very early during his days at the Alliance High School and Makerere University- he wrote his first novel while in high school, an achievement that very few people have accomplished. Some people did not understand him and this tended to get him into a lot of trouble.

My second urge is that Ngugi was a literary genius and great wordsmith who was misunderstood by the state, and his ideas were many years ahead of time.

The third impulse is about the originality of his ideas at a very young age before he was polluted by external literatures. One sees a cultural nationalist who was aware at a very young age about the need to preserve what was in Africa.

The River Between inspired me to read Ngugi's other books such as *Petals of Blood*, for which he was imprisoned by the Kenyatta administration in 1977, *A Grain of Wheat*, and *Weep Not, Child* as well as *Devil on the Cross* and *I will Marry when I Want* (with Ngugi wa Mirii).

Most of his works were set and staged in Central Kenya among his Kikuyu people but had universal applicability, nuanced messages, tropes, plots and subplots. Ngugi's works carried political, social, economic, cultural, gender, environment, and other subjects that made the books universal. Each reader came out with something new and different. Even more recent works such as *Wizard of the Crow*; *The Memoirs*, *Dreams in a Time of War*, *In the House of the Interpreter*, carry the trauma but are less nuanced in African culture.

Western influence

There is evidence that Ngugi's more recent works were influenced by western sites and spaces he now occupied and where he was affected by tensions at home and in his mind as an exile. They reveal something potent about home and nostalgia, and effects of displacement in high-lighting trauma.

As a country we did not treat Ngugi very well.

He stands among only five Kenyan "mega-professors" since independence, alongside Ali Mazrui, Calistus Juma, TR Odhiambo (the founder of ICIPE), and Nobel Laureate Wangari Maathai

Ngugi was the most famous Kenyan novelist, literary scholar, thinker, author and philosopher, and this is evident in his works translated in over 50 languages across the world.

He was the best-known Kenyan scholar in the US besides Mazrui and his novels formed my entry point to African studies when I taught at the Central Washington University in the US. I was surprised when I visited Gerlew in Denmark in 1994 to be asked many questions by students who had read works of Ngugi. I was also

asked a question about Ngugi few years ago in 2016 when I visited Pilsen University in the Czech Republic, where his works had been translated in local languages.

Born in Limuru in 1938, Ngugi was a child of two worlds of colonial Kenya and post-colonial Kenya, which he rejected. He rejected colonial pigeon holes from a young age at Alliance, Makerere and the University of Leeds because they were based on wrong criteria and categorization which he revisited from time to time in his works. He defied colonial privileging of pure and applied science at the expense of humanities and social sciences.

The Kenya of his birth and youth was a British settler colony (1895-1963) in which natives were mishandled and mistreated. As an adolescent, Ngugi lived through the Mau Mau War of Independence (1952-1962), in which many were detained while others were killed. Many of his works reveal stories of power, influence, authority, oppression as well as poverty.

Unique professor

Despite being one of the best students in science courses at Alliance, Ngugi opted to pursue English and Literature. When he arrived at the University of Leeds for his master's degree, he already knew what he wanted to do and many of his lecturers often turned to him to teach the class.

He is perhaps the only Kenyan to hold a professorial position while holding one degree. Many of his works were equivalent to some master's and doctoral dissertations. It was the reason he served as Professor of English and Comparative Literature at various high-profile universities such as those from Ivy League such as Yale and flagship universities such as University of California, Irvine, and New York University.

Ngugi produced big books with big ideas. His discourse on decolonization scholarship was very highly regarded and presented alongside the likes of Frantz Fanon and his great books such as the *The Wretched of the Earth* and *Black Skin, White Masks*.

In 2000, I met Ngugi for the first time at the African Studies Association conference in New York, alongside Mazrui, and was struck by his humility and commanding presence.

When we invited Ngugi to the Kisii University in 2015 the interest in his talk was so huge that we could not get enough space to host the audience. Ngugi's call for African unity, the recognition of heroes like Otenyo and Koitalel arap Samoei, and the decolonisation of African thought resonated deeply.

Ngugi's legacy as a rebel with a pen endures, challenging us to confront colonial legacies and neocolonial threats. Kenya may not have treated him well, but Ngugi's ideas will continue to shape the world.

Prof Amutabi is a Fulbright Scholar and deputy vice chancellor, Technical University of Kenya

Fury over illegal mining in West Pokot as residents demand action

- ▶ Foreign investors accused of exploiting resources and fanning social unrest in the region.
- ▶ They say gold is their only source of income since the area is semi-arid, hence no farming.

IRISSHEEL SHANZU, WEST POKOT

A storm is brewing in West Pokot County as residents and leaders intensify protests against rampant alleged illegal gold mining in Orwa, Kambi Karaya, Lami Nyeusi, Turkwel, and Rumos areas.

They accuse foreign investors of exploiting the region's resources, polluting the environment, and fueling social unrest, with claims of complicity from some government officials and local leaders. "Foreigners have taken over our land through local committee members and are locking out locals from benefiting," said Daudi Lomada, a resident of Orwa.

The unregulated mining operations have led to a sharp increase in accidents, displacement and school dropouts. Miners like Anthony Rono report being harassed and underpaid. "There is no peace here. They chase us away and pay us peanuts, Sh500 a day. We rely on gold because farming is not viable in this semi-arid area," Rono explained.

"Many people have been buried alive in the mines. The deaths used to be rare, but now they are frequent," he also claimed.

Enock Letreng, another miner, echoed Rono's sentiments, saying locals no longer profit from mining. "They enrich themselves while we suffer. We are being harassed and our resources are being taken," he said.



A storm is brewing in West Pokot County as residents and local leaders intensify protests against rampant alleged illegal gold mining. [File, Standard]

A recent visit by local leaders highlighted the extent of illegal commercial mining and its impact. Sigor MP Peter Lochakapong, his Kapenguria counterpart Samuel Moroto, Woman Representative Rael Kasiwai, and former Governor John Lonyangapuo inspected the sites and condemned the ongoing operations. "From Kainuk Bridge to Kambi Karaya, we've counted over 200 machines—including excavators—operating without licences," Lochakapong reported.

"They dig massive holes, abandon them, and degrade the land. These investors must follow the law."

He criticised the National Environment Management Authority for lax oversight. "NEMA must explain how these operations were al-

lowed. There was no public participation. Illiterate residents are being tricked into selling land for as little as Sh600,000 per acre," the MP said.

Moroto warned of dire consequences for children. "Mining is taking place inside school compounds.

500
SHILLINGS

PAYMENT per day for residents hired by foreign investors to mine gold in West Pokot. They claim they are being exploited as their resources are shipped out.

There's stagnant water, which becomes a breeding ground for mosquitoes and snakes. Learners have no playground. We even had a court order to stop the activities, but mining continues. We urge the Interior Cabinet Secretary to act," he said.

Kasiwai expressed concern over the impact on education. "At Kambi Karaya Primary School, trenches run through the compound. Five people recently died after being buried alive. Children are dropping out of school to work in the mines," she said.

She demanded transparency on who authorised the mining activities. "We need transparency. This mining is also fueling inter-clan conflicts. We had overcome banditry—now this may reignite it."

BUNGOMA



Kenya Union of Clinical Officers National chairman Peterson Wachira. [File, Standard]

Clinical officers fault insurance remittances delay

The Kenya Clinical Officers Association has accused Bungoma county government of persistently delaying health insurance contributions for clinical officers and other staff, warning this is jeopardising access to healthcare.

Speaking during Western Region Clinical Officers Symposium in Bungoma, George Kibore, the association's Secretary General, described the delays part of a broader crisis affecting the healthcare workforce. "We have received numerous complaints from our members unable to access healthcare services due to delayed insurance remittances," Kibore said.

"This is not just a local issue. We are seeing a similar trend across other counties, and it's deeply troubling," he said.

The delays, he added, are compounding an already strained healthcare system, particularly as international donor support continues to wane.

He emphasised that ongoing symposiums in various regions are meant to reinforce healthcare service integration and reaffirm the critical role of clinical officers in achieving goals of Social Health Authority (SHA).

The association's chairperson Peterson Wachira acknowledged a recent shift in tone among some lawmakers and governors. "For the first time, we are seeing some positive engagement from political leaders," Mr Wachira said.

[Juliet Omelo]

TURKANA

Nacada launches a campaign against alcohol and drug abuse

The National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse has launched a sensitisation campaign in Turkana to address growing alcohol and drug abuse in the region.

The awareness roadshow, which began on Tuesday and will run until Saturday, aims to educate the public on the harmful effects of substance abuse, particularly among the youth.

Speaking in Lodwar, NACADA Coordinator for Turkana and West Pokot counties, Scola Komen, emphasized that substance abuse,

especially alcohol, has had devastating effects on young people in the region. "According to a NACADA survey conducted in 2022, alcohol remains the most abused substance in the North Rift and Western regions. This campaign is about reaching out to every corner of the county to inform communities about the dangers posed by drugs and alcohol," said Ms Komen.

She urged the public to stay away from harmful substances that are harmful to their health. "We appeal to communities to avoid abusing these dangerous drugs so that we

can build a sober and productive nation," She said.

Komen also noted that addiction is a disease and that affected individuals should seek treatment in accredited rehabilitation centers. She said Lodwar residents can access such services at Lodwar County and Referral Hospital.

A NACADA regional survey found that in the Rift Valley, alcohol is the most abused drug, with Western Kenya leading in alcohol use, while tobacco products and cannabis (bhang) followed respectively.

[Lucas Ngasike]

VIHIGA

Court suspends Kaimosi VC appointment

The labour court has frozen the appointment of Prof Peter Nyamuhanga Mwita as Vice-Chancellor of Kaimosi Friends University, deepening a legal dispute that has rocked the institution's top leadership.

Justice Hellen Wasilwa issued interim orders halting Prof Mwita's installation until a petition challenging the process is heard. The May 29 ruling puts the brakes on a May 14 circular by the university council naming Prof Mwita as VC for a five-year term.

"Having considered the application supported by the annexed affidavit, I grant interim stay orders suspending the council's decision conveyed in the internal memo dated May 14, 2025," ruled Justice Wasilwa.

She certified the matter as urgent and

set the hearing for June 12, 2025. The legal action comes just months after Justice Mathews Nduma directed the university to appoint Prof Jack Nandi as Vice-Chancellor following a recruitment by the PSC.

The university council, however, appears to have sidestepped this directive, opting instead to appoint Prof Mwita. The new petition ELRC No. E027 of 2025, filed by Fred Muka, accuses the university council of disregarding due process and violating a court order by pushing ahead with Prof Mwita's appointment.

Muka further argues that the process lacked transparency and flouted governance protocols set out in the Universities Act and other relevant statutes.

[Mary Imenza]

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Abducted Tot men found dead amid murder inquiry

► Simon Yego and Collins Kipyatich were kidnapped in Tot amid probe into Fr Bett's murder.

► Rift Valley RC Dr Hassab Abdi says probe underway as victims' families demand justice.

KEN GACHUHI, NAKURU

The search for Simon Yego, 45, and Collins Kipyatich, 22, who were abducted on Friday in Tot, Elgeyo Marakwet County ended tragically after their mutilated bodies were found.

Their abduction has been linked to the ongoing security operation by investigating agencies following the killing of Fr Alloys Bett of St Mathias Mulumba Parish in Tot by suspected bandits on May 22, 2025.

Families of the two identified their bodies at the Nakuru County Mortuary, describing their condition as chilling and pointing to a murder meant to cover the killers' tracks.

"Kipyatich had gone to seek malaria treatment at Tot Health Centre on Friday when unknown men abducted him in full view of helpless residents," said his brother, Evans Biwott.

At around 5:30pm, Yego, who owned a Toyota Probox which he operated as a Matatu was blocked by an ambulance

a short distance from the same health center, with one passenger on board.

The passenger, a woman, was bundled into the ambulance, which was driven by men suspected to be plainclothes security officers—one of whom later drove Yego's car.

"While on board the vehicle, Yego and his passenger were questioned about the killing of Fr Alloys Bett. The passenger, who is a local told them she had no idea," said Wilfred Yego, brother to the deceased. Along the way, Wilfred said that the ambulance stopped and the woman was set free.

"Their captors stopped an Armored Personnel Courier at the border of Baringo and Elgeyo Marakwet Counties. They requested the uniformed police officers to drop the woman at Tot. On arrival, she told the community of her ordeal," said Wilfred.

The family claims to have reported the two incidents at Tot Police Station with the hope that their kin would be found alive even as they began a search in various hospitals and police stations.

On Sunday morning, residents of Kapnyangale Village in Soin Ward on the border of Nakuru and Baringo Counties woke up to a horrifying scene, bodies of two men tortured to death dumped by the road side.

"The two appeared to have been killed at night. Their hands had been cut at the wrist and legs tied using ropes. This was an execution. This was



Grief-stricken families and friends were overwhelmed with emotion after identifying their loved ones' bodies at the Nakuru County Mortuary, yesterday. [Kipsang Joseph, Standard]



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Evans Biwott, Collins Kipyatich brother

torture" said Soin Ward MCA Degaulle Naburuki. Rongai Sub County Police Commander Cecilia Kemboi said that initial assessment indicated that the spot was a secondary scene after the two victims were killed elsewhere and their bodies dumped there.

"Nobody from the local community could identify them and, locally, we have no reports of any missing person. They must have been from another area," said Kemboi.

The family received news of the discovery and traveled over 220 kilometers from the village where the two were abducted to Nakuru, only to confirm their worst fears.

Rift Valley RC Dr Abdi Hassan confirmed awareness of the discovered bodies, saying investigations are ongoing. He added it's too early to link the case to other incidents as inquiries continue. kgachuhi@standardmedia.co.ke

NAIVASHA. MAN KILLED BY BOULDER IN QUARRY

■ A 52-year-old man was crushed to death by a boulder in a quarry accident in Naivasha. During the incident in Karati area, several workers were slightly injured. The death brought to five the number of people who have been killed by boulders in quarries this year. Samson Wambugu, a witness, said that a loose boulder crushed on the man before rolling and slightly injuring other workers. Naivasha DCIO Isaac Kiama confirmed the incident. **[Antony Gitonga]**

MIGORI. AYACKO WARNS OVER EARLY CAMPAIGNS

■ Migori Governor Ochillo Ayacko has told off early 2027 aspirants eyeing his seat, urging them to focus on service delivery. "Some are salivating for my seat, but I'm not leaving it. I'm here for work and deeds," he said during a church fundraiser in Uriri. His remarks follow sibling rivalries that led to President Ruto cancelling a regional tour. MPs Mark Nyamita and Peter Masara have already declared interest in the seat. **[Anne Atieno]**

SIAYA. OBURO TIPS YOUTH ON CREATIVE ECONOMY

■ Siaya Senator Oburu Oginga has urged the youth to take advantage of digital access to foster innovation and drive development. Speaking at the Siaya Community Hub, he emphasized the need to support young people to build their skills through digital platforms. "I want to encourage the youth to enhance their digital literacy by utilizing digital access to connect, learn and earn," he said. **[Isaiah Gwengi]**

MOMBASA

State to expedite issuance of seafarers travel papers

The issuance of Seafarers Identity Documents (SIDs) will begin soon to allow Kenyan sailors free movement around the globe, Labour and Skills Development PS Shadrack Mwadime has said.

According to the PS, Kenya Maritime Authority and the State Department for Immigration are at an advanced stage of rolling out SIDs in the country.

"KMA and the Immigration department are working on the SIDs, and soon Kenyan seafarers will be issued with the documents," he said.

He spoke when he presided over the graduation of 24 divers from Cheploch gorge, who had undergone a Standard of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) course at Bandari Maritime Academy (BMA) that made them eligible to be recruited as seafarers.

SID is a crucial piece of identification for sailors, and it enables them to travel and work on ships. It is often required for shore leave, transfer and transit as well as facilitating international maritime operations.

The issuance of special passports

for seafarers has been delayed because they require approvals from various bodies, including the International Maritime Organisation (IMO).

BMA chief executive officer Dr Eric Katana commended Mwadime, who previously served as PS for Shipping and Maritime Affairs, for his efforts to promote the blue economy.

Present were Kenya Bixa managing director, Dr David Kisa and the divers' board member Friday Keitany.

The PS said seafaring paid highly and urged the dare-devil Cheploch gorge divers located on the border of

Baringo and Elgeyo Marakwet counties to try their luck at sea.

Mwadime said BMA was open to youth from across Kenya and urged those from Kerio Valley not to remain behind.

One of the divers, Ambrose Cherutich, said that with basic seafarer skills, they could work on ships if given the opportunity.

Most said they were now considering careers aboard ships and traveling the world, following an induction facilitated by politicians in Kerio Valley. **[Patrick Beja]**

KILIFI. SACRED ITEMS STOLEN FROM CHURCH

■ Five men in police fatigues broke into Pastor Ezekiel Odero's New Life Church in Kilifi and stole a covenant box and gold-plated artifacts of unknown value. Kilifi North police boss Stanley Tonui said two guards and a suspect have been arrested. Church Administrator Samuel Dughah called it a crime of hate and disrespect, adding that services continue as police investigate the incident. **[Marion Kithi]**

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Lobby: Majority of local supply chain practitioners are quacks

► An investigation in 109 institutions by the Kenya Institute of Supply Management has revealed a troubling trend of noncompliance by staff.

► Unlicensed officers in the sector jeopardise the legitimacy of procurement deals and processes.

ANTONY GITONGA, NAIVASHA

Over 40 per cent of supply chain practitioners in the country are either incompetent, operating illegally, or unqualified.

According to the latest data from the Kenya Institute of Supplies Management (KISM), counties are the most affected, with a majority of staff in the procurement departments deemed unfit for their positions.

This information follows a nationwide compliance check by KISM, which targeted 109 institutions and found that 15 per cent of the practitioners were practising illegally.

Chief Executive Kenneth Matiba said yesterday the audit, which spanned 20 ministries, 13 counties, 21 private institutions, and 55 state corporations, revealed a troubling trend of non-compliance among practitioners.

Speaking in Naivasha, Matiba highlighted that counties were the major hub of non-compliance, with many practitioners lacking the valid licences required to operate under the Supply and Procurement Management Act.

He said unlicensed officers in the sector jeopardise the legitimacy of procurement deals and processes, particularly in light of increasing corruption and irregularities within these departments.

"The institute has recorded a high non-compliance rate of 42 per cent with relevant supply and procurement laws across all sectors, prompting us to take action against this concerning trend," said Matiba.

To address this issue, the institute has partnered with county governments and private entities to enhance capabilities and ensure all officers comply with the law.

"The institute has initiated disciplinary proceedings against 116 practitioners found operating without a licence, and the disciplinary committee has decided that 93 of these cases will proceed for hearings," he added.

KISM Chairman John Karani warned that professionals who are licensed but violate procurement laws risk being debarred and prevented from practising.

Mr Karani noted that the institute, which has over 25,000 members, aims to enhance professionalism in the sector, and several members are already facing disciplinary and administrative actions.



Kenya Institute of Supplies Management Chief Executive Kenneth Matiba, flanked by board members, addresses the press in Naivasha yesterday. [Antony Gitonga, Standard]

"So far, we have sanctioned two individuals for violating supply and procurement laws, and with 93 active cases, the institute will pursue possible sanctions, including deregistration," he said. He said they have collaborated with the Education Ministry to ensure value-for-money procurement and promote professionalism in the 33,000 schools across the country.

Regarding the rollout of e-government procurement, Mr Karani said the institute is cooperating with the National Treasury to ensure a smooth transition to the digitised system, which will enhance transparency and accountability in the sector.

"We are working with the judiciary to train its council members on writing judgements and to strengthen its disciplinary committee," he said. Last September, the institute conducted compliance checks in five public insti-

tutions over two weeks, uncovering 17 officers practising without the required licensure and registration. "We are committed to promoting professionalism in supply chain management. These checks are crucial in ensuring that only qualified and registered practitioners are handling our public resources," said the CEO, Mr Mbatia, at the time.

The institutions under scrutiny include the Technical University of Kenya (TUK), the Pyrethrum Processing Company of Kenya, and the Kenya National Examination Council (KNEC).

KISM warned that it will take necessary legal steps against the non-compliant officers and their employers, noting that this crackdown is not KISM's first attempt to root out unqualified personnel. The institute has been working to streamline the profession and combat fraud in public procurement.

According to KISM's database, there are currently 10,000 registered members, while the country has more than 23,000 practitioners.

The institute has also completed disciplinary proceedings for 45 cases of professional misconduct. These cases, primarily involving practitioners from the county governments of Homabay and Vihiga, resulted in fines, reprimands, and pending judgments.

KISM plans to make these judgments public to deter future non-compliance.

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TELECOMS

Deals galore as Safaricom unveils 'M-Pesa Sokoni' promo

Safaricom has announced a nationwide campaign that will treat its customers to bumper offers on various products.

The M-Pesa Sokoni Festival will see M-Pesa users get special offers on electronics, mobile devices, selected household goods, and beauty and fashion products from more than 150 local and international brands.

The festival is part of the telco's ongoing celebrations to mark its 25th anniversary, running until October this year.

Safaricom CEO Peter Ndegwa said this is an opportunity for business owners to showcase their products and services, connect with customers, and grow their brands.

"M-Pesa Sokoni is more than just a marketplace; it is a unique family-friendly event where we are offering our esteemed customers an opportunity to enjoy amazing deals on a variety of products and great entertainment, and business owners get an opportunity to showcase their products and services, connect with customers, and grow their brands," said Mr Ndegwa.

The campaign kicks off in Mombasa with Safire Connect – a forum that brings together like-minded individuals to exchange ideas on hustle, personal branding, opportunities within the community, and financial wellness.

This will be followed by a programme by the M-Pesa Foundation, dubbed Wezesha Mama, which will bring together women groups from the region for financial and digital literacy training as well as an opportunity to access seed capital to boost their business activities.

Safaricom will also host regional M-Pesa Agents Awards to recognise and award M-Pesa agent stores that have shown exemplary performance over the last year. The Grow with Safaricom Business forums, on the other hand, aim to empower SMEs with the knowledge and skills that can help them to sustainably accelerate their growth and overcome challenges such as digitisation of their operations. [Sofia Ali]



Safaricom Chief Consumer Business Officer Fawzia Ali during the official launch of the M-Pesa Sokoni Festival in Mombasa yesterday. [Courtesy]

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MINISTRIES

AUDITED government entities by the Kenya Institute of Supplies Management's investigation.

Crude oil 62.51 -0.01(-0.02%)	Gold 3,319.20 -24.70(-0.74%)	BitcoinUSD 105,307.03 +855.84(+0.82%)	Euro/USD 1.1404 -0.0038(-0.33%)	FTSE 100 8,768.67 -5.59(-0.06%)	Nikkei 225 37,446.81 -23.86(-0.06%)	S&P Futures 5,920.75 -26.75(-0.45%)	NASDAQ Futures 21,442.50 -87.75(-0.41%)
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Tops & Flops

NSE	6.92	7.50	8.38%
KAPCHORUA TEA	204.75	221.75	8.30%
EA CABLES	1.49	1.60	7.38%
SANLAM	7.04	7.38	4.83%
EVEREADY	0.86	0.90	4.65%
OLYMPIA	3.83	3.49	-8.88%
CAR GENERAL	22.00	20.40	-7.27%
EXPRESS	3.11	2.90	-6.75%
TOTAL	24.35	23.05	-5.34%
HOME AFRIKA	0.62	0.59	-4.84%



Nairobi Securities Exchange | Main Investment Market



52WK HIGH	52WK LOW		VWAP	PREVIOUS PRICE	VOLUME
AGRICULTURAL					
14.50	10.00	Eaagads Ltd Ord 1.25 AIMS	12.45	12.00	300
440.00	240.00	Kakuzi Plc Ord.5.00		365.00	-
280.00	81.00	Kapchorua Tea Kenya Plc Ord Ord 5.00AIMS	221.75	204.75	1,500
430.00	320.00	The Limuru Tea Co. Plc Ord 10.00AIMS		320.00	-
32.60	13.60	Sasini Plc Ord 1.00	14.00	13.75	39,500
289.00	120.00	Williamson Tea Kenya Plc Ord 5.00AIMS	205.50	200.50	3,300
AUTOMOBILES & ACCESSORIES					
49.00	18.50	Car & General (K) Ltd Ord 5.00	20.40	22.00	500
BANKING					
19.95	10.00	ABSA Bank Kenya Plc Ord 0.50	18.20	18.30	382,600
38.00	26.50	BK Group Plc Ord 0.80	35.35	35.00	12,500
83.25	43.05	Diamond Trust Bank Kenya Ltd Ord 4.00	72.00	72.00	67,900
51.00	33.70	Equity Group Holdings Plc Ord 0.50	42.50	43.05	3,561,600
9.74	2.80	HF Group Plc Ord 5.00	6.82	6.64	118,600
39.00	15.80	I&M Group Plc Ord 1.00	34.00	34.00	24,500
47.00	15.00	KCB Group Plc Ord 1.00	43.40	42.10	788,600
56.25	28.50	NCBA Group Plc Ord 5.00	55.00	54.50	230,100
179.00	90.00	Stanbic Holdings Plc ord.5.00	152.50	152.75	99,700
315.00	134.00	Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ltd Ord 5.00	268.25	268.50	54,100
18.35	10.10	The Co-operative Bank of Kenya Ltd Ord 1.00	15.45	15.50	215,100
COMMERCIAL AND SERVICES					
0.45	0.45	Deacons (East Africa) Plc Ord 2.50AIMS	0.45	-	-
1.88	0.59	Eveready East Africa Ltd Ord.1.00	0.90	0.86	17,000
5.40	2.70	Express Kenya Plc Ord 5.00AIMS	2.90	3.11	2,500
4.66	4.66	Homeboyz Entertainment Plc 0.50GEMS		4.66	-
9.18	3.83	Kenya Airways Ltd Ord 1.00	4.50	4.54	393,400
3.46	2.00	Longhorn Publishers Plc Ord 1.00AIMS	2.56	2.56	500
5.00	1.76	Nairobi Business Ventures Plc Ord. 0.50GEMS	1.95	1.91	300
22.40	10.60	Nation Media Group Plc Ord. 2.50	11.05	11.45	30,700
3.80	1.80	Sameer Africa Plc Ord 5.00	3.07	3.01	9,000
10.80	4.50	Standard Group Plc Ord 5.00	6.14	6.24	500
18.70	10.85	TFS Eastern Africa Ltd Ord 1.00	14.70	14.10	1,600
0.41	0.16	Uchumi Supermarket Plc Ord 5.00	0.25	0.26	861,700
3.95	1.80	WPP Scangroup Plc Ord 1.00	2.66	2.68	700
CONSTRUCTION & ALLIED					
5.55	5.55	ARM Cement Plc Ord 1.00		5.55	-
84.00	21.30	Bamburi Cement Plc Ord 5.00		54.00	-
46.00	29.00	Crown Paints Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	41.40	40.00	2,600
3.27	0.72	E.A.Cables Ltd Ord 0.50	1.60	1.49	6,700
55.75	4.38	E.A.Portland Cement Co. Ltd Ord 5.00	28.20	28.00	4,900
ENERGY & PETROLEUM					
5.40	1.94	KenGen Co. Plc Ord. 2.50	5.00	4.95	3,359,100
8.16	1.30	Kenya Power & Lighting Co Plc Ord 2.50	8.02	7.84	1,354,400
4.20	4.00	Kenya Power & Lighting Plc 4% Pref 20.00		4.00	-
6.00	6.00	Kenya Power & Lighting Plc 7% Pref 20.00		6.00	-
26.00	14.55	TotalEnergies Marketing Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	23.05	24.35	196,200
18.00	6.30	Umeme Ltd Ord 0.50		16.00	-
INSURANCE					
8.70	4.01	Britam Holdings Plc Ord 0.10	6.70	6.70	1,609,800
3.19	1.60	CIC Insurance Group Plc Ord.1.00	2.76	2.71	55,300
235.00	142.00	Jubilee Holdings Ltd Ord 5.00	219.75	227.00	71,300
2.97	1.05	Kenya Re Insurance Corporation Ltd Ord 2.50	1.83	1.85	4,432,500
12.20	3.30	Liberty Kenya Holdings Ltd Ord. 1.00	11.10	11.55	153,200
11.00	4.00	Sanlam Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	7.38	7.04	1,800
0.00	0.00	Sanlam Kenya Plc Ord 5.00 Rights		0.00	-
INVESTMENT					
16.50	7.60	Centum Investment Co Plc Ord 0.50	11.60	11.80	15,500
1.12	0.27	Home Afrika Ltd Ord 1.00GEMS	0.59	0.62	225,900
1500.00	1,500.00	Kurwitu Ventures Ltd Ord 100.00GEMS		1,500.00	-
5.60	1.91	Olympia Capital Holdings Ltd Ord 5.00	3.49	3.83	400
1.78	0.29	Trans-Century Plc Ord 0.50AIMS	1.24	1.22	206,500
INVESTMENT SERVICES					
7.60	5.22	Nairobi Securities Exchange Plc Ord 4.00	7.50	6.92	7,134,700
MANUFACTURING & ALLIED					
95.00	65.00	B.O.C Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	80.75	83.50	300
495.00	325.00	British American Tobacco Kenya Plc Ord 10.00	346.75	346.75	10,900
23.90	11.00	Carbacid Investments Plc Ord 1.00	19.15	19.50	40,100
204.00	100.00	East African Breweries Plc Ord 2.00	174.00	179.50	11,100
2.33	0.86	Flame Tree Group Holdings Ltd Ord 0.825GEMS	1.17	1.18	6,900
77.00	10.40	Africa Mega Agrilcorp Plc Ord 5.00AIMS		56.00	-
0.27	0.27	Mumias Sugar Co. Ltd Ord 2.00		0.27	-
31.00	12.00	Unga Group Ltd Ord 5.00		22.00	-
TELECOMMUNICATION					
24.95	11.50	Safaricom Plc Ord 0.05	20.45	20.60	5,561,500
REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST					
20.00	20.00	LAPTRUST IMARA I-REIT Ord.20.00		20.00	-
EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS					
3330.00	1880.00	ABSA New Gold ETF	40551	3910.00	0

MARKETS

Trade war cuts global economic growth outlook

The OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) slashed its annual global growth forecast on Tuesday, warning that US President Donald Trump's tariffs blitz would stifle the world economy -- hitting the United States especially hard.

After 3.3 per cent growth last year, the world economy is now expected to expand by a "modest" 2.9 per cent in 2025 and 2026, the Paris-based Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development said.

In its previous report in March, the OECD had forecast growth of 3.1 per cent for 2025 and 3.0 per cent for 2026.

Since then, Trump has launched a wave of tariffs that has rattled financial markets.

"The global outlook is becoming increasingly challenging," said the OECD, an economic policy group of 38 mostly wealthy countries.

It said "substantial increases" in trade barriers, tighter financial conditions, weaker business and consumer confidence, and heightened policy uncertainty will all have "marked adverse effects on growth" if they persist. The OECD downgraded its 2025 growth forecast for the United States from 2.2 per cent to 1.6 per cent.

The world's biggest economy is expected to slow further next year to 1.5 per cent. Trump, who has insisted that the tariffs would spark a manufacturing revival and restore a US economic "Golden Age", posted on his Truth Social platform before the OECD report's publication: "Because of Tariffs, our Economy is BOOMING!"

The OECD holds a ministerial meeting in Paris on Tuesday and Wednesday.

US and EU trade negotiators are expected to hold talks on the sidelines of the gathering after Trump threatened to hit the European Union with 50-per cent tariffs.

The Group of Seven advanced economies is also holding a meeting focused on trade. "For everyone, including the United States, the best option is that countries sit down and get an agreement," OECD chief economist Alvaro Pereira said in an interview with AFP.

"Avoiding further trade fragmentation is absolutely key in the next few months and years," Pereira said.

Trump imposed in April a baseline tariff of 10 per cent on imports from around the world.

He unveiled higher tariffs on dozens of countries but has paused them until July to allow time for negotiations.

The US president has also imposed 25-per cent tariffs on cars and now plans to raise those on steel and aluminium to 50 per cent on Wednesday. [AFP]

Exchange rates

CURRENCY	EXCHANGE RATE		
JAPANESE YEN (100)	90.3567		
US DOLLAR	129.2055	SWEDISH KRONER	13.5220
STERLING POUND	174.6535	NORWEGIAN KRONER	12.7828
EURO	147.4881	DANISH KRONER	19.7706
SOUTH AFRICAN RAND	7.2331	INDIAN RUPEE	1.5119
KES / UGANDA SHILLING	28.1877	HONGKONG DOLLAR	16.4717
KES / TANZANIA SHILLING	20.8776	SINGAPORE DOLLAR	100.3304
KES / RWANDAN FRANC	10.9512	SAUDI RIYAL	34.4447
KES / BURUNDIAN FRANC	23.0392	CHINESE YUAN	17.9526
AE DIRHAM	35.1781	AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR	83.4474
CANADIAN DOLLAR	94.0634		
SWISS FRANC	157.8757		

SOURCE:COMMERCIAL BANKS

Unit Trusts

MONEY FUNDS	DAILY YIELD	E. A. RATE		
Stanbic Fixed Income Fund US Dollar	5.05%	5.17%	African Alliance Fixed Income Fund	12.1167 11.7258
GenAfrica Money Market Fund	12.50%	13.31%	African Alliance Enhanced Yield	8.22% 8.54%
Dry Associates Money M Fund	10.19%	10.68%	Apollo Balanced Fund	152.56 146.46
Dry Associates Money M Fund USD	5.02%	5.14%	Madison Fixed Income Fund	12.06% 12.81%
African Alliance Money Market Fund	7.79%	8.07%	NCBA Fixed Income Fund	8.56% 8.90%
Genghis Money Market Fund	10.1%	10.63%	NCBA Dollar Fixed Income Fund USD	2.94% 2.98%
Apollo Money Market Fund	10.17%	10.70%	NCBA Equity Fund	177.30 177.30
Madison Money Market Fund	10.26%	11.26%	Lofty-Corban Bond Fund	12.50% 13.25%
Mali Fund	9.68%	9.68%	ICEA (KES) FIXED INCOME FUND	115.20 115.20
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	12.04%	12.81%	ICEA EQUITY FUND	127.69 127.69
Lofty-Corban Special Money M Fund	9.25%	9.25%	ICEA BALANCED FUND	134.51 134.51
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund (USD)	5.11% 5.23%		ICEA USD FIXED INCOME FUND	102.74 102.74
ICEA MONEY MARKET FUND	9.40%	9.85%	Kuza Fixed Income Fund	12.78% 13.63%
Kuza Money Market Fund	12.38%	13.17%	Kuza Momentum Special Fund	123.02 123.02
Kuza Money Market Fund USD	4.91%	5.04%	CIC Fixed Income Fund	9.93% 10.36%
CIC Money Market Fund	9.61%	10.05%	CIC Wealth Fund	7.50% 7.50%
Etica Money Market Fund	12.26%	13.04%	CIC Dollar Fund	5.11% 5.24%
Etica Money Market Fund USD	6.10%	6.29%	CIC Equity Fund	6.76 6.61
Mayfair Money Market Fund	8.81%	9.21%	CIC Balanced Fund	6.13 5.98
Britam Money Market Fund	10.82%	11.42%	Etica Fixed Income Fund	13.26% 14.17%
Britam Money Market Fund USD	3.43%	3.48%	Etica Special Wealth Fund – Class A	12.92% 13.79%
OTHER FUNDS				
Stanbic Fixed Income Fund US Dollar	5.05%	5.17%	Etica Special Wealth Fund – Class B	13.10% 13.99%
Dry Associates Special High Yield Fund	12.30%	13.47%	Etica Special Wealth Fund – Class C	13.27% 14.19%
African Alliance Managed Fund	22.1189	20.8318	Etica Fixed Income Fund USD	7.91% 8.23%
African Alliance Equity Fund	173.3698	162.8127	Etica Shariah Fund	7.88% 8.19%
			Etica Shariah Fund USD	3.50% 3.56%
			Mayfair Fixed Income Fund	14.72 14.72
			Britam Bond Plus Fund	11.63% 12.33%



NUMBER OF THE DAY

8.38%

INVESTMENT: The sector had Nairobi Securities Exchange rise 8.38 per cent to Sh7.50, up from Sh6.92 recorded in the previous session with seven million shares valued at Sh53 million transacted.

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S Korea votes for new president after long martial law turmoil

- ▶ After months of turmoil, many South Koreans are now eager for the country to move forward.
- ▶ Voter turnout expected to be high with about 60 per cent having cast their ballot.

AFP, SEOUL

South Koreans flocked to the polls Tuesday to elect a new president, six months to the day after ex-leader Yoon Suk Yeol plunged the country into political chaos with his disastrous declaration of martial law.

After months of turmoil and a revolving door of lame-duck acting leaders, many South Koreans are eager for the country to move forward.

All major polls have put liberal Lee Jae-myung well ahead, with the latest Gallup survey showing 49 percent of respondents viewed him as the best candidate.

Kim Moon-soo, from the conservative People Power Party (PPP), has trailed Lee in the polls and was on 35 percent in the Gallup survey.

Whoever emerges victorious will take office almost immediately and faces a bulging in-tray, including global trade vicissitudes chafing the export-driven economy, some of the world's lowest birth rates and an emboldened North Korea rapidly expanding its military arsenal.

But the fallout from Yoon's martial law declaration, which has left South Korea effectively leaderless for the first months of US President Donald Trump's tumultuous second term, is the top concern for voters, experts said.

Voter Park Dong-shin, 79, told AFP he was voting "to make a new country once again".

Yoon's martial law declaration "was the kind of thing done during the old days of dictatorship in our country", he said.

He was voting for the candidate who would make sure those responsible were "properly dealt with".

A handful of elderly voters lined up at a polling station in Seoul's Munrae-dong area at 6:00 am (2100 GMT) to cast their ballots when voting began.

"We were the first to arrive with the hope our candidate gets elected," Yu Bun-dol, 80, told AFP, adding she was voting for the PPP - Yoon's former party.

Overall voter turnout is expected to be high. Seoul's National Election Commission said as of midday, a total of 62.1 percent of eligible voters had cast their ballots, including early and overseas voters -- up from 61.3 percent at the same point in the previous election.

Campaigning is not allowed on election day, but Lee posted on Facebook that the vote would "show the strength of the Korean people after



A woman casts her vote at a polling station in Seoul during the presidential election on June 3, 2025. [AFP]

months of turmoil.

"Polls show the election is largely viewed as a referendum on the previous administration," Kang Joo-hyun, a political science professor at Sookmyung Women's University, told AFP.

"The martial law and impeachment crisis not only swayed moderates but also fractured the conservative base."

Yoon's impeachment over his martial law bid, which saw armed soldiers deployed to Parliament, made him the second straight conservative president to be stripped of office after Park Geun-hye in 2017.

And conservative candidate Kim had failed to convince a third-party candidate, Lee Jun-seok of the Reform Party, to unify and avoid splitting the right-wing vote.

Exit polls by South Korea's major broadcasters will be released around 8pm - immediately

after polls close - and are expected to give a fairly accurate picture of who won.

Seoul streets were peaceful as people made the most of good weather and a public holiday, but police issued the highest level of alert and deployed thousands of officers to ensure the election proceeded smoothly.

Liberal candidate Lee - who survived an assassination attempt last year - has been campaigning in a bullet-proof vest and delivering speeches behind a glass protective shield.

The country's struggle since Yoon's martial law bid "revealed deep vulnerabilities in South Korea's political system to corruption", Sharon Yoon, a Korean studies professor at University of Notre Dame, told AFP.

South Korean presidents serve a single five-year term.

With a regular presidential election, there is a months-long transition period, and the new leader's term begins at midnight after the predecessor's final day.

But in a snap election, the winner becomes president as soon as the National Election Commission ratifies the vote tally.

Cab driver Choi Sung-wook, 68, said he was voting for Lee, partly due to his impoverished childhood, which he believed "will have a big influence on how he will serve the people".

"I thought Yoon would do well, but he betrayed the people. I hope the next president will create an atmosphere of peace and unity rather than ideological warfare," he added.

UNITED STATES

Trump's mega bill faces rocky ride in Senate

US senators have begun weeks of what is certain to be fierce debate over the mammoth policy package President Donald Trump hopes will seal his legacy, headlined by tax cuts slated to add up to \$3 trillion to the nation's debt.

The Republican leader celebrated when the House passed his "big, beautiful bill," which partially covers an extension of his 2017 tax relief through budget cuts projected to strip health care from millions of low-income Americans.

The Senate now gets to make its own changes, and the upper chamber's version could make or break Republicans' 2026 midterm election prospects -- and define Trump's second term.

But the 1,116-page blueprint faces an uphill climb, with moderate Republicans balking at \$1.5 trillion in spending cuts while fiscal hawks are blasting the bill as a ticking debt bomb.

"We have enough (holdouts) to stop the process until the president gets serious about spending reduction and reducing the deficit," Senator Ron Johnson, one of half a dozen Republican opponents to the bill, told CNN.

Democrats - whose support is not required if Republicans can maintain a united front - have focused on the tax cuts mostly benefiting the rich on the backs of a working class already struggling with high prices.

The White House says the legislation will spur robust economic growth to neutralise its potential to blow up America's already burgeoning debt pile, which has ballooned to \$36.9 trillion.

But several independent analyses have found that -- even taking growth into account -- it will add between \$2.5 trillion and \$3.1 trillion to deficits over the next decade. The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, meanwhile, found that the combined effects of tax cuts and cost savings would be a giant transfer of wealth from the poorest 10 percent to the richest 10 percent.

Republicans muscled the measure through the House by a single vote on May 22 by a combination of bargaining vote holdouts on policies and deploying Trump himself to twist arms.

House Speaker Mike Johnson is now pleading with the Senate not to alter the bill too much, as any tweaks will need to go back to the lower chamber. [AFP]



US President Donald Trump. [AFP]

Impeachment

2017

FIRST PRESIDENT to be stripped of office was Park Geun-hye. Yoon suk Yeol was the second to be ousted after his martial law.

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HOROSCOPE



Virgo – Aug 23 - Sep 22
Falling back on behaviors that keep you from growing may be a tendency now, but should be managed. Fortunately, you might gain some inspiration. Forgiveness and acceptance come more easily, which is refreshing. Aim to clear out leftover issues from the past.



Libra – Sep 23 - Oct 22
Efforts put into managing insecurities may seem to be a distraction, but they can put you on the right track. As the day advances, it's easier to let go of problem areas and enjoy your time. Rapport with others can be outstanding. It's particularly wise to listen and learn.



Scorpio – Oct 23 - Nov 21
Opportunities are more likely to come to you when your mind is open and free. As the day advances, you more readily wind down. You benefit from considering the imaginative or creative side of your daily affairs, work, or self-care programs. Trusting your inner guide works well for you now.



Sagittarius Nov 22 - Dec 21
As the day advances, it's easier to let go of tension. It feels good to accept, have faith, and enjoy yourself. You see others in a more forgiving light, and you recognize that worrying too much will set you back.



Capricorn – Dec 22 - Jan 19
As the day advances, it's easier to let go of overthinking. Refreshing interludes can help renew your spirit without taking away from other areas of life. You are ready to look at the bigger picture.



Aquarius – Jan 20 - Feb 18
Finances may be unsettled, or something is up in the air, or you may be dealing with avoidant or escapist tendencies today, and it would be wise to look for ways to overcome these, even in small ways. Even so, attention to your need for adequate rest and relaxation is important.



Pisces – Feb 19 - Mar 20
A fresh approach or plan of action is in order. Your best bet for managing feelings of being overwhelmed may be to focus on more minor problems and work your way up rather than succumb to pressures to handle things immediately.



Aries – Mar 21 - Apr 19
Stress more easily affects your health right now, and you could be feeling under the weather when it's really about waning motivation or lack of direction. Aim to manage clutter or chaos to help get into a better headspace. Fortunately, opportunities for learning, sharing ideas, and teaching can emerge as the day advances.



Taurus – Apr 20 - May 20
You may be avoiding a friend or situation now, but it's important to face problems before they grow larger overtime. While concerns can be active on your mind, you have a lot to enjoy as well. Fortunately, as the day advances, something inspires your senses, and it's easy to let your hair down.



Gemini – May 21 - Jun 21
A problem that you were too close to might be resolved once you look at it objectively. Fortunately, pleasant and unexpected connections or events can occur today as the day advances, when your imagination is in fine form.



Cancer – Jun 22 - Jul 22
It's better to work on an area of over-attachment than worry about the loss of it. As the day advances, you can experience a satisfying shift in your priorities or goals as you consider your dreams and ideals. You might come up with creative ways to approach your goals.



Leo – Jul 23 - Aug 22
Don't be afraid to explore your feelings before presenting them. Also today, watch for carelessness with valuables and avoid speculative endeavors. As the day advances, energies are strong for creative ideas to overcome problems. Cafeastrology.com

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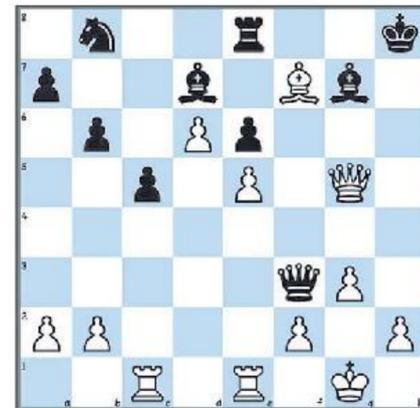
Easy puzzle

White mates in 2 moves.



Intermediate puzzle

White mates in 3 moves.



Tuesday's solution

Easy:
1. Qe8+ Bf8
2. Qxf8#

Intermediate:
1... Re8+
2. Qe7 Re7+
3. Kf1 Qg2#

SOLVIT

G	C	A	D	23
F	E	G	B	23
F	A	E	H	19
J	D	H	J	13
26	19	17	16	

Difficulty

The letters have a distinct value between 1 and 9. Two of these values and the totals horizontally and vertically have been given. Solve all the values.

Today's Clues

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J
	4	8						

Tuesday's solution

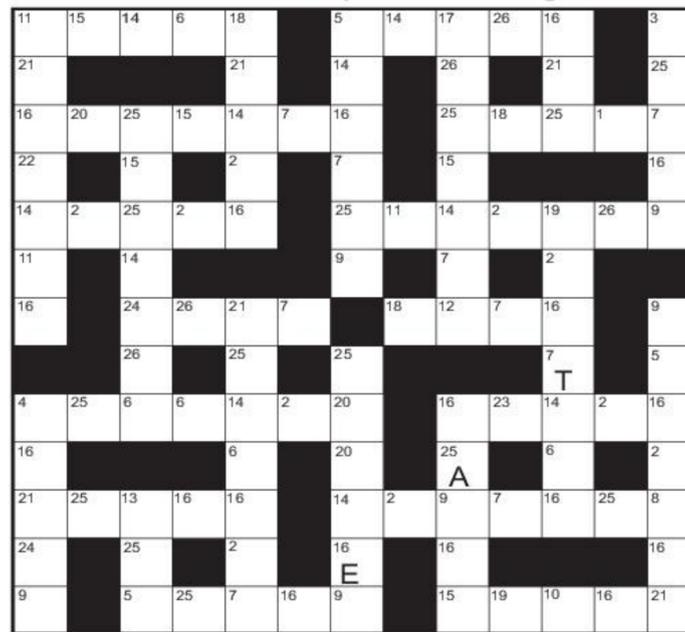
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4	7	1	9	2	5	3	8	6

CODEWORD

CLUE
Each letter in this puzzle is represented by a number 1-26.

Crack the code and solve the crossword. Every letter of the alphabet is used at least once.

Three letters are already in place to get you started.



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

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

Tuesday's solution

1	E
2	S
3	V
4	N
5	C
6	J
7	U
8	T
9	Z
10	P
11	X
12	H
13	I

KAKURO

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The totals for the rows and columns are given on the left for the rows and above for the columns in the shaded boxes. The single digits which give the totals are used only once e.g. 10 = 1, 2, 3, 4 or 1, 4, 5 or 2, 3, 5 etc but not 2, 2, 6 or 1, 1, 8 or 3, 3, 2

Tuesday's solution

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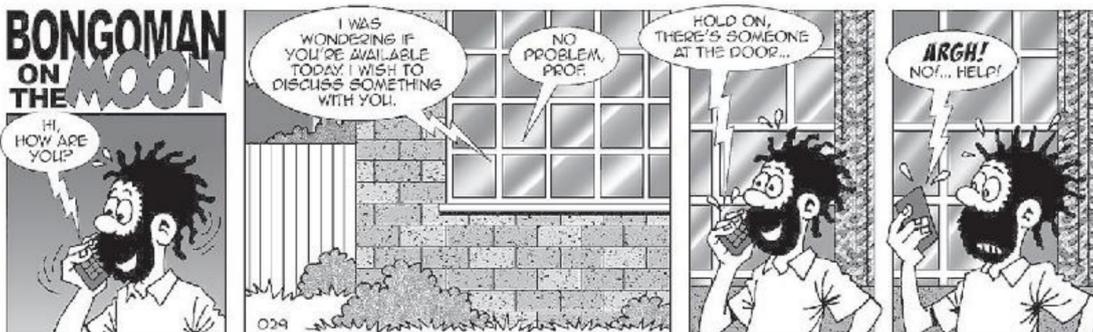
Tuesday's solution

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

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Kenya's electric avenue revving up

► The number of electric vehicles (EVs) registered in Kenya in 2024 doubled to 5,294.

► The adoption is proof that EVs work efficiently in Kenya's unique infrastructural landscape.

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Speed down a highway or street in Nairobi, and chances are you'll spot more cars or buses without tailpipes than witnessed before.

Or hop onto a motorcycle taxi within the city, and instead of a backfiring muffler, you'll likely hear just the hum of a battery.

That's because recent years have seen a surge in electric vehicle ownership.

The number of electric vehicles (EVs) registered in Kenya in 2024 doubled to 5,294 from the 2,694 registered in 2023, new data shows.

According to the Electric Mobility Association of Kenya (EMAK), motorcycles continue to lead the country's green mobility adoption, with 4,862 units registered in 2024, followed by three-wheeler vehicles, commonly known as tuk-tuks, at 185.

Some 123 electric cars were registered last year, alongside 87 forklifts and 32 buses, the data shows.

While Electric passenger vehicles were invented more than a century ago, the transition to e-mobility has been slow in low and middle-income countries, in large measure because of worries about high up-front costs.

However, a new World Bank report makes a strong economic case for wider adoption of electric vehicles in developing countries, with advantages that range from improved public health to less urban traffic congestion, to a decrease in dependence on expensive imported fossil fuels.

In a study of 20 countries across Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Oceania, Europe and South America, the report entitled "Economics of Electric Vehicles for Passenger Transportation" found that more than half would benefit economically by adopting electric mobility.

In some of these countries, the higher investments associated with electric vehicles (EVs) are already justified in terms of lower operating costs, while in others, they only become economically attractive when environmental benefits are taken into consideration. Nevertheless, the strongest case can be made in countries that don't have a car-dominated transportation culture, those that are



net oil importers and those with lower-cost vehicles.

However, the financial rewards can be substantial, even considering the up-front 70-80 per cent cost premium compared to fossil-fueled vehicles, because EVs – from two-wheeled scooters to buses – are less expensive to operate and maintain. Lower maintenance costs alone can amount to a \$5,000 saving over the life of the EV, outweighing the higher cost of using electricity as fuel.

Furthermore, many low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) tax gasoline and subsidize electricity bringing even greater savings.

The Kenyan case

Kenya, like many developing nations, is feeling the ripple effects of these global trends. As the cost of electric vehicle components falls, more businesses and customers in Kenya are looking into EVs as a feasible alternative to traditional gasoline and diesel vehicles.

Furthermore, international collaboration and investments are accelerating the country's transition to electric mobility.

While still in its early stages, EV adoption in Kenya is showing signs of promise. Companies such as BasiGo have introduced electric buses and motorcycles to the market, targeting both public and private transportation sectors. Moreover, these early adopters are proving that electric vehicles can work efficiently in Kenya's unique economic and infrastructural landscape.

Kenya's e-mobility growth has been spurred by factors like the government's introduction of an e-mobility tariff in the current electricity tariff control period, as

well as tax incentives.

However, EVs' upfront costs remain relatively high compared to the used internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicle imports common in Kenya, with EV companies citing battery costs as a major contributor to the high costs.

One of the biggest challenges to EV adoption in Kenya is the lack of widespread charging infrastructure. Unlike conventional petrol stations, EV charging points are still relatively scarce, making range anxiety a concern for potential buyers. However, efforts are underway to improve this situation, following recent Kenya Power plans to install some 45 EV chargers across Nairobi, Nyeri, Kisumu, Eldoret, Nakuru, Mombasa and Taita-Taveta counties.

Additionally, the utility said it is exploring setting up local battery assembly plants in a bid to bring down EV costs further.

A Sustainable Road Ahead

Almost 14 million new electric cars were registered globally in 2023, bringing their total number on the roads to 40 million, closely tracking the sales forecast from the 2023 edition of the Global EV Outlook (GEVO-2023).

"Electric car sales in 2023 were 3.5 million higher than in 2022, a 35% year-on-year increase," explained the report.

This is more than six times higher than in 2018, just five years earlier. In 2023, there were over 250,000 new registrations per week, which is more than the annual total in 2013, ten years earlier. Electric cars accounted for around 18 percent of all cars sold in 2023, up from 14 percent in 2022 and only 2% five years earlier, in 2018. These trends indicate that growth remains robust as electric

car markets mature. Battery electric cars accounted for 70 percent of the electric car stock in 2023.

While sales of electric cars are increasing globally, they remain significantly concentrated in just a few major markets. In 2023, just under 60 percent of new electric car registrations were in China, just under 25 percent in Europe, two and 10 percent in the United States – corresponding to nearly 95 percent of global electric car sales combined.

Throughout Africa, Eurasia and the Middle East, electric cars are still rare, accounting for less than 1% of total car sales. However, as Chinese carmakers look for opportunities abroad, new models – including those produced domestically – could boost EV sales.

Kenya's EV uptake outlook projects a promising future for electric vehicles. As technology improves and global demand for EVs rises, prices are expected to drop, making them more accessible to the average consumer. Additionally, as charging infrastructure expands and awareness grows, more Kenyans will be encouraged to make the switch.

According to recent Market, projections indicate substantial growth, with EVs expected to represent 30 percent of new vehicle sales by 2030. This translates to approximately 60,000 new EVs annually, supported by a mature charging infrastructure network of over 3,000 public charging points across the country.

Vehicle diversity will also increase significantly. Major manufacturers have committed to launching at least 20 new EV models in Kenya by 2030, ranging from affordable compact cars to luxury SUVs. Local assembly of EVs

is expected to begin by 2027, with two major manufacturers already planning assembly facilities.

Charging infrastructure will evolve beyond basic charging points. Smart charging hubs will integrate solar power, battery storage, and grid services. These hubs will offer additional services like cafes, workspaces, and shopping facilities, transforming the charging experience. Ultra-fast charging capabilities of up to 350 kW will reduce charging times to under 15 minutes for most vehicles.

Battery technology improvements will address current limitations. New battery chemistries promising 30 percent higher energy density are expected to enter the market by 2028, extending vehicle ranges beyond 700 km. Battery prices are projected to fall below \$100/kWh, making EVs price-competitive with conventional vehicles without subsidies.



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THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (NO.13 OF 2019)
NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of L.R NO.209/5237 (NAIROBI BLOCK 68/307) located AT THE INTERSECTION OF OLE SHAPARA AVENUE AND MUFULI AVENUE IN SOUTH C Area within the jurisdiction of Nairobi City County, intends to change the use of the parcel from SINGLE DWELLING TO MULTIPLE-DWELLING (APARTMENTS) subject to approval by the NAIROBI CITY COUNTY GOVERNMENT. Individuals, Institutions and Organizations with comments/objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen days from publication of this notice to:
THE C.E.C.M.-BUILT ENVIRONMENT & URBAN PLANNING, NAIROBI CITY COUNTY GOVERNMENT, P.O.BOX 30075-00100, NAIROBI.

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The owners of this Plot No. NAIROBI/BLOCK 82/7024 located in Donholm Area, Off Savannah Road, Nairobi City County, intends to Change its Use from Single Dwelling Residential to Commercial cum Multi-Dwelling Residential (Apartments) subject to approval by the Nairobi City County. Individuals, Institutions, 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:

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The owner of Plot Numbers Plot No. IIMN 12641, plot No. IIMN 12642, plot No. IIMN 12643 and plot No. IIMN 12644 located in Mshomoroni off Kengeleni Road wishes to Consolidate and change user from Residential to Residential cum Commercial subject to approval by the County Government of Mombasa. Any individual or institution wishing to make any representation or objection to the above application is requested to forward the same in writing within 14 days of the dates of this notice to:

THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MEMBER (LAND, HOUSING AND PHYSICAL PLANNING) COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MOMBASA P.O. Box 81599-80100 MOMBASA

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

The owner(s) of land parcel No.LR No.19/51/2,3,4,5, & 6 situated within Maanzoni area, Mavoko Municipality off Mombasa-Nairobi Road proposes to change the use of their land from Residential use to Education use (Junior and Senior school). Individual, Institution, Organizations etc. with objections or comments are requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of this publication to:
County Executive Committee Member Department Of Lands, Physical Planning, Honoring and Urban Development, County Government of Machakos. P.O. BOX 11, Athi River. Plan. Martin Wanyamu Muriuki Reg No.0227

PUBLIC NOTICE
THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No.13 of 2019)
NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED RENEWAL OF LEASE

The registered owner of Plot L. R No Nyeri/ Municipality Block 1/730 Located in Ouspan Estate area, proposes to Renew Lease subject to approval by the County Government of Nyeri. Individuals, institutions, members of the public etc. with comments and or objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

The County Executive Committee Member County Government of Nyeri P.O.Box 1112 - 10100, Nyeri

Name of Registered Planner: **John M. Maina** Reg. No PP0163

REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE HIGH COURT OF KENYA AT ELDORET THE INSOLVENCY ACT

IN THE INSOLVENCY CAUSE NO.HCCM/IC/ EDOI OF 2025

RE:.....
T/A:.....

B.O/S.L.O.A. made on OF.....

DEBTOR'S PETITION

I, KIBERIE MAIGWA, lately residing in ELDORET, UASIN GISHU COUNTY and carrying on business in ELDORET, having for the greater part of the past six months resided in ELDORET and carried on business in ELDORET, within the jurisdiction of the Court, and being unable to pay my debts, hereby petition the Court that a Bankruptcy Order be made in respect of my estate and that I may be adjudged bankrupt.

DATED at THIKA this.....26th.....day of.....April.....2025.

KIBERIE MAIGWA,
Signed by the debtor in my presence
Signature of Witness

Address
Description

Filed on the.....29TH.....day of.....April.....2025.

DRAWN & FILED BY: MUSA BOAZ & THOMAS ADVOCATES, SOUTH HAVEN PLAZA, 4TH FLOOR, UHURU STREET, THIKA, P.O. BOX 7558-01000 THIKA. TEL: 0725 620 615 / 0778 190 928 EMAIL: mblawoffice@gmail.com

L9/PLOTS FOR SALE

KAWANGWARE Town 1/4 acre commercial 0721404766

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

The Registered Owner (s) of Parcel Number (s) CIS-MARA/ENABELBEL ENENGETIA/1607 situated at Olokirirai Trading Centre, off Mau Narok Highway, 500 Meters North of Mao Highlands Academy, Narok North Sub County, Narok County proposes to Change the User of the Parcel from AGRICULTURAL USER TO COMMERCIAL USER (Shops) subject to approval by the County Government of Narok. Individuals, Institutions or Organizations etc. with objections or comments to the Proposed Development are requested to forward the same in writing within Fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice to:

The CECM Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development, County Government of Narok. P.O BOX 898-20500, Narok. Name of Registered Planner: James Michoma. Reg. No: RPP 0067.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S COURT AT NAIROBI ELC NO. E333 OF 2025

JUSTUS MOMANYI MORYAS PLAINTIFF
-VERSUS-
EMBAKASI RANCHING COMPANY LIMITED 1st DEFENDANT
GODFREY MUHURI MUCHIRI 2nd DEFENDANT
PETER MUNIU NJORO 3rd DEFENDANT
SAMUEL MUNIU NJORO 4th DEFENDANT
LAND REGISTRAR 5th DEFENDANT
HON. ATTORNEY GENERAL 6th DEFENDANT
SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY ADVERTISEMENT (ORDER V. RULE 17)
TO:
1. GODFREY MUHURI MUCHIRI
2. PETER MUNIU NJORO
3. SAMUEL MUNIU NJORO

TAKE NOTICE that the suit herein, in which you have been named as the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Defendant herein respectively, has been filed at Nairobi Chief Magistrate's Court, ELC Division. Service upon yourself of the summons to Enter Appearance, Plaintiff and Notice of motion dated 4th April 2025 coming up for hearing on 24th June 2025 has been ordered to be effected by means of this advertisement.

A copy of the Summons to Enter Appearance, Plaintiff and the Notice of motion dated 4th April 2025 may be obtained from Nairobi Chief Magistrate's Court or from the Plaintiff's Advocate's offices at Nacico Cop. Chambers, 5th floor, Moi Avenue, P.O. Box 1196-00200, Nairobi.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that unless you enter appearance within the next Twenty One (21) days from the date of this advertisement the Plaintiff may proceed with the suit and judgment may be given in your absence.

DATED AT NAIROBI THIS 24th DAY OF APRIL 2025.

K.A. NYACHOTI & COMPANY ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFF

DRAWN BY: K.A. NYACHOTI & CO. ADVOCATES NACICO CHAMBERS, 5th FLOOR, MOI AVENUE P.O. BOX 1196-00200, NAIROBI. Tel: 0722 742 118 Email: nyachoti008@yahoo.com aknyachoti@gmail.com

REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE COURT OF KENYA AT N'YAHURURU

ESUCCESSION CAUSE NUMBER E 439 OF 2021 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN NJOROGE KAMOCHIE

PAULINE MUTHONI NJOROGE.....PETITIONER/RESPONDENT.
=VERSUS=
DAVID CHEGE KIMEMIA.....OBJECTOR/APPLICANT.

NOTICE TO THE PETITIONER/RESPONDENT

TO:- PAULINE MUTHONI NJOROGE; NAKURU.

TAKE NOTICE that the application dated 10/09/2025 has been fixed for mention on the 30th Day of June 2025 and service of the said application has been ordered to be via this means of Advertisement.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in the event of your absence to attend by yourself or through someone duly authorized to act for you the matter shall be mentioned and directions given your absence notwithstanding.

DATED at NAKURU this.....30th.....Day of.....JUNE.....2025

MARAGIA OGARO AND COMPANY ADVOCATES FOR THE CLAIMANT

DRAWN & FILED BY:- MARAGIA OGARO & CO; ADVOCATES; GATE HOUSE; 4TH FLOOR ROOM 418; P.O BOX15142-20100; NAKURU. EMAIL: elijahmaragia@gmail.com.

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

The owner(s) of land parcel no. **LR NO 15819** located at **Juja town** wish to carry out change of use from **Residential single dwelling to Commercial (shops) cum Residential Multi-dwelling (flat)** subject to approval by the Kiambu County Government. Individuals, institutions, organizations etc. with objections or comments concerning the proposal are requested to forward the same in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice.

CECM, Land Housing, Physical Planning, Municipal Administration and Urban Development, Kiambu County, P.O.BOX 2344-00900 KIAMBU Registered planner. Kelvin Ritho. Reg no 0270

PUBLIC NOTICE
PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT No. 13 (2019)
NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USER

Notice is hereby given that the registered owner of Plot No. **NGENDA GATUKUYU/T.241** located within Gatundu North Sub-County has applied for permission to change its use from **AGRICULTURAL TO RESIDENTIAL MULTI-DWELLING (FLATS)** subject to approval by Kiambu County Government. Individuals, Institutions, Members of the public, etc. with objections or comments to the proposal should serve notice of such in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

CECM - LAND, PHYSICAL PLANNING, URBAN DEVELOPMENT KIAMBU COUNTY GOVERNMENT P.O BOX 2344-00900, KIAMBU. PHYSICAL PLANNER: JOHN THOMAS NGUGI MBAU RPP NO. 0284

NGIRIAMBU GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL P.O. BOX 46 - 10301, KIANYAGA Tel: 0724 142 862

TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited from interested eligible bidders for pre-qualification of suppliers for supply and delivery of the under listed items from **1st July, 2025 to 30th June, 2026.**

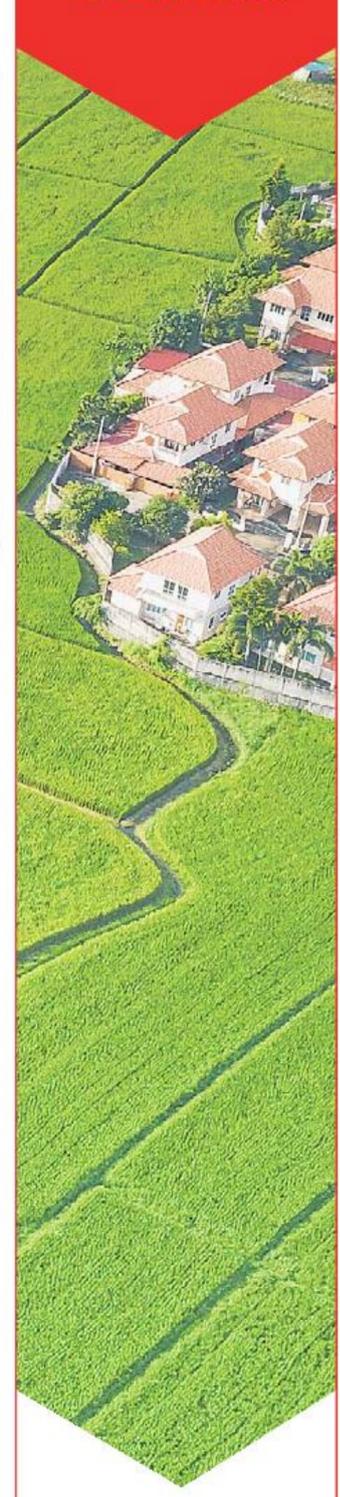
TENDER No	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY
NGHS/01/2025/2026	Maize	Open
NGHS/02/2025/2026	Beans	Open
NGHS/03/2025/2026	Shop groceries: Rice, Sugar, Cookingfat, cocoa, salt, Fresh long life milk (UHT) etc	Open
NGHS/04/2025/2026	Factory Tea leaves	Reserved
NGHS/05/2025/2026	Vegetables: Tomatoes, Onions, Carrots etc	Reserved
NGHS/06/2025/2026	Cabbages & potatoes	Reserved
NGHS/07/2025/2026	Maize milling services	Reserved
NGHS/08/2025/2026	Fresh cow milk	Reserved
NGHS/09/2025/2026	Fresh bread	Open
NGHS/10/2025/2026	Beef (steak)	Open
NGHS/11/2025/2026	Fresh fruits (Ripe bananas, mangoes etc)	Reserved
NGHS/12/2025/2026	Poultry products (Eggs & chicken)	Reserved
NGHS/13/2025/2026	Office stationery	Reserved
NGHS/14/2025/2026	Computer cartridges, inks & masters	Open
NGHS/15/2025/2026	Computer & printers maintenance services	Open
NGHS/16/2025/2026	Printed exercise books	Open
NGHS/17/2025/2026	Newspaper	Reserved
NGHS/18/2025/2026	Dry firewood (Hardwood)	Open
NGHS/19/2025/2026	Laboratory chemical & equipment	Open
NGHS/20/2025/2026	Disinfectants & detergents	Reserved
NGHS/21/2025/2026	Sanitary disposal services	Reserved
NGHS/22/2025/2026	Animal feeds/farm inputs	Open
NGHS/23/2025/2026	Hay (Boma Rhode)	Open
NGHS/24/2025/2026	Veterinary services	Open
NGHS/25/2025/2026	Sports equipments & Games uniform	Open
NGHS/26/2025/2026	Building materials (Sand, ballast, quarry stones) for repair and maintenance	Open
NGHS/27/2025/2026	Hardware & plumbing material for repair and maintenance	Open
NGHS/28/2025/2026	Electrical fittings & appliances for repair and maintenance	Open
NGHS/29/2025/2026	Motor vehicle repair & servicing	Open
NGHS/30/2025/2026	Motor vehicle and generator fuelling/gas refilling	Open
NGHS/31/2025/2026	Firefighting equipments & servicing	Open
NGHS/32/2025/2026	Comprehensive Insurance cover for fire, burglary & WIBA	Open
NGHS/33/2025/2026	Motor vehicle insurance	Open
NGHS/34/2025/2026	Security services	Open
NGHS/35/2025/2026	Fence & flower bed trimming services	Open
NGHS/36/2025/2026	Pharmaceutical & medical equipments	Open
NGHS/37/2025/2026	Library text books and reference materials	Reserved

Tender documents with detailed specifications to be obtained from the Accounts office during normal working hours upon payment of non-refundable fee of **Ksh1,000/=** per tender item to **KCB Bank** Kianyaga branch A/C No. **1103995529**. Local community, Women, Youth & persons with special needs are encouraged to apply for the reserved supplies. Completed forms in sealed plain envelopes to be dropped in the Tender box addressed to:

THE SECRETARY - BOARD OF MANAGEMENT NGIRIAMBU GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL P.O. BOX 46-10301- KIANYAGA.

Before **24th June, 2025 at 12.00 noon** and the opening of the tenders will take place immediately after. Interested bidders or representatives are free to attend.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT No. 13 (2019) NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USER

Notice is hereby given that the registered owner of Plot No. **RUIRU EAST BLOCK I(GITHUNGURI) 6919** located within Ruiru Sub-County has applied for permission to change its use from **AGRICULTURAL TO RESIDENTIAL MULTI-DWELLING (FLATS)** subject to approval by Kiambu County Government. Individuals, Institutions, Members of the public, etc. with objections or comments to the proposal should serve notice of such in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

**CECM - LAND, PHYSICAL PLANNING, URBAN DEVELOPMENT
KIAMBU COUNTY GOVERNMENT
P.O BOX 2344-00900,
KIAMBU.**

PHYSICAL PLANNER: JOHN THOMAS NGUGI MBAURPP NO. 0284

PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING ACT No. 13 OF 2019 PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE AND SUB-DIVISION

The registered Owner(s) of Plot L.R No. **109/7** located within Ruiru Township off Ruiru-Githunguri Road in Ruiru Sub-County, proposes to Change Use from Agricultural to Residential Multi-Dwelling Units (Maisonettes) and a Club House and Sub-Divide the parcel subject to approval by COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KIAMBU. Individuals, organizations, institutions etc. with objections or comments should forward them in writing within 14 days from the date of this notice to:

**The CECM Lands, Physical Planning and Urban Development,
County Government of Kiambu,
P.O. Box 2344-00900, Kiambu.
Registered Physical Planner (0200)**

FORM PLUPA/DC/3 [r.3(3)(xi)]

PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING ACT No. 13 OF 2019 NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE

The owner of Plot Title No: **RUIRU/KIU BLOCK 7/926** located off Thika Road in Mwhiko area of Kiambu County proposes to Change its use from **Single Dwelling Unit to Commercial Cum Residential Multi-Dwelling Units (Shops & Flats)** subject to approval by the Kiambu County Government. Individuals, Institutions, 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: LAND, HOUSING, PHYSICAL PLANNING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT
COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KIAMBU.
P.O. BOX 2344- 00900, KIAMBU
Name of registered Planner: Silas Mbaabu Gichuru Reg. No. 0249**

Lizzma Auctioneers
Thika Business Centre, 5th Floor, Suite 5-3 Opp. Equity Plaza Thika
P.O Box 27304-00100 Nairobi-Kenya Tel: 0722970443, Email:Marthalizzah@gmail.com

PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions received from our principals, we shall sell the under mentioned goods on **Saturday 14th June 2025 at Upcountry Security Services Ltd - Embu at 10:30AM**

No.	CASE NO./COURT	PARTIES	M/VEHICLE/ GOODS	MODEL
1.	In The Children's Case No. E604 OF 2022- Nairobi	Rosemary Wandiri -VS- Antony Mbogo	KAW 349C	Toyota Dyna
2.	In The Matter of Distress for Rent	Landlord -VS- James Githungo Muthee	2 door Ramtons fridge, 32" Tv, Armco 4burner gas cooker, 13kg gas cylinder, 3 meko, Water dispenser	

Terms and Conditions

1. Cash at the fall of the hammer

RAGAWA AUCTIONEERS
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P.O. Box 6782, THIKA, KIGIO PLAZA, 3rd Floor Room 3.5.5
Cell: 0728 636 849/ 0733 636 849 ragawauctioneers00@gmail.com

PUBLIC AUCTION

UNDER INSTRUCTION RECEIVED FROM OUR PRINCIPALS, WE SHALL SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION THE FOLLOWING MOTOR VEHICLE

ON WEDNESDAY 11TH JUNE 2025 FROM 11.00 AM AT CISMARA YARD&STORAGE - NAROK

IN THE MATTER OF REPOSESION 1. THE CREDITOR -VS- MEITAMELOLE KOILEKEN

MOTORVEHICLE	MAKE	CONDITION	TO BE VIEWED AT
KCV 873Q	TOYOTA PROBOX	RUNNING	CISMARA YARD&STORAGE - NAROK

CONDITION FOR SALE

1. CASH AT THE FALL OF THE HAMMER.
2. Bidder to pay refundable deposit of ksh.50,000 to get bidding No
3. NO BIDDING WITHOUT A BIDDING NO

FORM PLUPA/DC/2

PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (CAP 303) NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED SUBDIVISION

Notice is hereby given that the registered owner of plot No. **Nairobi/Block 240/28 (formerly L.R. No. 336/25)** has applied to the Nairobi City County for permission to subdivide the land situated along Baba Dogo Road within Baba Dogo area between coordinates 1°14'43.1"S and 36°53'12.5"E. A Plan of the site and details of the proposed subdivision is deposited at the CECM's Office and may be inspected free of charge between the hours of 8.00 am and 5.00pm until the 18th day of June 2025. Any person who wishes to make any representations or objections to the proposed subdivision should serve notice of such representations or objections in writing to the CECM: Built Environment and Urban Planning, Nairobi City County of P.O. Box 30075-00100, Nairobi, not later than 21 days of publication of this notice and shall at the same time submit a copy of such representations or objections by notice served on the undersigned at the address mentioned below.

Signed: Marvin Mutwiri Mugambi; mutwiriwamugambi@gmail.com
Dated this day 4th Day of June, 2025

Name of registered Planner: Marvin Mutwiri Mugambi Reg. No.: 0323

AL-HILAM AUCTIONEERS

AUCTIONEERS, DEBT COLLECTORS & INVESTIGATORS
P. O. BOX 46002-00100, NAIROBI MOBILE: 0113091409

PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals the Financiers, we shall sell in Public Auction the under mentioned motor vehicles on **WEDNESDAY 11TH JUNE 2025 at 10.00 a.m.** in our offices located at Jeevan Bharati house Harambe avenue Second floor room 209.

IN THE MATTER OF REPOSSESSION

REG. NO.	MODEL	PLACE OF VIEW
KDQ945L	NISSAN NOTE	CHILE KENYA MOTORS
KDL534S	TOYOTA VITZ	CHILE KENYA MOTORS
KDQ665C	NISSAN NOTE	CHILE KENYA MOTORS
KDM836S	TOYOTA VITZ	CHILE KENYA MOTORS
KDS724C	BMW X4	ALHUSNAIN MOTORS LTD
KDQ321T	SUZUKI SWIFT RS	ALHUSNAIN MOTORS LTD

TERMS OF SALE

1. All interested purchasers will be required to make a refundable deposit of Kshs.100,000 by bankers' cheque to obtain bidding number
 2. Sale is on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"
 3. Strictly CASH or BANKERS CHEQUE at the fall of the Hammer
- ALL ARE WELCOME**

KERATI AUCTIONEERS

Auctioneers, Repossessions, Private Investigations, Bailiffs and Court Brokers
KISII CHEMIST BLD, 5TH FLOOR RM NO 502, P.O BOX 1324 - 40200, KISII Tel: 0717604161

PUBLIC AUCTION

DULY INSTRUCTED BY THE SENIOR PRINCIPLE MAGISTRATE COURT AT KEHANCHA **CIVIL NO 35/2023 (BENSON NYAHIRI KOHERA VRS LUCAS GATJI) AND CIVIL NO 36/2023 (DANIEL MOSETI VRS PETER MASAGA).**

ON 10TH JUNE 2025 at 11.30 AM OUTSIDE POSTAL OFFICE KEHANCHA TOWN

We shall sell the following goods:

- 1) KMEX 928F HONDA
- 2) KMEX 529B TVS 150
- 3) 10 plastic chairs
- 4) 6kg gas cylinder
- 5) Sewing machine

Cash at the fall of the hammer.

Conditions of sale:

1. Interested bidders to deposit **2000/=** to obtain bidding number for motorcycle
2. Interested bidders can view the property during working hours.

WELCOME

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Auctioneers, Court Brokers and Repossessors
Shankardass House, 2nd Floor, Room 209, Old Wing Along Moi Avenue Next to Kenya Cinema Nairobi
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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by the chargee we shall sell the undermentioned properties by public Auction with all the improvements thereon:

VACANT RESIDENTIAL PLOT WITHIN JUJA TOWN, KIAMBU COUNTY ON JUNE 12, 2025 IN OUR OFFICES AT SHAKARDASS HOUSE 2ND FLOOR, ROOM 209, OLD WING STARTING AT 11.00AM

That entire property known as **L.R NO. 28656/32 JUJA TOWN, KIAMBU COUNTY.** The property measuring approximately **(0.0407) of Hectares i.e. 0.1006 of an acre** and registered in the name **JERRY WESTGATE LIMITED G/T LUCY WANGARE NGUGI T/A THIKA GARDEN CITY P.O BOX 72866-00200, NAIROBI.** The parcel is situated approximately 235 meters by road off and to the North of the main Thika to Nairobi highway service lane turning at the building housing business premises known as Muwa Technologies (Muwatech) or about 170 metres to the south-west of the Juja flyover and the beginning of the main Juja-Gatundu Road within Juja Town that is found in Thika Sub-County of Kiambu county. This is a rectangular shaped red soil plot that lies on fairly-level ground with boundaries being partly marked by the adjoining property's building lines. Piped water and mains electricity from the national grid are readily available for connection. Private, public and community amenities are available in the neighborhood and are well distributed. GPS co-ordinates: **1°08'22.9"S; 37°00'48.2"E.**

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. All interested buyers are requested to view and verify the details for themselves, as these are not warranted by the auctioneers or the chargees.
2. All interested bidders will be required to first make a refundable deposit of Ksh.500,000 by way of **cash or bankers cheque** to be allowed to bid and obtain a bidding number.
3. A deposit of **25%** for property of the purchase must be paid in cash or bankers cheque at the fall of the hammer and the balance paid within **90 days** to the chargees or their advocates.
4. The sale is subject to a reserve price and land control board consent where applicable.
5. The auctioneer reserves the right to accept or refuse any bid without giving a reason.
6. Conditions of sale are available at our offices on request and further clarification of directions to the properties can be availed.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principal/Financier, **DARSON TRADING LIMITED, AZAN MOTORS LTD AND ANAN AUTOMOBILES** we shall sell by public auction the undermentioned M/Vehicles on **Friday 13th June 2025 at KIZINGO YARD MOMBASA.**

NO.	REG.	MAKE
1.	BOAZ MUTINDA MBALLU	KDM 4272 PROBOX
2.	JOEL THUO KAMAU	KDB 096B UDCCNDOR

- TERMS**
1. For viewing kindly contact **MR. MAHMOUD ISMAIL on 0731691500**
2. All interested buyers are requested to verify all the details of the m/vehicle as this are not warranted by the auctioneer.
3. Strictly cash at the fall of the hammer

ALL ARE WELCOME

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Email: iconauctions@gmail.com www.iconauctions.co.ke

PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals, in exercise of their statutory powers, we shall sell by public Auction the under mentioned Goods & motor vehicle on **12TH JUNE 2025 at 10.30 am** or soon thereafter at **PANGANI AUCTION CENTRE 2, STARTRUCK CARYARD & STORAGE.**

1. **DISTRESS FOR RENT**
LANDLORD -VS- JULIE MUMBI MATHENGE
6-seater seat, small wooden coffee table, TV stand, bookshelves, TV set, speakers + soundsystem, wooden stands + wooden stool, small dining table + 4 chairs, 6-burner cooker + cylinder, water dispenser, coffee maker, aquarium, fridge, dressing mirror, antique mirror, golf set, side board, round table, assorted decorations + flower pots
 2. **RUIRU SCC CASE NO. E030 OF 2025**
BONI MOTORS WORKS CENTER LTD -VS- CYRUS NJIRUNJERU
MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION NO: KCN 284K (TOYOTA HIACE)
- CONDITIONS OF SALE**
Cash at the fall of the Hammer.

PAMBO AUCTIONEERS

AUCTIONEERS, COURT BAILIFFS, REPOSSESSORS AND COMMISSION AGENTS
INDUSI ROAD / TOM MBOYA ESTATE

TELEPHONE: 2021023 P.O BOX 3963
CELL: 0721 544 702 KISUMU
Email:pambolnvs@yahoo.com. Our Ref: PAM/RVI/1/2025

PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions received from our Principals, the chargee in exercise of their statutory power of sale, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned property and all the improvements erected thereon.

ON TUESDAY 17TH JUNE 2025, AT OUR OFFICES, TOM-MBOYA ESTATE, KISUMU AT 11.00 A.M.

All that piece or parcel of land known as L.R. NO. **KISUMU/NYALUNYA/4590** registered I.N.O **MAUREEN ADHIAMBO OMUGA AND NICHOLAS OUMA ODENYO** of P.o. Box 215-40100, Kisumu and measuring approximately 0.05 HA or 0.124 Acres.

- The property is situated within **KOLWA CENTRAL AREA**, Mowlem about 4Km North west of Kisumu city centre.
- Access to the property from Kisumu town centre is via Kisumu - Nairobi road upto Nyamasaria bus stage, turn left for about 700m to reach the property on your right.

IMPROVEMENTS:

- The property is residential bungalow with 3 bedrooms, 1No. external pit latrine block entrance verandah, lounge, dining area with WHB, Kitchen, common shower and master bedroom ensuite with a spacious bathroom.
- Mains electricity and water are connected to the property.

CONDITION OF SALE

1. All interested bidders are requested to view the property and verify the details by themselves as the auctioneers or the chargee do not warrant these.
2. Sale is subject to reserve price and the auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid without giving any reason.
3. 25% of the purchase price must be paid to the auctioneer at the fall of the hammer and the balance to be paid within 90 days to the chargee.

AGUNJA TRADERS AUCTIONEERS

LICENSED AUCTIONEERS & OFFICIAL COURT BROKERS
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Kitale Head office: KFA Building, 1st floor, Kenyatta Street, Opp. Kitale Printers, Next to Trans National Bank, P.O. Box 3267-30200, Call No. 0722339105, 0722210823

Branch offices:-
Bungoma: Former N.S.S.F Bldg, 3rd floor, Next to Equity Bank Opp. Co-op Bank, Moi Avenue, P.O. Box 2362-50200, BUNGOMA

Nakuru office: Former Plutos Bldg, 1st Floor, Rm No.4, P.O. Box 12120-20100 Nakuru, Cell No. 0722339105

Nairobi office: Highview 1, Near Kenmri, P.O. Box 46602 - 00100, Nairobi
Email: agunjauctioneers@yahoo.com

PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals, we shall sell by public Auction the under mentioned Property.

ON WEDNESDAY 18TH JUNE, 2025, STARTING AT 11.00 AM - OUTSIDE KITALE POSTAL OFFICES.

1. **ALL THAT Parcel of land TITLE NO. KITALE MUNICIPALITY BLOCK 2/TUWAN/2851.** The plot measuring approximately (0.0330) or 0.082 of an acre. The property is Developed and Registered in names of **MOSES KARAU NI NGUGI.** The property is situated along an unnamed road, about 100m from Kitale-Endebes-Suam Road and 3.0 Km from Kitale town Central Business District within Tuwan area, Saboti Sub-County Trans-Nzoia County.
2. **ALL THAT Parcel of land TITLE NO. KITALE MUNICIPALITY BLOCK 15/KOITOGOS/2796.** The plot Measures (0.10) Ha or thereabouts. The property is Developed and Registered in names of **ROBERT TIGOGO.** It is in Kibomet Area, Kitale Municipality, Trans Nzoia County. It is situated approximately 11 Kms off and to the left of Kitale - Cheringany Rd deviating at Norec Stage Kibomet. The Property is about 430m North East of St. Ursula Preparatory School and 3.5km East of Kitale Town Centre.
3. **ON THURSDAY, 26TH JUNE, 2025 - STARTING AT 11.00 AM - AT OUR NAKURU OFFICE SAIFEE BLDG, FORMER PLUTOS BLDG 3RD FLOOR, RM 11B.**

All that parcel of land NAKURU MUNICIPALITY BLOCK 18/119 & 120. The plots measures (0.1917Ha) or 0.4736 Acres. It is Registered in the names of **OJWANG JAMES OMONDI.** Access to the property is along Maragoli Avenue within Milimani Estate of Nakuru Municipality, Nakuru County. It is developed - 1.5km to the North of Nakuru Town Centre and about a straight distance of 1Km North East of R.Valley Prov. General Hospital. Access is via Murum surfaced Maragoli Avenue and is paltry 200m West of Milimani Guest House.

- CONDITIONS OF SALE**
- All intending buyers are requested to view the property and verify details as these are not warranted by auctioneers.
 - A deposited of 25% must be paid in cash or bankers cheque at the fall of the hammer and a balance to be paid within 90 days from the date of auction.
 - The sale is subject to reserve price.
 - The Auctioneers has or reserve the right to reject any bid without giving any reason.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

THANU AUCTIONEERS

Public Auctioneers, Repossessors, Debt Collectors, Commission Agent, Private Investigators, Process Servers, Court Brokers & Court Bailiffs.
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PUBLIC AUCTION

UNDER INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM OUR PRINCIPALS THE FINANCIER, WE SHALL SELL THE UNDER MENTIONED MOTOR VEHICLES BY PUBLIC AUCTION ON **TUESDAY 10TH JUNE 2025, AT THE TATLA MOTORS YARD MOMBASA STARTING FROM 10:30AM.**

IN THE MATTER OF REPOSESSION

NO.	NAME	MV REG.	MAKE	YARD
1.	MERCY MBULA NDAKUBUKI	KDP 223M	TOYOTA VITZ	TATLA
2.	MAUREEN MARIA NYABUTO	KDQ 106U	NISSAN NOTE	TATLA
3.	HOSEA KIPSANG ROTICH	KDN 661Y	SUZUKI ALTO	TATLA

CONDITIONS OF SALE
Cash at the fall of the hammer

ALL ARE WELCOME

JENEBY'S AUCTION

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Pursuant to instructions received from A. A. Said & Company, advocates of the registered owner we shall sell by public auction at our sales room Danadana Building Muyaka Road Guraya Mombasa, the properties described below:

ON SATURDAY 5TH JULY 2025 AT 10.00 AM

1. ALL THAT PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND KNOWN AS PLOT NO. MN/1/24201 MOMBASA (CR 85196) EXTENDING TO 0.2380 Ha OR THEREABOUTS SITUATED AT UTANGE IN MOMBASA COUNTY
2. ALL THAT PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND KNOWN AS PLOT NO. MN/1/24209 MOMBASA (CR 51801/5) EXTENDING TO 0.0528 Ha OR THEREABOUTS SITUATED AT UTANGE IN MOMBASA COUNTY
3. ALL THAT PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND KNOWN AS PLOT NO. MN/1/24208 MOMBASA (CR 85197) EXTENDING TO 0.0629 Ha OR THEREABOUTS SITUATED AT UTANGE IN MOMBASA COUNTY

Conditions of sale

1. Each property will be sold to the highest bidder, subject to attaining the reserve price.
2. The registered owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids without assigning reasons.
3. The successful bidder must pay 25% of the purchase price at the fall of the hammer and the balance shall be paid directly to the owner's advocates within thirty days from the date of sale.

FIRST CHOICE AUCTIONEERS

Auctioneers, Debt Collection/Commission Agent
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PUBLIC AUCTION

1. Duly instructed by THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT AT MACHAKOS CIVIL CASE NO. E1380 OF 2024, JEREMIA Mwendu MUKUTHA -vs- NEXUS HAULIAGE LIMITED we shall sell the under mentioned by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 10:30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES
-M/V REG NO. KDJ 687L FAW PRIME MOVER
-TRAILER REG NO. ZG 8751

2. Duly instructed by THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT AT MACHAKOS CIVIL CASE NO. E1340 OF 2024, BLESSINGS IMANI MUSUYOKA -vs- NEXUS HAULIAGE LIMITED we shall sell the under mentioned by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 10:30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES
-M/V REG NO. KDJ 687L FAW PRIME MOVER
-TRAILER REG NO. ZG 8751

3. Duly instructed by THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT AT MACHAKOS CIVIL CASE NO. E1341 OF 2024, WILLY MUSYIMI KAVU -vs- NEXUS HAULIAGE LIMITED we shall sell the under mentioned by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 10:30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES
-M/V REG NO. KDJ 687L FAW PRIME MOVER
-TRAILER REG NO. ZG 8751

4. Duly instructed by THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT AT MACHAKOS CIVIL CASE NO. E1342 OF 2024, KEVIN KIMANTH MUSYIMI -vs- NEXUS HAULIAGE LIMITED we shall sell the under mentioned by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 10:30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES
-M/V REG NO. KDJ 687L FAW PRIME MOVER
-TRAILER REG NO. ZG 8751

5. Duly instructed by THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT AT MACHAKOS CIVIL CASE NO. E1343 OF 2024, EUNICE MWENDE KIMUYU -vs- NEXUS HAULIAGE LIMITED we shall sell the under mentioned by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 10:30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES
-M/V REG NO. KDJ 687L FAW PRIME MOVER
-TRAILER REG NO. ZG 8751

6. Duly instructed by THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT AT MACHAKOS CIVIL CASE NO. E1344 OF 2024, ALEX MUTUA MUSUMI -vs- NEXUS HAULIAGE LIMITED we shall sell the under mentioned by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 10:30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES
-M/V REG NO. KDJ 687L FAW PRIME MOVER
-TRAILER REG NO. ZG 8751

7. Duly instructed by THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT AT MACHAKOS CIVIL CASE NO. E1345 OF 2024, ELIZABETH MUTINDI MUSUYOKA -vs- NEXUS HAULIAGE LIMITED we shall sell the under mentioned by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 10:30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES
-M/V REG NO. KDJ 687L FAW PRIME MOVER
-TRAILER REG NO. ZG 8751

8. Duly instructed by THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT AT MACHAKOS CIVIL CASE NO. E1346 OF 2024, SYLVIA NTHENYA NDUKU -vs- NEXUS HAULIAGE LIMITED we shall sell the under mentioned by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 10:30 A.M. AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES
-M/V REG NO. KDJ 687L FAW PRIME MOVER
-TRAILER REG NO. ZG 8751

9. Duly instructed by THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT AT

CONDITIONS OF SALE
a) All interested bidders are required to view the property/ items and verify details for the auctioneer does not warrant these
b) Sale is subject to reserve price. Bidders to pay a refundable deposit of Kshs. 50,000.00 to obtain a bidding number
c) Cash at the fall of the hammer



REGENT AUCTIONEERS

Auctioneers, Official Court Brokers, Court Bailiffs, Process Servers, Repossessors and Estate Agents
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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our client, Financers we shall sell the under mentioned Items and motor vehicle by public Auction

ON FRIDAY 13TH JUNE 2025 AT OUR AUCTION MART NEW KIREITA BUILDING, KIRINYAGA ROAD AT 11:00 AM.

1. LANDLORD -VS- GURMEET MACHINERY DEALERS LTD

10pcs Office Chairs, Conference Table, Water Dispenser, Printer, Desktop Computer, Office Desk, Reception Desk, 2pcs Electric Kettles, 2pcs Telephone Heads, Three Seater Visitor Chair.

TERMS

1. Cash at the fall of the hammer



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Auctioneers, Debt Collection, Private Investigation and Process Service

PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions from our principals, THE FINANCIERS, we shall sell the under mentioned repossessed motor vehicle by public auction on 13th June 2025 at our yards starting 10.30 a.m.

NO	REG NO	MODEL	YARD
1	KDD 354U	Toyota Hiace Matatu	SK Dhahabu yard
2	KDP 435U	Toyota Vitz	SK Dhahabu yard
3	KCU 46TV	Nissan Vannette	SK Dhahabu yard
4	KCK 900R	Toyota Landcruiser	Startruck Caryard and storage
5	KDH 175S	Mercedes Benz	SK Dhahabu yard
6	KDL 589P	Hino Lorry	SK Dhahabu yard

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. Cash at the fall of the hammer.
2. The bidding to be done through the office email or during auction date.
3. The auctioneer has a right to reject any bid without giving a reason.
4. The subject of sale is as it is.
5. All the interested bidders are requested to view and verify the details for this is not warranted by the auctioneers or our principal.



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PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions from our principals, the chargees, in exercise of their statutory power of sale, we shall sell by Public Auction the under mentioned property and all the improvements erected thereon.

1. SALE ON FRIDAY 20 TH JUNE, 2025 AS FROM 11:00A.M IN OUR OFFICES AT CPF HOUSE 3 RD FLOOR ALONG HAILESELASIE AVENUE NAIROBI.

All that property known as **L.R. NO. NAIROBI/ BLOCK 133/123 KOMAROCK ESTATE, NAIROBI** registered in the name of **BENARD CHERUYOT KORIR**. It is a leasehold interest for a term of 99 years w.e.f 1 st January, 1994 at an annual ground rent of Kshs. 800,00 (revisable) and measures 0.09 Ha or 0.2224 Acres. The subject property easily identifiable as House No. 123 is a two bed roomed bungalow and is situated within Infill A in the vicinity of Infill Academy in Komarock Estate, Nairobi County. All mains are connected to the property.

Conditions of sale.

1. All interested bidders are requested to view the property and verify the details for themselves as the auctioneers or the chargees do not warrant these.
2. Interested bidders must deposit **Kshs. 200,000.00** for the Property in **CASH OR BANKERS CHEQUE** with the auctioneer before being allowed to bid.
3. Sale is subject to a reserve price, and the auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid without giving any reasons for doing so.
4. Interested bidders are requested to view the property between 10.00 am and 5.00pm and our office will assist the bidders to point out the property subject to prior arrangement.
5. **10%** of the purchase price must be paid to the auctioneer at the fall of the hammer and the balance to be paid in **90 days** to the chargees.



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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals the financiers, we shall sell the under-mentioned motor vehicles through public auction on 12th June, 2025 starting at 11.00 AM.
FINANCIER -VS- DEBTOR

REG	MODEL	STORAGE YARD
KCQ 997M	TOYOTA ISIS	DOUBLE E YARD

Conditions of sale.

1. All interested buyers are requested to view the motor vehicles during working hours.
2. Strictly cash at the fall of the hammer.



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PUBLIC AUCTION

1. Pursuant to the Distress for Rent Act (Cap 293) and upon instructions received from our client, we shall sell the under-mentioned goods by a Public Auction on 12th June 2025, at **Panganji Auction Center, Along Murang'a Road at 10.00am** -

IN THE MATTER OF DISTRESS FOR RENT.

LANDLORD -VS- ABDALLAH KASSIM

Samsung Fridge, 4 Burner Cooker, Shoe Rack, Bicycle, Wooden Stool, 6 Seater Sofa Set, 2 Floor Carpet, Round glass top table, 4 Dining Chairs, 13kg gas Cylinder, e.t.c

1. Pay a refundable sum of ksh. 10,000.00 to get a bidding number
2. Cash/Banks Cheque at the fall of the hammer.
3. Sale subject to a reasonable Reserved Price.

GARTH DAY YEAR AUCTIONEERS

Auctioneers, Investigators & Debt collectors

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P.O. Box 38968-00100, NAIROBI

PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our Principals, the CHARGEES, we shall sell by Public Auction the property described herein.

ON 20TH JUNE, 2025 AT 11.00AM AT OUR OFFICE DEVAN PLAZA 7TH FLOOR WESTLANDS NAIROBI.

A THREE BEDROOM MAISONETTE WITHIN GERA VILLAS, IN AIRWAYS AREA OF UTAWALA IN MAVOKO CONSTITUENCY, MACHAKOS COUNTY.
Residential piece of land known as MAVOKO MUNICIPALITY BLOCK 32/105 I.N.O VINCENT NYAMORA OSERE. P.O. BOX 9300 - 00300, NAIROBI. The property is situated within Cera Villas, in an area popularly known as Airways area of Utawala in Mavoko constituency, Machakos county. Co-ordinates: 1°17'57.8"S 36°58'50.0"E. Development: A Four Bedroom Maisonette. Tenure: Freehold. Size: 0.0210Ha or 0.0519Acres appx. Water and electricity are connected to the property. Foul drainage is into a pit latrine. Mombasa road, Eastern bypass/Airport North Road Utawala-Sithunguri road and Utawala Airways main road are tarmacked while the immediate access road is partly tarmacked and muram surfaced.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. All interested Purchasers are required to view the property and verify the details as these are not warranted by the Auctioneers or the Principals, viewing is on appointment.
2. A deposit of at least **10%** of the bid amount must be paid in **BANKERS CHEQUE** or **RTGS** at the close of business and the balance to be paid within 90 days to the Chargees failure to which the deposit shall be forfeited.
3. Sale subject to reserve price. The conditions of sale may be obtained from our offices.
4. Interested bidders are required to deposit refundable fee of **Kshs. 0.4M** to be able to obtain a bidding number.



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PUBLIC AUCTION

Pursuant to court orders granted at Meru law courts CR Misc no E092 OF 2025, we shall sell by way of public auction the under mentioned motor vehicle, motorcycles and any other items lying at Subuiga police station on **Wednesday 11th June 2025 at 10.00 am.**

KCJ 462K PROBOX WHITE, KAN 984R PRADO BLUE, CHASIS NO. MKB210L-06348 BUS, KMEG 945W CAPTAIN RED, KMDJ 5832 TIGER BLUE, KMCH 721A TIGER RED, KNICK 055Y SHINNERY RED, KMEQ BLUE, KMCK CHINGCHEN, KMF 125A CAPTAIN BLUE, KMEQ 547M CAPTAIN BLUE, KMFS 649Q CAPTAIN, KMFC 142E TIGER BLACK, KMF 060U SONELINK, KMFC 142E TIGER BLACK, KMDJ 949X CAPTAIN, KMDL 669B DAYUN BLACK, KMEZ 248Q CAPTAIN, KMDK 365E DAYUN RED, KMER 807Z CAPTAIN BLUE, KMCY 554L TIGER BLUE, KMDR 388R TIGER BLACK, KMDK 892V TIGER BLUE, KMEY 950A SKYGO BLACK, KMDR 388R SKYGO BLACK, KMFC 878W BLUE, NUMBERLESS CAPTAIN RED, NUMBERLESS TIGER RED, NUMBERLESS CAPTAIN RED, KMDG 347N TIGER RED, KMDK 136J CAPTAIN RED, KMDK 365E DAYUN RED, KMDG 534Y TIGER BLUE, NUMBERLESS YAMAHA, NUMBERLESS DAYUN, ASSORTED BICYCLES AND SCARP METALS, ONE FRIESIAN CALF (Bull),

TERMS AND CONDITION FOR SALE

- I. Items sold on as is where basis and strictly only those with bidding numbers will participate in the auction
- II. Bidders to pay refundable deposit of kshs 50,000 for motor vehicle and kshs 10,000 for motorcycle to obtain bid number before auction
- III. Cash at the fall of the hammer
- IV. Viewing to be done during working hours in the police station



MOTOR VEHICLES FOR SALE

We are inviting offers from interested parties for the purchase of motor vehicles as listed hereunder:

No.	DESCRIPTION	REG. NO.	YOM	RESERVE PRICE (KES)	STORAGE YARD	YARD CONTACT
1	BMW DBA	KDN 730D	2016	1,695,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
2	Honda CRV	KDG 256T	2014	1,880,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
3	Honda Fit Shuttle	KCX 402T	2012	250,000.00	Leakeys storage yard- Kitui Rd	0708207055
4	Honda Fit Shuttle	KCW 373F	2012	280,000.00	Leakeys storage yard- Kitui Rd	0708207055
5	Honda Vezel	KDN 120T	2016	1,950,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
6	Isuzu FVR	KDQ 457C	2022	4,760,000.00	Tumbo auction yard- machakos	0722505018
7	Isuzu NQR	KDQ 778G	2024	4,610,000.00	Matriz Moves, Mombasa	0786600696
8	Isuzu TFR	KDN 167X	2023	1,760,000.00	Tumbo auction yard- machakos	0722505018
9	Isuzu TFR	KDM 109J	2023	2,490,000.00	Startruck Yard- Nyahururu	0721310340
10	Isuzu NPR	KCU 335L	2019	2,320,000.00	Startruck Yard- Meru	0721310340
11	Isuzu FRR	KDN 162R	2023	5,150,000.00	Startruck Yard- Malindi	0721310340
12	Isuzu FRR	KDQ 673H	2024	5,260,000.00	Lengo storage yard- Narok	0722645341
13	Isuzu NMR	KDN 136S	2023	3,485,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
14	Isuzu NQR	KDL 117W	2022	4,760,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
15	Isuzu TFS	KCE 929W	2015	1,495,000.00	Femfa storage yard- Kitale	0722759649
16	Isuzu FRR	KDN 150N	2023	5,000,000.00	Leakeys storage yard- Mombasa Rd	0708207055
17	Isuzu FRR	KDD 138F	2021	4,050,000.00	TNL athiriver	0727503736
18	Isuzu NQR	KDN 331C	2023	4,100,000.00	Capital diamond Yard- Thika	0758299849
19	Isuzu Dmax	KDN 019W	2023	2,830,000.00	Startruck Yard- Nyahururu	0721310340
20	Isuzu Dmax	KDM 379H	2023	2,760,000.00	Startruck Yard- Nyahururu	0721310340
21	Isuzu NQR	KDS 217M	2024	4,545,000.00	Startruck Yard- Nyeri	0721310340
22	Mahindra scorpio Double cab	KCY 247N	2019	1,160,000.00	Startruck Yard- Nyeri	0721310340
23	Mazda CX9	KDC 111J	2019	3,985,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
24	Mazda Demio	KCU 637P	2012	350,000.00	Mt. Kenya Storage- Meru	0722240541
25	Mazda Axela	KDQ 890W	2017	1,580,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
26	Mazda CX5	KDS 081Q	2017	2,920,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
27	Mercedes Benz E200	KDL 399Z	2018	5,345,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
28	Mercedes Benz GLE 350	KDR 332R	2017	7,360,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
29	Mercedes Benz E250	KDH 191A	2014	2,110,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
30	Mercedes Benz Actros	KDR 105A	2018	5,485,000.00	Matriz Moves, Mombasa	0786600696
31	Mitsubishi Fuso FI	KDK 368A	2021	4,010,000.00	Joyland storage yard- Eldoret	0728317077
32	Mitsubishi Fuso L200	KDL 048S	2021	4,970,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
33	Mitsubishi Fuso FI	KDC 322G	2020	3,780,000.00	Bungoma storage Yard	0720553774
34	Nissan Serena	KDS 942H	2017	1,650,000.00	Auction Palace Yard- Eastern Bypass	0721591754
35	Nissan Note	KDR 961C	2017	985,000.00	Pambo Storage Yard-Kisumu	0721544702
36	Sino Truck Howo	KDQ 892L	2024	5,265,000.00	Matriz Moves, Mombasa	0786600696
37	Subaru Forester	KDN 451N	2016	2,640,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
38	Toyota Prado	KDS 012C	2017	7,000,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
39	Toyota Landcruiser	KDL 286G	2014	7,440,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
40	Toyota Harrier	KDH 585N	2015	1,860,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
41	Toyota Fielder	KDK 728S	2015	1,060,000.00	Muwasa Motors Kisii	0726669945
42	Toyota Hilux	KDL 629J	2016	3,970,000.00	Startruck Yard- Ukunda	0721310340
43	Toyota Hilux	KDP 587P	2023	835,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
44	Toyota Fielder	KDP 736M	2016	1,465,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
45	Toyota Fielder	KDG 031J	2014	1,000,000.00	Matriz Moves, Mombasa	0786600696
46	Toyota Vitz	KDJ 422U	2015	845,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
47	Toyota Fielder	KDD 230Z	2014	1,140,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
48	Toyota Prado	KDH 439S	2014	4,265,000.00	Femfa storage yard- Kitale	0722759649
49	Toyota Harrier	KDM 602N	2017	2,620,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
50	Toyota Vitz	KDK 426A	2015	790,000.00	Leakeys storage yard- Mombasa Rd	0708207055
51	Toyota Hilux	KCJ 733N	2009	745,000.00	Startruck Yard- Kiambu rd	0721310340
52	Toyota Hilux	KDH 168M	2021	540,000.00	Capital diamond Yard- Thika	0758299849
53	Toyota Fielder	KDC 163P	2014	1,030,000.00	Razorsharp storage yard- Kericho	0722767676
54	Toyota Prado	KDK 227X	2015	5,770,000.00	Pambo Storage Yard-Kisumu	0721544702
55	Volvo V60	KDB 613J	2013	1,040,000.00	NCBA Car Centre - Bunyala Road	0711041646
56	Volvo S60	KDL 213D	2015	1,230,000.00	Valuers Yard, Thika Road	0721636213

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Celebrating Life

Death and Funeral Announcement



Margaret Yieko Esikote

Died on 15th May 2025.



Mother to Alice, Joab, Joyce, and the late Chrispo Esikote, Sister-in-law to Stephen, Raphael, Caleb, Ephel and Marita.

Wife to Ishmael Esikote the Proprietor High Class Auctioneers Nairobi.

Burial on 7th June 2025 at Ebubayi Sub-Location Vihiga County.

Death and Funeral Announcement



Mama Grace Wambui Kiarie

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the death of Mama Grace Wambui, Kiarie after a long battle with cancer, on 28th May 2025.

She was the daughter of the late Stanley Kiarie Muritu and the late Martha Thumbi Kiarie.

Loving mother to Alex Kiarie (Standard Group) and Dickson Muritu Wambui. Mother-in-law to Rev. Florence Wambui Gitau. She was a dotting grandmother to Clarence-Alex Muritu Kiarie and Grace Wambui Muritu.

Sister to Geoffrey Ngugi Kiarie, Mary Wamaitha Kiarie, Maryann Mwhaki Kiarie, Hiram Mungai Kiarie, Perminus Njoroge Kiarie, Francis Njenga Kiarie (Franco), Judy Ng'endo Kiarie, Stephen Gitau Kiarie and Harrison Karago Kiarie.

Funeral service is slated for Thursday, 6th June 2025, at the ACK St. Stephens Church, Gathiga, from 11AM. She will later be laid to rest at her family home in Gathiga Village, Lower Kabete, Kiambu County.

The cortege leaves Nairobi Adventist Hospital Mortuary, Nyari, along Limuru Road, at 9:45AM.

"He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."
 - Revelation 21:4.

Rest Well, Mama Grace Wambui Kiarie

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McCarthy: Kenyans should show respect to Wanyama

► The former Harambee Stars captain faced criticism after earning a recall to the team.

► He last played for Stars in 2020 before retiring from international football in 2021.

RODGERS ESHITEMI, NAIROBI

“Please have some respect for Victor Wanyama. He’s a local icon and somebody who has put Kenya’s name higher on the global map.”

Those were the words of Harambee Stars coach Benni McCarthy to ever-demanding Kenyan football fans after Wanyama’s recent inclusion in the 25-man squad for the upcoming international friendly matches against Chad in Morocco on June 7 and June 10 sparked heavy criticism from a section of fans.

The Dunfermline Athletic FC (Scotland) midfielder had last week accepted McCarthy’s request to come out of his four-year international retirement and help him in the rebuilding process ahead of the 2024 African Nations Championship (CHAN) and 2027 Africa Cup of Nations (Afcon) to be co-hosted by Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzania.

However, the former Harambee Stars captain, who previously featured for English Premier League sides Southampton and Tottenham Hotspur as well as Scottish giants Celtic, abruptly withdrew from the team due to ‘personal reasons’. The team held their first training session on Monday.

Wanyama last featured for the Stars during a 2022 Afcon qualifier against Comoros on November 15, 2020, before calling it a day on September 27, 2021, after falling out with the former regime.

But based on his experience, McCarthy feels the former Beerschot AC and CF Montréal star, who enrolled for a Uefa B Diploma course in Northern Ireland last month, still has a lot to offer to the team.

The Bafana Bafana legend is not surprised with the recent spate of criticism of Wanyama’s return, as he was once in the same situation.

“It’s unfortunate Victor Wanyama couldn’t make it due to family matters. So, it’s not a question of the player not wanting to come. He’s a local icon, and I know I have been through that. In South Africa, I never had the send-off that I wanted after everything I did for the country,” said McCarthy.

“So, Victor Wanyama is somebody that this country has to respect. When it comes to football, he’s one player that put Kenya’s name higher on the global map with his exploits at



Harambee Stars captain Victor Wanyama celebrates after beating Tanzania in their 2019 Afcon Group C match at 30 June Stadium in Cairo, Egypt. [File]

Celtic, Southampton, and Tottenham Hotspur, together with Michael Olunga and Mariga (McDonald). For me to call him back to the team, it’s a chance for younger players to learn from such a player who has achieved a lot at the top level.”

McCarthy also went ahead to defend the inclusion of Stellenbosch (South Africa) defender Brian Mandela and Central Coast Mariners (Australia) William Lenkupae, who have had little playing time at their respective clubs.

“I want to have a look at these players that I have selected and see what they can do in the national team as we prepare for Chan. I don’t



Wanyama is one player that put Kenya’s name higher on the global map with his exploits at Celtic, Southampton, and Tottenham Hotspur, together with Michael Olunga and Mariga (McDonald).”

Benni McCarthy, Harambee Stars coach

want to go there and participate and then lose every game. So, for me, I have to look at all angles and pick a team that I think is strong and has a little bit of experience but with players that, when you bring in the young players, they can learn from them,” said the former Manchester United assistant coach.

“I felt this camp is a good opportunity for players like Wilson (William), who I think was very important in our last two World Cup qualifying matches, to keep himself involved with the national team. Since his return from international duty, he’s not played a lot of football as he would have liked for his club. He’s a fantastic player, and I would want to keep him around for 2027 Afcon. It’s the same situation with Mandela at Stellenbosch. He didn’t play as many games as he would have liked. So, this will be a good opportunity for him to marshal the young players, and they can learn from his experience and him being around. We want to build a really good and strong squad for the upcoming games and 2027 Afcon.”

Asked about the exclusion of Rising Stars players who participated at the U20 Afcon in Egypt, McCarthy said: “The U20 team was away for three weeks for an international camp, playing hard in a major tournament, and as young as they are, they need a break. I would love to give young players an opportunity, but they also have to rest.”

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ATHLETICS

ADAK clears 125 athletes for World Champs trials in July

One hundred and twenty five athletes have successfully undergone the first phase of the anti-doping requirements by the World Athletics ahead of the Tokyo 2025 World Championships national trials set for Nyayo Stadium in Nairobi on July 11-12.

Twenty athletes missed the May 24 deadline for the opening phase of the three-round testing requirements by the global athletics body to enable them to take part in the forthcoming global showpiece slated for Japan in September.

“We were presented with a list of 145 athletes by Athletics Kenya to conduct the test ahead of the World Championships. So far, 20 have not undergone the first round testing despite all the efforts that we have marshalled to track them. We know nothing about their whereabouts, and they have not been present at the weekend AK meets.

“It seems some of them are not interested in the World Championships, and many of them are also based outside the country,” Anti-Doping Agency of Kenya (ADAK) Head of Education and Research, Martin Yauma, told Standard Sports.

Yauma confirmed that they are currently doing the second phase of the tests, with the last round scheduled to be conducted after the July national trials.

“Only clean athletes will head to Tokyo to represent Kenya at the Worlds,” ADAK acting Chief Executive Officer Peninah Wahome reiterated at a press conference in Nairobi yesterday.

ADAK Head of Legal, Bildad Rogoncho, hailed their fight against doping, saying the numbers have drastically gone down this season.

“So far, in this new calendar year, we have only 14 new cases, of which 10 are from the prohibited substances, while four have been on whereabouts failure,” Rogoncho highlighted.

Meanwhile, ADAK is smiling all the way to the bank following the reinstatement of their annual budget by the State. **[Ochieng Oyugi]**



Anti-Doping Agency of Kenya (ADAK) acting CEO Peninah Wahome during yesterday’s media briefing in Nairobi. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

USIU-A dislodge Butali Warriors from the Premier League summit

► Blazers firm their grip on the top spot to lead the race for the women's title.

► Strathmore and KCA university are stuck in the relegation zone.

ELIZABETH MBURUGU, NAIROBI

United States International University of America (USIU-A) dislodged former Kenya Hockey Union Men's Premier League champions Butali Warriors from the top of the table.

This is after USIU-A registered crucial wins against their KCA University and Strathmore University peers.

They are at the peak of the standings with 16 points, one more than Warriors, who are now second. The students who are chasing their maiden league title have had a good start and have so far won five, drawn one and lost one.

Danstone Wabwire remained steadfast in the race for the top scorer's award, netting the winner against Strathmore Gladiators. USIU-A edged the 2010 champions 1-0 to register their fifth win of the season.

USIU-A coach, John Kabuu, said that they just want to keep the momentum and secure points from every match they play.

"So far so good, but it's too early in the season, and we just want to remain focused, try our best to earn points from each encounter and fight to the end," Kabuu said.

Butali, who were not in action at the weekend, are the only side that remain unbeaten, even as they look to recapture the title they lost to Western Jaguars last season.

Butali and USIU-A will face off in a fortnight. Wazalendo Hockey Club are third with 12 points from seven matches. This is after they dropped four points at the weekend following their barren draw against former titleholders Kenya Police and a 2-2 stalemate against Nairobi Sikh Union.

Sikh Union, who are seeking to reclaim the title that has eluded them for over a decade, are fourth with 11 points, having won three matches, drawn two and lost two.

Struggling Police are fifth with nine points, while Parklands Sports Club are sixth with six. Defending champions Western Jaguars, who have only played three matches, are seventh with four points, one more than top-tier debutants Daikyo Heroes, who are eighth. Gladiators and KCA University are ninth and 10th, respectively.



Sikh Union's Mathias Gularire (left) and Brian Kiptum of Police in action during their Kenya Hockey Union Men's Premier League match at Dasmesh Stadium, Sikh Union, on Sunday. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

16

NUMBER of points champions Blazers have secured from six matches

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DATES for the KHU Masters Tournament in Mombasa

In the Women's Premier League title hunt, reigning champions Blazers firmed their grip on the top spot following a double victory at the weekend.

They have 16 points from six outings, having only dropped two points in a goalless draw against rookies Kisumu Queens. They beat Mombasa Sports Club (MSC) 4-0 and Sliders Hockey Club 2-1 to enhance their chances of retaining their trophy.

Kisumu Queens are second, tied on 14 points with Lakers Hockey Club. Both teams have played seven matches, won four, drawn two and lost one. Sliders, USIU-A Spartans and Strathmore Scorpions are fourth, fifth and sixth, respectively. They have garnered eight points each from seven outings. Kenyatta University Titans are seventh with seven points, while Amira Sailors are eighth with six. MSC and Twinkle are at the bottom with five points.

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GOLF

Njoroge storms to the top at Sunshine Tour in Thika

Windsor Golf Hotel & Country Club's Njoroge Kibugu returned a blemish-free scorecard, having shot a round of 8-under par, 64, to set an early marker on the opening day of the Thika Greens Golf Resort leg of the Sunshine Development Tour, East Africa Swing, yesterday.

Kibugu carded eight birdies at the first, fourth, sixth, ninth, eleventh, twelfth and eighteenth to give him a four-stroke lead ahead of the chasing pack, led by Karen Country Club's Edwin Mudanyi, whose late charge up the leaderboard saw him finish on a score of 4-under par, 68.

Speaking after his round, leader Njoroge Kibugu said: "It was a brilliant round, everything worked well today, especially my putting. This puts me in a great place heading into round two. I'll try to keep doing what I have done today and see where that takes me."

"I haven't played a tournament in two months and have been working on staying patient and didn't come here with many expectations. It was great to see all the work we've put in come into place. I will be happier if it continues working going into tomorrow."

Mudanyi sits one stroke ahead of Kenya's elite amateur Michael Karanga, who finished the round in third after carding 3-under par, 69.

He sits ahead of a five-way tie for fourth that features Tanzania's Abdallah Dullah, Uganda's Ronald Rugumayo, Kenya's Dismas Indiza, Daniel Nduva, and Simon Ngige, who finished the round at 2-under par, 70.

It was generally a low-scoring round, with 17 players out of the field of 76 returning scores of par or better.

Uganda's Ronald Rugumayo was happy with his round.

"Two-under par for the round, I am happy with it, and I'll take it. The leader has set the pace, I know what I have to work on so I can catch up," he said.

"Playing in such events is a dream come true for the East African region's professionals. Personally, I flew from South Africa to play here. As a region, we haven't been playing much golf previously, hence our performances at the big stages such as the Kenya Open. I want to urge all the region's pros to take advantage of this tour." [Standard Sports]

ICE HOCKEY

Kenya floors Team World to lift the 2025 Madaraka Day Cup



Kenya Ice Lions captain Benjamin Mburu with the trophy on Monday. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

Kenya Ice Lions thrashed Team World, composed of players from USA, Canada and Finland 9-5 to lift the fifth edition of Madaraka Day Cup staged at the Panari Hotel Ice Rink in Nairobi on Monday.

Captain Benjamin Mburu and Denis Lumumba netted a brace each as Kenya cruised past the unlucky visitors. Other scorers for Kenya in the intense battle included Abdulwahab Ngamate, Mike Otieno, Arnold Mburu and Trevor Mwangi.

Merk Senruk notched a hat trick for the visitors, with Erin Das and team skipper Jukka Korhonen adding a goal each for the losing

effort. Basking in the glory, Mburu hailed his winning team, stating that their unity and strength is what granted them the glittering cup for the first time in history.

"We are happy with this huge margin of victory. It is indeed a very big moment for Kenya, as this is our first ever Madaraka Day Cup, which we are thrilled to comfortably nestle in our cabinet," Mburu underlined.

"The secret to lifting this trophy lies on the intense preparations we had for weeks ahead of this crunch fixture. We practised man-marking, furnished our skating techniques, and improved

on our skills ahead of the tournament. We are happy they paid off," Mburu highlighted.

Asked what's next for the national team after the sweet revenge, Mburu stated: "The season ends in a month's time, but we are looking for more tournaments, more playing time and more international outings in the coming season, starting with the Africa Cup that is set for South Africa."

"Madaraka Day Cup was the second international tournament that Kenya was hosting this season, after the Friendship League in January." [Ochieng Oyugi]

BASKETBALL

Champions Thunder stay put on peak of the table

Reigning Kenya Basketball Federation (KBF) Men's Premier League champions Nairobi City Thunder maintained their unbeaten run to cement their place on top of the standings.

Thunder, who are fresh from making their debut at the prestigious Basketball Africa League (BAL), showed class thrashing Africa Nazarene University (ANU) Wolfpacks 102-74 to make it 16 wins out of 16 matches.

Kenya Morans star Derrick Ogechi was on fire scoring an impressive 32

points to anchor his side to victory. Ogechi was so good that he averaged a point per a minute for the 32 minutes and 39 seconds he was on the court.

Dismas Mbaka and James Mwangi scored 17 points apiece for Thunder

Selected results:

■ KPA	106-61	UoN Terror
■ ANU Wolfpacks	74-102	Thunder
■ Stanbic Aces	73-38	Storms
■ Blazers	46-65	MMU
■ MMU	30-80	Dream Girls

who are looking to extend their reign for a second year.

Kurtl Bovier and Fred Odendo led Wolfpacks with 16 and 15 points respectively. Thunder top the table with 32 points and will be hoping to bag maximum points from their remaining six regular season matches.

Former champions Ulinzi Warriors, who garnered three points from a 68-70 loss to Thunder and 81-65 win against Eldonets, are second with 28 points from 17 matches.

Warriors have won 11 and lost six.

Kenya Ports Authority (KPA), who earned maximum points from their three outings, now have 27 points.

The dockers have amassed their points from 15 matches having won 12 and three. They beat United States International University of Africa (USIU-A) Tigers, Equity Bank Dumas and University of Nairobi (UoN) Terror at Makande Hall, Mombasa.

Umoja Basketball Club lost their only weekend encounter to National Bank of Kenya (NBK) Phoenix.

[Elizabeth Mburugu]



Feliciano Perez (left) of Nairobi City Thunder with Peter Odhiambo of NBK. [Stafford Ondego]

GOLF

Beiju wins 4th Faldo championship at VetLab course

On Monday, Krish Beiju triumphed at the VetLab Sports Club, his home course, winning the 4th edition of the NCBA Faldo Junior Tour Kenya Championship after an intense three-day tournament.

Homeboy Shah also leveraged on his familiarity with the course, returning rounds of level-par on day one, and three-over-par on day two before winding up with an amazing finish at 2-under-par-72 for a final gross score of 217 to prevail.

"I'm truly honoured to stand here as the champion. It has been an exciting three days on the course, to my family, thank you for the support to be able to participate in this event, and to the Faldo Foundation, thanks you for giving us an opportunity to compete on the international stage," said Bieju.

Sigona Golf Club's, Junaid Manji led in the boys' 21 and under category after a final round score of 1-under- with a total of 11-over-par to star.

Golf Park Golf Club's, Kevin Anyien settled for second place with 223 gross-17-over-par.

Dazzling in the girls 21 and under category was Hazel Kuria from Muthaiga Golf Club, who fired a gross score of 28-over-par (244), with Antonia Mbutia settling for second place at 256 Gross (40-over).

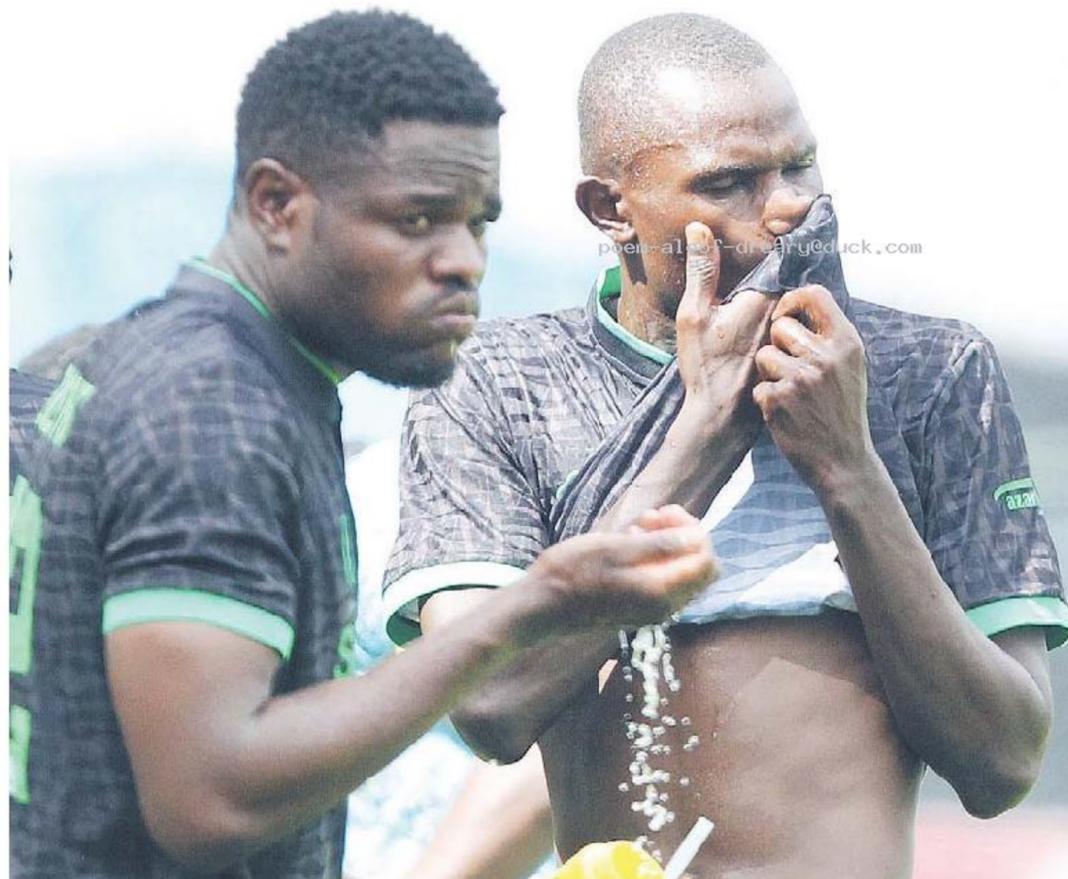
Swanky Yuvraj Rajput triumphed in boys' under 16 with 11-over-(227) gross off a stiff challenge from Mahir Patel of Muthaiga Golf Club.

Krish, Yuvraj, Hazel and Kanana secured slots to take part in the Faldo Junior Tour European Final to be staged in the United Arab Emirates UAE. [Mose Sammy]



Krish Beiju in action at VetLab Sports Club. [Mose Sammy, Standard]

Gor seek to quench thirst with CAF Confederations Cup ticket



Gor Mahia's Benson Omalla (left) and Samuel Onyango during their FKF Premier League match against Sofapaka at Dandora Stadium, on April, 19. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

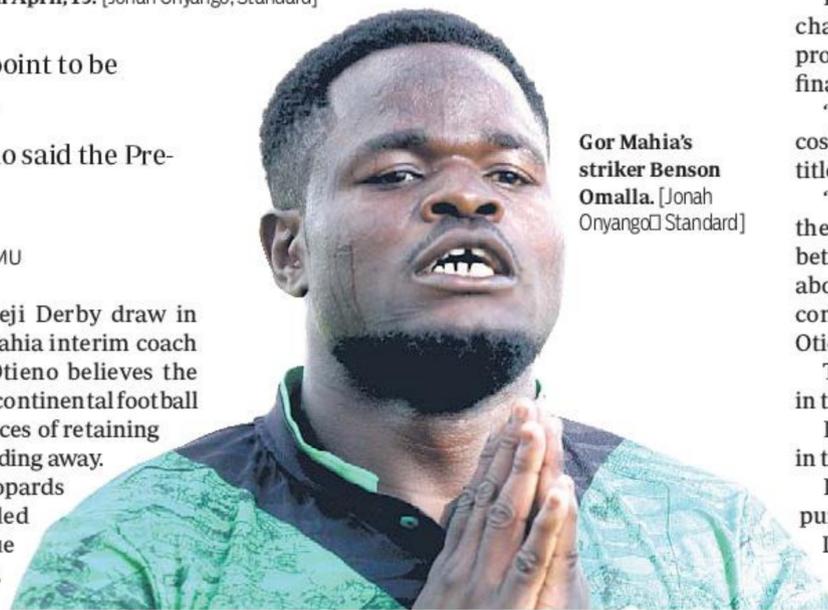
► Shabana need just one point to be crowned new champions.

► Interim Gor coach Otieno said the Premier League is gone.

WASHINGTON ONYANGO, KISUMU

After the Mashemeji Derby draw in Homa Bay, Gor Mahia interim coach Zedekiah 'Zico' Otieno believes the club can still play continental football despite their chances of retaining the FKF Premier League title fading away.

Gor drew 1-1 against AFC Leopards on Monday, a result that handed the 2024-2025 Premier League title to leaders Kenya Police, who now need just one point



Gor Mahia's striker Benson Omalla. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

FKF PREMIER LEAGUE REMAINING MATCHES:

- Gor Mahia:
 - Shabana and Gor Mahia
- Kenya Police:
 - Ulinzi Stars and Kenya Police
 - Caf Champions League ticket- FKF PL champion
 - Caf Confederation Cup ticket-FKF Cup champions

to be crowned the new champions.

Police lead with 61 points, six ahead of K'Ogalo who need a miracle to win a record extending 22nd Premier League title.

Austin Odhiambo scored in the 30th minute to hand Gor a much deserved 1-0 half time lead after dominating in the first 45 minutes, but Ingwe rescued a point following Brian Wanyama's 49th minute equaliser at Raila Odinga Stadium.

Played in Homa Bay for the first time, Gor needed to win the 97th Mashemeji Derby by all means to stand a chance of challenging Police for the title.

The law enforcers will be crowned champions on June 14 if they secure a point against Shabana. If they lose to the Glamour Boys and Gor Mahia fail to win against Ulinzi Stars, Police will still be crowned champions.

Speaking after their stalemate in Homa Bay, Gor coach Otieno said the title is out of reach and his players must now go for the FKF Cup.

K'Ogalo will face National Super League champions Nairobi United who have been promoted to the Premier League in the FKF Cup final.

"It's sad. Lack of concentration at the defense cost us and it will be difficult to talk about the title," he said.

"I don't think there is any other chance to win the league. As you can see, the gap is widening between us and Police, and now we cannot talk about the league anymore. Let's go back and concentrate on the FKF Cup," said a frustrated Otieno.

The winner of the FKF Cup will represent Kenya in the CAF Confederations Cup.

If Police are crowned champions, they will play in the CAF Champions League.

Last season, Gor won the Premier League and punched their ticket to play in the Champions League while Police who won the FKF Cup played in the Confederations Cup.

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Five names to watch in Premier League transfer window

- ▶ Liverpool have shown no sign of resting on their laurels as English champions.
- ▶ Losing their inspirational captain would appear to be the worst possible news for Man United.

AFP, LONDON

Premier League clubs are already busy strengthening their squads for the 2025/26 season with an early transfer frenzy sparked by the upcoming Club World Cup.

AFP Sports looks at five names to watch as the transfer window kicks into gear.

Florian Wirtz (Bayer Leverkusen)

Liverpool have shown no sign of resting on their laurels as English champions.

After a quiet first year for Arne Slot in the transfer market, the Reds have moved quickly to back the Dutchman heavily this summer.

The darling of German football, Wirtz looks set to smash the Premier League transfer record should he get his wish of a dream move to Anfield.

Liverpool have reportedly had a bid worth up to £109 million (\$147 million) rebuffed as Leverkusen hold out for a £125 million fee.

That would break the record set by Chelsea's £115 million capture of Moises Caicedo from under Liverpool's noses two years ago.

Bruno Fernandes (Man Utd)

Fresh from the club's worst season since they were relegated 51 years ago, losing their inspirational captain would appear to be the worst possible news for United.

However, selling Fernandes to Saudi side Al Hilal could provide much-needed funds for Ruben Amorim to rebuild a squad in his image at Old Trafford.

The Red Devils could land £100 million for the 30-year-old, who would become one of the world's highest paid players should he move to the Gulf.

"If the club thinks it's time to part ways because they want to do some cashing in or whatever, it is what it is and football sometimes is like this," said Fernandes after United lost the Europa League final to Tottenham last month.

Bryan Mbeumo (Brentford)

Mbeumo is one of United's key targets to end their woes in front of goal.

The French-born Cameroon international enjoyed a stellar season with Brentford, scoring 20 times.

Mbeumo revelled in becoming the Bees' star man since the departure of Ivan Toney and his partnership with Yoane Wissa carried Thomas Frank's men to an impressive top half finish.

Despite interest from Arsenal, Newcastle and Tottenham, Mbeumo's preferred destination is reportedly Old Trafford if United can reach an agreement with Brentford.

United have already added Matheus Cunha to bolster a misfiring forward line.

Viktor Gyokeres (Sporting Lisbon)

A remarkable 54-goal season for Sporting has made the Swede a target for a series of clubs seeking more firepower.

Arsenal have been strongly linked with bringing Gyokeres back to England as Mikel Arteta seeks a clinical finisher to end the Gunners' five-year trophy drought.

The 26-year-old has a 100 million euro (£84 million) buyout clause in his Sporting contract, but it is expected the Portuguese champions would settle for around 70 million euros.

Despite six goals in eight Champions League games, there are doubts over Gyokeres' ability to transfer his prolific form in Portugal to the Premier League.

He joined Sporting just two years ago from English second tier side Coventry after failing to make the grade at Brighton.

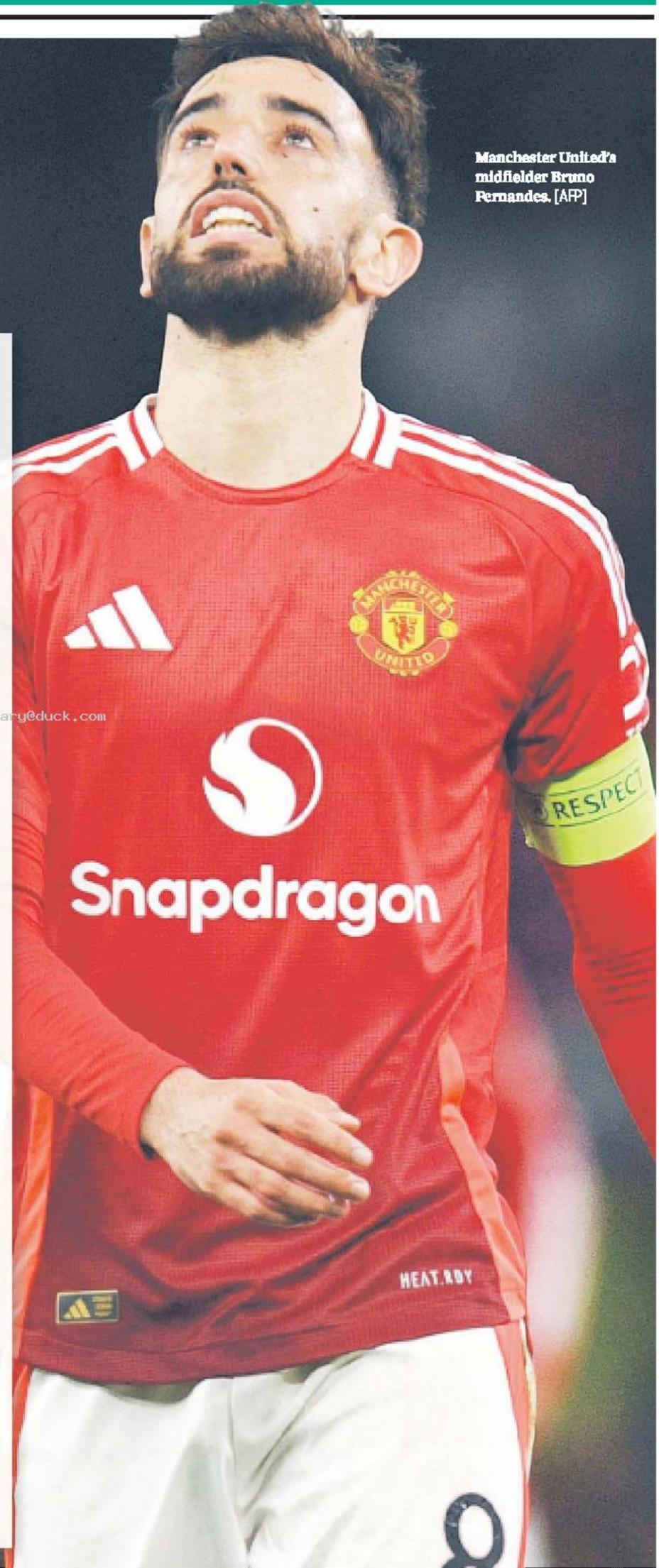
Eberechi Eze (Crystal Palace)

Eze will forever be a Palace legend after scoring the winning goal in the FA Cup final victory over Manchester City to deliver the Eagles' first ever major trophy.

The England international's eye for goal and a defence-splitting pass has seen him targeted by a plethora of the Premier League's best.

City eye the 26-year-old as a potential replacement for Kevin De Bruyne, while Arsenal and Tottenham are also interested and could easily trigger his £68 million release clause.

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Manchester United's midfielder Bruno Fernandes. [AFP]



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TECH

ORACLE'S PACT WITH MESSAGING PLATFORM EASES GLOBAL COMMUNICATIONS



Cloud communications platform Infobip has enhanced its partnership with Oracle to boost conversational experiences for businesses and brands globally.

The new integration enables Infobip and Oracle customers and partners to access Infobip's omnichannel services through Oracle Integration.

This comes at a time when customers are increasingly expecting to use omnichannel communications such as WhatsApp but face hardships in integrating and managing new channels.

Infobip's new omnichannel messaging adapter for Oracle Integration enables businesses to work with and manage omnichannel messaging channels involving Oracle and third-party solutions, including WhatsApp and RCS (Rich Communication Services) - a messaging protocol that enhances standard SMS (Short Message Service) and MMS (Multimedia Messaging Service) by adding features like read receipts, group chats, typing indicators.

"Our new collaboration with Infobip will help enterprises simplify connectivity and provide integration between the Infobip messaging platform and any applications using our unified integration platform as a service, Oracle Integration," said Deepak Arora, Vice President, Product Management, Oracle.

The solution deploys quickly, reducing time to market. In addition, Infobip has provided a pre-built use case or accelerator for Oracle's contact centre solution, Oracle B2C Service.

The accelerator allows consumers to connect with a company's support team via SMS and WhatsApp, delivering a streamlined two-way communication experience.

Both the omnichannel messaging adapter and accelerator offer low or no-code solutions, benefiting Oracle's customers and partners. Oracle integration provides secure, highly scalable connectivity regardless of the applications an organisation is connecting with or where the applications reside.

"This partnership builds on our vision of fueling AI innovation for more businesses by integrating any apps, data, and services anywhere. The omnichannel messaging adapter for Oracle integration enables Infobip and Oracle customers to tailor our omnichannel solutions to their specific needs using the same platform with just a few clicks," said Chief Infobip Alliances Officer Veselin Vukovi.

[Nanjinia Wamuswa]

FUNDING

STATE AGENCY NOW WANTS DEVELOPMENT FINANCING ALIGNED TO AFRICAN TRADE PACT

The Kenya Development Corporation (KDC) has called for alignment of development financing with the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA).

KDC board Chairman Dr Sakwa Bunyasi, speaking during a recent benchmarking session with a delegation from Zambia, noted the importance of economic integration not only for AfCFTA but also for Agenda 2063 - Africa's strategic framework for achieving inclusive and sustainable development by 2063.

He said these ambitions are achievable with resilient institutions capable of delivering transformative change.

Dr Bunyasi said the benchmarking engagement reaffirms the continent's Pan-African commitment to building a shared future grounded in economic sovereignty, self-reliance, and inclusive prosperity.

"Kenya, through KDC, is charting a new frontier in development finance, one that is responsive, accountable, and strategically aligned with national and continental priorities," he said.

"As Africa advances towards the promises of Agenda 2063 and the economic integration envisioned under AfCFTA, strong, transparent institutions must be our foundation," added Dr Bunyasi. The Zambian was drawn from the country's Committee on Parastatal Bodies of the National Assembly. They were in the country to benchmark the best practices on development finance, an area KDC specialises in, and how to provide oversight.

Zambia also has its own, the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC), wholly owned by the government.

KDC, on the other hand, is a state-owned private firm domiciled under the National Treasury.

Leading the Zambian delegation, Dr Chitalu Chilufya, chairperson of the Committee on Parastatal Bodies, affirmed the value of the exchange as Zambia strengthens its own development institutions, particularly the In-



Kenya Development Corporation Director General Norah Ratemo. [David Gichuru]

dustrial Development Corporation (IDC). "Our visit to KDC has provided a compelling view of how parastatal reforms can serve as engines of economic transformation. Kenya's approach to integrating capital deployment with strategic policy frameworks resonates strongly with our national priorities," he said.

Dr Chilufya added that the experience will be instrumental as the country enhances governance, impact assessment, and strategic oversight across Zambia's state-owned enterprises. "We are aligned in our vision for a self-reliant, industrial Africa powered by efficient, transparent institutions," he said.

KDC Director General Norah Ratemo said the institution was created not only to fill financing gaps but to unlock entire value chains that drive sustainable development. She said KDC's business model is anchored in national priorities under the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) and harmonised with regional integration goals under AfCFTA.

"We provide more than capital; we de-risk investments, offer strategic advisory services, and align every intervention with a long-term development blueprint that transforms communities, industries, and nations," she said. [Graham Kajilwa]

QUOTE

"Digitising Saccos cleans up balance sheets, provides a solid foundation, and doubles savings in some cases, enabling access to affordable financial products."

Espen Kvelland, Wakandi Group CEO



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LUGGAGE CHARGES: WILL AIR PASSENGERS GO DUNDORI WAY?

Most airlines have started charging for check-in bags. The latest is the US-based Southwest Airlines, a budget carrier used as a case study in strategy and operations. Is Kenya Airways also charging for the baggage? Previously, baggage was free, and only limited by weight or number of bags. Free luggage was the hallmark of air travel and its luxuries.

Why the change now? Why did airlines take so long to do what other players in the transport sector, like road transport, have been doing all through?

Economic hard times and low profit margins force us to be creative. Why not improve the bottom line through new charges? Governments do the same with new taxes and levies.

The charges are well-targeted, very hard to escape. Who can cancel a trip due to luggage charges?

There is a whole industry based on transporting goods. Think of the courier services, the lorries and logistics firms. Think of all the pickups, tuk tuks, lorries and cargo planes. Only that luggage is more personal.

It makes economic sense to charge passengers for the baggage - one that they can afford. It's a small percentage of the ticket.

Carbon footprints

It also introduces fairness; the more you carry, the more you pay. I have often asked airlines why they can't pay me for carrying no check-in bags!

Passengers may now be more conscious of their weight. Good for the planet due to lower carbon footprints.

Airlines could start giving people free baggage as an attraction, or factor it into the ticket price. "Did we stop going to the supermarket simply because we have to buy packaging?"

We could also get annoyed with the baggage charge and go Dundori way. There is a widely held myth that natives of Dundori near Nakuru keep carrying their luggage inside the bus to avoid paying for it! Shall we do the same in the planes?

First class, business class or frequent flyers might not pay for the baggage. The higher the ticket, the more than compensates for that.

What's next for airlines? Weigh us? Clearly, bad economic times mean cost-cutting or introducing new charges. Not just in airlines, but other sectors.

We can worry about the consequences later. What else was free, but we now pay for it? Talk to us. [XN Iraki]



Kenya Revenue Authority staff handling luggage at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. [Boniface Okendo]

TRADE

While some still make round trips, most trade now moves through shipping services.

By Istanbul
Turkey

Porters roam the narrow streets of Laleli in central Istanbul carrying parcels ready for shipment to customers all over the world.

The maze of alleys that lead down to the Sea of Marmara have long been the centre of the “suitcase trade” to sub-Saharan Africa, a route through which merchants carry goods back and forth in their baggage.

But Laleli’s informal shipping scene, once a bustling hub of cross-continental trade, is now facing growing pressure from rising costs and tougher residency rules imposed by Turkish authorities.

African traders, who helped drive demand for Turkish goods through the “kargo” system – small-scale shipping services between Turkish wholesalers and buyers across Africa – say business has slumped, even as official export figures continue to rise.

Facing pressure

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For agents like Fadil Bayero – a Cameroonian who runs a kargo business that ships clothing, cosmetics and home textiles from Turkey to clients across Africa – business is slow.

Turkish products have a very good reputation in Africa, he said. “Before this room was filled to the ceiling. Today it is half-empty,” the 39-year-old said.

Like many Africans in the neighbourhood, he claimed that shipments have dropped, even as Turkish exports to Africa have generally soared – from \$11.5 bil-



Istanbul’s ‘suitcase trade’ stalls as African traders face crackdown

Kenyan Ports Authority yard. Turkish textiles (inset) once known for their affordability, have grown more expensive in recent years. **[File]**



35%

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lion (10.1 billion euros or Sh1.5 trillion) in 2017 to \$19.4 billion (Sh2.52 trillion) last year.

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But for Bayero, the explanation lies elsewhere. “It’s not inflation that’s the problem, it’s the arrests. Many people have been deported,” he said.

Since 2022, Turkey’s migration policy has toughened, with the authorities blocking new residence permit applications in several districts of Istanbul, including Fatih, where Laleli is located.

The goal is to limit the proportion of foreigners to 20 per cent per neighbourhood. “The stores, the streets, everything is empty now,” said Franck, one of Bayero’s colleagues.

“Look out the window – the sellers sit all day drinking tea while waiting for customers.”

A few streets away, Shamsu Abdulahi examined his spreadsheets. In his dimly lit room, dozens of bundles are stacked on the white tiled floor, awaiting shipment.

Since January, he and his two colleagues have shipped over 20 tons of goods by air freight and filled the equivalent of 15 maritime containers.

The Nigerian has also made around 15 round trips to his homeland, bringing 80 kilos (176 pounds) of goods with him on each journey. “My residence permit expires in two months, and I think the authorities won’t renew it,” he said.

He and his associates generate over a million euros a year in revenue. “It’s money spent in Turkey that fuels the local economy,” he said.

‘Golden age’

Historian Issouf Binata, a lecturer at Alassane Ouattara University in the Ivory Coast, said much of the trade is informal, making it hard to track.

“It’s difficult to provide figures on the volume of Turkey’s exports to Afri-

ca because many businesses are informal,” he said.

“Kargos” are “transitional businesses”, with improvised activity shared between friends or family members.

Many in Laleli now believe that the golden age of the “kargo” and suitcase trading is over. “In one year, we went from about three tonnes of shipments per week to 1.5,” said a young Congolese who has lived in Istanbul for five years and asked not to be named.

“Even if we still manage to find low-cost products, we cannot compete with China,” he added.

Arslan Arslan, a Turkish merchant who sells African dresses a few metres (yards) away, painted the same picture. “Before, I had customers from morning to evening... but the authorities sent them back.”

Now Arslan searches for his African customers on social media. “I’m on Telegram, Instagram and Facebook. But here, everything has become expensive,” he said.

“I’ve lost 70 per cent of my revenue in a year.”

REGULATION

TikTok Shop food listings ‘putting people at risk’, says new BBC study

TikTok users are selling food without listing allergen information, the BBC has found.

Listings on TikTok Shop show people selling snacks and sweets without highlighting that they contain one of the 14 main allergens that UK businesses are legally required to declare.

When the BBC brought these listings to TikTok’s attention, it deleted them and said: “TikTok Shop is committed to providing a safe and trustworthy shopping experience.”

Simon Williams, chief executive of Anaphylaxis UK, warned allergy sufferers: “If the ingredient and allergen information isn’t there, don’t buy it. You’re putting your life in grave

danger.” A TikTok spokesperson said: “We have policies and processes in place with our sellers to ensure the safety of food and beverages sold on our platform, and we will remove products that breach these policies.”

Allergy information

However, it is currently possible to sell food on TikTok Shop without providing any ingredient or allergy information.

The BBC found one seller, Mega Buy UK, selling a sweet treat related to the popular Netflix show Squid Game and listed the ingredients and allergens as “not applicable”.

An advert for sweets seen on TikTok Shop that did not list any allergens or ingredients.

Another UK-based seller called The Nashville Burger listed a burger-making kit that contained milk – one of the 14 allergens food businesses in the UK are required to declare on labels.

It also contained wheat – which should be listed as an allergen under cereals containing gluten. However, on TikTok Shop, the allergen information was given as “spices” and the ingredient description simply said “flour”. The BBC also found a seller called UK Snack Supply advertising lollipops and crisps with no

ingredient or allergen information.

TikTok has deleted the adverts the BBC highlighted, but all three companies are still on TikTok Shop selling other products without providing full allergen information.

The BBC has approached all of these sellers for comment but could not independently verify that the sellers were all listed in the UK. However, allergy charities say, regardless of where the firms are based, more should be done to keep consumers safe. The allergens for this product were just listed as ‘spices’ on TikTok Shop, while the burger kit firm’s website says the kit contains milk and wheat. **[BBC]**

How Mitumba, local textile firms can



Workers label pairs of finished jeans inside the United Aryan textile factory at the Export Processing Zone (EPZ) in Nairobi on February 4, 2025.



The two serve different demographics of the market, and closing one would result in revenue loss for the government.

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Establishment of standards for imported second-hand clothes and those manufactured locally is one of the ways players in the Mitumba sector believe will allow these two industries to co-exist.

Amidst claims that the growth of imported second-hand clothes known as 'mitumba' is choking out the domestic textile industry, a latest report on the sector details how these two sectors can operate simultaneously.

The study, sanctioned by the Mitumba Consortium Association of Kenya and authored by the Institute of Economic Affairs (IEA), prefers incentives for the domestic textile sector.

Further, the study, titled 'A Future Look at the Apparel and Footwear Industry in Kenya', published last month, seeks enforcement of sustainability measures for both sectors, even as it notes that the mitumba industry already adheres to this provision.

IEA points out in the study that much policy discourse on the trade of used clothes in the country has been built on

the premise that the importation of these garments restricts the growth of local textile manufacturing.

"This claim is disproved by research and evidence demonstrating that promoting a harmonious coexistence between the industries is beneficial both for Kenya's economy and the wider East African region," the study says.

It adds that regulation, which plays a key role in advancing or slowing the growth of the mitumba sector, should be designed in a way to facilitate an interdependent relationship between the two industries.

The reason is that they serve different demographics of the market.

"The most progressive regulatory instruments should be designed to facilitate an interdependent relationship that not only safeguards the interests of both sectors but also creates fair competition, expands consumer choice, and strengthens the growth and sustainability of the textile industry as a whole," the study says.

This should then create fair competition, expand consumer choice and strengthen the growth and sustainability of the textile industry.

"Our study proposes regulatory approaches for the effective coexistence of the mitumba industry and the textile

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Banning the import of second-hand clothes can negatively impact the livelihoods of those involved in the trading and selling of these items, including small-scale entrepreneurs and low-income individuals who rely on the affordability of second-hand clothing.”

Study

manufacturing sector," notes the study.

The study says and further lists harmonisation of regulations, quality control, market access, and environmental sustainability as the areas where the seesaw needs to balance to ensure sustainable growth in both sectors.

The study notes that implementing a harmonised set of import regulations could balance the inflow of used clothing and raw materials for the country's textile industry.

"Establishing quality standards for both used clothing and locally manufactured textiles will safeguard consumer interests and support the growth of a competitive and reputable domestic textile industry," the study says.

Lower incomes

The study adds that the clothing and footwear supplied by the mitumba industry are supplements rather than substitutes for apparel manufactured in Kenya. It argues that the two sectors complement each other in important ways.

"Many Kenyan households purchase both new and used clothing. Customers with lower incomes are sensitive to prices," the study states. "New clothing and footwear are purchased across the income spectrum, as indicated by the wide range in prices. Used clothes are sensitive to pricing."

And as incomes increase, Kenyans tend to buy fewer used clothes, the study says, especially when there are more expensive alternatives. "The widespread use of second-hand clothing reflects lower income levels in Kenya," the study adds.

IEA says new and used clothes not only

follow separate value chains and demand patterns but also vary significantly in price sensitivity. It adds that intellectual property and product design are unique to specific firms or individuals, indicating that they have distinct markets.

"Consequently, it is essential to regulate these two markets separately," the think tank says in the study.

The discourse on whether to ban the importation of second-hand clothes and footwear is one that Kenya, being a member of the East African Community (EAC), has been evading, even as other markets boldly institute it, albeit with consequences from the global community where these apparels originate.

Rwanda implemented a ban on mitumba in 2019 which led to threats of trade sanctions from the United States in relation to the African Growth Opportunity Act (Agoa) that gives products from select nations on the continent duty-free access to the US market.

This ban had been jointly agreed by East African Community (EAC) Heads of State in 2016 and was to be implemented in phases between 2017 and 2019.

However, due to different conflicting interests, some of them associated with politics like in Kenya, this is yet to be implemented. The discourse however is still alive.

For Kenya, while politics play a major role in effecting the ban, considering the two million livelihoods at risk, the country's trade relations with the US are also critical, with data showing the Donald Trump-led nation is Kenya's top destination (outside of Uganda) for exports.

A majority of these exports are textile

co-exist side by side



Kenyans buying second-hand clothes. [File]

2 MILLION
LIVELIHOODS at risk if Kenya bans mitumba trade

and apparel responsible for thousands of jobs in the Export Processing Zones (EPZs).

IEA says some policy makers strongly support the restraint of trade and imports of used clothing and shoes within the Eastern Africa region.

"Indeed, some countries within the region have activated total bans on the import of used clothing and footwear while others have tried to place it on the agenda of the EAC," the study says.

The study argues that an import substitution strategy with an outright ban would be viewed as an extreme policy that would constrain supply and limit the overall size of the apparel and footwear markets in Kenya.

Severe restrictions

It goes ahead and postulates what the sector would look like if such were instituted

"In this scenario, the government of Kenya's policy posture would result in lost revenues because the volumes of imports would be reduced towards zero in order to comply with the severe restrictions and bans," the study says. "The result would be that the policy would not accommodate the possibility of coexistence."

Additionally, the two million jobs the sector provides would shrink.

"Given that the clothes market is a dual market, and incomes determine substitution of goods or the other, it is clear that the used clothes and new clothes cannot replace each other," the study says.

But it argues that if there were severe restrictions or a complete ban, the used clothes might not necessarily disappear for two reasons. First, a secondary market for used clothes will appear within the economy where used clothes bought as new will be sold in the market.

Second, there will be new incentives to smuggle, given how lucrative the sector is. "Here, the government will lose revenue, jobs will be lost, and secondary industries like 'rag factoring' that depend on used clothes will die," the study says.

The study says offering incentives and support to Kenya's textile manufacturers could enhance the local industry's competitiveness.

"This may include tax incentives or preferential procurement policies to spur the growth of the textile industry. Additionally, providing access to technology and skills development programs could enhance the capabilities of local manufacturers, allowing them to produce higher quality products and compete more effectively," it says.

Additionally, enforcing eco-friendly practices in both sectors is crucial, the study says. It explains that Kenya's used clothing industry has demonstrated commendable progress in embracing eco-friendly practices by recycling and reusing clothing items.

"This shift is evident in the growing popularity of vintage and upcycled fashion, encouraging consumers to make environmentally conscious choices.

The textiles industry should adopt similar standards," it says. The study says textile firms should adopt efficient production processes and the use of environmentally friendly materials as well. The study opines that banning the import of used clothes may be easy to impose, but its effectiveness in ensuring a strong and export focused sector is not evident.

"Banning the import of second-hand clothes can negatively impact the livelihoods of those involved in the trading and selling of these items, including small-scale entrepreneurs and low-income individuals who rely on the affordability of second-hand clothing," the study says.

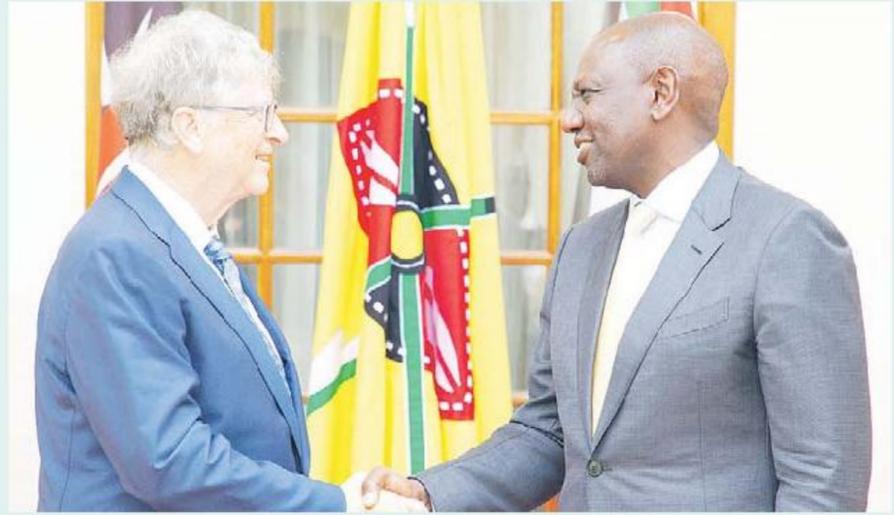
A ban can also limit consumer choices and hinder market competition, potentially leading to higher prices and reduced quality of clothing options for consumers. Additionally, infrastructure such as open markets will be severely affected.

"Used clothes that are in good condition help reduce carbon footprint, promote sustainable consumption, and support the principles of a circular economy," the study says. It cites other examples of items being reused, including listing phones, computers, books, and furniture.

"It is evident that Kenya's industrial policy should seek the expansion of domestic manufacturing through other policy approaches without making a ban on used apparel a precondition," the study recommends.

INVESTMENT

Bill Gates to give most of his Sh26 trillion fortune to Africa



President William Ruto with American business tycoon Bill Gates at State House, Nairobi, in November 2022. [File, Standard]

Bill Gates, who founded tech giant Microsoft, is the fifth-richest person in the world

Microsoft founder Bill Gates says that most of his fortune will be spent on improving health and education services in Africa over the next 20 years.

The 69-year-old said that "by unleashing human potential through health and education, every country in Africa should be on a path to prosperity".

Speaking in Ethiopia's capital Addis Ababa, he also urged Africa's young innovators to think about how to build Artificial Intelligence (AI) to improve healthcare on the continent.

Gates announced last month that he would give away 99 per cent of his vast fortune - which he expects to reach \$200 billion (Sh26 trillion) by 2045, by when his foundation planned to end its operations.

"I recently made a commitment that my wealth will be given away over the next 20 years. The majority of that funding will be spent on helping you address challenges here in Africa," he said in an address at the African Union (AU) headquarters.

Future of healthcare

Mozambique's former First Lady Graça Machel welcomed his announcement, saying it came in a "moment of crisis".

"We are counting on Mr Gates' steadfast commitment to continue walking this path of transformation alongside us," she said.

The US government has cut aid to Africa, including programmes to treat patients with HIV/Aids, as part of US President Donald Trump's "America First" policy, raising concerns about the future of healthcare on the continent.

Gates said his foundation, which has a long history of operating in Africa, would focus on improving primary healthcare.

"What we've learned is that helping the mother be healthy and have great nutrition before she gets pregnant, while she is pregnant, delivers the strongest results," he said.

"Ensuring the child receives good nutrition in their first four years as well makes all the difference."

In a message to young innovators, the tech billionaire noted that mobile phones had revolutionised banking in Africa, and argued that AI should now be used for the continent's benefit.

"Africa largely skipped traditional banking and now you have a chance, as you build your next generation healthcare systems, to think about how AI is built into that," he said.

Gates pointed to Rwanda as an example, saying it was already improving services using AI-enabled ultrasounds to identify high-risk pregnancies.

The Gates Foundation said it had three priorities: ending preventable deaths of mothers and babies, ensuring the next generation grows up without having to suffer from deadly infectious diseases, and lifting millions of people out of poverty.

"At the end of 20 years, the foundation will sunset its operations," it said in a statement.

Last month, Gates said he would accelerate his giving via his foundation. "People will say a lot of things about me when I die, but I am determined that 'he died rich' will not be one of them," he wrote in a blog post.

Giving away 99 per cent of his fortune could still leave the fifth-richest person in the world a billionaire, according to Bloomberg.

Along with Paul Allen, Gates founded Microsoft in 1975, and the company soon became a dominant force in software and other tech industries.

Gates has gradually stepped back from the company in recent decades, resigning as its chief executive in 2000 and as chairman in 2014.

He said he had been inspired to give away money by investor Warren Buffett and other philanthropists.

However, critics of his foundation say Gates uses its charitable status to avoid tax and that it has undue influence over the global health system.

[BBC]

GENDER-PARITY

Report: Women still far from achieving parity in C-suite offices

Their representation at the workplace in Kenya starts strong in both public and private sectors, but drops as they climb the ladder.

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When she joined Equity Building Society in September 2004, some of Mary Wamae's friends thought she was out of her mind.

Wamae was running her own law firm, handling litigation, conveyance and contract law. She also took on pro bono cases to build her profile. As she grew professionally, so did her practice, moving office from a cramped Luthuli Avenue in downtown Nairobi to the Old Mutual building on Kimathi Street.

But a visit to her office by Mr James Mwangi, the then finance director of Equity Building Society, would forever change her life.

"James explained that Equity Building Society had attracted a strategic investor, Africap Microfinance Fund, to support the company's growth strategy," she details in her autobiography, *The Village Girl; My dream, Life and Legacy*.

The investor was willing to pump in \$1.6 million (Sh120 million at the time) into the venture, and was looking for a lawyer to draw up the contract.

Commercial bank

Wamae, whose firm was on the panel of lawyers for Equity, successfully closed the deal, marking a significant milestone in her career and the beginning of Equity's transition to a full-fledged commercial bank. For the next two decades, her life would be intertwined with that of the bank as it grew its presence in seven countries.

The apprehension of those who doubted Wamae's move was perhaps driven by her leaving a law firm, painstakingly built over 10 years, for a virtually unknown institution which wasn't even a "bank" at the time.

But the move paid off. Wamae rose to the position of Group Executive Director at Equity Group Holdings. She held the position from 2017 until her retirement in 2024, representing a handful of women who rise to such positions, according to a new report by the global consultancy firm McKinsey.

The firm analysed data from 324 organisations employing 1.4 million people in Kenya, Nigeria and India. It found

that "women are still far from achieving parity in representation and face systemic challenges that prevent them from reaching leadership positions".

The study, *Women in the Workplace 2025*, shows women's representation at the workplace in Kenya starts strong in both public and private sectors but drops significantly as they climb the ladder; earlier in the private than in the public sector.

Men account for 59 per cent of those getting into the workforce at entry level, while women are at 41 per cent. The number of women declines to 27 per cent at the C-Suite level.

In the public sector, women's representation at the entry level is at 46 per cent compared to 41 per cent in the private sector. "In the private sector, women encounter a 'double-dip' challenge: first a broken rung hindering their progression into management, and then a second barrier to advancement into senior leadership roles," says the report.

These dips, according to the study, "diminish women's representation in the talent pipeline, leaving the proportion of those reaching C-suite positions at only 28 per cent."

In the public sector, women's representation is stable at the entry and managerial levels but drops as they rise. In the private sector, for example, the number of women from entry to managerial level drops from 40 per cent to 34 per cent. It rises slightly to 38 per cent at the senior manager or director level but then dips to 28 per cent and 20 per cent at the C-Suite and Board levels, respectively.

In the public sector, women's representation remains stable at 46 per cent, both at entry and managerial level, but drops to 27 per cent as they move to the C-suite. Men's representation rises to 76 per cent at the board level, while that of women shrinks to 24 per cent.

Gender diversity

The report also notes that organisations are not prioritising gender equity as claimed.

"While 77 per cent of companies say their CEOs prioritise gender diversity, one third do not track metrics such as hiring or promotion rates by gender. Moreover, 85 per cent of boards and 39 per cent of senior leadership lack designated stall responsibility for driving gender diversity."

Wamae acknowledges the challenges women in the workplace face as they



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Report

Former Equity Group Holdings Group Executive Director was among the few women to reach senior corporate positions in Kenya. [Stafford Ondego, Standard]

climb the ladder, juggling careers and family, amid societal pressures and prejudices. "When I joined Equity Building Society in 2004, the board membership was male-dominated," she says in her book. It was later reconstituted, and for the first time two women were appointed to it.

"Gaining and taking up a seat on the board as a woman was challenging but insightful. I took in as much knowledge as possible on the Group's strategy and risk management approaches during board meetings," says Wamae.

She says women's rise through the corporate ladder and occupation of the C-suite of any organisation in a male-dominated sphere requires both deliberate short-term and long-term plan-

ning.

"In the boardroom, I learnt the basic principles of communication: always being diplomatic even if I disagreed with someone's position, and backing my argument with necessary facts," she says. Nominated MP Sabina Chege says women often have to work twice as hard compared to their male colleagues to scale up the ladder. They also have to juggle roles within the family, as primary caregivers, which would make them consider the implications of a career move.

"Many women give up along the way because they are inclined to think first as mothers and how such decisions will affect the family," Chege, who sponsored the Breastfeeding Mothers Bill 2024, says.

The Bill, among other provisions, seeks to have more flexible work plans for breastfeeding mothers and compels employers to provide lactation rooms.

Chege is hopeful that the Bill, whose provisions offer a conducive environment for maternal care and professional growth, will become law in the next couple of months.

Some organisations are being intentional in setting specific goals to ensure more women rise to top-tier positions.

Senior management

Safaricom, for instance, in its 2024 Sustainable Business Report, sought to achieve 50:50 gender parity at the senior management or leadership level.

According to the report, women in senior management last year were at 42.4 per cent, an increase from 40.1 per cent in 2023. On board diversity, the composition of male and female members was at 50:50 by 2024, an improvement from 45 per cent (female) against 55 per cent (male) in 2023.

The McKinsey report proposes steps employers can take to accelerate their progress on gender diversity.

These include identifying gender diversity gaps in the talent pipeline to develop targeted strategies for improvement. It also recommends an audit of utilisation and implementation of policies, as well as tracking accountability structures on the same.

The study's findings align with those of an April 2024 report published by the National Gender and Equality Commission (NGEC), which assessed firms listed on the Nairobi Stock Exchange (NSE) for compliance with the "not more than two-thirds gender principle in leadership".

Out of 55 companies assessed, only seven had female CEOs (12.7 per cent), a drop from eight female CEOs in 2022. Of 517 board members in publicly listed companies, 143 were female compared to 374 male.

NGEC recommends the formulation of measures to ensure listed companies comply with the gender principle, as well as introduce minimum quotas on representation of other Special Interest Groups in boards of directors and senior management levels. It also calls for ensuring listed companies provide sex, age, disability, and marginalised versus majority disaggregated data on their websites and to the NSE.

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OPINION

Project execution must rise above board **when aid shrinks**



BY GEORGE ASAMANI

The announcement of deep cuts in US development assistance to Africa has cast a long shadow over Africa's infrastructure ambitions.

The African Development Fund (ADF), the continent's principal vehicle for concessional financing, now faces a possible 37 per cent drop in donor contributions, with Washington potentially withdrawing entirely, according to the Centre of Global Development.

In March this year, the US withdrew from the Just Energy Transition Partnership, to which it had initially pledged more than \$1.5 billion (Sh195 billion) of grant and commercial funding.

Even if these cuts prove to be temporary, the damage may not be. Recovering lost momentum could mean sacrificing years of economic growth, delaying critical infrastructure projects, and widening the development gap.

And if the decline signals a more permanent shift, then the implications are even more profound. Rather than wait for fortunes to swing again in their favour, African governments must take proactive steps to secure their development trajectories.

National budgets

As development partner contributions shrink, governments across the continent will need to take on a greater share of project financing through their own national budgets.

That reality is sobering, but it also presents a compelling opportunity to reimagine public investment through the lens of discipline, delivery, and results.

In recent years, many African economies have faced a challenging paradox: rising investment in infrastructure has not always translated into timely project delivery.

Historically, Project Management Institute (PMI) data has reported that roughly 10 per cent of project investment is wasted due to poor project performance.

Let's take the global construction market, which is projected to reach approximately \$17.05 trillion (Sh2216.5 trillion) this year, and poor project performance, like going over time or over budget, could cost it more than \$1 trillion (Sh130 trillion).

In Africa, where public debt levels are already placing pressure on national budgets and fiscal space is increasingly limited, improving efficiency in infrastructure delivery is no longer optional; it is essential.

If the funding tap is tightening, the only viable response is better stewardship of the remaining resources. That means placing



execution, how projects are delivered, at the centre of fiscal policy

Professionalising project management in the public sector is the single most powerful lever African governments can pull to stretch limited budgets. That said, professionalising project delivery is not without its challenges.

Many governments still contend with institutional constraints, limited technical capacity, and high turnover in public sector roles.

These realities underscore the need for long-term investment in skills development.

Even a modest 10 per cent improvement in project delivery efficiency could translate into billions in savings, resources that could be redirected toward critical sectors such as education, healthcare, and public safety.

In essence, stronger project management leads directly to better development outcomes, without placing additional tax burdens on citizens or increasing national debt.

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There is also a long-term political dividend. When governments consistently implement visible, high-impact infrastructure projects, they build public trust, foster investor confidence, and stimulate employment.

In the context of a rapidly growing youth population and pressing job creation needs, infrastructure delivery should be positioned not merely as capex but as an instrument for inclusive growth and economic resilience.

In today's constrained environment, Africa can no longer afford inefficiency.

Every missed milestone, budget overrun, or failed audit is not just a governance issue—it's a tax on future generations.

Delivery capability

That is why national treasuries must begin to view project management capability as a strategic economic asset.

Government ministries should collaborate to embed delivery units staffed by qualified project professionals. Of course, embedding this level of project management rigour will not happen overnight.

Strengthening delivery capability across ministries is a medium-term reform, but one that must begin now if future infrastructure investments are to deliver their intended outcomes.

Multilateral lenders such as the ADF should also consider making project management discipline a condition for financing to help ensure that funds are effectively used and that projects deliver their intended impact.

Africa's infrastructure agenda is too important to fail. But success will not be driven by donor generosity alone. It will depend on national leadership that prioritises competence and refuses to compromise on execution.

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INDUSTRIALISATION

Kenya's nuclear future must be powered by trust

BY PETER GICHUKI

On May 3, 2025, local leaders in Kilifi County made headlines by unanimously rejecting a proposal to host a nuclear power plant.

Their decision wasn't just a reaction to the idea of nuclear energy—it was a protest against being excluded from the process.

For many residents of Uyombo, the proposed site, this wasn't just about concrete and radiation. It was about consent, information, and their right to shape their own future.

Most locals say they were never consulted. The only narratives they had heard came from anti-nuclear advocacy groups warning of radiation risks. Meanwhile, the government and its agencies offered little in the way of timely, accessible, or comprehensive information.

Crucial questions—about displacement, environmental impact, and economic disruption—were left unanswered.

Beyond the fear of radiation, there were legitimate concerns about losing homes, land, and livelihoods. Many community members are farmers and fishermen who felt blindsided by a process that appeared opaque and top-down.

Without a clear explanation of how Uyombo was selected, residents felt like casualties of a larger national plan in which they had no voice.

This approach must change.

Kenya should consider a more inclusive and democratic model: a county-led competition to host nuclear reactors. This system—already in practice in countries like Norway—places power in the hands of communities. There, municipalities like Farsund and Lund sign cooperation agreements with nuclear companies to explore feasibility. Early-stage studies follow—evaluating site suitability, environmental impact, and community benefits—before any decision is made.

In Kenya, counties willing to host a plant would submit public bids outlining how they plan to manage safety, protect the environment, and leverage the plant to bring jobs, clinics, schools, and infrastructure to their people.

These proposals would be debated and refined by citizens and county assemblies before being presented to the State. Only the bids that balance Vision 2030 goals with genuine local support would move forward.

This bidding model offers transparency, consent, and accountability. It ensures communities are not just consulted, but are active participants in shaping Kenya's energy future.

For this to succeed, however, Kenya's Nuclear Power and Energy Agency (NuPEA) and the Ministry of Energy must rethink how they communicate. Issuing press releases is not enough. We need boots on the ground—outreach teams in every county, public forums, local radio programs, and community information centres operating in indigenous languages.

While NuPEA says it has held forums and published materials in local dialects, Kilifi's backlash reveals these efforts have fallen short. The cornerstone of any nuclear rollout must be informed consent. Nuclear energy, alongside renewables, offers Kenya a real path toward industrialisation.

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Monitoring and evaluation key in TVET

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Worldwide, the demand for skilled professionals is higher than ever. Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) equips individuals with practical skills and knowledge necessary to thrive in various industries.

However, the effectiveness of TVET programmes hinges on the quality and relevance of their qualifications. Monitoring and evaluation (M&E) processes are therefore key in ensuring efficiency and success in the application of such skills.

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One of the vital aspects of effective TVET is its alignment with industry needs. The M&E process involves close collaboration with industry stakeholders to ensure qualifications awarded reflect the skills and competencies required.

To uphold the credibility and reputation of TVET institutions, it is essential to maintain consistent standards across all programmes and institutions.

M&E play a significant role in this regard by establishing and enforcing standardised criteria for quality assurance. This includes setting benchmarks for curriculum design, instructor qualifications, infrastructure, and student outcomes.

By adhering to these standards, TVET institutions can ensure all students receive a uniformly high level of education, regardless of where they are enrolled. This consistency is vital for building trust among employers, students, and other stakeholders along the TVET value chain.

One of the most significant benefits of effective M&E in TVET is the improved employability of graduates. Students acquire the most relevant and in-demand skills when training programmes are continually assessed and updated to meet industry standards.

Effective M&E enhances the credibility of TVET qualifications. Consistent quality checks and adherence to established standards signal employers, students, and the broader community that TVET institutions are committed to excellence. This



Kenyatta University acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Prof. James Kung'u engages Ms. Kerstin Pfirrmann, Head of the Cultural Department at the German Embassy Nairobi during a courtesy call. The meeting focused on strengthening cultural and academic cooperation between the University and German institutions. Key areas of discussion include integration of German as a language of instruction, student and staff exchange programmes, and collaborative research initiatives.

credibility is crucial for gaining stakeholders' trust and establishing TVET as a viable and respected pathway for education and career development.

Enhanced credibility also means that TVET graduates are more likely to be recognised and valued in local and international job markets.

Career progression

The M&E processes support facilitating lifelong learning and career progression through continuous professional development. Well-monitored TVET systems often provide clear pathways for career progression, allowing individuals to build on their qualifications and advance in their chosen fields.

This commitment to lifelong learning fosters a culture of continuous improvement and adaptability, which is essential in today's dynamic job market.

One of the foremost challenges in M&E TVET qualifications is keeping pace with

rapidly changing industry and technological requirements.

This dynamic environment makes it difficult for TVET institutions to align their curricula with the latest industry standards consistently. Effective monitoring systems must be agile and responsive, incorporating real-time feedback from industry stakeholders to ensure the skills taught remain relevant and current.

Another critical challenge in M&E TVET qualifications is balancing theoretical knowledge with practical skills. While theoretical understanding is essential for grasping fundamental concepts, practical skills are crucial for performing tasks effectively in a real-world setting. Ensuring that training programmes provide an appropriate mix of both aspects requires careful planning and regular assessment.

Moreover, practical skills often need to be demonstrated and assessed in a hands-on environment, which can be resource-intensive and logistically challenging to

manage consistently across different institutions.

Despite these challenges, a cornerstone of effective M&E in TVET is regular consultation with industry stakeholders. Engaging employers, industry experts, and professional associations ensures that the training programmes align with the job market's current needs and future trends.

This collaboration can take various forms, such as advisory boards, industry panels, and feedback surveys. By incorporating insights and recommendations from these stakeholders, TVET institutions can make informed adjustments to their curricula and training methods, thereby enhancing the relevance and effectiveness of their programmes.

Continuous assessment and updating of curricula are also vital for maintaining the quality and relevance of TVET qualifications. This involves regularly reviewing course content, teaching methods, and assessment practices to ensure they meet industry standards and reflect technological advancements.

Implementing a systematic approach to curriculum development, where feedback from students, instructors, and industry partners is consistently integrated, helps keep the training programmes dynamic and responsive. This process addresses current skill gaps and anticipates future industry needs, preparing students for long-term career success.

Regular audits, peer reviews, and accreditation processes ensure compliance with these standards. Quality assurance mechanisms also involve setting up transparent systems for tracking and reporting performance metrics, which can help identify areas for improvement and drive continuous enhancement of the training programmes. By adhering to these practices, TVET institutions can assure stakeholders of the value and reliability of their qualifications.

'Modularised curriculum' is a core ingredient in technical training

Kenya's Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) sector is undergoing a significant transformation.

The shift represents a departure from traditional education models, providing learners with flexible, industry-relevant skills. This move is in line with the government's Vision 2030, which seeks to create a globally competitive and adaptive workforce. In another perspective, the shift realigns the focus to resonate with the Education 4.0 on the industrial revolution.

Historically, Kenya's education system, just like traditional systems of education elsewhere in the continent, emphasized theoretical knowledge, often neglecting practical skills essential for the job market.

This approach led to a mismatch between graduates' capabilities and employers' expectations. The government has however recognized this gap and initiated reforms to revamp the TVET sector, ensuring that training programs align with

industry needs and provide learners with competencies that enhance employability.

Kenya Association of Technical Training Institutions (KATTI) has been instrumental in collaborating with government units in providing opinions for quality improvement in the sector which led to the adoption of the modularized curriculum.

The modularized curriculum is structured around specific competencies, allowing learners to acquire skills in distinct units or modules. This approach offers flexibility, enabling learners to progress at their own pace and specialize in areas of interest. The curriculum has been developed in close consultation with industry stakeholders and trainers of TVET institutions to ensure its relevance and applicability in the job market.

But then what informs a curriculum change?

Curriculum change is a critical process that ensures education and training remain relevant, responsive, and effective in meeting the needs of

learners, industry, and society. Several key factors inform and drive changes in the curriculum.

One of the primary drivers is the changing demands of the job market. As technology advances and industries evolve, new skills are required while others become obsolete. Curriculum must adapt to ensure graduates are employable and can contribute meaningfully to the economy. The integration of digital tools, automation, artificial intelligence, and emerging technologies necessitates the updating of learning content and methods. To stay on course, curricula must reflect these developments. Input from employers, trainers, alumni, and learners

provides opportunity to reflect on the existing gaps. Regular engagement with these groups helps identify missing links in the existing curriculum and areas for improvement.

Government strategies and policies—such as Vision 2030 or Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—often call for curriculum adjustments to support economic growth, social inclusion, and environmental sustainability. Globalization and international benchmarks influence curriculum design, encouraging alignment with global standards and facilitating mobility and recognition of qualifications. Academic and institutional research often reveals

new approaches, learning theories, and pedagogical innovations that can improve the effectiveness of teaching and learning. Changing learner demographics, including diverse learning styles and special needs, require a curriculum that is

inclusive, flexible, and adaptable.

Curriculum change is a dynamic process informed by multiple factors aimed at improving education outcomes and ensuring relevance in a rapidly changing world.

The introduction of the modularized curriculum in Kenya's TVET sector represents a significant step towards creating a skilled, adaptable, and innovative workforce. By aligning education with industry needs and providing flexible learning pathways, the reform addresses critical challenges in the education sector and positions Kenya to achieve its development goals. While challenges remain, the collaborative efforts of the government, industries, and other stakeholders are instrumental in ensuring the success and sustainability of this transformative initiative.

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