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Tortured, strangled

SENSELESS MURDER The police tried to spin a crude tale about the death of blogger and teacher Albert Ojwang, and they got it spectacularly wrong. Through their spokesperson, they claimed Ojwang fatally hit his head against a wall inside a police cell. But the truth is far more harrowing—and damning. The 31-year-old did not die by accident. He was tortured. He was strangled. And when his lifeless body was eventually carted off to Mbagathi Hospital, it was a mere formality—an attempt to cloak a cold-blooded murder in official procedure. As the President and his Interior Cabinet Secretary avert their gaze and pray for the storm to pass, the gravity of the crime deepens.

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"We found that there were serious injuries to the head, there were also features of neck compression and multiple soft tissue injuries spread all over the body,"

Dr Bernard Midia, Pathologist

NPS confirms that Albert Ojwang was lawfully arrested by DCI detectives for false publication and placed in custody. While in custody, the suspect sustained head injuries after hitting his head against the cell wall.

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ENERGY

Sh95b Adani deal yet to be cancelled months later

Eight months after President William Ruto publicly announced the cancellation of controversial infrastructure deals involving India's Adani Group, the government yesterday confirmed in court that one of the key agreements has not yet been cancelled.

Appearing before Justice Bahati Mwamuye at the Nairobi High Court, the government, through the Attorney General Dorcas Odour, acknowledged that the cancellation process for the Sh95.68 billion Kenya Electricity Transmission Company (Ketraco) – Adani energy deal is still ongoing.

The company, requested 30 more days to complete the formal cancella-

tion and file formal evidence in court.

"On our part we are still following up with our client (Ketraco) on proper cancellation. We are asking more time of about 30 days to finalise the process and file the evidence of the same in court," the State firm told the court.

Justice Mwamuye granted the request, giving the government a final deadline of August 1, to conclude the process and file all necessary evidence.

"The issue of the stated cancellation of the contract deal has been raised and has remained pending for a number of court appearances, the respondents and in particular the AG and Ketraco are granted the final opportunity to file and serve the evidence on the same and or their responses to the application and petition and shall do so by close of business August 1, 2025," Justice Mwamuye directed.

This came during proceedings for a lawsuit filed by the Law Society of Kenya (LSK), which is challenging the legality of the KETRACO-Adani partnership.

The deal, signed in September 2024, aimed to construct 422 kilometres of high-voltage power transmission lines and two substations, at a cost of USD 736.5 million (approximately Sh95.68 billion).

The project was designed to

enhance national grid connectivity over a 30-year concession period.

In the same court session, the government also confirmed that the Adani-Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) concession deal had been formally cancelled.

Evidence of the cancellation was submitted in court in line with President Ruto's public announcement on November 21, 2024.

The cancellation of the JKIA deal was prompted by a petition that argued that no formal documentation had been presented in court despite the President's public announcement.

[Nancy Gitonga]



Ketraco MD John Mativo. [Elvis Ogina, Standard]

Childless couple's property should be shared by man's kin, rules court

► Landmark verdict on a childless couple's property after their death.

► The long-running case solves a huge property dispute in court.

KAMAU MUTHONI, NAIROBI

Who should inherit wealth when a married couple dies without children and without a will?

This is the question High Court Judge Julius Ng'arnga'r was asked to resolve in a case between a land buyer and an alleged neighbour of a man and a woman who died without heirs. In the end, the court ordered that the wealth reverts to the man's family, to be inherited by his eldest brother.

Gerishon Gathui Nduku married Milka Wairimu. Unfortunately, as life has it, they both passed away, with Gathui preceding his wife.

It was an easy process for her to claim his wealth as his widow, which she did sometime in 2003. However, her interest in the property would cease upon death. Wairimu also followed her husband, which sparked a court battle between Margaret Wanjiku and Samuel Muriithi over who should own the property left by the couple.

Wanjiku's case was that she purchased two acres of the land from one Jane Muthoni Ngige. However, the magistrate's court disagreed with her after finding that the deceased was still the registered owner.

Muriithi, on the other hand, had the right to inherit the contested property. Aggrieved, she moved to



Who then was he to the deceased herein? It was his evidence that the deceased was his aunt for his paternal grandmother and the late Gerishon Nduku were stepbrothers,"

Julius Ng'arnga'r, High Court judge

the High Court arguing that the lower one erred by failing to find that Muriithi was the two deceased neighbour and had no relationship with them.

She argued that when Wairimu died, the property ought to have reverted to her late husband's relatives.

Wairimu and Nduku died without writing a will.

The court heard that Nduku had a brother called Ngigi Nduku, who had two sons but one had also died, leaving one Muthike Ngige as the closest relative to Jane Muthoni as her son.

She stated that it was Muthoni and her two sons who sold their share of the wealth to her though

Muthike was allegedly reluctant to file for letters to administer the estate as he knew she would challenge the same.

Wairimu asserted that Muriithi was just a neighbour and could not be taken as a relative or a child of the deceased.

She said he misled the court by arguing that the two had three children. She further argued that her point would be proved by succession case filed by Wairimu when her husband died as she did not name him as a son or beneficiary.

In her case, Wairimu asked the court to either issue her with the letters of administration, or the same be issued to one Gerisha Gichuru who was now the closest relative to the Ngukus.

Muriithi claimed that Nguku and Wairimu owned the land in contest. He further said Nguku's brother, Ngigi, and Muthoni had also died.

Muriithi also said that Muthike had no interest in the property.

Justice Ng'arnga'r observed that the land was registered jointly in the names of Wairimu, Joseph Kariuki, Muthike and Wanjiku.

He said on the flip side, there was no evidence to show that Muriithi had been listed as Nduku's biological or adopted son.

The judge observed that where a man or woman dies without a will, and without surviving children, the father, if not dead, then the mother, then the siblings, their children take precedence as heirs.

If all those are not alive, then the property ought to be passed to step brother, step sister or any of their children if they are not alive.

According to the judge, the last in the list are relatives who are in the nearest degree of bloodline.

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HUMAN RIGHTS

Mutunga, Karua sue Suluhu government over deportations

Retired Chief Justice Willy Mutunga and People's Liberation Party Leader Martha Karua have filed a petition against the Tanzanian government, accusing it of unlawfully deporting them and denying them entry.

The case, filed yesterday at the East African Court of Justice (EACJ), accuses Tanzanian authorities of going against the East African Community (EAC) treaty.

The two and six others had travelled to Dar es Salaam on May 18 and 19 to observe a treason trial of opposition leader Tundu Lissu, a vocal critic of President Samia Suluhu Hassan.

The eight are now demanding compensation, a formal acknowledgment of wrongdoing and removal of Immigration annotations from their passports.

"This was not just a violation of individual rights, but an attack on the very fabric of the East African Community, the freedom of movement, the rule of law, and democratic accountability."

The petition was filed at the EACJ sub-registry at the Milimani Law Courts in Nairobi, with legal support from Law Society of Kenya, East Africa Law Society and the Pan African Lawyers Union.

Karua accuses the Suluhu government of treating them like criminals. "We were held without cause, treated with hostility, and bundled onto planes like criminals, all for simply showing up to watch a public trial."

"This is not just about us. This is about the integrity of the East African Community and the rule of law."

Dr Mutunga, in his affidavit, says: "We were not attempting to disrupt anything. We were there to observe, as a basic act of solidarity and democratic vigilance. Our deportation reflects Tanzania's growing intolerance to scrutiny."

LSK President Faith Odhiambo condemned Tanzania's conduct as "deliberate, discriminatory, and dangerous."

[Nancy Gitonga]

Police declare Samidoh deserter, faces arrest over 'Wantam' row

► Musician Samuel Muchoki is accused of absconding duty, his whereabouts are unknown.

► His transfer and arrest order signal disciplinary action, sparked by his performance.

PKEMOI NG'ENO, NAIROBI

Police officer Samuel Muchoki Ndirangu, popularly known by his stage name Samidoh, now faces arrest for alleged desertion of duty.

This development comes just two weeks after the National Police Service (NPS) transferred the Mugithi star from Gilgil, Nakuru County, to Baringo County, an area prone to cattle rustling.

A letter from the Commandant Anti-Stock Theft Unit, dated June 9, 2025, states that Muchoki has been absent from his workplace for over 10 days. He was granted off-duty days and was expected to report back to work on May 27, 2025.

"Since then, he has not been seen, and his whereabouts are unknown. Efforts to trace him have been futile. He has now absented himself without leave for a period of more than ten days," the letter states.

Muchoki has been declared a deserter, and an order has been issued to stop his salary.

The letter also instructs his immediate superior to visit his home in Nyandarua and, if he is found, to arrest him.

However, NPS spokesperson Muchiri Nyaga downplayed the matter, stating that the letter was not official. "The letter is unofficial. Currently, we cannot rule out things like AI that are used to generate such documents," Muchiri said.



Mugithi star Samuel Muchoki and Edday Nderitu, seen together in the US recently. [Courtesy]

In what was perceived as a direct response to the latest developments, Samidoh yesterday posted on his social media pages a quote by Abraham Lincoln about freedom: "Those who deny freedom to others deserve it Not to themselves."

His post was accompanied by a photo of him posing next to a portrait of George Floyd in Minneapolis, US. Floyd was an African-American man murdered by a white police officer in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on May 25, 2020.

However, the controversy deepened after another letter from the Inspector General's office emerged, indicating that the singer had been cleared to travel to the US for a private visit on May 20, 2025, and was expected to return on Monday, June 9, 2025.

The transfer of Muchoki and the

subsequent directive for his arrest are widely seen as a major disciplinary action, reportedly sparked by the explosive viral spread of his "Wantam" performance.

Days after footage of Samidoh's performance at an entertainment



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Muchiri Nyaga, NPS Spokesperson



venue widely circulated on social media, NPS issued his redeployment orders.

In the viral clip, the crowd is seen chanting "Wantam," a slang iteration of "one term," a phrase adopted by critics of President William Ruto as a rallying cry ahead of the 2027 elections.

Prior to this incident, Samidoh served in Nairobi under the Kenya Police Service before being moved to the Administration Police.

He was later transferred to the Anti-Stock Theft Unit in Gilgil some time ago, contrary to earlier reports suggesting a more recent move.

While no official reason for the transfer was provided, the reassignment to Baringo is widely perceived as a deliberate move to a challenging post, signaling disciplinary action.

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Briefing

ELDORET. CITY MANAGER LOCKED OUT OF OFFICE

There was drama at the Eldoret Municipality after the entity's manager, who was attacked and ejected from his office by goons in February, made a return only to find his office locked and the keys changed. Yesterday, a day after he was locked out of the office, Tito Koiyet claimed in an interview with The Standard that some powerful individuals in the county government were forcing him out of office to deny him access to money set aside for city development, for unclear reasons. [Stephen Rutto]

LODWAR. US RESEARCHER FOUND DEAD IN HIS HOME

Police are investigating the death of Williams Nate Zaire, a 34-year-old American researcher, whose body was found decomposing in a rented house in Nakwarekwi village, Turkana Central. Deputy Police boss Evans Ombui reported the discovery after residents noticed a foul smell on Saturday. Officers found Zaire's body on a mattress with no visible injuries. The scene was processed and the body moved to Lodwar County Referral Hospital mortuary. [Lucas Ngasike]

KILIFI. THIEVES STEAL JUDGE'S LAPTOP, PHONE

Burglars raided Justice Agnes Murgor's Kilifi home on Monday, stealing a MacBook with sensitive court documents and an iPhone. According to Kilifi South DCI boss Leonard Kurgat, the thieves cut sliding door locks at the exclusive Shariani Kuruwitu residences, ransacking the judge's home before hitting a second house nearby. Three security guards have been arrested amid concerns about the area's security, despite guarded entry points. [Marion Kithi]

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► Postmortem reveals Albert Ojwang' was tortured and strangled, injuries not self-inflicted.

► Police had said that influencer died by suicide after hitting his head against a cell wall.

FIDDELIS MOGAKA, NAIROBI

An autopsy report on influencer Albert Ojwang' has exposed contradictions in official accounts of his death in police custody, raising concerns of a possible cover-up.

The report revealed that Ojwang' was tortured and strangled, with the pathologist's noting it was "unlikely" his injuries were self-inflicted, directly contradicting initial, inconsistent police statements.

"There were multiple soft tissue injuries spread all over the body, trunk and lower limbs... these were externally inflicted injuries," said lead pathologist Bernard Midia, addressing journalists at Nairobi Funeral Home (City Mortuary).

Ojwang' was arrested on Saturday at around 1:30pm from their home in Kakoth village, Kokwanyo location in Kabondo Kasipul constituency. His family says the arrest was carried out by men on a motorbike who identified themselves as police officers.

"They said they were officers from different stations. One introduced himself as Sigei. They told my son to put down his plate, said he was under arrest and handcuffed him," a family member recounted.

Insulted their boss

"They claimed my son had insulted their boss on X (formerly Twitter). When I asked which boss, Sigei told



Government pathologist Dr Bernard Midia (right) and civil society members during the postmortem of Albert Ojwang' at Nairobi Funeral Home in Nairobi, yesterday. [Collins Oduor, Standard]

'He was killed': Autopsy rules out police theory of suicide in custody

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me to stop asking too many questions and follow them to Mawego Police Station," the father recounted.

However, Midia dismissed the narrative issued by police spokesperson Muchiri Nyaga, who had suggested that Ojwang' died by suicide after hitting his head against a cell wall.

"While in custody, the suspect sustained head injuries after hitting his head against the cell wall. Officers on duty promptly noticed the injuries and rushed him to Mbagathi Hospital, where he was pronounced dead on arrival," Nyaga had said in a Sunday statement.

Midia's findings contradict this account, pointing instead to extensive, externally inflicted injuries consistent with torture and strangulation.

A day later, the police narrative shifted again. National Police Service Inspector General Douglas Kanja said Ojwang' was found unconscious during a routine cell inspection.

Found unconscious

"During a routine cell inspection, Ojwang' was found unconscious and immediately rushed to Mbagathi Hospital for treatment. Upon arrival, he was declared dead," Kanja said during a Monday press briefing.

Adding to the confusion, a close friend who requested anonymity revealed that Ojwang' called him at 9:48 pm on Saturday after arriving at Central Police Station. He asked whether being arrested was something to fear.

The friend reassured him, saying he had once been detained at Industrial Area Police Station and that Ojwang's experience at Central Police Station would likely be manageable.

"There will be challenges here and there, but things will be fine. I have been to the Industrial Area, and it's one of the worst police stations in Nairobi, so you will be okay," the friend assured.

Upon visiting the station, the friend said he was not allowed to see

CAUSE OF DEATH AND NATURE OF INJURIES

■ Autopsy concluded that Ojwang' likely died from torture and strangulation, with severe head injuries due to blunt force trauma, neck compression, and multiple soft tissue injuries across his body.

■ Dr Bernard Midia, the lead pathologist, noted: "There were multiple soft tissue injuries spread all over the body and the trunk and lower limbs... these were injuries that were externally inflicted."

■ These findings indicated the injuries were not self-inflicted, directly contradicting police claims.

■ Specific observations included severe swelling on the head, nose, and ears, blood oozing from the nose and mouth, and bruises on the shoulders, hands, and lower limbs, suggesting possible defensive wounds or signs of assault.



death, he was told the body had been taken to Mbagathi Mortuary. Hospital officials there later confirmed that Ojwang had been brought in but pronounced dead on arrival—yet his body was not at the facility.

Opiyo eventually found his son's remains at City Mortuary. Police records there listed the cause of death as "sudden death."

Physical assault

However, when he saw the body, any remaining belief in the police version crumbled. Ojwang's face was swollen, blood was oozing from his nose and mouth, and his arms bore multiple marks—clear signs, Opiyo said, of physical assault.

"I have viewed his body and I am shocked because what I saw does not match what the police told me," Opiyo told reporters on Sunday after seeing his son's body.

The injuries spoke not of suicide, but of violence—possibly inflicted while Ojwang' was in police custody. His face showed signs of blunt trauma, his eyes were swollen, and his skin was bruised—details that starkly contradict claims that he repeatedly struck his head against a wall.

Now, the family is left searching for answers in a justice system that has too often failed victims of police abuse.

Opiyo, standing outside the Nairobi Funeral Home with tears in his eyes after the postmortem, has become the face of growing public anger.

"My son did not deserve to die like this. We want answers. We want justice," he said.

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Give me answers, Ojwang's father tells DIG Lagat

► Tearful father says officers said Lagat had sent them.

► Opiyo asks President Ruto to intervene.

FRED KAGONYE, NAIROBI

Meshack Opiyo, the father of Albert Ojwang' who died in police custody, now wants Deputy Inspector General of Police Eliud Lagat to give answers surrounding his son's death.

Speaking yesterday at the Nairobi Funeral Home, Opiyo said when his son was picked in Homa Bay, the officers who arrested him said they had been sent by Lagat.

"I handed him over to you through the people that you sent to arrest him," he said. "I need you to tell me why you killed my son, what sin did he commit to warrant death?"

Opiyo wondered why Ojwang was handpicked to carry the cross and be crucified for speaking about corruption in the country yet many people have spoken against the vice. "I educated him and retired so that he can take care of me, today you've broken my hand," he added.

He fingered the police for lying about his son's death, asking how he sustained injuries on his arms and knees by hitting his head. "Please President William Ruto, help me as a Kenyan who pays taxes and do justice to us," he said after five pathologists conducted a postmortem.

Tortured and beaten

The results showed the 31-year-old teacher was tortured and beaten to death. The deceased was taken to Central Police Station at around 9pm on Sunday but he was booked at around 1am, begging the question what happened in between. An occurrence book entry at the Nairobi



Meshack Opiyo at the Nairobi Funeral Home during the postmortem of his son Albert Ojwang yesterday. [Collins Oduor, Standard]

Funeral Home showed his body was booked at 2.44am.

Homa Bay Woman Rep Joyce Atieno faced the wrath of protestors after she was denied a chance to address the media.

Law Society of Kenya president Faith Odhiambo called for accountability from the police while calling on

the Independent Policing Oversight Authority to conduct a free and fair investigation. "We want action we do not want to see you making merry with the Police Service," she said.

She said the post mortem confirmed what they already knew that Ojwang was tortured and killed in police custody.



Please President William Ruto, help me as a Kenyan who pays taxes and do justice to us,"

Meshack Opiyo, Albert Ojwang's father

"In as much as police IG has since released the people who had been interdicted we want to know who picked him up from Homa Bay because we do not know of the torture on the way," said Odhiambo.

She added that no one had been allowed to see Ojwang until his father was informed of his death. "Who gave the orders for him to be picked up, let every person in the trail be held culpable for this heinous murder," she said.

LSK plans to file a compensation claim against the government and push for prosecution of Ojwang's killers. She urged Kenyans not to relent on calling for justice for Ojwang's family while calling for peace but cautioned that peace and justice come hand in hand.

Activists also called for resignation of Lagat saying he had blood on his hands. Vocal Africa's Hussein Khalid called on all senior police officers implicated in the killing to step aside so as not to interfere with investigations.

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NAIROBI

MPs pile pressure on Ruto and Kanja to punish Ojwang killers

Members of Parliament piled pressure on President William Ruto and Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja to charge those behind Albert Ojwang's murder.

The legislators, while castigating extrajudicial killings under the Kenya Kwanza administration, also called on the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA) to expedite investigations and ensure justice is served.

They also demanded Deputy Inspector General Eliud Lagat's resignation. Kisumu West MP Rozah Mbuyu called on DIG Lagat to step aside. "It is really a mockery of justice; you have somebody who has done the conflict to be part of the team investigating the death of this young man. Step aside. Let your desire see meaningful investigation by police," said Buyu.

The matter dominated debate on the floor of the House yesterday after Nyando MP Jared Okello sought a statement from the Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal Security, regarding circumstances surrounding the death of the teacher and social media influencer.

He also sought to know the immediate disciplinary and administrative actions taken against the officers who apprehended and transferred the victim to Nairobi, and those who were on duty during the incident.

Suba North MP Millie Odhiambo called on President Ruto to ensure the police officers behind the death of Ojwang be charged and prosecuted fast. "The problem in this country is sometimes people are arrested and when the anger goes down, the case disappears. To show

seriousness, this case should be fast-tracked. If IPOA is not in a position to, occasionally the government should hire external investigators," said Millie.

Nairobi Woman Rep Esther Passaris said after the autopsy report issued yesterday, Ojwang went through "a really brutal death".

"What I ask for is absolute expedition of the investigation, and I ask the police for once to stand for the people of Kenya, to stand for justice and to change their ways. We're in a month where we want reparation and healing," she said.

Marakwet East MP Kangogo Bowen regretted Ojwang's death in the hands of those entrusted to ensure his security. "It is sad that a young man who wrote something on social media had to die while in Kerio Valley, bandits are brutalising people, killing women and children and there's nothing happening to them. I want to ask the security heads to take this matter seriously," added the MP.

Speaker Moses Wetangula ruled that the Administration and Internal Security Committee summons IG Kanja, IPOA and any other person of interest over Ojwang's death and table a preliminary report by Thursday.

In an earlier media briefing, Homa Bay Town MP Peter Kaluma, Kisumu West MP Rozah Buyu and Likoni MP Mishi Mboko demanded answers on the ferrying of Ojwang from his home in Homa Bay to Nairobi and on who's orders. They also termed the answers given by police about him committing suicide as a mockery to justice. [Josaphat Thiong'o]



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Ruto, Murkomen remain mum as autopsy shows Ojwang' killed

► The President is yet to comment on the heinous killing of a teacher in a police cell.

► All fingers point to the police, who accused Ojwang' of defamation, for the killing

NDUNG'U GACHANE, NAIROBI

The National Police Service is under fire following widespread outrage sparked by the inexplicable death of blogger Albert Ojwang in a police cell.

Strikingly, President William Ruto—who recently issued a qualified apology over abductions and extrajudicial killings—has remained silent. His deputy, Prof Kithure Kindiki, and the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and Coordination of National Government, Kipchumba Murkomen, have also been conspicuously quiet in the face of mounting public anger.

While national leaders such as ODM leader Raila Odinga, former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua, National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetang'ula, and several lobby groups have demanded thorough investigations and the prosecution of rogue officers implicated in the killing, Ruto and his top allies have remained tight-lipped about the incident, which has sent shockwaves across the country.

Even as politicians and human rights defenders joined forces to call for a swift investigation and possible interdiction of Deputy Inspector General of Police Eliud Lagat, life appeared to go on as normal for the President and his allies, seemingly unfazed by

the tensions gripping the nation.

Ironically, at the very moment a government pathologist confirmed that police had lied about Ojwang having committed suicide inside Central Police Station, Nairobi, President Ruto was hosting over 600 leaders from the African Independent Pentecostal Church of Africa (AIPCA)—a denomination founded by Mau Mau freedom fighters—in what was seen as a strategic move to reclaim dwindling support, especially from churches and the Mt Kenya region that backed his 2022 presidential bid wholeheartedly.

While many Kenyans expected the Head of State to call for calm and assure the nation that no stone would be left unturned in bringing Ojwang's killers to justice, Ruto instead used the opportunity to launch political attacks on his rivals, accusing them of dividing the country along tribal lines.

"We must all work together to unite our nation and reject any attempts to divide us along tribal lines. Let us stay focused on our shared development aspirations, which promise inclusive growth for all," Ruto also used the clergy meeting to drum up support for the government's controversial Kazi Majuu programme, claiming that more than 400,000 youths have secured employment abroad thanks to the initiative.

On Monday, as news broke that Ojwang—a teacher—had been killed, the President was meeting a group of artists from the Mt Kenya region, reportedly to enlist them as mouthpieces for his administration in a region increasingly disillusioned with his leadership.



Protesters outside Vigilance House before proceeding to Jogoo House where they demanded to meet Police IG Douglas Kanja. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]



What medical attention, if any, was provided to Ojwang' prior to being found unconscious? Could the CS provide the identity and official report of the medical officer at Mbagathi Hospital who declared Ojwang' dead?

Peter Salasya, Mumias East MP

"Kenya will be transformed by leaders who are prepared to take bold and decisive steps to change the lives of the people. Through bold decisions, we have made great strides in stabilising the economy, increasing agricultural productivity, and enhancing social security for a better future."

While the President sought to bolster his political capital, social media was awash with reactions to the post-mortem results. Activists called for a complete overhaul of the security sector. From Bangkok, Raila Odinga condemned what he described as a disturbing pattern of police brutality, citing Ojwang's death.

In a statement released yesterday—two days after the incident—Raila

questioned the circumstances surrounding Ojwang's arrest and death, demanding immediate accountability.

"So far, nobody knows who gave the orders for Mr Ojwang to be arrested and ferried to Nairobi, yet that person should be answering to Kenyans," he said, notably avoiding naming Lagat, who was cited as the complainant.

The ODM leader added that Ojwang's death is just the latest in a growing list of defenceless Kenyans who have died at the hands of police, warning that these recurring injustices paint the picture of a failing state.

Critics argue that the political truce between ODM and UDA has been forgotten, with the ten-point agreement—aimed at ending extrajudicial killings and protecting the right to peaceful assembly—apparently cast aside.

Although Murkomen has remained silent, pressure is mounting for him to be held accountable for the blogger's mysterious death.

Mumias East MP Peter Salasya has formally written to the CS, demanding an explanation regarding Ojwang's arrest.

"What medical attention, if any, was provided to Ojwang prior to being found unconscious in the police cells during a routine check on the morning of Sunday, 8 June 2025? Could the CS provide the identity and official report of the medical officer at Mbagathi Hospital who declared Ojwang dead on arrival at approximately 1:39 AM on that day?" Salasya added:

"Why was the body of the deceased not preserved at Mbagathi Hospital Mortuary, and under whose authority was it transferred to City Mortuary?" Gachagua insisted that for any credible investigation to take place, Lagat must be suspended, arguing that punishing junior officers amounts to scapegoating.

"Suspending junior officers at Central Police Station is hoodwinking Kenyans. For any meaningful investigation to be carried out, Mr Eliud Lagat must be suspended immediately," he said.

At the same time, Gachagua accused the government of silencing dissent through assassinations. jgachane@standardmedia.co.ke

TRIBUTE

'Januzaj' started activism in school, remembered as a rare soul

When Albert Ojwang' arrived at Pwani University as a First Year, it didn't take long for him to make an impression.

Outspoken, charismatic and deeply driven, Albert was the kind of person who could not go unnoticed. A Bachelor of Education student majoring in Kiswahili and Religious Studies, he graduated with the Class of 2021.

Famously known among peers as Alberto Junior Januzaj, Albert was already a prominent figure on campus by his second year. He was an active mobiliser in student politics and never shied away from challenging those who did not prioritize student welfare. His commitment to justice and fairness made him a respected advo-

cate for student affairs.

Albert also held a significant role in the Luo Students Association at Pwani, where he was considered an 'elder'—a mark of the wisdom and maturity he carried far beyond his years. His passion for leadership saw him become a key campaigner for Fikirini Jacobs in the student presidential elections. Fikirini, who would later become the Principal Secretary- State Department for Youth Affairs and the Creative Economy, was just one of the many individuals whose journey Albert helped shape. He was also a loyal supporter of Senator John Methu of Nyandarua, showcasing his wider political engagement.

Albert's impact was not confined to campus

grounds. He was a strong presence on social media, particularly on the X platform (formerly known as Twitter), where he used his wide reach to influence political discourse and promote civic engagement. His handle, @MsKafangi, now seemingly unavailable, was well known among peers and followers. During the 2022 General Election, he used the platform to rally support for several political figures, including Martha Karua and Polycarp Igathe.

Despite his political boldness, Albert was also deeply empathetic. He guided others with a calm and mature presence, navigating the often chaotic terrain of campus life with a natural understanding that was rare for someone his age. He

was both sharp and kind. A blend that made him not just a leader but also a friend to many.

Albert's untimely passing has left a profound void in the hearts of those who knew him. As Athumani Hassan Mbangwe, former student union chair at Pwani University (2020/2021), poignantly stated:

"His death has shaken many of us who walked the Pwani University paths with him. We have not just lost an alumnus, we have lost a rare soul, one who lived with intention and lifted others as he rose. In mourning him, we also celebrate him. And in celebrating him, we commit ourselves to the ideals he lived by: unity, purpose, and justice." [Timothy Muthuri]



Court's 14 rules for suspects' safety in custody



Police officer Naftali Chege before the High Court in Mombasa on May 11, 2021. [File, Standard]

► In 2021, a High Court judge spelt out guidelines to ensure safety in police cells.

► This after four officers were convicted of a murder under their watch.

JOACKIM BWANA AND WILLIS OKETCH, MOMBASA

On December 4, 2021, a High Court Judge in Mombasa spelt out 14 rules to be implemented in police cells to ensure the safety and rights of suspects in remand pending trial.

Dubbed "Ogola Rules," the procedures were highlighted following an inquest into the death of British aristocrat, Alexander Monson, in Diani Police Station in Kwale County in May 2012.

Monson died in Kwale hospital after developing health complications sustained from a fatal head injury while in the police cell. While convicting police constables John Pamba, Naftali Chege, Charles Munyiri Muganda and Ismael Baraka, who were charged with the murder of Monson in May 2012, Justice Erick Ogola said the police officers were negligent and left the aristocrat to die under their watch.

Justice Ogola said the four officers chose to remain mum under the 'police blue code of silence' as to who inflicted a fatal injury on Monson's head, leading to his demise.

"I believe the deceased suffered fatal injuries at the hand of people known to all the accused persons; however, due to what is called the 'blue code of silence' in the police force, the police are bound to remain silent," said Justice Ogola.

The four officers who arrested and booked Monson into the cell were found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to between nine and 15 years, with each getting a suspended sentence of between five and six years.

The judge said the rules will ensure all suspects in police custody are safe and their rights respected. He recommended installation of surveillance cameras within the police station, including cells. He said there should be a medical checklist to notify the police of any underlying health conditions.

All suspects shall be subjected to mental health screening at the time they are to be booked into a police cell to avoid locking up suspects with health complications.

"Upon such information, the OCS shall immediately take action to protect the life of the suspect and inform the family. Where the defence is bailable, and depending on particulars of the circumstances, the suspect shall be released on bond or cash bail to seek treatment," said Justice Ogola.

Justice Ogola said food and drinking water shall be supplied to detainees throughout the day and whenever they need it. He recommended refresher training to remind officers of basic training and update information regarding the new development and practice, policies, and law.

Justice Ogola said every arrested person shall be admitted to police bond or cash bail for all bailable offences as soon as possible and that once arrested, the suspect shall go into the police cell immediately and a record made in the OB.

The judge said the movement of suspects in and out of the cell must be recorded at all times to avert a scenario where a

suspect is sneaked out of the cells for undocumented reasons. Justice Ogola said that cells must not be overcrowded. "The cell booking officer shall inform the suspects of their basic rights and assure them verbally that they will treat them with respect and dignity," said Justice Ogola.

The judge said suspects shall be addressed in a language they understand,

and booking officers shall immediately inform the OCS of any health issues a suspect may have at the police cell.

He said where more than one suspect is arrested because of a single transaction, the release on bail shall apply equally as far as possible to avoid suspects negotiating their release with the police.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

CAUTIONARY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

By order of the Board

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

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For clear spending picture, we should ask hard questions on budget votes



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These 25 budget votes add up to Sh2.181 trillion, or 86 per cent of the national government budget of Sh2.538 trillion in a Sh4.280 trillion budget which includes debt interest of Sh1.097 trillion and county allocations of Sh405 billion. What results are we buying with this money?

Leading into the 2025 Budget Statement on Thursday, let us acknowledge the recent work of the National Treasury to actively engage with the public and stakeholders on the budget process.

Were lessons learnt from the 2024 Finance Bill protests? Because it wasn't just the Bill, Kenyans want a free socio-economy in which to perform, and service-focused government where they can hold leaders to account. Accountability isn't just for elections, but between them in a way that encourages every Kenyan's civic participation and protects their freedom of expression.

What nobody wants from government's engagement is a PR telenovela, or "lipstick on a pig"!

As predicted, we are all allocating more time to consider the Finance Bill than the overall budget. That is, the Finance Bill rather than the overall revenue estimates. But also with spending, where we focus on individual transaction highlights, like State House renovations, not overall spending.

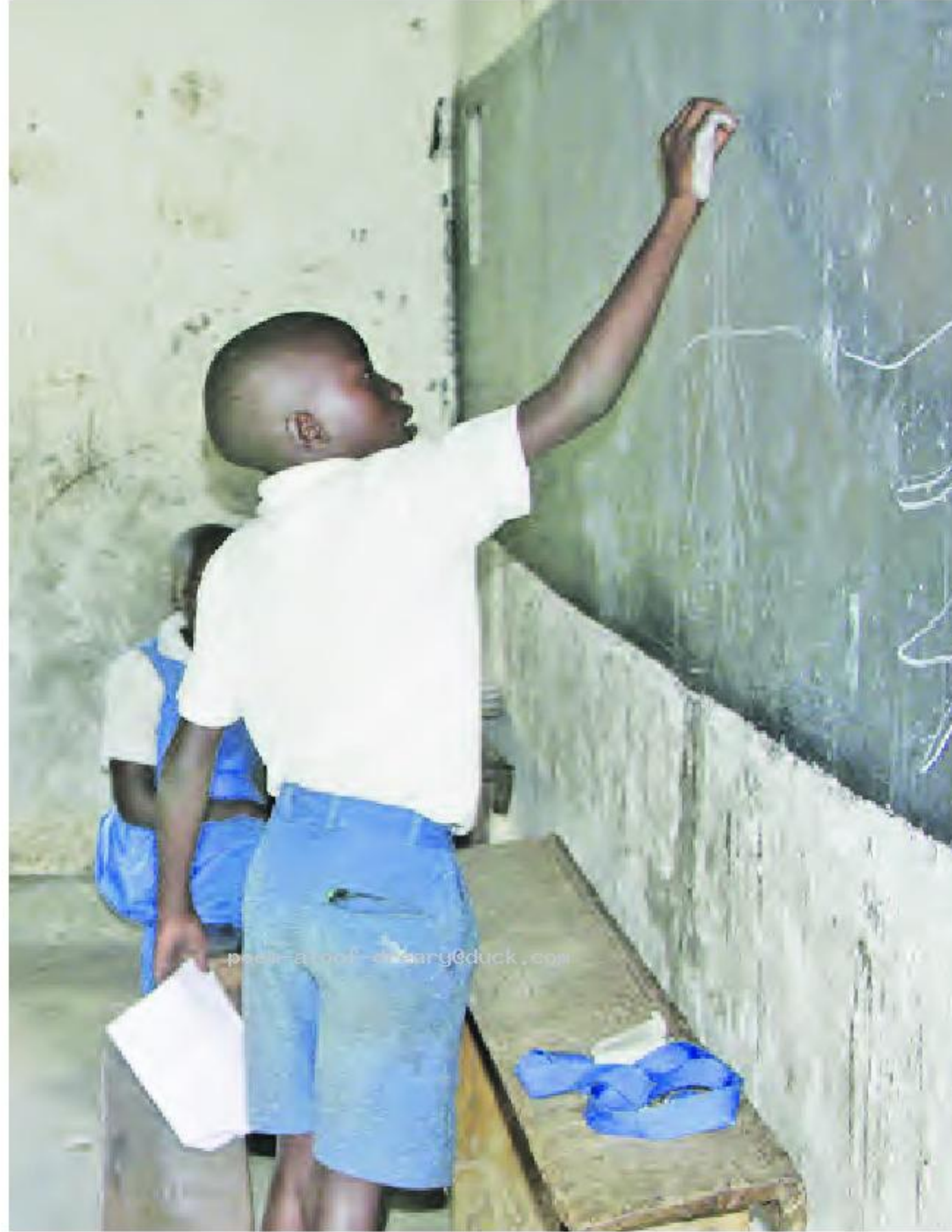
For spending, of course, one must reckon with six main budget books which for 2025/26 add up to an intimidating 4,488 pages of tabulated data! Notably, the only popular, or people-friendly, summary of these budget books comes after, not before, the Budget Statement is presented.

Let's experiment with a snapshot of the top 25 votes in the national government budget approved by the National Assembly's Budget and Appropriations Committee (BAC) last week. We use BAC's programme-based budget (PBB) summaries as well as actual PBBs available for each vote. These 25 budget votes add up to Sh2.181 trillion, or 86 per cent of the national government budget of Sh2.538 trillion in a Sh4.280 trillion budget which includes debt interest of Sh1.097 trillion and county allocations of Sh405 billion. What results are we buying with this money?

At Sh387.2 billion, Teachers Service Commission is the number one vote. Sh376.8 billion of this is pure payroll, and their programme-based results emphasize training. It is impossible to confirm political announcements about teacher recruitment in the budget, but this is our policy-planning-budgeting-results disconnect – we like to budget in figures without planning for the people.

Defence at Sh213.3 billion is the second largest vote. Almost all of this budget is a lump sum allocation to the actual military under national defence and protection, civil aid (to humanitarian activities) and defence industry (including national space agency) programs. Their program-based results emphasize capacity to deliver on the first two and a commercial outlook on the third.

Roads is next at Sh199 billion. Maintenance takes up the lion's share of this budget, before rehabilitation, with new road construction at lowest budget. Program-based results point us to a grand total of 443 kilometres in new road construction, and 2,967 kilometres in rehabilitation. We return to the disconnect; how does this data align with road agencies (and political promises?)



Hanniel Calebson, a pupils at Assar Johanson Primary School. The Teachers Service Commission gets the largest budget vote. [File, Standard]

Highest votes

Sh387.2 billion What the Teachers Service Commission gets.

Sh213.3 billion What the Defence Department is allocated.

Sh199 billion What is set aside for roads.

Higher education and research is our fourth largest vote at Sh143.7 billion against which the program-based metrics for 2025/26 include graduating 91,283 students from universities and placing 173,322 new students, placing another 168,507 in TVET institutions, financing 575,304 university and TVET students on loans and sponsoring 500,216 students. Reality check needed?

Basic education follows at Sh127.6 billion. Selected metrics include enrolment of 6.9 million children in primary school and 3.3 million children in public secondary schools and junior secondary schools. In addition, providing school meals to 2.8 million vulnerable learners.

At 127.1 billion, the national police service is the sixth largest vote in 2025/26. Reducing the crime rate to 100 in every 100,000 (or 50,000 annual crimes from 101,220 in 2024) is their BETA-aligned target, while recruiting 10,000 and training of up to 30,000 officers. Noticeably, all of their other metrics are coverage-focused (percentage of) rather than service delivery oriented.

Housing and urban development follows in seventh at 123.8 billion, of which over Sh90 billion is earmarked towards its "delivery of affordable and social housing units" sub-programme. Note that housing levy collections in 2025/26 are targeted at Sh95 billion (from Sh65 billion in the current year). Intriguingly, there is no target set for the number of houses to be done, but there is one for potential home owners registered on the Boma Yangu platform, which is set at 598,800.

The National Treasury will receive the eight highest vote in 2025/26 at Sh111.9 billion, including Sh32 billion Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) and almost Sh10 billion each for the Equalisation Fund and an "African Union and Other International Organisations" Fund. Owing to its multiple functions, its program-based metrics range from KRA's collection performance to the absorption rate of donor funds. Is Treasury

now an over-established mélange of pure treasury work (finance), non-strategic work planning and budgeting and financial management (accounting)?

The ninth and final vote above Sh100 billion is that of Medical Services at Sh105.9 billion, including Sh45 billion for national referral services (hospitals) and Sh28 billion for social protection in health (including the Primary Health Care Fund; Emergency, Chronic and Critical Illness Fund and the Digital Health Authority (DHA)).

Lest we forget, our universal health care financing model is still incomplete. 2025/26 targets under the social protection (UHC) part if this vote include 126,725 indigent households supported by Taifacare, 100 per cent financial support to all under the two funds above, and the digitalisation of 105 primary health care networks under DHA.

Energy rounds off the top 10 with a vote of Sh63.5 billion. Its key customer metrics for 2025/26 include 550,000 under last-mile connectivity, 800,000 under the Kenya Green Resilient Expansion of Energy project and 480,000 customers under rural electrification. Other program targets deal with capacity expansion in generation, transmission, distribution and alternative energy sources.

In total, these top 10 votes add up to Sh1.602 or 63 per cent of the national government vote. To offer context here, there are a total of 90 budget votes under national government. What of the next 15 in our top 25? At number 11, we have Economic Planning at Sh63 billion (including Sh58 billion in NG-CDF for our MPs), followed by National Intelligence at Sh51.4 billion, Agriculture at Sh49.8 billion, Parliament itself at Sh47.7 billion (basically excluding NG-CDF), and Transport also at Sh47.5 billion at number 15. Think of this as an order of prioritisation.

Bringing us to our final 10. Beginning at number 16 with Water and Sanitation at Sh43.9 billion, then TVET (17) at Sh43.2 billion, Corrections (18) at Sh38.1 billion, Internal Security and National Administration (19) at Sh35.9 billion and Public Health at 20 on Sh32.2 billion. Then Petroleum (21) at Sh30.7 billion, Social Protection (22) at Sh29.3 billion, Judiciary (23) at Sh27.8 billion, Foreign Affairs (24) at Sh25.3 billion and Public Service at Sh20.4 billion. This is our Top 25!

For the avoidance of doubt, this total leaves roughly Sh355 billion spread across the other 60-odd national government budget votes. Whatever you do with this information is entirely up to you, but two points are worthy of reflection. Does this spending hierarchy align with your own view of how and where your taxes should go? But here's the real question – do the results we have highlighted here justify or otherwise explain the spending? That's your real budget question!

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President's office spent Sh3b in nine months

► Controller of Budget releases new report for Financial Year 2024/2025.

► She also faults government for spending before seeking Parliament's approval.

EDWIN NYARANGI, NAIROBI

The office of the President spent Sh3 billion in the first nine months of financial year 2024/2025 of which Sh1.2 billion paid salaries, Sh145.3 million on domestic travel and Sh16.9 million went to utilities, supplies and services.

According to a report released by the Controller of Budget Margaret Nyakango the office of President used Sh899.8 million in what was listed as other expenses, Sh222.37 million on rentals of produced assets while Sh16 million went to communication, supplies and services.

Dr Nyakango said Sh165.24 went to hospitality while Sh136.35 million was for specialised materials and supplies, Sh42.88 million went to fuel, Sh15.3 million went to grants and other transfers and Sh12.89 million for social security benefits

She said the office of the Deputy President spent Sh2.2 billion in the first nine months of financial year 2024/2025 of which Sh717.4 million paid salaries, Sh196.2 million went to domestic travel and Sh22.9 for utilities, supplies and services.

The DP's office used Sh346.7 million in other expenses, Sh115.08 million on rentals, while Sh23.9 million went to communication, supplies and services.

At the same time, the auditor general faulted the government for over relying on the section of the Constitution that allows it to spend and then seek Parliament's approval through supplementary budget. "Article 223 of the Constitution stipulates the requirements for a supplementary appropriation. Paragraph 40 (3) of the Public Finance Management (National Government) Regulations, 2015 outlines the purpose for which approval can be sought for a supplementary budget. These include (a) unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances where no budget provision was made or (b) unavoidable circumstances where there is an existing budgetary provision which, however, is inadequate. Further, Paragraph 40 (4) (a) of the said Regulations clarifies that expenditure that, although known when finalising the original budget estimates, could not



Controller of Budget Margaret Nyakango before the Senate. [File, Standard]

be accommodated within allocations shall not be considered an unforeseen and unavoidable expenditure."

The report showed the National Treasury Cabinet Secretary had granted total approvals of Sh48.89 billion for additional funding to MDAS under Article 223 of the Constitution.

Scrutiny of the approvals revealed several instances where the reason for additional funding was to support existing government programmes and payment of pending bills, which should have been anticipated during the budget formulation.

State House benefited from additional funding that amounted to Sh1.16 billion under Article 223 of the Con-

stitution to cater for utilities, rent, local visits, hospitality services, fuel expenses and maintenance of motor vehicles.

At the same time the State Department for Social Protection and Senior Citizen Affairs accessed Sh1.24 billion in a separate instance as additional funding under Article 223, which was loan revenue that the World Bank had already disbursed into a designated project account to cater for the Kenya Social and Economic Inclusion Project (KSEIP), an ongoing project.

The Controller of Budget was concerned over delayed projects, citing construction of junior secondary classrooms and integrated resource centres across the country which were only 21

per cent complete even though they are supposed to be completed by June 30 next year 2026. This project was started in July 2021 and was supposed to cater for the learners who are transitioning to Competence based education system.

Nyakango cited Mlan-go-Benon-State Lodge-Sach 3 - Riwo Pri - Store - Mto Mbili Road which began in April last year and was only 10 per cent complete) and Chobe - Kambi George-Weru - Matundura & Muti-ini - Thindi road which was only 13 per cent complete as projects which had overstretched their planned completion dates.

Other projects which had fallen behind schedule were Development of Nairobi Railway City whose completion date was 30th June 2023, and the construction of 2.8km new medium gauge rail MGR link from Mombasa SGR terminus - Miritini SGR station and railway bridge across Makupa causeway ought to have been completed in June last year.

The revitalisation of Gilgil-Nyahururu MGR branch line and the construction of access road to Suswa SGR Station and to Maai Mahiu SGR Station which had been scheduled to be completed mid last year.

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NAIROBI

Chandaria leads partner support for children's home in West Pokot

The Chandaria Foundation has donated an assortment of vital items to Bobleo Children's Home in West Pokot County, in partnership with Standard Group, EKA Hotel, West Pokot County Government and other organisations.

The donation comprises 100 mattresses, 50 pillows and 30 wheelchairs for the Catholic-sponsored institution that houses over 200 disabled children in Mnagei, West Pokot County.

Speaking in Nairobi during the flag-off ceremony, 96-year-old philanthropist Manu Chandaria said this is the second time his foundation has supported the facility, having previously assisted with wheelchairs in 2016.

"We are pleased to reach West Pokot, and we don't want to stop there. Anywhere in marginal areas, we would like to see which way we can support them," Dr Chandaria said.

The Chandaria Foundation, established in 1956, operates across 35 countries and supports over 4,000 employees while touching the lives of more than 40,000 people.

In Kenya, the foundation has established medical facilities including the Chandaria Accident Emergency Centers at Nairobi Hospital and Pandya Hospital in Mombasa, and cancer centers at Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital and Kenyatta University Hospital.

West Pokot Governor Simon Kachapin lauded the partners for their continued support of the Bobleo Children's Home, which shelters more than 200 children with disabilities.

"This is not the first time we have received help from Dr Chandaria and Standard Group. Back in 2016, we began this partnership. Today, we return not just for donations, but for hope renewed," Kachapin said.

"This home gives dignity to chil-

dren abandoned by society, and we owe them our best."

He added that West Pokot remains one of the more marginalised counties due to low literacy levels, harsh semi-arid conditions, and retrogressive practices such as early marriages.

Standard Group Chief Executive Editor Chaacha Mwita said the media house's involvement reflects its commitment to social responsibility beyond journalism.

"As a media house with over a century of heritage, our role has never been limited to reporting the news. We are committed to shaping a better society," Mwita said.

The Standard Media Group Foundation operates under four pillars aligned with UNSustainable Development Goals: Climate action, quality education, good health and well-being, and reduced inequalities.

"This partnership reminds us that sustainable change is possible when the public and private sectors come together for a common good," Mwita added.

The Standard Group will continue its sustainability efforts with a golf tournament in Eldoret this weekend, featuring tree-planting focused on climate change mitigation.

Eka Hotel contributed blankets, shoes and foodstuff. "We are proud to be part of this initiative. Supporting children in need aligns with our core values as a hospitality brand rooted in community," said Yvonne Natabona, Eka Hotel Sales Manager.

Bobleo Children's Home is a haven for disabled children whose families have abandoned them or cannot provide adequate care.

The institution has operated since 2008, relying on well-wishers for support. The home provides both education and medical care.

[Maryann Muganda and Rayvon Kipng'eno]



Standard Group Chief Executive Editor Chaacha Mwita (second left), Dr Manu Chandaria, West Pokot Governor Simon Kachapin, Brother Charles Musumba with pupils Glen Kiprop and Justine Chemusto during a flag-off in Nairobi yesterday.



A polling station at Mercy Njeri Primary School in Rongai Constituency, during the 2022 elections. Judges noted that the election period is marked by tension, suspicion, profiling and economic slowdown. [Harun Wathari, Standard]

Early political campaigns illegal, court now declares

► Judges rule off-season campaigns violate right to equal legal protection.

► Three-judge bench orders AG to act and enact campaign law within 12 months.

DANIEL CHEGE, NAKURU

A three-judge bench has declared early political campaigns conducted before the legally prescribed period unconstitutional.

Justices Hedwig Ong'udi, Heston Nyaga and Patricia Gichohi ruled that such campaigns violate the rights to equality and equal protection under the law.

They further noted that early campaigns infringe on several constitutional principles, including the right to life, freedom from violence, impartiality, development, rule of law, and the right to free and fair elections.

The judges ordered the Attorney General to enact a law within 12 months to regulate political campaigns conducted outside the official election period.

They noted that campaigns, by nature, can negatively impact citizens.

"There is no doubt that the election period is characterised by heightened political tensions, suspicions, negative profiling, and a general slowdown of the economy," the bench ruled.

To curb rising tensions, the judges ruled that the political season should not be continuous, stressing the need for the country to take a break from campaigns and focus on development and citizens' well-being.

They noted that off-season campaigns divert public resources, dis-

rupt service delivery, and undermine inclusive growth.

"When people focus on political campaigns, they neglect their duties. Tokens from politicians cannot replace regular income, creating family divisions and a culture of political dependency," they observed.

The court added that early campaigners enjoy unfair advantages through media access, while those who follow the law are sidelined.

They also decried selective enforcement, where some aspirants campaign early without consequences, breaching the principle of equal treatment.

The judges further warned that early campaigns thrive in a culture of impunity, often leading to clashes, intimidation, and hate speech that may incite violence.

"This, in our view, results in a violation of the spirit and intent of the constitution and underscores the need for proper regulation and enforcement to ensure that political processes remain free from any form of violence," they ruled.

Even though the Covid-19 pandemic is no longer a serious threat, the judges say that public health protocols are ignored during cam-

paigns, and the same pose a direct threat to life.

They insist that in some cases, the campaigns may lead to the potential spread of communicable diseases, thus endangering vulnerable populations.

Risk of violence

The judges noted that there was no law governing campaigns outside the election period, and the same may increase the risk of violence, intimidation and public disorder.

The judges held that the AG, as the legal advisor to the government, had a duty to take steps to fill any gaps in the law and fill them.

The judges ruled in a petition filed by Kituo cha Sheria, seeking orders stopping early campaigns.

The organization sued the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC), the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), the Registrar of Political Parties, the Attorney General and the Inspector General of Police.

It mentioned UDA, ODM, Jubilee, ANC, Wiper, and KANU as interested parties in the case.

They accused the government agencies of neglecting and refusing to take action against aspirants or political parties carrying out early campaigns.

"The court should order the DPP to investigate and prosecute those found culpable of campaigning outside the legally prescribed period," it submitted.

In response, IEBC said it gave no sanctions for any political party to start early campaigns, and it has no legal authority to stop the campaigns.

The political parties submitted that there was no evidence of a violation of the constitution during previous campaigns.

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Three-judge bench



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"While these deaths cause tremendous pain to individuals and their families, they seriously erode the authority and credibility of the police and the State, a significant step towards chaos and collapse."

Raila Odinga, ODM leader



EDITORIAL

Intermittent shortages of vaccines unacceptable

There is a sigh of relief among parents following the reported arrival of polio and BCG vaccines after weeks of waiting. Medical Services Principal Secretary Ouma Oluga has assured Kenyans that 3.2 million doses of polio vaccine and 3 million doses of BCG (Tuberculosis) will be distributed across the country.

In the last few years, Kenya has had intermittent shortages of critical vaccines and drugs, but matters took a turn for the worse following the withdrawal of aid by USAID and other international agencies that have largely funded the immunisation programmes in the country for many years. In fact, at no time in the country's history have vaccine and drug shortages been so pronounced.

At one point, uncertainty over the availability of vaccines caused health experts to warn that unless the government takes steps in to fill the funding gap, the country risks losing decades of progress on the immunisation front.

Vaccinations are administered under the Expanded Programme on Immunisation, which is largely supported by donors, but this is expected to end by 2029. We hope that by then, the government will have found ways of ensuring we have enough stocks of vaccines.

While it is not clear whether the government has paid the Sh1.6 billion it owes the International Vaccine partners GAVI and UNICEF to facilitate the release of the vaccines, our immediate concern are the recurrent shortages that have been causing panic and putting children's lives in danger.

Although Dr Oluga has assured that the vaccines that have just arrived will last for five months and more are expected in the next eight to 12 weeks, the truth is that the government has not kept its word on this matter in the last few years.

Going forward, the government must have its priorities right. Health, and especially that of our children, should be the government's number one priority. As such, it should plan appropriately for the next batch of vaccines and the next. The prevailing financial difficulties should not be an excuse to expose millions of children to disability and even early death.

Stop illegal logging

Officials of the Lake Naivasha Basin Landscape Association have raised concerns over illegal logging in the Aberdare Forest in Kinangop, Nyandarua County, in the last one month. Aberdare is the main water catchment area in the region, and must be protected at whatever cost.

Unfortunately, illegal logging, reportedly with the full knowledge of some government officials, at both the county and national levels, has resulted in the gradual drying up of rivers that pour into Lake Naivasha. In addition, this is undermining ongoing efforts to plant 15 billion trees by 2032 with a view to increasing our forest cover. The government should take action against officials involved in the illegal logging exercise.

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It feels criminal to think and dangerous to express ourselves



FAITH WEKESA

Malala Yousafzai once said, "let us pick our books and our pens, they are the most powerful weapons." In my beloved country, however, it is increasingly becoming illegal to embrace books and pens and to allow them to refine and guide our thinking.

Last week, my father asked me to take a break from this column. While he was excited that I am finally writing, practicing what I trained to do, he was deeply worried for my safety. As much as he enjoyed picking his Wednesday paper, he felt it was not worth it if it means compromising my safety.

For a man who raised me to love reading, who always ensured the Sunday newspaper was available for me to go through the children's pullout, this was a tough call. Last evening during our weekly catch up, he asked if I saw his point. A young man was dead because of something he wrote. Albert Ojwang is dead. Not because he committed a crime but because he dared to think aloud

and express the same to the world.

We are existing in a time when it feels criminal to think and dangerous to express ourselves. Instead of checking for grammar accuracy in our messaging, we now realise how important it is to check for egos and feeling's we may hurt for speaking our mind. The tragedy is that we have been here before as a country and the expectation would be that those days are far behind us.

I was young during the fight for multiparty democracy but I always followed on the happenings whichever way I could. We saw acclaimed writers arrested, battered, and imprisoned for speaking their truth. We saw books banned and authors exiled for refusing to use the pen to flatter those in authority. Then came multiparty democracy. A new constitution was unveiled and, as Kenyans, we thrived intellectually knowing our brains were our greatest asset yet. How far back have we fallen!

When Rose Njeri was arrested and arraigned last week, majority of us struggled to understand what exactly was unlawful in what she did. The essence of communication is dialogue. Getting feedback means your audience not only got your message but were interested enough to take their time to respond. A great success indicator for an engagement I would imagine. But here was a young woman being arrested for contributing to a civic exercise's success.

Instead of celebrating her for using her skills as a service to a public cause, we had her standing in the dock for offenses no law could clearly define.

Kenya stands out in the larger east African region for nurturing brilliant minds. Our scholars are globally celebrated, our public education system, even while strained and needing further alignment, is still envied by many. We have raised our children to be critical thinkers, to question theories and find deeper meaning in what is stated.

We celebrate academic achievement so loudly our children learn the value of excellence from a very early age. It cannot be that we, the same people that moulded them into critical thinkers, now turn around to persecute them for being exactly what we trained and fashioned them to be. We can't be the same people demonstrating to them that their brilliance is a sure way for them to end up in cells or worse, in the morgues.

As the older generation, are our egos so fragile our sense of importance so inflated that we cannot stand any narrative that isn't soaked in praise? Are we so terrified of embracing and confronting the truth that we would rather silence it by employing terror and brutal force in dealing with those we feel have used their thinking 'wrongly'?

Today, Ojwang lies dead. Taken from his father's hands only to be pronounced dead 400km away from home. Watching his father weep for his only child in the news, I can understand my own father's fears more clearly. Maybe the surest way to live peacefully today is to be dumb. See no evil. Hear no evil. Write no evil.

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PALAVER

The brutal torture and assault of human rights activists Agather Atuhairi and Boniface Mwangi left me shell shocked, says Robert Mukirae [robertmukirae2@gmail.com]. "The Tanzanian security apparatus has been exposed as a Gestapo clone. But even more damning to me, has been the disgraceful complicity of the Kenya Kwanza government. This regime has been plumbing ever deeper into infamy. At the rate of their descent, they will be fist-bumping with Lucifer at the end of their term. God help us."



Before the affordable housing shenanigans, National Social Security Fund (NSSF) used to build affordable houses like the Nyayo Housing Estate using workers' contributions, says Limo Eliakim Esquire [limoeliakim@gmail.com]. "With the enhanced NSSF contributions, why can't the government abolish this unacceptable deduction, transfer affordable housing projects to NSSF, and let NSSF be the provider of affordable housing as was the case even before all this hullabaloo?"

Children, notes Valyn Omito [omitovalyn@gmail.com], are increasingly being raised in English-speaking environments, especially in urban areas. "This is leading to a decline in the everyday use of Kiswahili. Many parents prioritise English for its global importance and academic advantage, often at the expense of local languages. As a result, children grow up more fluent in English, with limited understanding or use of Kiswahili. This trend could see Kiswahili slowly diminishing in future, raising concerns about cultural erosion and language loss."



With June being Men's Mental Health Awareness Month, Faith Oyoo [oyoofaith329@gmail.com] says society needs to adapt ways that can make men to feel included in matters affecting their mental health. "Men are human beings too, and they do have issues affecting them. We should and must encourage open conversations and promote more understanding towards their mental health."

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Should Helb raid loan defaulters' bank accounts?



JAMES YEPET,
BUSINESSMAN



More youths will be able to study

The proposal to grant the Higher Education Loans Board (Helb) powers to recover billions in loans advanced to university scholars is a move in the right direction. It will boost the revolving fund to allow other needy Kenyan youths to access higher education. It is unfortunate that a sizeable number of beneficiaries have decided to evade the obligation of repaying the loans at the expense of needy,

deserving Kenyans. Many of these defaulters are even parents of today's Gen Zs who are pushing the government to provide free higher education, yet they are even against the cost-sharing model introduced to finance higher education. Today's higher education is very expensive and requires consistent cash-flow. Helb should recover loans from the defaulters' accounts, especially if diplomatic mechanisms have failed to yield fruit. Many youths are on the brink of not pursuing higher education due to lack of money. Those who have benefited from taxpayers' money should allow others the same opportunity.

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TEACHER



Government should create enough jobs

Parliament should reject the invitation to rubber-stamp the locking defaulters' bank accounts in order to recover Helb loans. The move would unfairly target already struggling graduates in a tough job market. Many Helb loan beneficiaries face systemic unemployment and underemployment. Instead of implementing such punitive measures that may push more Kenyans further into economic distress, Helb and the government

should prioritise inclusive, flexible repayment plans and job creation initiatives. Blocking access to bank accounts could hinder graduates' chances of securing employment, running businesses, or meeting basic needs, creating a vicious cycle of poverty and financial exclusion rather than fostering responsibility and development. The government must remember that it shares a significant blame due to its failure to create equal opportunities for all graduates. It should not expect graduates to repay their loans promptly while it fails to offer equal chances to all who complete studies. Such inconsistencies must first be addressed.

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FOOD

Indigenous foods can solve Kenya's hunger and malnutrition crisis

I grew up in Kesogon village, in Kitale where poverty wore many faces—but hunger was not one of them. In our smoky, soot-darkened kitchen, my grandmother stirred bubbling pots of *githeri*, fried *sucha* (spider plant), and steaming *nduma* (arrowroot). These foods were not luxuries; they were life—cheap, nutritious, and abundant. We never thought of them as "heritage cuisine". They were simply food.

Today, that same *githeri* is featured on Nairobi's finest restaurant menus under names like "deconstructed maize-bean medley". *Sucha* is plated in geometric perfection and called "organic amaranth." *Nduma* comes with imported truffle oil. Prices in these hotels soar to thousands of shillings—well beyond the reach of the people who originally cultivated, preserved, and depended on these staples.

But as our indigenous foods become trendy among the urban elite, they are becoming inaccessible to the very communities that once thrived on them. What once symbolised resilience and nourishment has been gentrified into boutique exclusivity. The irony is bitter—both figuratively and, in the case of some of our traditional greens, literally.

Our grandparents didn't have PhDs in nutrition or food systems, but they understood principles that global experts now rebrand as "climate-smart" and "sustainable agriculture". They knew how to eat seasonally, relying on nature's cycles instead of artificial fertilisers or imports. They planted diverse crops on small plots—cassava next to cowpeas, sweet potatoes beneath bananas—ensuring resilience in the face of unpredictable weather. They practiced zero waste: Pumpkin leaves, seeds and flesh all had a place

on the plate.



Samuel Macharia,
Librarian, Catholic
University of Eastern Africa

on the plate.

We abandoned this wisdom in the name of modernity. Colonial agricultural policy promoted maize mono-cropping as the gold standard, while market globalisation glamourised bleached wheat flour and imported rice. Traditional knowledge was dismissed as primitive. Slowly, we became dependent on a few fragile crops and on food systems we no longer controlled.

Today, with climate change bearing down and global food chains unraveling, the ancestral knowledge we discarded may be our only lifeline.

Across rural Kenya, something remarkable is happening. Finger millet, once scoffed at as poor man's porridge, is now sold at Sh200 per kilogramme in Nairobi—three times the price of maize flour. Black beans (dengu) are being packaged for export to Europe and North America, where they're marketed as "high-protein vegan

power food." Amaranth, or terere, appears in five-star hotel buffets, artfully arranged and sprinkled with imported cheese.

If Kenya is to address its dual crises of hunger and malnutrition, we must first rethink our relationship with food. That begins with dismantling the notion that modernity means abandoning indigenous knowledge. We must ask hard questions: Why are school lunch programmes still modelled on maize and beans only? Why do government subsidies prioritise hybrid maize over sorghum, millet, and indigenous vegetables? Why are children taught to crave fast food but not taught how to grow mchicha?

The path forward is clear—but it requires political will and cultural courage. There is need to establish urban-rural food partnerships where city consumers invest directly in farms growing traditional crops. This builds inclusive food systems and shortens supply chains. We must also modernise tradition by supporting innovation that creates shelf-stable, ready-to-cook versions of indigenous dishes such as fortified *githeri* or vacuum-packed terere stew, while preserving nutritional value.

Schools should introduce gardens focused on indigenous crops and invite grandmothers and community elders into classrooms to pass down cooking knowledge before it disappears.

Finally, if we can subsidise maize and fertiliser, we can do the same for millet, sweet potatoes, and traditional vegetables. It is time for the national food policy to reflect the ecological and cultural diversity of our land. The tragedy isn't just that Kenyans are going hungry—it's that we are starving amidst abundance.



GITOBU IMANYARA,
FORMER MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

Enough is enough: Ojwang's blood crying out for justice

Albert Ojwang was arrested from his home in Homa Bay County. In broad daylight. In front of his father and other relatives. There were no guns drawn, no resistance offered. He was calm.

He believed in the rule of law. When the police accused him of "false publication," he cooperated. Like any responsible citizen, he trusted that justice would run its course—that he would be given his day in court, and that he would return home to his wife and child. And to his students. Instead, Mr Ojwang ended up dead. In the custody of Central Police Station officers.

Now the police want us to accept silence as explanation. When asked who lodged the complaint against him, the OCS went mute. No answers. No transparency. Only an unaccountable state hiding behind shadowy power. But we know what this is. We've seen this script before. A man is picked up for speaking out, taken into custody, then ends up dead. The police blame vague charges, anonymous complaints, or health complications. The body is found. The story is buried. But not this time.

Albert Ojwang was not just another name. He was a teacher. A father to a baby only a few months old. A husband. A son — his parents' only child. His last moments were spent in police custody, the very place the Constitution guarantees safety and dignity for all Kenyans, regardless of their beliefs.

In his last conversation with a friend, Albert asked, "Do you think I'll be safe in police hands?" His friend, like most of us who still hold some faith in our public institutions, reassured him: "Yes, you'll be safe."

Ojwang never made it out alive. As Kenyans grieve, government operatives are scrambling to sanitise his death. Paid bloggers are working overtime—spreading filth to smear a dead man, peddling unverified claims, deflecting attention from a brutal, unjustifiable killing.

These digital mercenaries applaud police executions from behind their keyboards while families bury their children. But we see them. We hear them. And we will remember.

The police say it was "false publication." Since when did that become a capital offence? Since when did the Directorate of Criminal Investigations and the Police Service become the final word on defamation? Defamation is a civil matter. It belongs in courtrooms, not police cells. It deserves argument and evidence—not abduction and death.

Ojwang's death is not an isolated case. It is the latest chapter in a growing archive of state violence. From forced disappearances to tortured bodies dumped in rivers and forests, we are witnessing a return to the darkest days of impunity. The names change, but the horror is constant. And always, there is silence from the top.

President William Ruto has repeatedly claimed to have ended abductions and extra-judicial killings. He has declared, publicly and emphatically, that Kenya is turning a new page. But what do those words mean



when Albert is killed in custody? When a family watches their son taken by the police—only to receive his corpse without explanation? What do those words mean when bodies still turn up mutilated in rivers and shallow graves?

They mean nothing. Not without justice. Let us not be mistaken: this was not a mistake. This was not an "accident." This was a killing. A calculated, deliberate act. Ojwang's death reeks of state-sanctioned murder, and now the system is scrambling to cover up the stench.

The smears, the silence, the shadowy justifications—they all point to the same truth. Someone wants us to forget. Someone wants us to move on.

But this time, we will not move on. Ojwang's child will grow up without a father. His students will wait for a teacher who will

never return. His wife will bear a grief no one should carry. And his parents—who watched their only son taken away by the state — will be haunted forever by what they saw, and what they lost.

So we must ask: How many more must die before we say no? How many more parents must bury their children while cowards and propagandists spin lies for pay? How long will we allow the government to confuse silence for peace? Kenya cannot survive on blood-stained stability. We cannot trade freedom for fear.

This must be the line we refuse to cross. We demand immediate, independent investigations into Ojwang's death. The officers responsible must be arrested and prosecuted without delay. And not those who were on duty at Central Police Station but also at the top echelons of the service who were allegedly defamed. IPOA must rise to the moment, and Parliament must summon the Interior Cabinet Secretary and Inspector General of Police to account for this heinous act.

More than that, we must outlaw the use of police power to suppress dissent and silence citizens. The Constitution protects free expression. No Kenyan should die because they dared to question, to write, or to speak. Ojwang's blood cries out from Homa Bay. It calls us to remember who we are and what kind of country we want to be. If we ignore it, if we allow this to pass, we will have surrendered our freedoms for good.

But we still have a choice. Let Ojwang's death be the last. Let his name be the turning point. This time, we will not play along. Enough is enough!

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Aviation industry

Why 2025 airline financial results may not be as rosy as last year's



LEONARD KHAFAFA

The aviation industry often reflects the broader state of the global economy. As such, it can serve as a bellwether, signaling either an impending upswing or forewarning of economic headwinds. Following the Covid-19 pandemic, the industry experienced a robust recovery, with international travel rebounding sharply.

According to International Air Transport Association (IATA) Director General Willie Walsh, "strong employment and easing inflation are expected to push airline revenues up to 1.3 per cent compared to last year". However, despite this optimistic outlook, there are significant challenges that could temper the industry's performance in 2025. Two in particular may affect the global aviation industry this year.

First, escalating trade tensions, particularly stemming from US President Donald Trump's renewed reciprocal tariffs, pose a looming threat. As *Reuters* reports, "Trump's sweeping tariffs have stoked fears of an economic slowdown and squeezed discretionary spending, prompting many consumers, especially in the US, to delay or scale back travel plans."

Second, global aircraft delivery delays, compounded by ongoing supply chain constraints for service parts, continue to disrupt airline operations. These issues have left many airlines struggling to meet growing passenger demand, often resulting in higher operating costs and flight cancellations. *Reuters* report that "carriers are forced to keep older jets in service or pay more for the dwindling number of spare parts." Walsh calls these delays "off-the-charts-unacceptable," expressing frustration across the industry.

In Africa, the outlook is particularly challenging. IATA forecasts the continent's airlines will post the lowest profitability globally in 2025, with an average net profit margin of just 1.1 per cent. The region's growth is hindered by aircraft shortages, spare parts unavailability and foreign currency constraints in key markets such as Nigeria and Zimbabwe.

Ethiopian Airlines CEO Mesfin Tassew Bekele sheds light on the issue: "We are receiving airplanes from both Boeing and Airbus, but delivery has been delayed - some by three months, others by six months or more." The airline reportedly has multiple grounded aircraft due to maintenance delays, including three Boeing 787s awaiting Rolls-Royce engines and five turboprops stalled by a shortage of Pratt & Whitney engines. "Normally, engines are supposed to be repaired and returned within three months, but now it takes six months or more," Bekele notes.

Closer home, Kenya Airways is not immune to these pressures. The national carrier operates nine Boeing 787-8 Dreamliners, many of which are now a decade old. Industry pundits say they may now be due for mandatory engine overhauls. Unfortunately, with the limited engine workshops globally suffering capacity constraints, it may be a while before all of the airline's fleet of Dreamliners are returned to full service.

According to IATA, African carriers are projected to earn just USD 1.3 in profit per passenger in 2025. This pales in comparison to USD 11.1 in North America and USD 8.9 in Europe. Global aviation industry challenges may see the continent struggle to make do with older aircraft. Whilst age will not compromise their safety and fitness for use, there may be a steep impairment charge on the assets of many flag carriers on the continent. With grounded aircraft, engine reliability issues and a global backlog of over 17,000 planes, Africa may find this year's airline results far less profitable than the last.

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HOT ON X

Havi makes jest of Kihika's explanation

@NelsonHavi: Susan Kihika is right but wrong. She could have summoned the CS Health and the PS Health to perform the delivery from her home.

@TI Voice: Kihika not wanting to expose herself to doctors within the country whom she considers her juniors is the most ridiculous excuse from a sitting governor.



@thee_alf: That is if she does not consider them as her juniors because that seems to be a very important qualification for the good governor.

@Leon_Ruto: It's appalling that you have displayed such blatant misogyny in your actions towards women in positions of power.

@mwarihassan4: Governor Kihika is doing great in Nakuru County in terms of projects. It's so unfortunate that you chose to ride on a woman to woman joke.

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FROM THE WEB

After self-proclaimed, Mary, comes 'God'

Standard Digital: Alfred Ndeta claims to have descended to earth in 1987 with a divine mission to save mankind. The self-proclaimed 'God' narrated how he banished Satan to hell on August 22, 1988.

June's Mum: Heaven is having emergency meetings to discuss western Kenya. Even Satan is intrigued.

Gentrix Musabi: I think Mathare should be moved to Western.

Douglas Kobi: So, after people ignored his son, who he had sent to save the world, he decided to come and save them himself?



Richie Macharia: If they team up with yesu wa Tongaren, western will automatically become Heaven.

Anthony Methu Kamau: I will do my masters thesis on this western Kenya drama.

Shiro Kamande: I knew someone would compete with this Mary. This region!

Zahra Emmy: And his own tribe doesn't believe him, sounds familiar?

Lamecko Griffins: So heaven is in western?

ADDICTION

Teachers and parents should redouble efforts to keep young people off drugs and alcohol

Notwithstanding the crusade to manage it, the drug and alcohol abuse menace remains a serious health concern. Not only are more and more people getting hooked, a variety of new drugs and concoctions find their way into the market.

A recent survey by the National Authority for Campaigns Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (Nacada) indicates that children mainly get introduced to drugs in the last class of primary school and first year of secondary school.

This is an age when children are prone to peer pressure and are inclined to experiment. It is an age when teachers, parents, guardians, law enforcement agencies and the society in general should be more vigilant if the youth are to escape the drug noose.

Unfortunately, the vigilance is not impressive enough, according to the report by Nacada. It indicates that children access drugs not just because of failure of the people, institutions and the system that should protect them from immorality, but the very people who should be responsible and protecting them are at times the source of the harmful substances.

Though most of the respondents in the survey said they access drugs through friends and relatives and other commercial sources, 7.4 per cent and 4.7 per cent of respondents alleged parents and teachers respectively were their sources of drugs.

The fact that the very people who hold the biggest responsibility for the welfare of the youth are constantly mentioned as the source of drugs is disturbing.

Still, if they are not actively involved in initiating children to substance abuse, parents and teachers cannot escape the blame for failing in their role of ensuring that the young people are not exposed to drugs.

The use of drugs and substances has gradually increased without any serious intervention from



the government, health sector, churches or education sector.

Each year, thousands of students leave school without any support for further education or employment and many of them are being left to their own devices. This is like a time bomb which may explode and cause problems. And it is one worrying trend for our country.

It is time for the responsible authorities to step up their efforts to address the drug menace for the general good of this nation.

Dennis Onyango, Nairobi

Key targets Ruto has missed in first 1,000 days

President William Ruto rode to power on lofty promises, projecting himself as the saviour of the poor. His main focus was on hustlers like the mama mbogas and the boda boda riders. It is now 1,000 days since he assumed office and the assessment of his mid-term record exposes missed targets.

In his Madaraka Day speech, the President highlighted the progress the country has made, saying that the economy had grown.

Unfortunately Kenyans don't read from the same book as the President since many complain of an increased cost of living and unemployment. Kenyans have issues they feel have not been addressed, especially in sectors like health and education. Ruto's tenure has been marred by an exponential rise in human rights abuses and political intolerance.

There is increased police brutality on Kenyans who engage in demonstrations in the streets. The President should therefore focus on issues that affect ordinary Kenyans the most. Increased poverty levels are among challenges that Kenyans face right now and the government needs to address the real issues affecting the common mwananchi.

Mary Muakoma, Taita Taveta

BRUTALITY

Kenyans should strip police service of impunity

Albert Ojwang, a blogger, was healthy when they arrested him on Saturday last week. They said he had posted false information online about a senior police officer. Hours after his arrest, he was found unconscious in his cell.

They claim he had committed suicide by repeatedly hitting his head against the wall. But Kenyans have heard this story before. The explanations are as predictable as they are insulting. They follow a pattern that is all too familiar. Police brutality in Kenya is an old wound that has

never been allowed to heal. Police, who were supposed to be reformed continue to operate like armed militias, armed with authority, shielded by silence, and protected by a system that rarely punishes its own.

Ojwang' did not die because he was dangerous. He died because he was vulnerable. Because someone in uniform thought they could get away with it. And until we break that belief, until we strip impunity from power, this cycle will not end. **Philip Generali, Organising Secretary, Inject Party**



POLITICS

NCIC has failed to address hate speech and incitement

A stranger to Kenya today might assume that the country is gearing up for a general election. From noisy rallies to heated political rhetoric, it feels like the nation is caught in a constant campaign cycle. And yet, the next general election is more than two years away. Amid this political noise, one critical institution is silent - the National Cohesion and Integration Commission (NCIC).

Tasked with fostering national unity and curbing hate speech and incitement, the NCIC has failed to rise to the occasion. While politicians crisscross the country stirring divisions and inflaming

ethnic sentiments, the NCIC appears dormant. We need a body that acts, not reacts with press statements after the damage is done. If NCIC cannot fulfill its mandate, it should be disbanded. Politicians must also be held accountable.

Campaigns are restricted to two months before a general election. We cannot build a cohesive society when our leaders prioritise elections over solutions. What Kenya needs is sobriety, not slogans. Focus, not frenzy. For the sake of national cohesion, let leaders restrain themselves and let us, citizens, demand better. **Eric Ambuche, Nairobi**

HOMA BAY

MCAs clash over Majority Leader impeachment bid

Tension gripped the Homa Bay County Assembly as a planned ouster of Majority Leader Richard Ogindo led to a dramatic confrontation, with factions clashing physically at the assembly gates on Tuesday.

The crisis unfolded when a group of MCAs advocating for Ogindo's removal were denied entry, leading to a "push-and-pull" battle with those supporting his leadership.

The situation escalated with the intervention of a group of youth, forcing the excluded MCAs to retreat.

Addressing journalists later in Kendu Bay Town, the pro-impeachment MCAs, led by Jeff Ongoro (Kanyaluo Ward), condemned the incident as an attempt to gag them.

They accused Ogindo of poor leadership, citing issues of mismanagement and frustration of staff within the assembly.

In a statement read by Apopo Lentana (Kanyadoto), the MCAs revealed their intention was to impeach Ogindo. Victor Okoth (Kaksingri West) voiced concerns over the expenditure of Sh265 million allocated for MCAs' welfare, stating that requests for accountability were met with silence and accusations of being "rebels."

Ongoro asserted they had mobilized sufficient numbers for the impeachment, claiming support from 27 out of 46 ODM MCAs in the county assembly.

He challenged the opposing faction: "If they had numbers, why were they blocking us from entering the county assembly premises?"

Ongoro also clarified that their target was not Governor Gladys Wanga, appealing to her not to be drawn into the internal MCA dispute.

David Oloo (Kanyamwa Kologi) vowed that intimidation would not deter their impeachment efforts.

Conversely, Ogindo dismissed the allegations, asserting that he commanded the support of 43 out of 54 MCAs. "It is wrong for someone to say that 37 members signed to impeach me. I want to confirm to you that 43 MCAs out of 54 in this assembly are supporting me," he declared at the county assembly premises, surrounded by his supporters.

Ogindo maintained that he would serve his full term, emphasizing that a Majority Leader can only be removed by the majority party's MCAs.

[James Omoro]



A section of Kenneth Matiba Level Five Hospital, built by the Murang'a County Government on land ceded by Del Monte. [Inset] A pineapple plantation in Thika. [Boniface Gikandi]

Murang'a turns Del Monte land into investment hub

► County to hold first investment conference at Thika Greens from tomorrow.

► Leaders say industrial park revenue to boost county's 35 wards' development.

BONIFACE GIKANDI, MURANG'A

Twenty years ago, Del Monte Kenya Limited was a crime scene, marked by clashes between youth and police that left casualties on the Nairobi-Nyeri highway.

The situation changed after the company ceded 1,998 acres to the Murang'a County Government for development.

Governor Irungu Kang'ata's administration subsequently built Kenneth Matiba Hospital on this land, relocating it from a rented building at Kenol market that previously cost Sh14 million annually.

Now, hundreds of investors will demonstrate how they can utilize the land for production, job creation and value addition of farm produce.

Tomorrow and Friday, the county government will host its first investment conference at the Thika Greens Exclusive Golf Course to provide these investors with that opportunity.

The conference will convene experts in agro-processing and value addition, manufacturing and industrial parks, affordable housing, tourism and heritage, digital economy and innovation and climate-smart agriculture.

Murang'a's proximity to key markets and its abundance of raw materials, among other essentials, make it an attractive location. Already, eight investors have booked space for the establishment of industries within the industrial park, where the county government is focused on agro-processing factories.

"This will be a major market centre on the Nairobi-Nyeri-Nanyuki and Embu-Isiolo-Meru highways, as there will be direct contact with the buyers," added Kang'ata.

Murang'a hosts 10 tea factories, namely Ngere, Njunu, Ikumbi, Nduti, Gacharage, Makomboki, Githambo,

Kanyenya-ini, Kiru and Gatunguru, where farmers last year earned in excess of Sh17 billion for the sale of green leaf. Murang'a production of avocado is rated the highest in Kenya and sixth in the world.

It also has more than 144 coffee factories managed by 38 cooperative societies. To ensure there is prudent use of the land to generate income and create space for employment, the county assembly will give investors a six-month grace period to assemble their equipment and embark on the construction of the industries.

The conference has been organised by the eleven-member committee of the Budget and Economic Council, chaired by former Equity Bank Chairman Dr Peter Munga, Equity Bank Chairman Dr Macharia Muithure, Murang'a University Vice Chancellor Dr SK Macharia among others.

County Assembly Lands, Housing, and Physical Planning Committee member Gerald Wakamutu said the industrial park will generate revenue for development of the 35 wards in the county.

"There are regulations for the investors that include that 40 percent of the employees must come from Murang'a," said Wakamutu.

Patrick Mwangi, a Nguthuru resident, stated that the area has enjoyed peace for the past three years since the establishment of Kenneth Matiba Hospital, which ended the chaos caused by pineapple thieves.

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SOME OF THE PROJECTS

- 1,312 Acres that have been allocated for investors
- 15 Acres set aside for commercial hub
- 20 Acres allocated for affordable houses
- 10 Acres for PSV terminus
- 713 Acres for industrial park
- 432 Acres for EPZ
- 120 Acres for agro-processing factories



The entrance of the Homa Bay County Assembly. Some MCAs are pushing to impeach Majority Leader Richard Ogindo over claims of poor leadership. [James Omoro, Standard]

MOMBASA

AG Dorcas Oduor urges checks on DPP powers to avoid wrongful convictions

Attorney General Dorcas Oduor has called for stronger checks on the Office of the Director of Public Prosecution's (ODPP) powers, warning that poor charging decisions can have dire consequences.

She said while a conviction after proper prosecution is commendable, a mistake by the prosecutor can ruin lives, especially if the wrongly accused is jailed and later found innocent. "This is grave, especially in serious offences. The prosecutor must be kept in check during the decision-making process," said Oduor during the 23rd Commonwealth

Heads of Prosecuting Agencies Conference in Mombasa.

She said countries must adopt clear guidelines to govern charging decisions. In Kenya, she noted, the ODPP introduced the Decision to Charge Guidelines in 2019 to boost fairness in the criminal justice system.

Director of Public Prosecutions Renson Igonga explained how intelligence sharing helped convict Dusit terror attack suspects. He said Kenya is making strides in disrupting illicit financial flows through coordinated prosecutions and inter-agency collaboration. [Joackim Bwana]

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Kenya pushes China to seal key pact ahead of new financial year

► Financial cooperation agreement followed President William Ruto's state visit to Beijing in April.

► Ruto and his Chinese counterpart, Xi Jinping, outlined broad areas of cooperation, including trade and investment.

BRIAN NGUGI, CHANGSHA, CHINA

Kenya is pressing its largest bilateral creditor, China, to finalise a crucial financial cooperation agreement by the end of this month, which marks the start of a new financial year.

During high-level bilateral talks in the southern Chinese city of Changsha with Chinese Foreign Affairs Minister Wang Yi, Kenya's Prime Cabinet Secretary and Foreign Affairs Musalia Mudavadi emphasised the importance of concluding negotiations on the financial cooperation agreement by the end of this month.

Mr Mudavadi's visit and call for the swift implementation of a financial deal follow President William Ruto's state visit to Beijing in April, where he and Chinese President Xi Jinping outlined broad areas of cooperation, including trade and investment.

"The government of Kenya is very happy with the outcomes of the [President Ruto's] visit, which has deepened and expanded the areas of cooperation. In particular, Kenya is deeply indebted for the support received on financial and trade cooperation matters," said Mr Mudavadi.

"In this regard, the support of the Government of China towards the conclusion of the discussions on financial cooperation at the earliest, before the end of June 2025, is fundamentally important."

This latest move by Kenya highlights the urgency Nairobi places on the financial deal and its growing dependence on Beijing, particularly as tensions with Washington escalate due to new trade tariffs imposed by the Trump administration. The call comes at a critical time when Kenya is set to unveil a new budget for the year starting July 1 and is under pressure to explore alternatives for economic support to fund various programmes amid strain on tax collections, looming debt repayments and economic headwinds. China currently holds over 60 per cent of Kenya's bilateral debt, with approximately 12 major infrastructure projects funded by Chinese investments.

Yesterday, the Prime CS, who was accompanied by China's Ambassador to Kenya Willy Bett and Jane Makori, the Deputy Director General at the Asia and the Pacific Directorate, expressed gratitude for China's support in financial and trade cooperation, underscoring the significance of Nairobi's renewed partner-



Prime Cabinet Secretary and Foreign Affairs Musalia Mudavadi (second left) with other members of the Kenyan delegation during high-level bilateral talks with Chinese officials in the southern Chinese city of Changsha yesterday. [Brian Ngugi, Standard]

Major creditor

60
PER CENT

PORTION of Kenya's bilateral debt that is owed to China, with approximately 12 major infrastructure projects funded by Chinese investments.

ship with Beijing. Mr Mudavadi's visit serves as a crucial follow-up to President Ruto's earlier discussions, focused on accelerating and formalising previously agreed commitments.

Although specific financial terms of the latest financial cooperation deal being pushed for by Kenya were not disclosed, such agreements typically involve concessional loans, infrastructure financing, and trade facilitation—key elements for Kenya's economic development ahead of the new financial year.

Kenya's overall spending is set to increase to Sh4.34 trillion in the 2025-26 financial year from Sh3.95 trillion in the financial year ending this month.

During President Ruto's Beijing visit, where he met President Xi, the leaders outlined broad cooperation areas spanning trade and investment, but also the building of new roads and railways.

Key agreements from Ruto's trip included plans to extend the China-funded and built Nai-

robi-Naivasha Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) to Kisumu and eventually Malaba, as well as the dualing of the Nairobi-Mau Summit Road.

Mr Mudavadi yesterday expressed appreciation for the elevation of Kenya-China relations during President Ruto's April state visit to China to a strategic partnership, noting the mutual benefits of a strong bilateral relationship between Beijing and Nairobi.

He informed his Chinese counterpart, Mr Wang, that Kenya is consulting internally on the Economic Partnership Cooperation Framework earlier agreed on between the two countries and aims to be ready before the end of June.

He stressed the importance of technical teams meeting to prepare for bilateral negotiations, which could lead to greater access for Kenyan goods and services in the Chinese market.

"On the Economic Partnership Cooperation Framework, Kenya is consulting internally and should be ready before the end of June," said Mr Mudavadi.

"Therefore, it is important for the technical teams to meet and begin preparations for bilateral negotiations, which will ultimately lead to more access to the Chinese market for Kenyan goods and services."

The two nations, during the Ruto visit, also discussed direct air links, expected to significantly enhance trade and tourism.

In addition to infrastructure, the discussions covered healthcare cooperation, with China pledging to support Kenyan enterprises in developing local healthcare industries.

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CREDIT MARKET

CBK cuts main rate for sixth straight time

The Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) has cut its benchmark lending rate for the sixth consecutive time, lowering it by 25 basis points to 9.75 per cent in a bid to revive credit growth as the economy slows and bad loans mount.

CBK Governor Kamau Thugge said yesterday the latest reduction aims to "stimulate private sector lending while anchoring inflation expectations."

"The Committee concluded that there was scope for a further easing of the monetary policy stance to augment the previous policy actions aimed at stimulating lending by banks to the private sector and supporting economic activity, while ensuring inflationary expectations remain firmly anchored, and the exchange rate remains stable," he said in a statement following a meeting of the apex lender's decision-making organ, the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC).

"Therefore, the Committee decided to lower the Central Bank Rate (CBR) by 25 basis points to 9.75 per cent from 10.00 per cent," said Dr Thugge, who chairs the MPC. CBK said growth in private sector lending rose marginally by 2.0 per cent in May up from 0.4 in April as interest rates declined. [Brian Ngugi]

Cotu defends NSSF on workers' savings

The Central Organisation of Trade Unions (Cotu) has come out to defend the integrity of the National Social Security Fund (NSSF), accusing former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua of "reckless and malicious" political utterances.

Cotu Secretary General Francis Atwoli said Gachagua's recent claims about the misuse of NSSF funds were "false, misleading, and aimed at stirring public distrust" in a key institution that safeguards workers' retirement.

"Social security is not a political playground. It is reckless and outrightly malicious for Gachagua to urge workers to withdraw their savings. That borders on economic sabotage," Atwoli said in a statement.

Gachagua, speaking at a public rally in Mazaras on June 7, had claimed that workers' retirement savings were being diverted from NSSF to questionable infrastructure projects—including the Mau Summit-Rironi highway and an alleged 99-year lease of Bomas of Kenya to an Indian investor.

He claimed President William Ruto has been siphoning NSSF money for personal gain.

[Mike Kihaki]



Tops & Flops

LONGHORN	2.42	2.66	9.92%
OLYMPIA	3.29	3.60	9.42%
EA PORTLAND	32.50	35.35	8.77%
STANDARD GROUP	5.78	6.14	6.23%
SAFARICOM	21.30	22.60	6.10%
CAR GENERAL	22.00	20.45	-7.05%
JUBILEE	223.00	209.25	-6.17%
BK GROUP	34.00	32.05	-5.74%
KENYA POWER	8.72	8.30	-4.82%
SCANGROUP	2.69	2.57	-4.46%

Exchange rates

CURRENCY	EXCHANGE RATE	JAPANESE YEN (100)	89.9900
US DOLLAR	129.2391	SWEDISH KRONER	13.5089
STERLING POUND	175.5907	NORWEGIAN KRONER	12.8471
EURO	147.9271	DANISH KRONER	19.8288
SOUTH AFRICAN RAND	7.2886	INDIAN RUPEE	1.5061
KES / UGANDA SHILLING	28.0488	HONGKONG DOLLAR	16.4724
KES / TANZANIA SHILLING	20.6207	SINGAPORE DOLLAR	100.5556
KES / RWANDAN FRANC	10.9951	SAUDI RIYAL	34.4582
KES / BURUNDIAN FRANC	23.0348	CHINESE YUAN	18.0184
AEDIRHAM	35.1867	AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR	84.2639
CANADIAN DOLLAR	94.6495		
SWISS FRANC	157.5510		

SOURCE: COMMERCIAL BANKS

Unit Trusts

MONEY FUNDS	DAILY YIELD	E. A. RATE
GenAfrica Money Market Fund	12.32%	13.10%
Apollo Money Market Fund	10.16%	10.70%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	10.72%	11.26%
Jubilee Money Market Fund (USD)	5.09%	5.21%
Dry Associates Money M Fund	10.23%	10.72%
Dry Associates Money M Fund	5.16%	5.28%
Mali Fund	9.67%	9.67%
Genghis Money Market Fund	9.49%	9.96%
Stanbic Money Market Fund	6.98%	7.21%
Equity Money Market Fund	5.30%	5.43%
Madison Money Market Fund	10.73%	11.32%
Old Mutual Money Market Fund	11.00%	11.59%
Old Mutual Dollar Money M Fund	5.02%	5.14%
Enwealth Money Market Fund	11.20%	11.80%
Enwealth Dollar Money M Fund	4.01%	4.09%
Faulu Money Market Fund	10.11%	10.60%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	11.95%	12.68%
Lofty-Corban Special Money M Fund	9.25%	9.25%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund (USD)	5.13%	5.25%
ICEA MONEY MARKET FUND	9.42%	9.87%
Mayfair Money Market Fund	7.87%	8.19%
Sanlam Money Market Fund	9.97%	10.49%
Sanlam US Dollar Fund Money Market	5.02%	5.15%
Etica Money Market Fund	12.04%	12.79%
Etica Money Market Fund USD	6.07%	6.25%



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	12.45	600
440.00	240.00	Kakuzi Plc Ord.5.00		365.00	-
280.00	81.00	Kapchorua Tea Kenya Plc Ord Ord 5.00AIMS	220.00	220.00	1,800
430.00	320.00	The Limuru Tea Co. Plc Ord 10.00AIMS		320.00	-
32.60	13.60	Sasini Plc Ord 1.00	15.30	15.20	4,600
289.00	120.00	Williamson Tea Kenya Plc Ord 5.00AIMS	205.00	205.00	1,900
AUTOMOBILES & ACCESSORIES					
49.00	18.50	Car & General (K) Ltd Ord 5.00	20.45	22.00	700
BANKING					
19.95	10.00	ABSA Bank Kenya Plc Ord 0.50	18.35	18.30	281,200
38.00	26.50	BK Group Plc Ord 0.80	32.05	34.00	250,700
83.25	43.05	Diamond Trust Bank Kenya Ltd Ord 4.00	72.00	72.00	292,000
51.00	33.70	Equity Group Holdings Plc Ord 0.50	44.65	44.35	1,047,000
9.74	2.80	HF Group Plc Ord 5.00	6.48	6.54	55,500
39.00	15.80	I&M Group Plc Ord 1.00	34.00	34.00	203,000
47.00	15.00	KCB Group Plc Ord 1.00	43.25	43.20	1,994,100
56.25	28.50	NCBA Group Plc Ord 5.00	53.75	54.00	86,900
179.00	90.00	Stanbic Holdings Plc ord.5.00	162.50	155.00	5,500
315.00	134.00	Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ltd Ord 5.00	269.00	268.25	285,700
18.35	10.10	The Co-operative Bank of Kenya Ltd Ord 1.00	15.60	15.45	202,300
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	0.85	0.88	201,500
5.40	2.70	Express Kenya Plc Ord 5.00AIMS	2.95	2.92	100
4.66	4.66	Homeboyz Entertainment Plc 0.50GEMS		4.66	-
9.18	3.83	Kenya Airways Ltd Ord 1.00	4.85	4.59	344,100
3.46	2.00	Longhorn Publishers Plc Ord 1.00AIMS	2.66	2.42	100
5.00	1.76	Nairobi Business Ventures Plc Ord. 0.50GEMS	1.84	1.83	20,500
22.40	10.60	Nation Media Group Plc Ord. 2.50	11.15	11.10	29,600
3.80	1.80	Sameer Africa Plc Ord 5.00	3.71	3.65	85,900
10.80	4.50	Standard Group Plc Ord 5.00	6.14	5.78	200
18.70	10.85	TPS Eastern Africa Ltd Ord 1.00	14.10	14.05	7,300
0.41	0.16	Uchumi Supermarket Plc Ord 5.00	0.25	0.25	216,800
3.95	1.80	WPP Scangroup Plc Ord 1.00	2.57	2.69	96,500
CONSTRUCTION & ALLIED					
5.55	5.55	ARM Cement 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	43.95	43.95	700
3.27	0.72	E.A.Cables Ltd Ord 0.50	1.90	1.81	15,100
55.75	4.38	E.A.Portland Cement Co. Ltd Ord 5.00	35.35	32.50	900
ENERGY & PETROLEUM					
5.40	1.94	KenGen Co. Plc Ord. 2.50	5.00	5.00	6,864,400
9.10	1.30	Kenya Power & Lighting Co Plc Ord 2.50	8.30	8.72	371,900
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	23.75	23.95	8,500
18.00	6.30	Umeme Ltd Ord 0.50		16.00	-
INSURANCE					
8.70	4.01	Britam Holdings Plc Ord 0.10	7.06	7.02	35,000
3.19	1.60	CIC Insurance Group Plc Ord.1.00	2.83	2.86	50,200
235.00	142.00	Jubilee Holdings Ltd Ord 5.00	209.25	223.00	2,000
2.97	1.05	Kenya Re Insurance Corporation Ltd Ord 2.50	1.86	1.86	1,076,600
12.20	3.30	Liberty Kenya Holdings Ltd Ord. 1.00	10.55	10.85	6,363,600
11.00	4.00	Sanlam Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	6.36	6.40	9,500
INVESTMENT					
16.50	7.60	Centum Investment Co Plc Ord 0.50	11.70	11.45	168,200
1.12	0.27	Home Afrika Ltd Ord 1.00GEMS	0.71	0.67	315,600
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	3.60	3.29	1,000
1.78	0.29	Trans-Century Plc Ord 0.50AIMS	1.18	1.16	249,800
INVESTMENT SERVICES					
8.10	5.22	Nairobi Securities Exchange Plc Ord 4.00	8.02	7.76	45,900
MANUFACTURING & ALLIED					
95.00	65.00	B.O.C Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	85.50	85.50	500
495.00	325.00	British American Tobacco Kenya Plc Ord 10.00	348.50	347.50	17,500
23.90	11.00	Carbacid Investments Plc Ord 1.00	20.00	19.75	95,500
204.00	100.00	East African Breweries Plc Ord 2.00	186.25	180.00	3,300
2.33	0.86	Flame Tree Group Holdings Ltd Ord 0.825GEMS	1.19	1.18	3,500
77.00	10.40	Africa Mega Agricornp Plc Ord 5.00AIMS		56.00	-
0.27	0.27	Mumlas 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	22.60	21.30	13,319,900
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		3910.00	0

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COMPLIANCE

Taxman loses Sh13b to rising VAT fraud

The Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) has raised the alarm over a sharp rise in Value-Added Tax (VAT) fraud involving nil and non-filers, revealing that it lost an estimated Sh13 billion in revenue between April 2024 and July 2025.

This was on account of fraudulent tax practices primarily linked to the re-emergence of the Missing Trader scheme, which involves companies issuing eTIMS-compliant invoices but failing to remit the corresponding VAT.

These so-called missing traders have exploited gaps in the tax system, undermining government revenue collection efforts.

An analysis by KRA shows that 10,771 taxpayers claimed purchases worth Sh29.8 billion from 2,750 nil or non-filing entities during the reporting period, leading to a Sh4.7 billion VAT shortfall.

Additionally, the same category of traders issued invoices amounting to Sh35 billion, corresponding to Sh5.6 billion in unremitted VAT.

The problem also extends to newly registered businesses. KRA flagged 120 new VAT registrants, who transmitted taxable sales worth Sh11.5 billion but neither filed returns nor remitted VAT, resulting in an additional loss of Sh1.8 billion.

“In some cases, we’ve discovered that fraudsters are registering new companies using stolen identities to facilitate VAT evasion,” said Deputy Commissioner for the Micro and Small Taxpayers (MST) Department Dr Gideon Muhwa.

To address the crisis, KRA has intensified the use of the VAT Special Table, an enforcement tool introduced in August 2022 through the iTax system.

This mechanism targets a range of non-compliant behaviours, including habitual non-filing, persistent nil return submissions, failure to remit VAT after filing, and refusal to transition to the eTIMS platform. “You cannot file returns while on the Special Table, and invoices you issue become ineligible for VAT claims,” explained Dr Muhwa.

As of now, more than 101,000 taxpayers have been placed on the Special Table, some remaining there for over two years. However, the designation is not permanent.

[Sofia Ali]



Deputy Commissioner for the Micro and Small Taxpayers Department Dr Gideon Muhwa during a media roundtable in Nairobi yesterday. [Wilberforce Okwiri, Standard]



NUMBER OF THE DAY

SH34.7M

EQUITIES: The Nairobi Securities Exchange closed the day with a volume of 34.7 million shares worth Sh684 million compared to 50M shares valued at Sh1.4 billion posted previously.



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In the Matter of consideration of the Nairobi City County Regularization of Unauthorized Developments Bill, Assembly Bill No. 2 of 2025

In the Matter of consideration of the Nairobi City County Health Services Bill, 2025 No. 3 of 2025

NOTICE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Article 196(1) (b) of the Constitution provides that "a County Assembly shall facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of the Assembly and its Committees." The Sectoral Committee to which a Bill committed shall facilitate public participation and shall take into account views and recommendations of the public when the Committee makes its report to the Assembly.

SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Nairobi City County Health Services Bill, 2025 (Assembly No. 3 of 2025) was read a First Time on Tuesday 3rd June, 2025. The Bill was committed to the Sectoral Committee on Health Services for consideration pursuant to Standing Order 135(3).

Pursuant to Article 196(1) (b), Health Services Committee invites interested members of the public to submit any memoranda they may have on the Nairobi City County Health Services Bill, 2025 to **Nairobi City County Assembly, P.O BOX 45844 – 00100, Nairobi, City Hall Building, Assembly Wing, 2nd Floor, Room 273, or by email clerk@nairobiassembly.go.ke** to be received on or before, **Friday, 20th June, 2025.**

Copy of the Nairobi City County Health Services Bill, 2025 No. 3 of 2025 is available in the County Assembly Website, "**www.nairobiassembly.go.ke**"

The date and venue for the public participation shall be on **Thursday 19th June, 2025 at Charter Hall, City Hall Buildings from 9:00 am.**

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NOTICE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

The Nairobi City County Regularization of Unauthorized Developments Bill, Assembly Bill, 2025 was Read a First Time in the Assembly on Tuesday 3rd June, 2025 and committed to the Sectoral Committee Lands, Planning and Housing for consideration, public participation and reporting.

Pursuant to Article 196 (1) (b) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, notice is hereby given to the public for public participation on the Bill to be undertaken by the County Assembly Sectoral Committee on Lands, Planning and Housing on **Wednesday 18th June 2025 and Thursday 19th June 2025** in the Seventeen Sub-Counties per the schedule below:

Date	Sub County	Venue	Time
Wednesday 18 th June 2025	Ruaraka	Mathare North Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Embakasi North	Dandora Phase I Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Westlands	City Park	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Embakasi South	Mukuru Health Centre (Imara Daima)	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Kamukunji	Eastleigh North Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Makadara	Jericho Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Embakasi East	Embakasi Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Mathare	Undugu Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
Thursday 19 th June 2025	Embakasi Central	Kayole II Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Dagoretti North	Dagoretti Muslim Primary	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Kasarani	Kasarani Health Centre	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Embakasi West	Umoja I Grounds	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Dagoretti South	Waithaka Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Langata	Karen Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Kibra	Joseph Kang'ethe Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Starehe	Karioko Social Hall	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m
	Roisambu	Kahawa West Market	9.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m

The Committee further invites interested members of the public to submit any written memoranda they may have on the Bill. The submissions may be hand delivered to **Nairobi City County Assembly, P.O BOX 45844 – 00100, Nairobi, City Hall Building, Assembly Wing, 2nd Floor, Room 273, or by email: clerk@nairobiassembly.go.ke** to be received on or before **Thursday 19th June, 2025 at 5.00 p.m.** Copies of Nairobi City County Regularization of Unauthorized Developments Bill can be accessed from the official Assembly website: **www.nairobiassembly.go.ke**

Dated 11th June 2025.

**EDWARD O. GICHANA
CLERK, NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY**



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TENDER NOTICE

The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) is a State Corporation established under the Kenya Roads Act, 2007 with the responsibility for Management, Development, Rehabilitation and Maintenance of National Roads.

The Authority hereby invites bids from eligible contractors for the following tenders to be funded through the Development Vote. There **shall be mandatory pre-tender site visits** as specified in the table below and a detailed tender notice uploaded onto the KeNHA website.

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

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

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

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

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Africa deserves a seat at tech table: It's time for Opera to start giving back

Technology giant must move beyond profit extraction to genuine inclusion, placing Africans in leadership and valuing their data more than a commodity. Governments must enforce accountability, ensuring companies uphold their 'Africa First' promises. As **Bernice Lee Edet** writes, the choice is clear: evolve with integrity or risk irrelevance. The ball is in their court—will they play fair or fold?



Unlike most tech companies, Opera's website offers no clear mission statement or articulated set of values—nothing about climate change, sustainability, giving back, empowering communities, or investing in society.

Nothing even about integrity or earning public trust. Instead, it provides only a vague reference to “innovate and inspire, uncover the unexpected...”

On the point of “uncovering the unexpected,” the company was sued by the Kenyan government around 2020—an outcome that some employees, speaking off the record, described as a surprise to Opera's executives and seen as a fabricated attempt by Kenya to extract money under the guise of regulatory fines.

Going back to the earlier BlackBerry in Motion metaphor, I would argue it was absolutely expected – unless we are doing business as it was done in the 1950s: take don't give back, and expect good.

In June 2023, during a televised interview on Kenya's *K24 Live*, Opera's Vice President for Africa, ostensibly a non-African, by the name of Richard Monday was asked about the company's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) efforts.

His sole example of companywide CSR was a past collaboration with Worldreader, a modest initiative to promote e-books on Opera Mini.

But who even reads e-books on mobile browsers today? The programme likely required de minimis investment—perhaps just a few thousand dollars and in-kind promotion.

In 2024, the company reported annual revenues of \$480.65 million, reflecting a 21.12 per cent year-over-year growth, according to StockAnalysis.

The disconnect raises serious questions about Opera's true commitment

to the African markets it claims to prioritize and is gaining business from.

Opera's public messaging tells a very different story about its relationship with Africa. In 2018, Opera CFO Frode Jacobsen told *Business Insider* that Africa was the company's “top priority,” citing Opera Mini's dominance and appeal in sub-Saharan Africa.

As recently as February 2024, the company reaffirmed its “Africa First” strategy, pledging \$100 million to expand internet access and financial tools across the continent.

“Africa First means our mobile products and services are developed first and foremost with the African consumer in mind,” the company claimed. The initiative was reportedly fashioned by Jørgen Arnesen, SVP at Opera.

“Africa First”

But the disconnect is glaring: Africa is not in the decision-making room. Opera's Chief Human Resources Officer, David Qi—a Chinese national reporting directly to CEO Yuhui Zhou—acts as a gatekeeper, deciding who gets into Opera and who doesn't.

From my LinkedIn scan, there are no African team members on the Opera HR team. Once again, there are no Africans in Opera's leadership, senior management, or on its board. “Africa First” may exist as a strategy, but certainly not in terms of decision making. In a continent where the prevailing Zeitgeist is “nothing for us without us,” Opera has failed to read the room, after 17 years in Africa.

Compounding this, Opera's recent legal troubles—including an embarrassing lawsuit in Kenya and OPay's massive regulatory fines from Nigeria's central bank—highlight a deeper disconnect between Opera, OPay, and African governments.

They are not a social stakeholder,

just a business one.

According to insiders, the fallout from the Kenyan legal case triggered a strategic pivot: away from Africa and toward growth in Asia and Latin America.

Internally, some executives reportedly describe African governments as uniformly corrupt and driven by bribes and extortion—leaving no modicum of imagination for more constructive engagement.

For Opera, as Nasdaq-listed company, disengagement from Africa's government is seen as the only path forward—not a relationship reset.

In stark contrast to firms like Apple and Microsoft—who rebuilt trust with governments through public-interest programmes and social engagement after legal battles with the US DOJ and the EU Commission—Opera has taken the opposite path: avoiding African governments, retreating from investing in social citizenship, and extracting data and existing revenue with minimal accountability. Profit without partnership.



Despite managing millions of African user journeys each day, they do not participate in multistakeholder initiatives focused on responsible technology for Africa and the global south, including AI ethics, digital inclusion, or data protection.”

Bernice Lee Edet, Opensecret

One staff member I contacted on LinkedIn told me, “nowhere in Opera leadership's playbook for Africa is there serious consideration of how to engage African leaders beyond cynical assumptions of corruption. I keep hearing them say ‘Nasdaq means we can't bribe,’” the staffer told me, “but being Nasdaq listed also means corporate responsibility, long-term partnerships, and participation in global forums like Chatham House or the Edison Alliance.” There are many principled Africa government officials ready to engage with us—if Opera's leadership would merely look, and not fixate on corruption.

A quick LinkedIn search shows Opera employs just one person globally that works on government affairs. As a company with 30 years of operations, hundreds of staff and global ambitions, only one government affairs official (who appears focused on Spain) tells us all we need to know.

Astonishing to me, I've seen no Chief Sustainability Officer or anyone in the company focused on climate change or social impact in their job titles. In 2025? As a Nasdaq-listed tech company, they are an outlier.

I don't expect Apple's level of sustainability sophistication from Opera. But Opera's carbon footprint is undoubtedly cross-continental and extensive in Africa. As a result, tokenistic programmes they cite on energy efficient browsing and e-waste reduction won't cut it in 2025. Not when your revenue is in the hundreds of millions USD.

Governance table

Relatedly, just like their omissions on the climate change front, unlike major Western tech firms, Opera is also not visibly engaged in global policy forums.

They are absent from key international platforms such as UN confer-

ences on the digital divide, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), where all tech players are members, and World Bank digital governance initiatives.

Despite managing millions of African user journeys each day, they do not participate in multistakeholder initiatives focused on responsible technology for Africa and the global south, including AI ethics, digital inclusion, or data protection. Their silence—and their absence—is, in itself, a statement about priorities: global ethics take a back seat to profit.

Consider the Broadband Commission, the Giga initiative, and the UN Partner2Connect programme—platforms where companies like Microsoft, Google, Cisco, Ericsson, Huawei, and even Starlink are actively working to bridge the digital divide. Opera and other named in this article are nowhere to be seen.

Take Mozilla—a tech company and, like Opera, a browser firm. Yet unlike Opera, Mozilla is actively investing in digital empowerment and internet health across Africa, including Nigeria, through its Africa Innovation Mradi.

Despite being a non-profit—not a commercial tech giant—it funds local organizations through its In Real Life (IRL) Fund, offering \$15,000–\$50,000 grants for projects that connect technology with social justice.

Mozilla also partners with institutions like AFRALTI to build the capacity of young Africans in open-source software and responsible AI, while convening forums and publishing research on AI, human rights and digital inclusion.

That a non-profit can do all this without a profit motive makes Opera's inaction harder to justify—and its strained relationships with African governments easier to understand.



African women at a call centre office in South Africa. Africans are relegated to executing, not shaping the vision of companies in their markets. [Courtesy]

Think of someone who never shows up at “church”—take that to mean any space the community holds sacred: a venue grounded in values, committed to solving real problems together, and populated by parties who have earned mutual respect through shared purpose.

Conspicuous by their absence, this non-attending church person

then suddenly appears to you, alone, claiming they deserve your trust and a stake in your most sacred spaces and markets. Naturally, you’d be suspicious. They have not historically been present in the rooms that shape the agenda.

They have not stood shoulder to shoulder with others in the global and regional arenas where technology and development values are earnestly debated and upheld.

It’s no surprise that the Kenyan government is not pursuing legal action against major players like Amazon, Google, Microsoft, or Mozilla—there is simply too much meaningful collaboration happening between them, both globally and in even more intimate, values-driven spaces. “In church”.

Notably, Kenya is suing Meta, a company whose abrasive, exploitative and often tone-deaf approach has become widely recognized.

When you find yourself with poor company, take note—you have something in common. And it’s not the cliché answer of corrupt Africans, but what you are trying to take from them without giving back: including data mining the details of their young people’s lives. Governance table

Relationship that counts

While I’ve chosen not to detail what Apple, Google or Microsoft are doing in Africa—that’s an article of its own—Opera cannot hide behind limited resources when even a non-profit like Mozilla is showing up, being seen, and building relationships that count. They’re in church—not just loitering outside, waiting to collect from those walking out.

White at the top, Africans in the field: The new face of value extraction

In fairness, this pattern extends well beyond Opera. Companies like Ringier (Switzerland), Rocket Inter-

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net (Germany), and Moove (Netherlands) continue to operate with board, senior leadership and management ranks that are exclusively white, while hiring a handful of African and black staff as envoys to navigate local markets and extract profits.

There is no meaningful African inclusion at the leadership, strategy, or board level at any of these companies.

African roles are limited to execution—not to shaping the vision or values of companies whose business models depend heavily on African markets.

Controlled from Zurich

African governments must demand more. Take Ringier, for example—the Swiss media conglomerate behind platforms like Pulse Nigeria and Pulse Kenya, which present themselves as African voices but are owned, led and controlled entirely from Zurich.

Ringier’s senior leadership is en-

tirely white and non-African, yet the company profits from publishing African news and culture through its regional subsidiaries. The result is a media and tech landscape where foreign actors shape African media and tech—without African leadership, executive input or representation.

Unsurprisingly, Germany’s Rocket Internet has seen many of its Nigerian ventures crash and fail, including EasyTaxi, as white leadership adopt a model of hiring Black faces to execute strategies in and for Africa, which they didn’t shape or envision. Nigerian and Kenyan authorities should take a closer look. Nothing for us, without us. Governance table

Governance table

The Nigerian and Kenyan governments must demand more from companies like Opera. Opera’s model cannot be about extracting profits and chasing quarterly earnings—taking value from Africa while shifting strategic focus to Asia, all the while building consumer data profiles on young and vulnerable Africans for advertisers with little regard for social good in the very markets they exploit.

Government agencies in both countries must insist on the meaningful inclusion of Africans and young people in boardrooms and leadership roles at Opera, especially when companies operate under an “Africa First” banner — or have done so at any time. If you are in Nigeria, have a Nigerian board member. If you are in Kenya, have a Kenyan executive in leadership. Chinese regulations for businesses are the same.

If you are focused on young people, where is their inclusion in strategy? Governments must lead this regulation. Because as you—government officials—read this, so will they. And if no action is taken, business as usual will persist.

These companies won’t proactively change course on their own; they’ll simply wait and see if they can get away with doing the bare minimum.

As a woman raising Nigerian children, I wrote this piece to raise fair questions about the companies shaping their current and future digital world.

My message to Opera is clear: don’t waste energy being upset that I wrote this or that staff spoke to me.

All employees who spoke with me are protected under US laws regulating Nasdaq companies—wherever they may be located, including Sarbanes-Oxley and Dodd-Frank.

Opera and OPAY staff have assured me they’ll inform me if any witch hunt for informants begins.

Instead, the challenge to Opera is to ask whether what’s been said is true—and what you’re willing to do to set things right. Same goes for other Western, exploitative and value-extracting companies mentioned earlier. That would be a worthwhile outcome for everyone involved.

It’s no surprise that Opera’s stock price on Nasdaq lingers at around US\$16 per share, well below the Index average and well below sustainability champions such as Apple, which is at US\$198.

That gap isn’t just about scale—it’s about trust, corporate citizenship and the resulting public confidence in its stock. Opera can still close its gap, if it chooses a path of accountability and correction over denial.

Opera, OPay, and Ringier and Rocket Internet did not respond to multiple requests for comment. Moove declined to respond.

Bernice Lee Edet runs “OpenSecret,” an independent investigative journalism project she manages part-time. The views expressed here are solely her own and do not represent the publisher or any organisation she is affiliated with.

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VETTING OF NOMINEES TO MERU MUNICIPALITY BOARD

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

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

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

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

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

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

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- Ethics and Anti-corruption Commission (E.A.C.C)
- Directorate of Criminal Investigations (D.C.I)
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Virgo – Aug 23–Sep 22
Imbalances become glaring now, and you recognize the need for improved time and energy management as well as a better work-life balance. Observe and take your time before jumping to conclusions. Wait for things to calm down before taking action, but pay particular attention to the issues that emerge now.



Libra – Sep 23–Oct 22
The circulation of ideas and the feedback you receive while interacting can help jumpstart your own creative process, even if you're going in the opposite direction. People may be speaking highly of you now.



Scorpio – Oct 23–Nov 21
Today, you can enjoy exchanges that inspire you and renew your spirit. This week can be a bit chaotic at times, but you also have some pleasant transits that encourage and even delight you. Benefits and good feelings come from connecting, particularly on romantic and one-on-one levels.



Sagittarius Nov 22–Dec 21
A relationship can benefit from a meaningful discussion. It's easier to communicate feelings that perhaps were hard to define before today. It's a good time to enjoy your work or duties, particularly if you mix in a pleasant social element.



Capricorn – Dec 22–Jan 19
You're in a perfect position to come to agreements, make romantic clarifications or overtures, and share good times with people you care about. Things are looking up! Ideas and words flow easily, and you're looking for the positive in the news and information you come across now.



Aquarius – Jan 20–Feb 18
This can be a time of invites or a sudden demand for your help, support, or company. A pleasant feeling of being needed and needing others can be experienced now, but if instead you feel these things are lacking, you'll want to fix the situation.



Pisces – Feb 19–Mar 20
Rapport is easier than usual. Ideas flow well, and you can experience a boost to your romantic and social life. You have the power to communicate pleasingly, and approaching people and problems in a relaxed manner works in your favor right now. Clarifying feelings can be rewarding.



Aries – Mar 21–Apr 19
There might be a sudden desire to depart your usual routine or do something more refreshing, meaningful, and life-affirming. This could be about receiving news, launching a publishing project, legal matters, education, or adventure.



Taurus – Apr 20–May 20
This is a time for finding your power through being the best version of yourself. Also today, you express yourself more flowingly. It's a powerful time for personal attraction levels and selling an idea, your value, or your personality. There could be news that is warm, pleasant, and promising.



Gemini – May 21–Jun 21
You're eager to explore new options today. You can find it easier to express things that are often left unexpressed, hard to articulate, or kept to yourself. You might also come up with interesting ideas about how you can improve your financial state.



Cancer – Jun 22–Jul 22
Do what makes you feel good from the inside out. While this can be a time when you're rescurrying around trying to manage your daily affairs or deadlines, it's a strong time for recognizing the need to take better care of yourself and your routines.



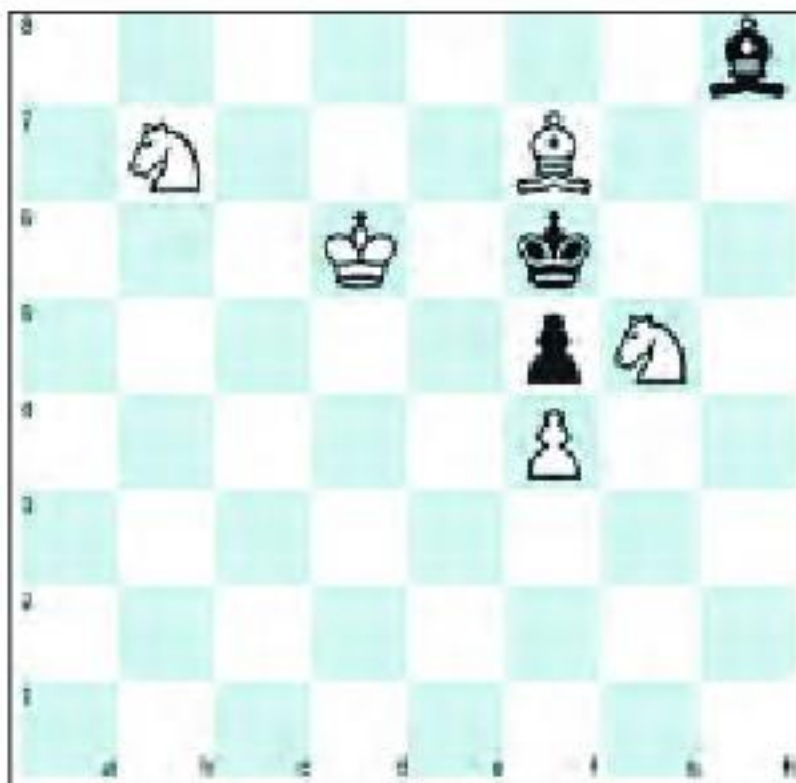
Leo – Jul 23–Aug 22
It's a great time for connecting with others and enjoying good company. Intuition is good for business and financial matters, and talking/thinking something through can be very helpful for clarifying feelings.
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Easy puzzle
White mates in 2 moves.



Intermediate puzzle
White mates in 3 moves.



Tuesday's solution

Easy:
1. Qe8+ Kg7
2. Qf8#

Intermediate:
1. Na3 Ba6
2. b7Nb6
3. b8=Q#

SOLVIT

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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

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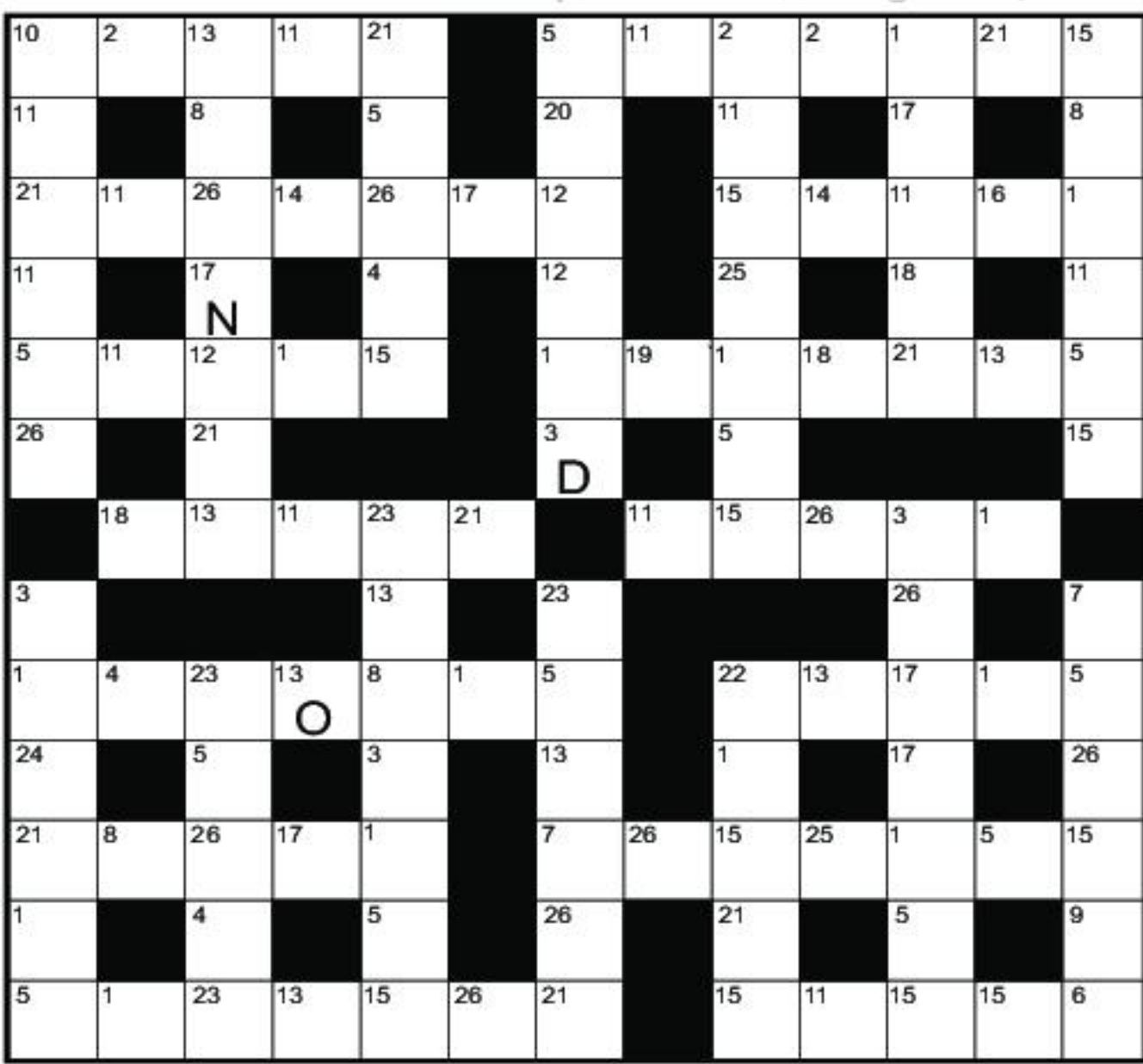
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Tuesday's solution

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Tuesday's solution

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Tuesday's solution

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By Kham



QUOTE OF THE DAY

**“Rest when you’re weary.
Refresh and renew
yourself, your body, your
mind, your spirit. Then get
back to work.”**

Ralph Marston

PUBLIC NOTICE
PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING
ACT No. 13 OF 2019
NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED AMALGAMATION & CHANGE-OF-USER

The owner Plots Title No **Karai/Karai/11917 & 12773** located at Lusigetti Kikuyu Sub County proposes to Amalgamate and Change the User from **Agricultural to Residential Multi- Dwelling - Townhouses** subject to Approval by Kiambu County. Individuals, Institutions, Organizations etc. with objections/comments are requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of this notice to:

The CECM Lands, Housing & Physical Planning
County Government of Kiambu
P.O. Box 2311-00900, KIAMBU
RPP John Mbau - 0284

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

The owner of plot no. **RUIRU KIUBLOCK 2/6780** proposes to change the use of this parcel from **AGRICULTURAL to RESIDENTIAL MULTI-DWELLING UNIT (FLATS)** subject to approval by Kiambu County.

Individuals, institutions, organizations etc. with objections/ comments to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of this notice to:

CECM Lands, Housing, Physical Planning,
Municipal Administration and Urban Development
P.O Box 2344-00900, Kiambu
JOHN NGUGI MBAU R.P.P 284

PUBLIC NOTICE
PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING
ACT No. 13 OF 2019
NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED EXTENSION OF USE

The owner of land parcel: **Gatamaiyu/Gachoire/1175** situated in Gatamaiyu Township, Lari Sub-County proposes to extend the use to include **Light Industrial (Petrol Service Station & auxiliary facilities)** subject to approval by the County Government of Kiambu.

Individuals, institutions, or organizations with objection or comments are requested to submit them in writing within 14 days of the date of this notice to:

The County Executive Committee Member (CECM),
Lands & Physical Planning
County Government of Kiambu,
P. O. Box 2344 – 00900, KIAMBU
Reg. Planner John Thomas Mbau (0284)

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

The registered owners of **Land Title No. Juja/Kalimoni Block 31/28 located off Juja Farm Road** in Juja Sub- County wish to change its use from **Agricultural to Residential Multi-dwelling (Flats)** subject to approval by the County Government of Kiambu. Individuals, institutions or organizations etc. with objections or comments to the proposal are requested to forward the same in writing within 14 days of this publication to:

CECM- LANDS, HOUSING AND PHYSICAL PLANNING,
COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KIAMBU
P.O. BOX 2344-00900
KIAMBU
Peter Kaberere - Registered Physical Planner No. 0287

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MOMBASA OFFICE:
NSSF Bldg, South Wing, 4th Floor,
Room No. 414 P.O. Box 88579-80100, Msa
Tel: 0722 528972/ 0724 162727

NAIROBI OFFICE (KITENGELA):
Wandu House (Kilulu Uniforms)
Opp. Eastmat Stores, 1st Flr Room 28
Tel: 0722 528972

PUBLIC AUCTION

Pursuant to court order issued at **MAKADARA Law Courts**, we shall sell by Public Auction the under mentioned unclaimed properties at **EASTLEIGH NORTH Police Station** Friday **13th June 2025** at **10.00 AM**.

NO.	MOTOR-CYCLES	10.	MD2A21BZXEWK55625-NUMBERLESS-BOXER
1.	MD62SAE33LIL00898-NUMBERLESS-TVS	11.	BFOJA3094FS104980-KMDX 566Q HONDA/ SKELETON
2.	MD2A21BX4MWI93863-KMGF 22BY-BOXER	12.	MD2A21BX2RWE91340-KMGN 671Z-SKELETON
3.	MD2A21BXTLWG94002-KMFI 704W-BOXER	13.	MD2A21BX9LWG89422-KMFK 908B-SKELETON
4.	LKIPCKL171101018-KMEQ 138V-SANYA	14.	MB2B15BXNWB94003-KMGM 874D-SKELETON
5.	MD625GFSSDII9548-KMVF 079K-TVS	15.	MD2B15BXINWK86601-NUMBERLESS-BOXER/SKELETON
6.	MD625AF44KIN10643-KMFB 531V-TVS	16.	AK12-109085-KBL 768E-NISSAN MARCH
7.	MD2A21B25FWB66257-KMDQ 695M-BOXER	17.	4 HAND CARTS
8.	MD2B15BY3JWE97272-KMEQ 196Y-BOXER	18.	3BICYCLES
9.	BFOJA3092HS200030-KMEA 242Y-HONDA		

CONDITIONS OF SALE.
1. Cash at the fall of the hammer
2. Viewing shall be done between 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Please note that Wiper Democratic Movement has made the following Changes;
1. Name Change
2. Change of Logo and slogans
For more details please visit <https://wiper.co.ke> and reach the Secretary general on wipermovement2013@gmail.com

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE HIGH COURT OF KENYA AT VIHIGA
SUCCESSION CAUSE NO. 116 OF 2021
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMIN INYANDA KADAMBA ILLIAS JAMIN INANDA - (DECEASED)

BATROBA MIDEVA IRIANI
ADMINISTRATOR/APPLICANT
VERSUS
MARGRET MAKUNGU NDORI
ADMINISTRATOR
FLORENCE NGOSEYWE ADMINISTRATOR

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY
ADVERTISEMENT
(Pursuant to Leave granted on 10th February 2025)

TO:
1. MARGARET MAKUNGU NDORI
2. FLORENCE NGOSEYWE
TAKE NOTICE that Summons for Revocation of Grant of Letters of Administration issued on 29/10/2021 was filed in this Court in which you are named as the Respondents and service of the same has been ordered by the Court to be effected through substituted service. A copy of Summons may be obtained from the High Court Registry at Vihiga or from the Applicant's Advocates, Emily & Associates at the address below.
AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that unless you respond to the Summons before 16/6/2025, subsequent orders will be issued in your absence notwithstanding.
DATED at KAKAMEGA this ...13th ...day of FEBRUARY 2025

EMILY & ASSOCIATES ADVOCATES
ADVOCATE FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR/
APPLICANT

DRAWN AND FILED BY
EMILY & ASSOCIATES ADVOCATES
SENJE HOUSE 3rd FLOOR, ROOM 309
Email: emilyassociates@gmail.com

**CHROME**
REPOSSESSION, INVESTIGATION, COURT SERVICE, PROPERTY AGENTS, ESTATE AGENTS, ETC.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Duly instructed by our principal, REPOSSESSION, we shall sell the under mentioned car by public auction on **18th JUNE, 2025** at **PURPLE ROYAL STORAGES, KIAMBU AT 11:00 AM.**

UNDER REPOSSESSION
NGAO CREDIT LIMITED AND JOEL NYOIKE
MURUGU
1. KCL 707L NISSAN TIIDA SILVER IN COLOUR

CONDITION FOR SALE:
a) Cash at the fall of the hammer.


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Tel: 0724253398, 0735013046, Email: info@nema.go.ke Website: www.nema.go.ke

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL APARTMENTS ON PLOT TITLE NO. NAIROBI/BLOCK 34/443, ALONG WESTLANDS ROAD IN WESTLANDS, NAIROBI COUNTY.

Pursuant to Section 59 of the Environmental Management and Coordination Act 1999, the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) has received an Environmental Impact Assessment Study Report for the above proposed project.

The proponent, **Everfor King Company Limited**, proposes to develop a 25 storey (3No. basements, ground and Mezzanine floor plus 25No. floors) residential block comprising a total of 296No. Units (96No. small one-bedroom units and 200No. big one-bedroom units) parking spaces, lifts and staircases, other associated amenities and facilities on plot L.R. No. Nairobi/Block 34/443 along Westlands Road, in Westlands, Nairobi County.

The following are the anticipated impacts and proposed mitigation measures:

Impacts	Proposed mitigation measures
Soil Erosion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Control earthworks.Install drainage structures to control flow of storm water.Ensure and management of excavation activities.
Loss of Vegetation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Only area earmarked for development should be cleared.Plant trees, shrubs and flowers on remaining open spaces.
Changes in hydrology/ impended drainage/deep excavations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">proper Installation of drainage structuresInstall cascades to break the impact of water flowing in the drainsEnsure efficiency of drainage structures through proper design and maintenanceProvide gratings to the drainage channelsA geotechnical survey shall be conducted and the recommendations thereof followed. There shall be no blasting during excavationA methodology for excavation has been generated as required by NCA
Air pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Stockpiles of earth should be sprayed with water or covered during dry seasonsProvide dust masks for personnel in dusty areasSensitize construction workers on pollution control measuresCover all trucks hauling soil, sand and other loose materials
Noise pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Install suitable barriers to shield compressors and other small stationary equipment where necessaryDisplay signs to indicate construction activitiesMaintain all equipmentThe working hours should be in line with NEMA licensing conditionsAdhere to provisions of Noise Prevention and Control Rules 2005, Legal Notice no. 24 regarding noise limits at the workplace as well as NEMA Noise Excessive Vibration Pollution Control Regulations, 2000
Public health, occupational health and safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Train staff/workers on occupational health and safety.Provide full protective gear & workmen's compensation cover in addition to the right tools and operational instructions & manuals during construction.Design of sewerage system should be as provided in the plans and should be constructed to approved size and design, standard and of approved materials.Ensure use of standard construction materials and to the specifications. Avoid undesirable, substandard, hazardous or unauthorized materials during construction & maintenance.Sensitized staff on social/health issues such as drugs
Road traffic disruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No overloading of trucks and good driving practices to be practiced.Suitable junction/access point to be provided.Use of appropriate & legible signage.Employment of formal flagmen/ women to ensure the public safety.Follow the recommendations of the traffic management plan.
Insecurity and social impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Provision of security guards, CCTV cameras, security lights and other security apparatus during the entire project cycle.Construction work timings shall only in line with the NEMA licensing conditions
Increased Water Usage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">An alternative water source shall be provided. The proponent shall drill a borehole at the proposed siteManagement of water usage. Avoid unnecessary wastage.Recycling of water at the construction phase where possible.Make use of roof catchments to provide water i.e. for general purpose.
Increased generation of waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Adopt waste minimization at source.Monitoring the fate of disposed wastes to ensure they are legally land filled at a recognized controlled site.Adhering to waste management regulations of 2006

A full report of the proposed project is available for inspection during working hours at:

1. **Principal Secretary,**
State Department of Environment and Climate Change,
Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Forestry,
NHIF Building, 12th Floor
Ragati Road, Upper Hill,
P.O. BOX 30126-00100
NAIROBI

2. **Director General,** National Environment Management Authority, NEMA
Popo Road, off Mombasa Road,
P.O BOX 67839 -00200,
NAIROBI

3. County Director of Environment
NAIROBI

A copy of the EIA report can be downloaded at www.nema.go.ke.

NEMA invites members of the public to submit oral or written comments **within thirty (30) days** from the date of the publication of this notice to the Director General, NEMA, to assist the Authority in the decision making process for this project. Kindly quote ref No. **NEMA/EIA/5/2/2340**

Comments can also be e-mailed to info@nema.go.ke

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ELDORET

PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions from our Principals/Court, we shall sell the under listed items and Motor Vehicles by Public Auction: - **ON THE 20th DAY OF JUNE 2025 AT VALLEY YARD MEMBLEY, STARTING FROM 10.30 AM.**

- 1. DISTRESS FOR RENT CAP 296- LANDLORD VS FATUMA MOHAMED HAJI**
-26 assorted beds and their mattresses, 24 small side boards, 20 wall tv 12 inches, 2 office seats-assorted window curtains, 3-seater sofa set & 1 small office table
- 2. MILIMANI CIVIL CASE NO: E1144 OF 2021 - VIVIAN OUNDO SHANTEL VS DAVID KEKUTA MALIT&JAMUI TELECOMMUNICATION LTD**
-motor vehicle reg no: KCD-840VP PROBOX
-motor vehicle reg no: KBN-309L PROBOX
- 3. MILIMANI CIVIL SUIT NO: E1081 OF 2024- ESTHER WANNIRU MWANGI&ALICE AGENDO KIRIRA VS KOECH KIPROTICH & R.K.SANGHANI**
-Motor vehicle reg no KCX-140KSANY LORRY CEMENT MIXER.
- 4. MILIMANI CIVIL SUIT NO: E5069 OF 2022- TABITHA MUTHONI KAMAU -Vs- CHRISTOPHER KAGWE WAMBUI & RAPHAEL NJUGUNA MBURE**
-Motor vehicle reg no KDP-984K DAIHATSU MIRA
- 5. a. MILIMANI SMALL CLAIMS CIVIL SUIT NO: E468 OF 2025- DANCAN MOSE TLOMWARO -Vs- EDWARD JUMBA & RWAKEN INVESTMENTS**
b. **MILIMANI SMALL CLAIMS CIVIL SUIT NO: E2193 OF 2024- MACRAY OWINO -Vs- EDWARD JUMBA & RWAKEN INVESTMENTS LTD**
-Motor vehicle reg no KCJ-125X ISUZU BUS

CONDITIONS FOR SALE

1. Cash at the fall of the hammer
2. Sale subject to reasonable reserve price

Further details are available at our offices

GARAM INVESTMENTS AUCTIONEERS

Western Heights, 5th Floor, Karuna Road, Westlands-Nairobi, P.O. Box 63279, 00619,
Wireless 020 2592949, 020 2592990, Cell: 0722 715838 / 0786 318663,
Email: garam@africaonline.co.ke, Website: www.garam.co.ke

PUBLIC AUCTION

DULY INSTRUCTED BY OUR PRINCIPALS, WE SHALL SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION THE FOLLOWING REPOSSESSED MOTOR VEHICLE ON **WEDNESDAY 18th DAY OF JUNE 2025 FROM 11.00 AM AT AUTO GALLERY YARD, OPP. LION PLACE, WESTLANDS, NAIROBI.**

REG NOS.	MAKE/MODEL	Y.O.M	CLIENT VS.
KCX 303M	MERCEDES BENZ C200	2012	KAIRU NDIRANGU NYORI

P/S: Pictures of the aforementioned motor vehicle can be viewed on our website www.garam.co.ke

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. Viewing will be from **11.06.2025 to 17.06.2025 (during normal working hours)** at Auto Gallery Yard, Opp. Lion Place, Westlands, Nairobi.
2. All interested bidders are requested to view and verify the details by themselves, as the auctioneer or client does not warrant these, as the units are being offered for sale **"AS IS, WHERE IS"**.
3. All intending bidders are requested to make a refundable bidding deposit of **Kshs 100,000.00**.
4. The balance shall be payable **within seven (7) days** thereafter vehicles released upon clearance of the balance of the purchase price. **Please note that failure to pay the balance within the stipulated seven days will result in forfeiture of all deposits paid.**
5. Unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded their deposits 48 hours after the auction. Sale will be subject to reasonable reserve prices.

BUTERE BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

P.O. Box 15-50101, Butere
Email: butereboys@yahoo.com

Cell: 0715 694 286/ 0737 620 015

TENDER NOTICE 2025/2026 FY

Butere Boys' High School invites bidders from interested and eligible bidders for supply and delivery of goods and provision of services for the year 2025-2026

TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY
BBHS: 01/25-26	Supply and delivery of dry clean cereals.	OPEN
BBHS: 02/25-26	Supply of manufactured food products (Rice, Sugar, Soap, Salt etc)	OPEN
BBHS: 03/25-26	Supply and delivery of fresh beef.	OPEN
BBHS: 04/25-26	Supply and delivery of fresh fruits and vegetables (Sukuma wiki, Cabbage, Onions and Tomatoes)	RESERVED
BBHS: 05/25-26	Provision of welding services and metal works.	OPEN
BBHS: 06/25-26	Supply and delivery of copy printing ink, Toners and Masters.	OPEN
BBHS: 07/25-26	Supply and delivery of electrical materials, fitting and services.	OPEN
BBHS: 08/25-26	Supply and delivery of laboratory equipment and chemical.	OPEN
BBHS: 09/25-26	Supply and delivery of Hardware materials.	OPEN
BBHS: 10/25-26	Provision of fumigation services.	OPEN
BBHS: 11/25-26	Provision of motor vehicle repairs and services.	OPEN
BBHS: 12/25-26	Provision of Insurance services.	OPEN
BBHS: 13/25-26	Provision of exhauster services.	OPEN
BBHS: 14/25-26	Supply & delivery/provision of ICT equipment and services.	OPEN
BBHS: 15/25-26	Supply and delivery of Human Drugs for students.	OPEN
BBHS: 16/25-26	Supply and delivery of Newspapers and Magazines.	OPEN
BBHS: 17/25-26	Provision of fire safety training and security solution.	OPEN
BBHS: 18/25-26	Supply and delivery of staff and student uniform and I.Ds.	OPEN
BBHS: 19/25-26	Supply and delivery of building materials (Sand, Ballast, hardcore etc)	OPEN
BBHS: 20/25-26	Supply and delivery of firewood (Eucalyptus)	OPEN
BBHS: 21/25-26	Supply and delivery of sports equipment and games kit.	OPEN
BBHS: 22/25-26	Supply and delivery of fresh milk.	RESERVED
BBHS: 23/25-26	Supply and delivery of general school stationery and printing service.	OPEN
BBHS: 24/25-26	Supply and delivery of kitchen boilers and repairs.	OPEN
BBHS: 25/25-26	Supply and delivery of office furniture.	OPEN
BBHS: 26/25-26	Provision of security services.	OPEN
BBHS: 27/25-26	Provision of school canteen services.	OPEN
BBHS: 28/25-26	Provision of veterinary services and farm inputs.	OPEN
BBHS: 29/25-26	Expression of interest for landscaping, repairs and maintenance services.	OPEN
BBHS: 30/25-26	Supply and Delivery of students furniture and double Decker beds.	OPEN
BBHS: 31/25-26	Supply and Delivery of bread	OPEN
BBHS: 32/25-26	Supply and Delivery of school Automobiles Fuel	OPEN

Tender documents to be obtained from accounts office upon payment of non-refundable fee of Kshs. 1,000/-.

- All prices quoted should be inclusive of government taxes where applicable.
- Completed document in plain sealed envelope, labelled tender number and addressed to undersigned be placed in the tender box in the administration block NOT later than **24th June, 2025 at 12:00 noon**. Thereafter submitted bids will be opened.
- The school tender committee reserves the right to accept or reject any tender wholly or in part without giving reasons.

THE CHIEF PRINCIPAL
BUTERE BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL
P.O. BOX 15-50101 BUTERE.

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Auctioneers & Commission Agents

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Enkei Centre (KCB Ngara Branch),
3rd Flr. Rm 306, Ngara Road
Email: beyondvisionsauctioneers@gmail.com

PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by Decree holder, we shall sell the below mentioned motor vehicle by Public auction on **WEDNESDAY 18th JUNE 2025** at **MALCOLM YARD ALONG EASTERN BYPASS, NAIROBI at 10.00AM.**
SCCC/414 OF 2021 MILIMANI: PHOEBE WAIRIMU -VS- OLIVER NDUNGU CHEGE

REG. NO.	MAKE/MODEL
KCX 144B	ISUZU BUS

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. Viewing at Malcolm Yard along Eastern Bypass, Nairobi.
2. Interested bidders are required to pay refundable deposit of **Kshs. 50,000/=** to obtain a bidding number.
3. Sale subject to reserve price.
4. Strictly cash at the fall of the hammer.

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PUBLIC AUCTION!

DULY INSTRUCTED BY OUR PRINCIPAL, WE SHALL SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION THE UNDER MENTIONED ITEMS ON **WEDNESDAY 18th JUNE 2025, 11.00 AM** AT **FORESIGHT AUCTION YARD- KAMAKIS**

IN THE MATTER OF DISTRESS FOR RENT THE LANDLORD-VS-CAROLINE NYAMBURA

(76PIECES) MEN'S JEANSTROUSERS, (18 PIECES) MEN JACKETS, (169 PIECES) OFFICIAL MEN SHIRTS, (88 PIECES) MEN T-SHIRTS, (91PIECES) OFFICIAL MEN TROUSERS, (9PIECES) MEN TRUCK-SUITS, (12 PIECES) MEN SHOES, (2) MEN BELTS, (4) DUMMIES, (10 PIECES) MEN VESTS, (12 PIECES) MEN CAPS, (57 PIECES) MEN BOXERS (1) GRASS CARPET, (1) PLASTIC CHAIR, (1) PLASTIC STOOL, ASSORTED WALL DISPLAY HOLDERS, (60 PIECES) SMALL MDF BOARDS, (1) CCTV BULB, (2) BULBS.

CONDITION FOR SALE

CASH AT THE FALL OF THE HAMMER

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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 on **Friday 27th June 2025 at 10.00 AM** at our offices **IPS Building 8th Floor, Kimathi Street, the under mentioned properties and all the improvements erected thereon.**

All that property known as **APARTMENT NO. 405 ON L.R. NO. 209/12108 SEE-FAR APARTMENTS REGISTERED IN THE NAME PENINAH NYAKIO MBURU KARANJA**

The title of the property is held on leasehold interest. The subject apartment No. 405 is on the fourth floor of Wing "A" and is part of See-far Apartments Estate situated off Mbagathi Way in Kibra area, Nairobi county. The entire development comprises of twenty-four (24) three-bedroom apartments and two hundred and sixty-four (264) two-bedroom apartments. The entire plot measures approximately Zero Decimal Five Nine Nine Five (0.5995) Hectares (14814 Acres).

The property is located about 350 metres off Mbagathi Way, 400 Metres Southwest of Riara University, 1.3 kilometres from Lang'ata Road and about 2.4 kilometres from Ngong Road. Mains electricity and Water from commercial boreholes are available for connection within the neighborhood when need arises.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. All interested bidders are required to view and verify the details of the property for themselves as these are not warranted by the chargees or the auctioneers
2. Sale is subject to a reserve price, and the auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid without giving any reasons for doing so
3. 10 % of purchase price must be paid at the fall of the hammer and the balance within 90 days
4. Interested bidders are requested to view the properties during normal working hours by prior arrangements with ourselves

BETABASE AUCTIONEERS

Auctioneers, Repossessors, Debt Collectors, Private Investigators,
Process Servers and Commission Agents

Development House
2nd Floor Room 211
Moi Avenue
P.O. Box 22693-00100
NAIROBI
Tel: 0721 959986
0791315419
Email: velelajoe@gmail.com

PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our Principals the Financiers, we shall sell the under mentioned motor vehicles by public auction:

ON Wednesday 18th June 2025, AT OUR OFFICES WHICH ARE LOCATED AT DEVELOPMENT HOUSE, 2ND FLOOR RM 211 MOI AVENUE NAIROBI STARTING FROM 10.30 A.M.

M/V REG NO.	MAKE/MODE	COLOUR
KCE 687N	NISSAN TIIDA SALOON	BLUE
KBR 536Q	TOYOTA PREMIO	SILVER
KBW 372X	TOYOTA HARRIER	WHITE
KBN 044T	TOYOTA HILLUX	BLACK

CONDITIONS OF SALE

- Sale subject to reasonable reserve price
- All interested purchasers are requested to view on prior arrangements.
- Strictly cash at the fall of the hammer.

NOTE: Protocols as spelt out by the Ministry of Health in regard to COVID-19 Pandemic will be observed.

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Cell Phone: 0722-338247
Email address: hippoauctioneers1@gmail.com
P.O. Box 2024-10100
NYERI

PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions received from the landlords we shall sell the under-mentioned items: -
In the matter of distress for rent Act Cap 293 laws of Kenya

ON TUESDAY 17th JUNE 2025 AT OUR YARD STARTING AT 11:00A.M

CHARLES MAINA NUTHU VS MS. ANNE ROSE THINWA

48inch LG tv, Sofa set, Coffee table, 2 stools, Carpet, 13 Kg gas cylinder, 4 Burner gas cooker, TV stand, 4 metallic chairs, Dressing mirror, 1 plastic chair, office desk.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

CASH AT THE FALL OF THE HAMMER

Viewing can be done during normal working hours from Monday to Friday.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our Principals the Financiers, the Chief Magistrate's Court at Narok, Gatundu the Small Claims Court at Milimani & Thika. we shall sell the under mentioned motor vehicle by public auction: -
ON THURSDAY 19th JUNE, 2025 AT STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS INVESTMENTS YARD LTD & STARTRUCK CARYARD STORAGE LIMITED ALONG KIAMBU ROAD NAIROBI STARTING FROM 10.30 A.M.

FINANCIER VERSUS BRIDGE CAPITAL

MOTOR VEHICLE REG. NO.	MAKE/MODEL	COLOUR
KDB 535X	TOYOTA SUCCEED-S.WAGON	SILVER

NAROK CMCC NO. E1380 OF 2022

KENAGRO SUPPLIES LIMITED -VERSUS- LEAH NAISSIAE AGRO -VET STORES

MOTOR VEHICLE REG. NO.	MAKE/MODEL	COLOUR
KCE 213H	TOYOTA AXIO	SILVER

MILIMANI SCCC NO. E27700 OF 2025

NAMANPORE OYUNGU -VERSUS- THEOPHILUS KIPRONO

MOTOR VEHICLE REG. NO.	MAKE/MODEL	COLOUR
KCA 163X	VOLKSWAGEN GOLF-S.WAGON	RED

THIKA SCCC NO. E16310F OF 2023

GEORGE NJOROGE KIMANI -VERSUS- NAOMI NJOKI THONGO

MOTOR VEHICLE REG. NO.	MAKE/MODEL	COLOUR
KDN 194U	NISSAN NOTE -S.WAGON	WHITE

GATUNDU CMCC NO. E121 OF 2020

MICHAEL MUCUTHI CHEGE -VERSUS- JOSEPH MBURU MUGO

MOTOR VEHICLE REG. NO.	MAKE/MODEL	COLOUR
KBM 864L	TOYOTA SUCCEED-S.WAGON	RED

CONDITIONS OF SALE

- Sale subject to reasonable reserve price
- All interested purchasers are requested to view on prior arrangements.
- Strictly cash at the fall of the hammer.

ALL ARE WELCOME

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions received from our client, the chargee, we shall sell by Public Auction the under mentioned property together with buildings and improvements standing and erected thereon.

PRIME RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY IN MERU FARM KITALE TOWN.
ON MONDAY 30th JUNE 2025 STARTING 12.00 NOON OUTSIDE THE GENERAL POST OFFICE IN KITALE TOWN.



INTERNAL VIEW OF THE FACTORY SECTION



EXTERNAL VIEW OF THE WAREHOUSE

All that parcel of land known as **L.R. NO. KITALE MUNICIPALITY BLOCK 16/ KAURA WA BECHAU/374** registered in the name of **VERONICA MUTHONI AKOTH P.O. BOX 30007 - 00200 NAIROBI**. The property is situated some 4.2km to the southeast of Kitale town centre within Meru Farm, about 820m to the southwest of Hill Primary School and about 1km northeast of Village Inn Club in Meru Farm within Kitale Municipality. It measures approximately **0.99Ha or 2.4463 Acres** and is developed with a warehouse, a four bedroomed residential bungalow and an external ablution block. The title is freehold interest.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. All intending purchasers are requested to view the property and verify the details as these are not warranted by the auctioneer or client.
2. A deposit of 10% **must** be paid in **cash** or **banker's cheque** at the fall of the hammer. The balance will thereafter be payable to the chargee within ninety (90) days from the date of sale.
3. The sale is subject to a Reserve Price and Land control Board Consent (where applicable).
4. Conditions of sale are available on request at our offices and viewing of the property is possible during normal working hours by prior arrangements with us.

ALL ARE WELCOME!!



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PUBLIC AUCTION

1. Under instructions received from our principals, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned motor vehicle on **Thursday 12th June, 2025 at BRAIFUS AUCTION & STORAGE YARD at 10:30 a.m.**

IN THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT THIKA, CASE NO.E 415 OF 2024
IRENE NJAMBI KIMANI-Vs- PETER KAMAU THUO

NO.	REGISTRATION NUMBER	MODEL	VENUE
1	KCD 648Q	TOYOTA NOAH	BRAIFUS AUCTION& STORAGE YARD

2. Under instructions received from our principals, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned motor vehicles on **Wednesday 18th June, 2025 at BRAIFUS AUCTION & STORAGE YARD at 11:00 a.m.**

NO.	REGISTRATION NUMBER	MODEL	VENUE
1	KCZ 455F	TOYOTA HIACE	BRAIFUS AUCTION & STORAGE YARD
2	KBZ034X	TOYOTA HIACE	BRAIFUS AUCTION & STORAGE YARD
3	KCN 013K	TOYOTA KLUGER	BRAIFUS AUCTION & STORAGE YARD
4	KCN 260H	ISUZU TRUCK	BRAIFUS AUCTION & STORAGE YARD
5	KAP039A	MERCEDES-BENZ BREAKDOWN TRUCK	BRAIFUS AUCTION & STORAGE YARD

Conditions of Sale
Cash at the fall of the hammer



JERAY AUCTIONEERS
P.O. BOX 7385 Nairobi,
Harvest Centre, Km 01, A2
Murang'a Road, Ngara

Public Auction

Duly instructed by our principal the **financier**, we sell below listed **motor vehicle** by public auction on **19th JUNE, 2025** at **SHAQ MOTORS LTD KIAMBU ROAD, STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS**

FINANCIER VS MUHUMED ABDUKADIR ABDUL LAHI

MV REG NO.	MAKE	STORAGE YARD
KDE 908M	NISSAN	SHAQ MOTORS LTD KIAMBU ROAD

FINANCIER VS JOSEPH EVANS WAIYERA OUNGA

KCP 206G	BMW	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS
KCW 965Z	NISSAN	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS

FINANCIER VS DENNIS MATANCHI OMBATI

KDQ 433K	TOYOTA PROBOX	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS
KDH 352L	TOYOTA PASSO	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS

FINANCIER VS LUCY WANJIRU MUTHAKA

KCV 929U	BMW 525i	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS
KDK 284Y <th>NISSAN MARCH</th> <th>STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS</th>	NISSAN MARCH	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS

CONDITION OF SALE

1. Buyers to visit storage yard to verify details as this not warranted by the auctioneers

2. Cash at the fall of the hammer to the highest bidder.

ZACK - MAK AUCTIONEERS
CLASS 'B' LICENSE

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PUBLIC AUCTION

UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM OUR PRINCIPALS THE FINANCIERS WE SHALL SELL THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES BY PUBLIC AUCTION/ PRIVATE TREATY ON **15TH JUNE 2025 AT OUR OFFICES SUPER VIEW W STORAGE CENTRE NGONG ROAD, 300 METERS FROM NAIROBI SHOW ENTRANCE NEXT TO RUBIS PETROL STATION BEHIND NGONG PROFESSIONAL CENTRE, LOTA**

NO	REG NO	MODEL	BODY TYPE
1.	KDL 556R	TOYOTA NOAH	van
2.	KCE 366S	TOYOTA LANDCRUISER V8	suv
3.	KDK 335R	PORSCHE MACAN	suv
4.	KBV 596 A	RANGEROVER VOGUE	suv
5.	KD432BP	TOYOTA SPADE	s/wagon
6.	KCN 393J	BMW 740i	saloon
7.	KBV 955M	AUDI Q7	suv
8.	KCF 468X	NISSAN WINROAD	s/wagon
9.	KAY 867J	SUBARU LEGACY	s/wagon
10.	KAZ 024S	SUBARU SUNNY B15	Saloon
11.	KBAB83G	MERCEDEZ BENZ E220	saloon
12.	KBW 474Q	RANGEROVER SPORT	Suv
13.	KBQ 726B	TOYOTA DX	saloon
14.	KBS 849W	MERCEDEZ BENZ SPRINTER	saloon
15.	KCX 069K	ISUZU BUS 43	Bus
16.	KBW 766Z	NISSAN X-TRAIL	suv
17.	KAK 489P	MAZDA 323	A/wagon
18.	KDM 459E	SUBARU IMPREZA	saloon
19.	KAL 534 R	NISSAN VANNETTE	van
20.	KAV 894 N	NISSAN X-TRAIL	suv
21.	KAC 377Y	MERCEDEZ BENZ T24	saloon
22.	KBA 074 P	TOYOTA HARRIER	suv
23.	KBRO02R	BMW X5	suv
24.	KBAB97Q	NISSAN LANCE	van
25.	KDH 831 M	SUBARU FORESTER	S/wagon
26.	KBQ 744Y	TOYOTA PRADO 120	suv
27.	KDQ 587N	NISSAN TEANA	saloon
28.	KDM 482B	SUZUKI SWIFT	S/wagon
29.	KAW 570K	NISSAN LANCE	van
30.	KCF 868V	TOYOTA VELLFIRE	saloon
31.	KCJ 298C	NISSAN X-TRAIL	suv
32.	KBU402J	MERCEDEZ BENZ E200	saloon
33.	KCC112S	NISSAN X-TRAIL	suv
34.	KCZ501U	MAZDA DEMIO	s/wagon
35.	KBU 979 U	SUBARU FORESTER	S/wagon
36.	KCE 695 C	MERCEDEZ BENZ	saloon
37.	KAC525M	PEUGEOT 504	saloon
38.	KCN 102K	NISSAN CANTER	lorry

LOTS
ON SATURDAY 14TH JUNE 2025 AT SUPERVIEW MOTORS LOCATED AT EASTERN BY-PASS OPPOSITE AFRO SAYARI RESORT-BETWEEN SHELL AND RUBIS PETROL STATIONS

NO	REG NO	MODEL	BODY TYPE
39.	KBP 677X	TOYOTA WISH	S/wagon
40.	KBI 305K	VOLKSWAGON BEETLE	saloon
41.	KCM 439B	NISSAN TILDA	s/wagon
42.	KAN 956C	NISSAN PAJERO	suv
43.	KBV 618J	TOYOTA NOAH	van
44.	KB 1943P	SUBARU LEGACY	S/wagon
45.	KAZ 377Z	TOYOTA CALDINA	saloon
46.	KAG 935H	TOYOTA 91	van
47.	KCX 778W	FORD TRANSIT PICK-UP	van
48.	KCQ 143T	MAZDA DEMIO	S/wagon
49.	KCM 162V	NISSAN LANCE	lorry
50.	KAP 639G	NISSAN RVR	suv
51.	KBN 058E	PRADO 150	suv
52.	KCA 073Q	ISUZU PVZ	lorry
53.	KBK 014V	FAW	Mini lorry
54.	KCC 365G	FORD RANGER	Double cab
55.	KAS 758J	TOYOTA 103	s/wagon

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. The vehicles are sold on "as is where is basis".

2. The highest bidder shall be declared the purchaser subject to a reasonable reserve price.

3. Call Peter on 0722 988 468 for viewing arrangement.

4. Cash at the fall of the hammer. All are welcome



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Licensed Auctioneers, Court Process Servers, Private Investigators, Repossessors, Debt Collectors and Commission Agents

Public Auction

Duly instructed by our Principal the financier, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned repossessed motor vehicles on **18th JUNE 2025** at our offices in Nairobi, Starting 11.00A.M

NO.	M/V REGISTRATION NO	MODEL	LOCATION
1	KDN 564H	NISSAN DAYZ	BONHAMS STORAGE YARD


CONDITIONS OF SALE:

1. Cash at the fall of the hammer

2. The sale is subject to reasonable reserve price.

3. All interested purchasers are requested to view the vehicles and verify the condition as these are not guaranteed by the auctioneer or its principal.

All bidders to provide a commitment deposit of Kshs.20, 000 to obtain bidding number to be allowed in the auction venue.



MIKAEL AUCTIONEERS
Auctioneers, Repossessors, Court Brokers & Commission Agent
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Public Auction

Duly instructed by our principals the financier, under the matter of repossession, acting upon statutory powers of sale conferred upon them, we shall sell by public auction the following motor vehicle.

On 19th June 2025 at 10:30 am at Kifedha Yard

NO	REG. NO	TYPE OF M/V	MODEL	COLOR	STORAGE YARD
1	KCB 045V	NISSAN	FUGA	NAVY BLUE	KIFEDHA YARD

TERMS

1. Viewing to be done at the storage yard to verify the details as these are not warranted by the Auctioneers or our principals.

2. Sale is **AS-IS-WHERE-IS-BASIS** and subject to reserve price.

3. Payment is via banker's cheque or RTGS before close of business.

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Public Auction

Duly instructed by the Liquidator Blue shield insurance Company Limited (In Liquidation), we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned goods on **18th, 19th and 20th June 2025 at Blue Shield Towers Upper Hill Parking Bay Starting 10:30 AM**

(1) 3 Seater Chrome Link Seat - Cushion Padded, (1) 3 Level Wooden Serving Trolley, (1) Reception Desk, (1) Antique Trophy Shelf, (6) High Back Office Swivel Seat - Leather, (1) 17" ACER LCD Monitor AL1717, (1) CPU HP CORE I28GB, (1) Panasonic Desk Phone (KX-17633), (1) Printer - TOSHIBA Studio 350 (DP-3520), (1) Round MDF Office Table, (4) 4-Drawer File Safe, (7) HASSI 4-Drawer File Safe, (3) Executive 8-Door MDF/Glass File Cabinet, (14) Executive Office Desk with Side Table, (20) Mid High Back Leather Arm Chair, (2) Mid High Back Office Swivel Seat - Blue Fabric, (5) Lockable CPU MDF Tower Box, (4) Mid High Back Leather Swivel Seat - Fabric, (1) Computer Desk - Silver/Black, (1) Half Glass Filing Cabinet, (1) Computer Desk - MDF, (2) MDF Office Desk - Medium Size, (3) MDF Office Desk - Small Size, (2) L-Shaped Office Desk, (3) CPU - HP Pro 310mt (Intel Core i3), (1) CPU - HP Compaq Dc 740Q (Intel Core i3) (1) 19" HP LCD Monitor (V194), (1) Panasonic Desk Phone (KX-TS500mw), (4) High Back Office Swivel Seat - Fabric Blue, (4) Mid High Back Cantilever Seat - Fabric, (3) L-Shaped Office Desk, (1) MDF Office Desk - Medium Size, (1) Sliding Door Wooden Filing Cabinet, (1) 15-Level MDF File Shelf, (28) Half Glass Filing Cabinet, (1) Printer - Hp LaserJet 389Q, (1) Panasonic Desk Phone (KX-TS500mw), (2) Lockable CPU/MDF Tower Box, (2) Coat Hanger - Wooden Stand, (1) LG Split Room Air Conditioner (LS-C246TKA2), (1) Boardroom Table, (1) 4-Drawer MDF File Cabinet, (1) Executive 8-Cabinet File Wardrobe, (1) 32U Server Rack, (1) Executive Office Desk with Side Table, (1) Executive 8-Cabinet File Wardrobe, (1) Samsung Mini Fridge (SRG-148), (1) Paper Shredder, (1) Printer LaserJet Pro 400 M451dn, (1) Panasonic Desk Phone (KX-TS3283BX), (1) Coat Hanger - Wooden Stand, (3) Half Glass Filing Cabinet, (1) 32U Server Rack, (1) LG Micro wave, (1) Goldstar Mini Fridge, (1) HP Laptop 250 G7 - Core i3 7th Gen, (1) UPS - DELL, (1) Ramtron Stand Fan, (1) Chrome/Glass Stand/Shelf, (1) Antique Clock, (1) Mini File Cabinet, (1) Executive 8-Cabinet File Wardrobe, (2) Coat Hanger - Wooden Stand, (1) High Back Office Swivel Seat - Fabric Blue, (1) Executive 8-Cabinet File Wardrobe, (1) File Safe 008EWK, (1) Ramtron's Water Dispenser, (1) Half Glass Filing Cabinet, (1) Workstation - 2 User - L-shaped, (1) Workstation - 2 User, (2) Coat Hanger - Wooden Stand, (5) High Back Office Swivel Seat - Fabric Blue, (1) 3-Drawer Mini File Cabinet, (1) Printer - Color LaserJet Pro (MFP 4303fde), (1) Hp LaserJet P4014dn, (1) Envelope Sealer - Accorn Model System 220, (1) Panasonic Desk Phone (KX-TS3283BX), (1) Panasonic Desk Phone KX-FP342, (2) Panasonic Desk Phone KX-TS500MW, (1) Crosscut Paper Shredder HSM Classic 125.2, (2) Lockable CPU MDF Tower Box, (1) 6-Level Steel Rack (Meel), (4) Compact Safe, (3) Compact Safe (BS-0870), (4) Phase Floor Safe, (2) Moon Floor Safe, (13) Chubb Startford Floor Safe, (4) 4-Drawer Filing Cabinet (Kuhul Meel), (3) Wooden Card Organiser, (3) 4-Level Wooden Bookshelf, (18) Lockable CPU MDF Tower Box, (1) MDF Office Desk, (4) 10-Drawer Index Card Filing Cabinet, (14) Roller shutter Metal File Cabinets, (8) Lockable CPU MDF Tower Box, (1) Wooden Coat Hanger, (2) 32U Server Rack, (3) Laptop - Hp 630 (Core 2 Duo), (4) Laptop - Dell Inspiron N5030 Dual Core 2 GB RAM, (1) Laptop - Hp Pavilion G70, (5) HP- Compaq 610 Intel Celeron, (12) 17" ACER LCD MONITOR AL1717, (2) 17" HP LCD MONITOR LT706, (1) 19" HP LCD MONITOR L1906, (10) 20" HP LCD MONITOR S2031a, (1) CPU - Acer E4330, (14) CPU - ACER Acer Power series FUS30, (5) CPU - ACER Aspire 5485, (9) CPU - HP Pro 3130mt Intel Core i3 2GB RAM, (2) CPU - Compaq dc 7400 Intel Pentium 1 GB RAM, (2) CPU - Compaq dc 7900 Intel core 2 duo, (3) CPU - Compaq dc 7300, (4) CPU - Compaq dc 7400 Intel Pentium 1 GB RAM, (2) CPU - HP Pro 3130 mt Intel Core i3 2GB RAM, (7) CPU - ACER Acer Power series Model FUS30, (2) CPU - Acer E4330, (2) CPU - Acer E4330, (35) Armless Visitors Chair, (13) Armless Visitors Chair - Chrome Frame, (13) Armless Faux Chair - Leather, (9) Armless Faux Chair - Fabric, (17) Arm Faux Chair - Leather, (26) Arm Faux Chair - Fabric, (8) Conference Party Chairs, (7) 3 - Seater Link Chair, (2) 2 - Seater Link Chair, (1) Plastic Chairs - With Arms, (4) Plastic Chairs - Armless, (2) 3 Seater Chrome Link Seat - Cushion Padded, (4) 1 Seater Chrome Link Seat - Cushion Padded, (44) Faux Seat, (1) 3 Seater Leather Booth, (2) 4 Seater Cushion Booth, (13) Mid High Reception Seat - Fabric & (4) Mid High Office Seat - Fabric.

CONDITIONS OF SALE:


1. Cash at the fall of the hammer

2. All interested bidders are requested to purchase Auction Catalogue at Kshs.200 from the auctioneer and arrange to view and verify the condition as these are not guaranteed by the Auctioneer or its principal.

3. Viewing can be done during working hours with prior arrangement with the Auctioneer.

4. The Auctioneer has the right to accept or decline any bid.

5. Interested bidders will be issued with a bidding number upon payment of a bid number deposit of KShs 2,000.00 which is refundable



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Public Auction

Duly instructed by our principals the financier, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned motor vehicle.

ON THURSDAY 19th JUNE 2025 STARTING AT 10:30 AM AT YAMUKO AUCTIONEERS YARD

SMALL CLAIMS COURT KISUMU
SCCOMM NO E1214 OF 2024

CHRISTINE AKINYI OHADHA -VRS COMMUNITY INITIATIVE SUPPORT SERVICE (CISS)

MV REG, KBU 484P (ON RUNNING CONDITION)

CONDITION OF SALE

1. All interested purchasers or bidders are requested to view and verify for themselves all the necessary details pertaining to the above named motor vehicle as the same are not warranted by the Auctioneer or their principal.

2. Sale is subject to a reserve price.

3. Further details are available on request at our offices and viewing of the said motor vehicle is possible during normal working hours by prior arrangement with us by calling the numbers above.

CASH AT THE FALL OF THE HUMMER.
All are welcome!!



INTERCOUNTY AUCTIONEERS
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Public Auction

Under instructions received from our principals the financiers, we shall sell by Public Auction at our offices the under mentioned motor vehicle(s) as follows:


S/NO.	M/V REG. NO.	MAKE	STORAGE YARD/PLACE	AUCTION DATE	TIME
1	KCQ 828L	Volkswagen Golf	Joyland Storage Yard	19 th June 2025	10.00AM
2	KCE 272L	Mitsubishi Outlander	Absolute Storage Yard	19 th June 2025	10.00AM
3	KBX 199N	Toyota Hiace	Absolute Storage Yard	19 th June 2025	10.00AM

CONDITIONS OF SALE

Strictly cash at the fall of the hammer.

a. Bidders to view and verify asset on normal working hours with prior arrangement.

b. Sale subject to reasonable reserve price.



JEKO AUCTIONEERS
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Public Auction

Under instructions received from our Client/principal, we shall sell by Public Auction the under mentioned Motor Vehicle on **20th June, 2025** in front of our offices situated off Kisumu- Kakamega Road behind Ofafa Memorial Hall Starting at **10.30am.**

NO	Reg.No	Model	Chassis No.
1.	KDQ 681M	NISSAN MARCH	KT3-384889
2.	KCC 777G	TOYOTA HARRIER	ACU30-9853777G

CONDITION OF SALE

1. All interested purchasers and bidders are requested to view and verify for themselves all the necessary details pertaining to the above motor vehicle as same are not warranted by the auctioneer or their principals.

2. Sale is subject to reserve price.

3. Cash at the fall of the hammer.

4. Further details are available on request at our offices and viewing of the said motor vehicle is possible during normal working hours by arrangement with us by calling the numbers above.



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Licensed Auctioneers, Court Process Servers, Private Investigators, Repossessors, Debt Collectors and Commission Agents

Public Auction

Duly instructed by the Liquidator Blue shield insurance Company Limited (In Liquidation), we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned motor cycles and a motor vehicle on **18th June 2025 at Blue Shield Towers Upper Hill Parking Bay Starting 10:30 AM.**

NO.	M/V REGISTRATION NO	MODEL	LOCATION
1	KMCB 286V	TM	BLUESHIED BASEMENT
2	KMCB 287V	TM	BLUESHIED BASEMENT
3	KAR 233R	S. WAGON	BLUESHIED BASEMENT


CONDITIONS OF SALE:

1. Cash at the fall of the hammer

2. The sale is subject to reasonable reserve price.

3. All interested purchasers are requested to view the vehicles and verify the condition as these are not guaranteed by the auctioneer or its principal.

All bidders to provide a commitment deposit of Kshs.20, 000 to obtain bidding number to be allowed in the auction venue.



EKE MWANYA AUCTIONEERS
LICENCED AUCTIONEER, PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS, DEBT COLLECTOR & REPOSSESSOR

Public Auction

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NYAMBENE HSE TOM MBOYA ST
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Public Auction

RE-ADVERTISEMENT

Duly instructed by the chargee, in exercise of the chargee's statutory power of sale, we shall sell by public Auction the under mentioned property.

PRIME RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY KISUMU /WATHOREGO / 3926 WATHOREGO, KISUMU COUNTY.
ON 3rd JULY 2025 AT 10:00 AM AT OUR OFFICE KISUMU-OLAPETROL STATION KIBUYE



All that parcel of Land known as **TITLE NO. KISUMU/WATHOREGO/3926/ KISUMU COUNTY REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF DAVID OSOYA WARIERO OF P.O BOX 466-40107 MUHORO.**

This is a residential property whose boundaries are partly marked by a barbed wire face, partly by a hedge and partly by a g.c.i sheet fence. The property is situated within Wathorego area 50 meters off Wathorego-Alango road and 400 meters due northeast of Alango Primary School. It can be defined by GPS co-ordinates are Latitudes: -0.054722 Longitudes: 34.804528. The plot measures **NOUGHT DECIMAL ONE NAUGHT HECTARES (0.10HA)** which is approximately **0.247 acres**. The property is developed with a four (4) bedroom bungalow and incomplete ablution block. This is an irregularly shaped black cotton soil even plot and access is via a double steel gate. The property is held on Freehold interest.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1) All interested buyers are requested to view the property and verify the details as these are not warranted by the auctioneer or our principals.

2) ALL interested bidder must pay a refundable deposit of **Ksh 400,000/=** in bankers Cheque to be given a bidding number.

3) The declared purchaser MUST deposit of **20%** of the purchase price immediately after the sale or close of business of the auction day either in **cash or Banker's cheque** and the balance within **Ninety (90) days** from the auction date. Kindly note that failure to pay the balance by the confirmed purchaser will result in forfeiture of all deposits paid.

4) The sale of the property is subjected to a reserve price and Land Control Board.

5) The auctioneer has a right to reject a bid without giving any reason whatsoever.

6) The conditions of sale may be obtained from our offices.

CASH AT THE FALL OF THE HAMMER

- The vehicles are sold on "as is where is basis".
- The highest bidder shall be declared the purchaser subject to a reasonable reserve price.
- Call Peter on 0722 988 468 for viewing arrangement.
- Cash at the fall of the hammer. All are welcome

FIRST CHOICE AUCTIONEERS

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PUBLIC AUCTION

1. Duly instructed by THE SENIOR PRINCIPAL MAGISTRATE'S COURT AT KENOL CIVIL CASE NO. E102 OF 2024 GERALD KIBUTHU KAMAU -vs- SAMUEL MAINA NGUNJIRI & DAVID KAMAU IRUNGU we shall sell the under mentioned motor vehicle by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 18, 2025 at 10.30 A.M AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES M/V REG NO. KDS116P ISUZU NQR MATATU

2. Duly instructed by THE PRINCIPAL MAGISTRATE'S COURT AT KANDARA CIVIL CASE NO. E128 OF 2023 JERUSA WANGARI MWANGI -vs- JOSEPH KAYUNGI & LILLIAN WANJIKU MWANGI we shall sell the under mentioned motor vehicle by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 18, 2025 at 10.30 A.M AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES M/V REG NO. KCL 07E TOYOTA HIACE

3. Duly instructed by THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S COURT AT RUIRU CIVIL CASE NO. E459 OF 2023 BEATRICE NYAMBURA MURANGA & GRACE WAMBUI CHEGE -vs- STEPHEN WARUI MOCHE we shall sell the under mentioned motor vehicle by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 18, 2025 at 10.30 A.M AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES M/V REG NO. KCA 770J BMW X5

4. Duly instructed by THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S COURT AT MILIMANI CIVIL CASE NO. 4063 OF 2017 DEDAN MUGO MUNIU -vs- DAN NJUGUNA RASHID GICHERU we shall sell the under mentioned motor vehicle by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 18, 2025 at 10.30 A.M AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES M/V REG NO. KAB 813U SUBARU S/WAGON

5. Duly instructed by THE PRINCIPAL MAGISTRATE'S COURT AT KANDARA CIVIL CASE NO. E205 OF 2022 RACHAEL SYOKAU MUSYOKA -vs- MARK ONE EXPRESS LIMITED & PUCHER COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES LIMITED we shall sell the under mentioned motor vehicle by PUBLIC AUCTION on Wednesday June 18, 2025 at 10.30 A.M AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES M/V REG NO. KCN 253H TOYOTA HIACE

6. UNDER INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM OUR PRINCIPALS THE CHARGE, IN EXERCISE OF THEIR STATUTORY POWER OF SALE, WE SHALL SELL THE UNDERMENTIONED PROPERTY BY PUBLIC AUCTION ON Wednesday June 18, 2025 at 10.30 A.M AT OUR ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES

All that parcel of land known as L.R. NO. KAJIADO/KITENGELA/55186 WITHIN KAJIADO COUNTY. SITUATION: The property is situated in Bible School Area of Kitengela about 1.4Kms to the North East of Sensei Institute of Technology and about 3.7 kms off old Namanga Road turning near Milimani Administration Police post. AREA: The parcel measures approx. 0.04 Hectares. SERVICES: Mains services are not connected to the property but are available in the neighbourhood. The immediate access road is earthen. The neighbourhood is characterised by mixture of owner-occupied residential developments amidst vacant plots. IMPROVEMENTS: No developments on the property. TENURE: Freehold interest. REGISTERED OWNER: The property is registered in the name of SIMON GATHIAGA GATUNGU.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All interested bidders are required to view the property/items and verify details for the auctioneer does not warrant these
- Sale is subject to reserve price. Bidders to pay a refundable deposit of Ksh5,000.00 for the motor vehicle and Ksh50,000.00 for the land to obtain a bidding number
- The declared purchaser of the land must pay a 25% deposit of the bid price either in cash, Bankers cheque, Electronic Transfer or RTGS by close of business on the auction day and the balance paid within 30 days from the auction date to the charge, failure to which any money received including the deposit will be forfeited

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our Principals the Financiers, we shall sell the under mentioned motor vehicles by public auction:

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Celebrating Life**DEATH AND FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT****LILIAN JULIET AWUOR**

We regret to announce the passing on of Lilian Juliet Awuor on Thursday 22nd May 2025 at Aga Khan Hospital Kisumu.

She was the daughter of late Mzee William Awuor Akello and Mama Veronica Matiku Awuor of Olwa- Kakan village of Alego Subcounty.

Her siblings included the late Susan Akoth, the late Mary Atieno, Norbert Onyango, Samuel Okello, Carren Apiyo, Hellen Adongo, Moses Otieno and the late Abraham Omondi.

She's the wife of Hesborne Otieno Omolo Principal Kakamega Muslim and mother to Cedela Linet Abura, Bonface Otieno Odhiambo, Hazel Vion Adhiambo, Amanda Amondi and Noela Ruth Atieno.

She was the daughter in law of late Japheth Omolo kamanyala and leader Margaret Linet Abura and Zilper Auma.

The body leaves Kwee Mortuary on 12th, June 2025 to her residence at Kakamega for requiem mass then proceeds to Nyakach where she will be interred on 13th June 2025.

DEATH AND FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT**JOSEPH OTIENO OGONYA**

Sunrise: 21st April 1938 ~ Sunset: 31st May 2025

It is with deep sadness that we announce the death of Joseph Otieno Ogonya. Son of the late Mzee Jeremiah Ogonya Manyasi and the late Mama Dorsilla Abuga Ongili. Husband to the late Agnes Waganda Otieno Nee Ong'weny.

Father to Caroline Atieno, Lillian Aloo, Cyprian Omondi, Christine Asir, Pauline Awuor, the late Grace Achieng, Collins Odhiambo and Ezra Mitoko. He was brother to the late Japuong Filemon Oduor Jeremiah(FOJ) among others.

He was uncle to Rose Ochieng, Pamela Ochieng, Elijah Sewe, Tom Okumu, Jacob Oduor among others. The body will be removed from Bama Morgue, Siaya on Friday 13th June at one for church service at St Andrew's ACK Pap Nyadiel.

Burial will take place on 14th June 2025 at his home in Una Village, Masumbi sub location, Siaya.

May his soul rest in peace.

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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 properties and all the improvements erected thereon.

1. SALE ON THURSDAY 10TH JULY, 2025 AS FROM 11:00A.M AS FROM 11:00A.M IN OUR OFFICES AT CPF HOUSE 3RD FLOOR ALONG HAILESELASIE AVENUE NAIROBI.

All that property known as L.R. NO. 209/16589 MOMBASA ROAD, INDUSTRIAL AREA, NAIROBI in the name of **VILLA WINDOWS LIMITED**. It is a leasehold interest for a term of 99 years w.e.f 1st January, 1987 at an annual ground rent of Kshs. 24,080/= (revisable). The Plot measures 0.3478 Ha or 0.8594 Acres and is situated in Nairobi Industrial Area, off Maasai Road, Off Mombasa Highway in the neighborhood to the South-West of Libra House. The plot is developed with an Office Building, Office Building with Godown, Godown Building 2 & 3. Accommodation details consist of:-2 Large Workshops, Electricity Main Switch room, Toilet Wing with WCs, Shower room and wash hand basin, Two Rooms, Two Parking Bays, Ablution Block unit - 3 WCs and 2 Bath on the Ground Floor; Landing from Staircase, 5 Offices, Kitchen, Cloakrooms - 2 WCs, Landing from External Staircase & four rooms on the First Floor for the Office Building; Entrance near Godown, Godown Space, Machinery Rooms, Lower Reception area, Staircase to First Floor & Wooden Staircase to go down Mezzanine on the Ground Floor; Storage Space on the Mezzanine Floor; Landing from Staircase, Reception, Three Inter-connected Office for Directors, Quantity Surveyor's Office, Accounts Office, Board Room, Kitchen with Twin Stainless Steel sink, built - in cupboards, granite worktop and serving counters as well as dining area & Cloakrooms - 2 WCs ladies and gents with wash hand basin on the First floor for the Office Building with Go Down; Large Go down Space & Staircase on the Ground Floor; Landing from Staircase & Mezzanine production area for Go Down 2; Large Go down Space & Staircase on the Ground Floor; Landing from Staircase & Mezzanine production area for Go Down 3. All mains services are connected to the property.

2. SALE ON FRIDAY 27TH JUNE, 2025 AS FROM 11:00A.M IN OUR OFFICES AT CPF HOUSE 3RD FLOOR ALONG HAILESELASIE AVENUE NAIROBI.

All that property known as **TITLE. NO. MAVOKO TOWN BLOCK 12/8213, KAMULU MACHAKOS COUNTY** in the name of **DENIS KARIUKI NJERU**. It is a freehold interest measuring 0.045 Ha or 0.111 Acres and is situated slightly over 19 Kilometers Eastwards from Easter Bypass/Kangudo road interchange while being within Sunshine estate, Drumvale Area, Muthwani Ward, Machakos County. The property is developed with a modern four bedroom (master en-suite) maisonette, garage, ablution block and domestic staff quarters. Mains electricity from Kenya Power grid lines is connected to the property. Water from borehole is connected to the property. Foul waste disposal is to septic tank or pit latrine.

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

- 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.
- Interested bidders must deposit **Kshs. 1,000,000.00** for Property **No. 1** and **Kshs. 300,000.00** for Property **No. 2** in **CASH OR BANKERS CHEQUE** with the auctioneer before being allowed to bid.
- Sale is subject to a reserve price, and the auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid without giving any reasons for doing so.
- 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.
- 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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Sports

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It's time to perfect the swing ahead of Standard County Golf Classic meet

► 120 players sharpening claws ahead of Eldoret edition showdown at weekend.

► Eldoret Club captain Cheserek tells players to perfect their swings and chips.

OCHIENG OYUGI, NAIROBI

The 2025 Eldoret edition of the Standard County Golf Classic is set for this Saturday at the scenic par 71 Eldoret Club, Uasin Gishu County.

Already, 120 players from the hosting course and the neighbouring clubs; Nandi Bears, Kakamega and Kitale, are sharpening their claws for the high profile golf showpiece with very exciting prizes.

Partners have come on board to support the showdown themed 'On the green course, for the green cause.'

They include mobile services providers Safaricom, Eka Hotel, Eldoret Club and Stabex International.

Ahead of the cutthroat duel on the lush, green course at the weekend, players, especially those visiting the club, have been told to be wary of the meandering river crisscrossing holes 1,3,4 and 5.

"The river sometimes makes new players panic, ending up losing the balls in the process. We advise the participants to perfect their swings and chips to help them maneuver the balls over the water barriers," club captain Luka Kiptai Cheserek said.

"We have brought an excavator that has cleared all the debris in the river, the water is now moving nicely without overflowing on the course. We have also 'refurbished' hole number 3 which is now well trimmed with a very pleasant fairways," the skipper added.

Cheserek said the course is in perfect shape and this will excite the players, and the greens are holding.

"The climate here is very conducive. The visitors should expect fair weather that will help them bring out their 'A' game," Cheserek said.

According to the captain, the Standard County Golf Classic is expected to give Eldoret town an economic boost going by the number of high profile visitors expected to descend in the Uasin Gishu County for the ultimate golf challenge.

"There will be definitely high spending power this week, with hotels, taxis, boda boda, entertainment joints and the whole of that ecosystem expected to gain in the process," Cheserek said.

"Eldoret now is a city and there is lot of patronage around. We have so many sizzling joints where the visitors can have fun and get entertained," he added.

Cheserek said plans are underway to expand their par 71 nine hole Eldoret Club to an 18-hole course.

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GRAND PRIX

Madrid to host grand prix in 2026 calendar

Spain will host two Formula One grands prix in 2026, with the new race in Madrid joining Barcelona, after organisers on Tuesday announced the calendar for a season that could bring big changes on the grid.

The 2026 campaign will open for the second successive season in Australia at Melbourne's Albert Park street circuit on March 6-8.

The race in the Spanish capital Madrid is on September 11-13 and will bring the curtain down on the European segment of the season.

The new Madrid circuit will have both street and non-street sectors.

The 24-weekend campaign will again conclude in Abu Dhabi, on December 4-6.

Montreal in Canada will now follow Miami in May to cut down on travelling for the teams.

The 2026 season promises to look radically different with Cadillac becoming the 11th team on the grid and sweeping new regulations on aerodynamics and power units.

Mohammed Ben Sulayem, president of motorsport's governing body, the FIA, said: "Next year's FIA Formula One World Championship marks a significant new chapter for our sport."

"A new race, new teams, and the arrival of new manufacturers, all ushering in a fresh era of innovation and competition." [AFP]

Formula One 2026 calendar:

March	6-8:	Melbourne, Australia
March	13-15:	Shanghai, China
March	27-29:	Suzuka, Japan
April	10-12:	Sakhir, Bahrain
April	17-19:	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
May	1-3:	Miami, United States
May	22-24:	Montreal, Canada
June	5-7:	Monaco
June	12-14:	Barcelona, Spain
June	26-28:	Spielberg, Austria
July	3-5:	Silverstone, Great Britain
July	17-19:	Spa-Francorchamps, Belgium
July	24-26:	Budapest, Hungary
Aug	21-23:	Zandvoort, Netherlands
Sept	4-6:	Monza, Italy
Sept	11-13:	Madrid, Spain
Sept	25-27:	Baku, Azerbaijan
Oct	9-11:	Singapore
Oct	23-25:	Austin, United States
Oct	30-Nov 1:	Mexico City, Mexico
Nov	6-8:	Sao Paulo, Brazil
Nov	19-21:	Las Vegas, United States
Nov	27-29:	Lusail, Qatar
Dec	4-6:	Abu Dhabi, UAE

Standard County Golf Classic partners:

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4. Eldoret Club



Diana Mbuga in action during the 2025 Kiambu Open at Kiambu Golf Club.
[Mose Sammy, Standard]

Kenya Lionesses on hunting mission against South Africa

► Odongo confident his side will break Springboks jinx.

► Kenya hammered Madagascar 28-5 last weekend.

WASHINGTON ONYANGO

Kenya Lionesses head coach Simon Odongo has called on his team to rise to the occasion as they face defending champions South Africa in a crucial Women's Rugby Africa Cup match today.

The Lionesses made a strong start to the tournament by defeating hosts Madagascar 28-5 in their opening match played over the weekend at Stade Makis in Antananarivo.

The victory was not only a great boost for Kenya, but it also avenged last year's painful 29-22 loss to the same opponents during the 2025 Rugby World Cup qualifiers.

"This game was a good contest against a good side," said Odongo.

"The Lionesses composed themselves and stuck to the game plan. Eventually, the game opened up. We missed some chances, but that's expected after a long time without test match rugby."

The 2025 Rugby Africa Cup serves as the pathway to the 2029 Women's Rugby World Cup, which will be held in Australia.

Only the top team from this round-robin tournament, which includes Kenya, South Africa, Uganda, and Madagascar, will qualify for the global showpiece.

Odongo's side now faces their biggest challenge yet — a match against the Springbok Women, who are top of the table after a dominant 62-7 win over Uganda.

Both Kenya and South Africa have



Kenya Lionesses captain Grace Adhiambo (centre) in action against Ghana. [Rugby Africa]

KENYA V SOUTH AFRICA HEAD-TO-HEAD

■ 17/08/2019:	South Africa	39-0	Kenya	(Brakpan)
■ 12/08/2021:	South Africa	66-0	Kenya	(Stellenbosch)
■ 16/08/2021:	South Africa	29-22	Kenya	(Stellenbosch)
■ 24/05/2023:	South Africa	48-0	Kenya	(Antananarivo)
■ 16/09/2023:	South Africa	77-12	Kenya	(Cape Town)
■ 08/05/2024:	South Africa	63-5	Kenya	(Antananarivo)

five points each, but South Africa leads on point difference (+55) compared to Kenya's (+23).

The match is a must-win for the Lionesses if they are to keep their World Cup dreams alive.

"We approach every game like a final," Odongo said.

"So for South Africa, we'll ask them questions from the first minute up to the final whistle. The aim is to always stay in the game and give a good account of ourselves."

Kenya's tries against Madagascar came from Phoebe Akinyi, Faith Livoi, Stellah Wafula, and Sinaida Mokaya.

Unfortunately, Odongo confirmed that Phoebe Akinyi will miss the rest of the tournament after suffering a concussion.

"Unfortunately, we've lost Phoebe who concussed earlier during the match. She's out for the rest of the tournament as advised by the medical department," said Odongo.

Despite the setback, the coach remains hopeful and focused.

"We have rested and recovered, now we go again," he added.

The challenge for Kenya lies in their winless record against South Africa, who have won all their encounters against the East Africans.

That is why Springbok Women winger Patience Mokone believes they have the edge over Kenya.

This is our next job, and we want to get it done. For me personally, I have to focus on my role in the team and make sure I get that done.

"It is not about me today; it is about my contribution to the team. I have always played rugby that way, so nothing has changed," said Mokone who scored two tries in their big win over Uganda.

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GOLF

Lejirma remains in control at Sunshine Tour

Royal Nairobi Golf Club's elite amateur John Lejirma extended his fine form on day two of the Sunshine Development Tour-East Africa Swing at Ruiru Sports Club yesterday.

Lejirma carded a steady round of 3-under par 69 to take his total for the two days to 9-under par 135—five shots clear of his nearest challenger.

Lejirma was conservative on the front nine, heading out level thanks to a birdie on the 9th and a bogey on the 8th. On the back nine, he played bogey-free with birdies on the 10th, 13th, and 17th, seeing him card 33 for a total of 69 for the day.

Speaking after his round, Lejirma said: "I'm happy to be in this position going into the final round. I kept things tidy today. I stuck to the game plan and didn't try to force anything. I was solid off the tee and made key putts when I need-



John Lejirma of Royal Nairobi Golf Club in action during the Sunshine Development Tour East Africa Swing at Ruiru Sports Club yesterday. [Sunshine Tour]

ed to. The course played well, and I'm looking forward to finishing strong tomorrow."

He now sits five shots ahead of veteran golfer Dismas Indiza of Kakamega Sports Club, whose

solid round of 3-under par 69 saw him climb the leaderboard to second with a tournament total of 4-under par 140.

Teeing-off from 10th in the company of Rwanda's Celestin Nsanuwera and Ndumberi's Michael Karanga, Indiza played a bogey-free back nine, holing a birdie at the 11th for a total of 35.

On the first nine, he opened strong with back-to-back birdies on the 1st and 2nd holes, before holing his only bogey of the round at the 4th. He then shot a birdie at the ninth for a total of 34. He now sits one shot ahead of Railway Golf Club's Samuel Njoroge on the leaderboard after the two rounds.

Indiza said: "Today was a good day for me. I've been striking the ball well all week, and today I managed to keep mistakes to a minimum." [Standard Sports]

ATHLETICS

Bol blasts to meeting record in Hengelo, Jackson shines in shot put

Femke Bol delighted the home crowd with a dominant meeting record-breaking victory in the 400m hurdles, while Chase Jackson secured a statement shot put win at the FBK Games—a World Athletics Continental Tour Gold meeting—in Hengelo on Monday.

World champion Bol maintained the momentum two weeks on from achieving her fastest ever 400m hurdles season opener in Rabat, finishing just 0.05 off the time she ran there to win in Hengelo in 52.51.

The 25-year-old is using a new technique out of the blocks this season and she got out fast. Gradually moving further away from her rivals, she eventually won by two seconds as Panama's Gianna Woodruff secured second place in 54.54.

"I've done it – I've got the meeting record," said Bol, who improved her own record of 53.94 set in 2022.

"To be honest, I didn't really think about a specific time or anything before the race, but I really wanted to win here in front of the home crowd."

"The first part (of the race) went really well, especially with the changes I've made recently. Obviously, I felt the pain and the lactate at the end of the race, but you just know that's coming. This result shows I'm on track. I ran faster than I usually do at this time of the year."

USA's two-time world shot put champion Jackson has also had a superb start to the season and she built on the outdoor world lead of 20.54m she set in Shanghai/Keqiao by going eight centimetres farther.

Even more impressively, she achieved that 20.62m throw in the first round of the competition, just two days on from competing in Taipei City where she also won with a throw beyond 20 metres. Including indoor meetings, the 30-year-old has surpassed the 20-metre mark in eight competitions this year and this latest winning throw is just 14 centimetres off her own national record set in Eugene in 2023.

Jackson also threw 20.05m in the fifth round in Hengelo and all of her other throws were 19.49m or beyond. Home star Jessica Schilder also bettered 20 metres, throwing 20.16m to finish second, while USA's Maggie Ewen was third with 19.48m. [World Athletics]



Femke Bol during the European Athletics Indoor Championships. [AFP]



Sarah Achieng' (right) fights Edith Soledad Matthyse of Argentina during their WBF Women's World Super Lightweight title bout at Charter Hall, Nairobi in 2023. [Stafford Ondego, Standard]

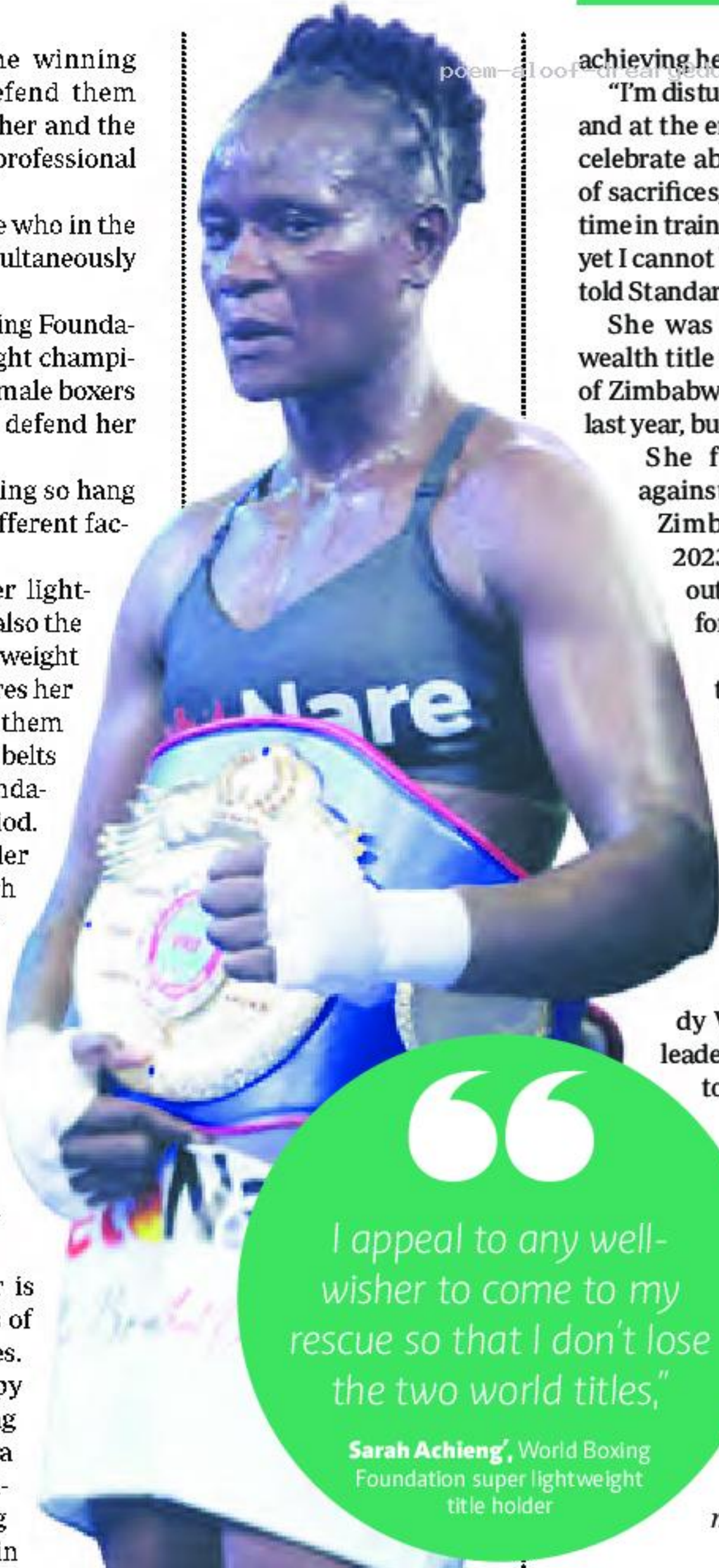
Why Sarah Achieng' is a frustrated woman

- ▶ Her ambitions to defend two world boxing titles could go up in smoke due to lack of funds.
- ▶ But KPBC president Reuben Ndolo says they are organising a fight for her either in July or August.

BEN AHENDA, NAKURU

When she ventured into professional boxing, she was determined to go places and become a world champion. And after years of protracted practice, indeed she became a world champion, but it did not come on a silver platter on her way to the top. It involved lots of sacrifices in training sessions, which included road races, gym work and bag punching, weight control measures, and sparring ahead of friendly matches. In all that, she first emerged as a national champion, then a regional champion, followed by a Commonwealth queen, and finally she strode to become a world champion by all rights. Evidently, it was not a walk in the park in accomplishing all these achievements. But through sheer hard work, consistency, and dedication, with lots of keenness from advice from her coaches. That's how World Boxing Foundation (WBF) super lightweight champion Sarah Achieng' sprung to be among the few female Kenyan professional boxers from Africa who entered history books as they became world champions in the fight for top honours. And winning these titles could be

easy, but maintaining the winning streak to successfully defend them is another chapter altogether and the biggest challenge to most professional boxers. However, there are those who in the past had won titles and simultaneously retained them. Achieng', the World Boxing Foundation (WBF) super lightweight champion, is one of few African female boxers who are in good shape to defend her two belts. But her ambitions of doing so hang in the balance owing to different factors beyond her control. Besides the WBF super lightweight (61.3kg) title, she is also the Commonwealth super lightweight titleholder, which all requires her to enter the ring to defend them lest she get stripped of both belts after the elapse of the mandatory six-month defence period. Achieng' is also a holder of three other titles, which include the East and Central Africa featherweight (57kg) champion, Universal Boxing Organisation (UBO) super lightweight title holder, and the national super lightweight champion. And with all that success, she is not a happy lady at the end of the day. The professional boxer is worried about her chances of defending the first two titles. Achieng' is not happy with the promoter handling her two cases and the Kenya Professional Boxing Commission (KPBC) accusing them of not assisting her in



achieving her ambitions. "I'm disturbed after training so hard, and at the end of it, there's nothing to celebrate about. This comes with lots of sacrifices, which include resources, time in training and workouts, etc., and yet I cannot box," a frustrated Achieng' told Standard Sports. She was to defend the Commonwealth title against Monalisa Sibanda of Zimbabwe in Kisumu on August 31 last year, but it never materialised. She first defended the title against Chiedza Homakoma of Zimbabwe on December 16, 2023, in Nairobi but pointed out that time was running out for her second time to do so. "If somebody can come to my rescue, I'll really appreciate him/her. This is because they can save my career at a time I'm in good shape, and this should not go to waste," said the 36-year-old boxer. Achieng' appealed to Homa Bay Governor Gladys Wanga and other women leaders in the country to come to her rescue. "I'm ready to successfully defend the WBF title. What about the Commonwealth title? I appeal to any well-wisher to come to my rescue. Kindly, Your Excellency Gladys Wanga and others, come to my rescue," she pleaded. bahenda@standard-media.co.ke

“I appeal to any well-wisher to come to my rescue so that I don't lose the two world titles,**”**
Sarah Achieng', World Boxing Foundation super lightweight title holder

2023

WHEN Sarah Achieng' won the vacant WBF title after overcoming Edith Soledad of Argentina in Nairobi.

Briefing

BOXING. NATIONAL LEAGUE HEADS TO COAST

■ The second leg of the National Boxing League heads to Mombasa from July 17-19, Kenya Boxing Federation Competitions Secretary John Waweru has confirmed. Initially, the event was set for the famous Madison Square Garden in Nakuru, but it was switched to the coastal city owing to a number of reasons. First and foremost, the coastal city is set to organise a two-week training course for referees and judges drawn from all over the country starting next week, and the national boxing federation felt that that was the right forum to test the same officials in a reputable league assignment. [Ben Ahenda]

TENNIS. RADUCANU STARS AT QUEEN'S CLUB



Emma Raducanu in action at French Open. [AFP]

■ Former US Open champion Emma Raducanu stole the spotlight as women's tennis made a historic return to Queen's Club for the first time in 52 years on Monday. With the dust barely settled from the thrilling French Open titles won by Carlos Alcaraz and Coco Gauff last weekend, Queen's marks the transition to grass courts, and this year's event is a milestone moment in the tennis calendar. Since 1973, Queen's has been solely an ATP event. But a ground-breaking deal was struck last year to play a WTA 500 tournament in Barons. [AFP]

EPL. PEP 'SO SCARED' BY ISRAEL-GAZA WAR

■ Manchester City boss Pep Guardiola said he is "so scared" by the "painful" war in Gaza as he delivered an emotional speech. It is 20 months since Israel launched a military campaign in Gaza in response to the unprecedented Hamas-led cross-border attack on Israel on 7 October 2023, in which about 1,200 people were killed and 251 others were taken hostage. At least 54,880 people have been killed in Gaza since, according to the territory's Hamas-run health ministry. Guardiola, 54, was speaking as he received an honorary doctorate from the University of Manchester on Monday. "It's so painful what we see in Gaza. It hurts my whole body," said Guardiola in clips of his speech shared on social media. [BBC]

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Each African team at Club World Cup to get jaw-dropping Sh1.2 billion

► Al Ahly, Esperance, Mamelodi Sundowns and Wydad Casablanca are Africa's representatives.

► The bonanza is the equivalent of Sundowns winning nine league titles in South Africa.

AFP, JOHANNESBURG

The four African qualifiers for the revamped Club World Cup in the United States are set to become much richer, no matter how they fare in the 32-team tournament.

By securing places, Al Ahly of Egypt, Esperance of Tunisia, Mamelodi Sundowns of South Africa and Wydad Casablanca of Morocco are each guaranteed \$9.55 million (Sh1.2 billion) appearance fees.

The bonanza is the equivalent of Sundowns winning nine league titles in South Africa, the African country with the richest football prize money.

A win in the group phase will add \$2 million (Sh258 million), a draw \$1 million (Sh129 million), and a top-two finish and qualification for the knockout phase \$7.5 million (Sh969 million).

Winners of the premier African club competition, the CAF Champions League, receive \$4 million (Sh517 million) for playing 14 or 16 matches. No side will play more than seven matches in the Club World Cup.

HERE, AFP SPORT LOOKS AT THE AFRICAN CONTENDERS.

Ahly:

Spaniard Jose Riveiro will make his competitive debut as coach of the Cairo Red Devils when they face Lionel Messi-inspired Inter Miami in the tournament opener on June 14.

"The best way to contain Messi is to stop the ball reaching him, but we also have a plan for him when he does receive possession," said Riveiro.

He left Orlando Pirates in South Africa in May after a three-season stint in which he won five domestic knockout trophies and reached

AFRICA'S TEAMS AT THE CLUB WORLD CUP SINCE 2000:

- 2000 - Raja Casablanca (MAR), 7th
- 2005 - Al Ahly (EGY), 6th
- 2006 - Ahly, 3rd
- 2007 - Etoile Sahel (TUN), 4th
- 2008 - Ahly, 6th
- 2009 - TP Mazembe (COD), 6th
- 2010 - Mazembe, 2nd
- 2011 - Esperance (TUN), 6th
- 2012 - Ahly, 4th
- 2013 - Raja (hosts), 2nd; Ahly, 6th
- 2014 - Entente Setif (ALG), 6th; Moghreb Tetouan (MAR, hosts) 7th
- 2015 - Mazembe, 6th
- 2016 - Mamelodi Sundowns (RSA), 6th
- 2017 - Wydad Casablanca (MAR), 6th
- 2018 - Esperance, 5th
- 2019 - Esperance, 5th
- 2020 - Ahly, 3rd
- 2021 - Ahly, 3rd
- 2022 - Ahly, 4th; Wydad (hosts), 5th
- 2023 - Ahly, 3rd



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BILLION

WHAT each of the four African qualifiers for Club World Cup will get



FIXTURES INVOLVING AFRICAN TEAMS:

Group A

- June 14 - Al Ahly (EGY) v Inter Miami (USA)
- June 19 - Palmeiras (BRA) v Ahly
- June 23 - Porto (POR) v Ahly

Group D

- June 16 - Flamengo (BRA) v Esperance (TUN)
- June 20 - Los Angeles (USA) v Esperance
- June 24 - Esperance v Chelsea (ENG)

Group F

- June 17 - Ulsan (KOR) v Sundowns (RSA)
- June 21 - Sundowns v Dortmund (GER)
- June 25 - Sundowns v Fluminense (BRA)

Group G

- June 18 - Man City (ENG) v Wydad Casablanca (MAR)
- June 22 - Juventus (ITA) v Wydad
- June 26 - Wydad v Al Ain (UAE)

Note: Group winners and runners-up qualify for knockout stage

Esperance:

The Blood and Gold from Tunis will be coached by one of their former stars, Maher Kanzari, after Romanian Laurențiu Reghecampf was axed in mid season having been in charge for only four months.

Kanzari delivered a domestic league and cup double, but they made a timid exit from the Champions League in the quarter-finals.

Esperance boast a star striker in Algerian Youcef Belaili, whose seven goals placed him second in the Champions League Golden Boot race.

The four-time African champions have struggled in previous Club World Cup appearances, finishing fifth twice and sixth once.

Sundowns:

Sundowns are a club under a cloud after losing 3-2 on aggregate to Pyramids recently in a Champions League final they were expected to win.

It was the second successive Champions League final loss for Portuguese coach Miguel Cardoso, who was in charge of Esperance when they lost the 2024 final to Ahly.

Many Sundowns supporters were unhappy that Cardoso did not use fit-again veteran midfielder Themba Zwane in either leg of the title decider.

Sundowns are captained by goalkeeper Ronwen Williams, who created history at the 2024 Africa Cup of Nations by saving four shootout penalties to take South Africa past Cape Verde in a quarter-final.

Wydad:

The Casablanca outfit sacked South African coach Rulani Mokwena as the Moroccan season drew to a close after he failed to secure a 2026 Champions League slot for the three-time continental champions.

He was replaced by local Mohamed Benhachem, who transformed a team that had drawn six consecutive domestic league matches into one that ended the campaign by winning three in a row.

Wydad have signed Burkina Faso midfielder Stephane Aziz Ki from Young Africans of Tanzania and Dutch defender Bart Meijers from Bosnia and Herzegovina club Borac Banja Luka.

They are the only African contenders who will not face a Brazilian club in the group phase, but are not expected to advance from a section including Manchester City and Juventus.

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A Sundowns supporter celebrates his team's goal during CAF Champions League final against Pyramids Football Club. [AFP]

"The best way to contain Messi is to stop the ball reaching him, but we also have a plan for him when he does receive possession."

Jose Riveiro, Al Ahly head coach

the 2025 Champions League semi-finals.

Ahly have been busy in the transfer market, signing former Aston Villa striker Mahmoud 'Trezeguet' Hassan from Turkish outfit Trabzonspor and winger Ahmed 'Zizo' Sayed from arch Cairo rivals Zamalek.



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INDUSTRY



Motorbikes recovered by police at a garage in Eastleigh in 2021. [David Njaaga, Standard]

DIGITAL DATABASE TO TRACK STOLEN VEHICLES, MOTORBIKES

A digital public database for stolen vehicles and motorbikes has been created to report and verify stolen assets.

Designed as a user-friendly centralised tool, Saka enables individuals to report and verify stolen vehicles in real time.

The platform is a direct response to the growing problem of vehicle and motorbike theft in Kenya — an issue that has raised serious security concerns and inflicted significant financial losses on individuals and the nation.

Currently, the boda boda and matatu sectors employ over three million Kenyans.

These sectors alone lose an estimated Sh3 billion annually due to theft and fraud. Most of these losses are never recovered, largely due to outdated and fragmented reporting systems that hamper effective coordination.

“Saka is more than just a digital platform — it’s a tool of empowerment,” said Deputy Country Manager at Mogo Kenya Branton Mutea.

“The name ‘Saka’ comes from everyday Swahili, meaning ‘to search’. That’s exactly what this platform is about: enabling Kenyans to actively search for the truth about a vehicle or motorbike before they buy, sell, or use it.”

Motor vehicle theft in Kenya occurs under various circumstances, including theft from parking areas, car hire scams, robbery with violence and carjacking. These evolving tactics have made recovery and enforcement even more challenging, highlighting the urgent need for a centralised and accessible reporting system like Saka.

According to the Kenya National Economic Survey 2025, more than 7,000 cases of vehicle theft have been reported in the past five years.

While over 6,900 suspects have been arrested during this period, fewer than 40 convictions have been secured for vehicle theft-related offences. The platform also addresses broader security risks posed by stolen vehicles.

Statistics show that around 40 per cent of stolen motorbikes are later used in robberies and other criminal activities. Furthermore, fewer than 10 per cent of vehicle thefts in Kenya are currently reported via digital channels — a shortfall that Saka aims to remedy by making reporting simple, swift, and accessible to all.

Beyond its practical applications, Saka is expected to spark important conversations around digital innovation, public safety, and the modernisation of crime prevention strategies in Kenya.

“This platform is a transformative step towards improving public safety and safeguarding the livelihoods of countless Kenyans,” added Mutea. [Nanjinia Wamuswa]

AVIATION

GULF AIR’S RETURN TO NAIROBI A BOON FOR TRADE, TRAVEL AND REGIONAL CONNECTIVITY



Kenya Airports Authority Chairman Caleb Kositany (second left) with Gulf Air officials cut a cake to officially launch the Gulf Air flight at the JKIA, Nairobi, last week. [Bernard Orwongo]

After 13 years, Gulf Air has returned to Nairobi, re-igniting direct connectivity between Bahrain and Kenya. The airline’s decision to relaunch flights on 2 June 2025 signals more than just convenience. It marks a strategic move in the evolving aviation landscape of East Africa, unlocking economic, trade, and tourism opportunities between the Gulf region and Kenya.

The Bahraini national carrier will operate five weekly flights to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport using its Airbus A320neo fleet, an aircraft designed for efficiency and passenger comfort.

Gulf Air Group chief executive Jeffrey Goh, speaking at the launch event, emphasised the broader significance of this move. “This new Nairobi route strengthens ties between the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Republic of Kenya, fostering both business and leisure travel. We see this as an opportunity to enhance connectivity and position Bahrain as a key gateway for Africa-bound travellers,” he said.

Aviation analysts and industry experts say Gulf Air’s return aligns with Nairobi’s growing status as a major aviation hub. According to John Kamau, an aviation analyst, this move is not just about resuming a past service. It is part of a broader competition for market share in East African air travel.

Kenya has seen increased flight

routes from airlines like Emirates, Qatar Airways, and Turkish Airlines. Gulf Air’s return injects new competition, potentially leading to lower fares and more diverse travel options for passengers.”

Kamau adds that Gulf Air’s decision reflects East Africa’s rising profile in global trade and tourism: “Nairobi is not just a destination, but a key transit point for travelers heading to African markets, and Gulf Air’s Middle Eastern hub makes it easier for business executives and leisure travellers to access Kenya and beyond,” explains the analyst.

Boosting business and trade links between Kenya and Bahrain. The direct flight strengthens existing trade ties between Kenya and Bahrain, particularly in exports, finance, and tourism. Kenya’s horticulture, tea, and agricultural exports already find markets in the Gulf region. With streamlined direct flights, business owners and exporters expect faster turnaround times and cost savings.

James Mwenda, a Nairobi-based logistics expert, explains, “Kenya’s fresh produce exports — flowers, avocados, and tea — thrive in Gulf markets. Faster flights mean fresher deliveries, stronger partnerships, and better trade volumes.”

Beyond exports, Nairobi’s position as a financial hub could see increased engagement with Bahrain’s growing financial sector. It is a win-win situation for the two countries. For example, tourism gains with the airlines growing their clientele, and Kenya gains from the influx of travellers. [Jayne Rose Gacheri]

QUOTE



“Clearly, bad economic times mean cost-cutting or introducing new charges. Not just in airlines, but other sectors.”

Prof XN Iraki, lecturer, University of Nairobi



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FOR ONCE, CAN WE BE A THANKFUL NATION?



On June 1, 2025 during Madaraka Day, I was requested by a policeman to help take an accident victim to a Naivasha hospital. The accident was a collision between a matatu and a saloon car.

It was a few kilometres from the Gilgil weigh-bridge, at around 3pm. We found the victims sprawled on the ground.

Good Samaritans carried the victim, a woman, into the backseat of my car. She had no visible injuries but complained of pain in one leg. Someone brought her bags.

We drove towards Naivasha steadily, careful not to cause another accident. I noticed the victim was on the phone throughout the trip. At one time, she gave me the phone to talk to someone who asked for my phone number which I shared.

Soon we were in Naivasha County Hospital. “What happened?” One hospital staff member asked. I reported it was an accident. The victim was removed from my car onto a stretcher.

“Do you need any other information?” I asked the hospital staff who looked like interns. “No” I was told. I removed her bags and gave them to hospital staff. Is it safe? I asked. “We keep such luggage,” A young man responded.

“Anything else needed of me?” I asked. No, was the answer. She was wheeled away as her bags were kept at a corner.

Humanitarian grounds

As we drove off, my thinking went into overdrive. Why no protocols to receive the patient? No one asked for my identity or any other information. What if I had hit the patient with my car and brought her to the hospital?

As the week ended, I was left asking more questions on humanitarian grounds. Who was this victim? What happened to her?

Why did the person who asked for my number not call me back? Why did this accident victim not ask for our contacts? And most importantly, say thank you. Remember, I didn’t meet any ambulance on my way to the hospital.

Are Kenyans that thankless? Is that why some motorists did not bother to stop and help evacuate the accident victims? Should I bother to know what happened to the accident victims, or has my mission been accomplished?

Out of curiosity, I got a photo of the scene and noted the matatu number plate. Can I use that to find out the owner, insurer and the fate of the victims? Have you encountered thankless Kenyans? Share with us. [XN Iraki]



An accident that occurred after a truck pushed a vehicle into a ditch in Narok. [George Sayagie, Standard]

EMPOWERMENT

State's bid to reserve tenders below Sh3b for local firms

A 2024 proposal had placed a reservation limit of Sh1 billion for Kenyan entities.

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Local businesses will be able to benefit from government tenders of up to Sh3 billion, even as the State is keen not to accumulate further debts owed to enterprises.

Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade and Industry Lee Kinyanjui said that while the appeal for businesses during a previous meeting with President William Ruto was to increase the figure to Sh5 billion, this request cannot be met.

"We think that could be a bit too high. We are likely to settle at Sh3 billion," said the CS while addressing players in the private sector from several industries, among them agriculture, finance, manufacturing, real estate and mining.

A proposal in the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal (Amendment), Bill, 2024, currently in second reading stage before the National Assembly, has placed a reservation of Sh1 billion for local firms. The amendment seeks to introduce new clauses on Section 53 (6) of the Act stating that any procurement of up to Sh1 billion shall be awarded to a local firm.

Additionally, a foreign firm shall be eligible for the procurement of contracts of more than Sh1 billion but through a joint venture with a local partner. This local firm will be eligible to not less than 30 per cent of the value of the procurement.

"All procurement and asset disposal planning shall reserve a minimum of 30 per cent of the budgetary allocations for enterprises owned by women, youth, persons with disabilities and other disadvantaged groups," reads Section 53 (6) of the current Public Procurement and Disposal Act.

The above clause seems to have been disadvantageous to businesses that, for a long time, lamented that international firms were getting a piece of their cake as the law was not explicit.

While this is being seen as a move to protect local businesses, Oraro & Company Advocates says the move might slow down foreign direct investments.

"The restrictions may, however, deter foreign investment, reduce competition and inflate procurement costs, while



Kenya Investment Authority CEO John Mwendwa (left), Industry Principal Secretary Juma Mukhwana (centre) and Trade and Industry Cabinet Secretary Lee Kinyanjui during dinner with Kenyan businesspeople. [Wilberforce Okwiri, Standard]



The restrictions may, however, deter foreign investment, reduce competition and inflate procurement costs, while the joint venture requirement could encourage nominal partnerships that fail to achieve substantive capacity building."

Analysis of the proposed amendment by Oraro & Company Advocates

SH5 BILLION TENDERS

that businesses had requested during a meeting with President William Ruto, but CS Kinyanjui says this request cannot be met.

the joint venture requirement could encourage nominal partnerships that fail to achieve substantive capacity building," reads the analysis of the proposed amendment provided by the law firm.

"We recommend the creation of a clear implementation framework to balance local content objectives with market competitiveness and prevent regulatory circumvention."

However, CS Kinyanjui said the Sh3 billion threshold will offer adequate competition among local firms and in extension protect jobs.

He pointed out that it had reached a stage where even in the Sh1 billion, non-indigenous (outsiders) would tender. "But again, the question we will be asking is: do we say we are reserving those jobs for the Sh3 billion, and finally, when they are tendered, there are no bidders?" he posed. "We need to also find a way of building capacity even as we up the ceiling, then our people are able to plug in and benefit from some of these opportunities."

Pending bills

But the reluctance of the government to increase this figure to Sh5 billion as requested is being seen as a balancing act as the State treads carefully, owing to the piling of pending bills at both levels of government owed to businesses.

While announcing the decision to settle on Sh3 billion, the CS said the government is concerned about pending bills, as he insisted on the need for entities to procure only what

they need. He said at the Cabinet level, this issue is being addressed. "When Sh200 billion is removed from the economy, from small and big companies, eventually it affects all of us. And sometimes you have already paid value added tax (VAT) on the very same amount you have not been paid for a year or two," said CS Kinyanjui.

He said in the upcoming budget, 2025/2026, payment of pending bills has been factored. "We are going to push that we pay quickly," he said.

The value of verified pending bills so far by the Pending Bills Verification Committee under the National Treasury stands at Sh229 billion. Of this amount, Sh80 billion is owed to the road sector, which Treasury PS Chris Kiptoo earlier revealed that payment was ongoing.

Dr Kiptoo said the rest of the Sh149 billion has been factored into the budget. "Once Parliament approves, we will be able to settle the first amounts of pending bills from July," he said after a meeting with Kenya Private Sector Alliance (Kepsa) in early May.

The Pending Bills Verification Committee was approved by the Cabinet in June 2023. It is chaired by former Auditor General Edward Ouko.

The committee draws its membership from the office of the Attorney General, the State Department for Roads, the State Department of Public Works, the State Department for Housing and Urban Development and the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority.

TECH

HBO and CNN owner to split streaming and cable businesses

The owner of CNN and HBO Max, Warner Bros Discovery, says it will split into two companies by the middle of next year. The US media giant plans to separate its studio and streaming business away from its more traditional cable television networks.

The move comes as streaming services attract hundreds of millions of users around the world but cable TV has seen audiences decline in recent years.

HBO Max has enjoyed success with shows including *Succession*, *The White Lotus* and *The Last of Us* - while channels like CNN have been losing viewers.

These hit shows will soon come under a new Streaming & Studios business, along with the company's film division and be headed by Mr Zaslav.

The other new company will be called Global Networks - with CNN, Discovery and TNT Sports amongst its brands. This business will be led by Warner Bros Discovery's chief financial officer, Gunnar Wiedenfels. "We are empowering these iconic brands with the sharper focus and strategic flexibility they need to compete most effectively in today's evolving media landscape," said David Zaslav, Warner Bros Discovery president and chief executive. The splitting of the media conglomerate follows the 2022 merger that created Warner Bros Discovery.

Stock market

News of the split did little to improve Warner Bros Discovery's stock market performance. Shares were down nearly three per cent in trading on Monday, with the stock down more than 10 per cent this year. Peter Jankovskis, an analyst at Arbor Financial Services, said the split would help investors get a better understanding of each new company's value.

"When you make the business less complicated, analysts can go in and do a better job of determining what the business is actually worth," he told the BBC.

Warner Bros Discovery's flagship news channel, CNN, has seen its ratings decline. It averaged 558,000 viewers during primetime hours in the first three months of this year, six per cent lower than the same period in 2024. In January, the network announced that it was laying off more than 200 employees as it looks to focus on its digital offerings.

The outlook is brighter for Warner Bros Discovery's streaming platforms, which ended the first quarter of this year with more than 122 million subscribers.

Monday's breakup announcement came after rival media giant Comcast announced last year that it would spin off its NBCUniversal cable television arm.

That breakup is currently underway, with channels such as MSNBC and CNBC being separated from Comcast's other brands, including its Peacock streaming service. [BBC]

COVER STORY

Non-remittances, land investments amplify financial woes of Afya Sacco

Non-remitted amounts as at March 2024 were around Sh740 million, which had led the management to slow down on loan processing.

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The minutes of the 43rd Annual Delegates Meeting held last year have offered a glimpse of the financial woes bedeviling Afya Co-operative Savings and Credit Society (Afya Sacco) that resulted to a chaotic gathering in May.

In the 47-page document, issues to do with liquidity challenges were discussed with a resolution issued to raise the minimum share capital from Sh20,000 to Sh50,000.

The liquidity challenges also affected those who wanted to withdraw their savings - either upon retirement or voluntarily, even as the sacco plans to retain older members by enticing them with tailored products.

The members also lamented in the meeting about the Sh20,000 limit with drawal on ATMs, which the chairperson, Beatrice Mogire, explained was due to security-related issues.

A major cause however, for the cash related challenges, is the non-remittance of dues by counties which then stood at Sh740 million.

"The non-remitted amounts as at March 2024 were around Sh740 million, which had led the management to slow down on loan processing. She urged the delegates to be patient as the management was making all the efforts to follow up on the non-remitted amounts, of which the Commissioner promised to assist," the minutes read in part.

The minutes show some members have been trying to partially withdraw their savings, which have not been coming through.

The chair explained that the waiting period had been extended to one month for partial withdrawal due to liquidity challenges. "She added that management

had come up with senior citizens products to discourage pulling out of members, which in the long run might affect the Society's cash flow," the minutes read.

In the delegates meeting held on May 31, where several factions of membership of the sacco had earlier vowed to oust the board, chaos erupted as the members pushed to vote out the management.

The chaos unfolded just days after the Cabinet Secretary for Co-operatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) Development Wycliffe Oparanya inaugurated a committee to audit the sacco sector and recommend changes in law and regulations which are expected to bring sanity in these entities.

As it stands, the government has frozen registration of new saccos to aid this exercise. The May 31 meeting held in Nairobi turned into a shouting match, with the delegates insisting that the board leave the office. "Honestly, our board, you have let us down. Among you, the one who has members' goodwill at heart, kindly just start walking out," a delegate is heard saying in the meeting.

Financial health

Another one jumps in: "If we can dissolve the board and constitute another, that will be okay."

One of the officials chimed in, directing the delegates to do the ousting procedurally. "What you have raised is a point of order. And that point of order has a procedure on how it can be executed. By standing there and raising a point of order, you don't expect people to obey. You are expected to execute according to the law," she said.

Days before the meeting, a section of members of the sacco had raised their concerns on the financial health of the sacco.

In Vihiga County, a section of the sacco called out the management, insisting that the board should be dissolved due to financial misappropriation.

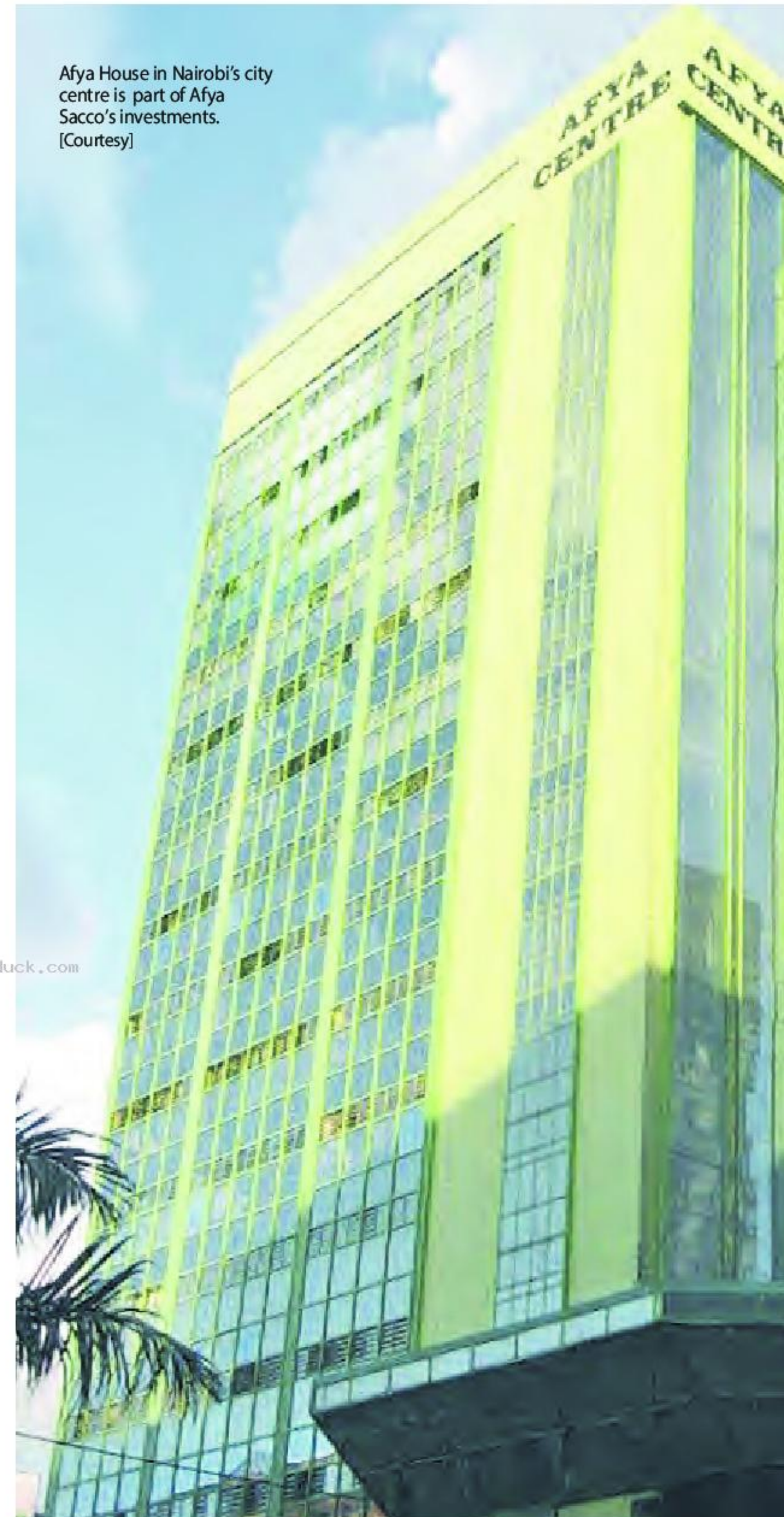
SH740 MILLION
NON-REMITTED amounts to the sacco as of March 2024.

SH586.5 MILLION
TOTAL assets of Afya Investment Co-operative Society Ltd, the investment arm of the sacco as at December 31, 2023, with Sh320.5 million liabilities.

SH42.3 MILLION
MEMBERS' funds in the entity in the period, a drop from Sh49.5 million.



Afya House in Nairobi's city centre is part of Afya Sacco's investments. [Courtesy]



"We are devastated because a sacco that we thought is going to help is now suppressing us. We will not accept. As Vihiga membership, if something is not done, we will mobilise across the country so that eventually we get justice," said Zadock Miheso.

Daniel Aseka, another member, lamented how he has been taken back and forth to get his savings after retirement. Even visits to Nairobi have not helped.

"It came to a point that they were no longer picking up my calls," he said.

At the same time, in Nairobi, another group called a press conference where they alleged that up to Sh600 million has been misappropriated by the society's management putting the society at risk of liquidation.

They argued that members have been

denied emergency loans, and those who have applied to withdraw their savings have not been able to access any money.

"Retired members as far as 2021 to date remain unpaid despite repeated requests to Afya Sacco, yet many of them are suffering from chronic illnesses," said Shem Oino.

On May 13, a statement signed by the Afya Sacco Society Ltd board refuted the claims by its members, saying that the loans are being disbursed.

"While different loan products may experience varying timelines based on available liquidity and remittances, loan processing is actively ongoing, with no backlog in emergency loans and steady improvement across other loan categories," the statement reads.

The statement adds that some delays in processing have been due to late



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remittances of member contributions by certain county governments.

"This directly impacts cash flow and the pace of loan disbursement. We are actively engaging the affected counties to expedite these remittances and ensure stability is maintained," it adds.

While non-remittance has played a role in the cash flow challenges the sacco is facing, minutes of the 43rd delegates meeting show that the source of the financial challenges could also be due to investment in land projects.

This was raised in the meeting by a member, Carolyn Nyamoti from Gucha branch, who observed that while Afya Investments land project was a good idea, the society had spent a lot of funds that would have been used to give out loans to members.

She proposed that the management could slow down on land projects due to the liquidity challenges.

The chairman concurred with the sentiments and stated that an audit was carried out on Afya Investments' subsidiary and management was in the process of restructuring investments since money from Sacco was being used to buy land and took a long time to bring back returns.

"In future, Afya Investments Cooperative Society Ltd will be made an independent subsidiary of Afya Sacco and source its own funds. She assured the delegates the Society would not engage in any new land projects until the restructuring was fully done," the minutes read.

In the meeting, it was approved to increase share capital amounts, a recommendation that was also fronted by the external auditor as one of the ways to handle the liquidity challenges. This was also to reduce the dependence of the sacco on borrowings from external financial institutions.

At the meeting, the chair explained that further borrowing could not be undertaken then due to costs. The minutes state that on the current financial challenges being experienced, the chairman stated that it was not economically viable to borrow funds from banks or financial institutions due to the high interest rate. "She advised that the best option would be to mobilise internal funds or the society to raise interest rates on loans," the minutes read.

As such, the decision to increase the share capital was reached, and a resolution was passed to raise it from Sh20,000 to Sh50,000 for members, Sh100,000 for delegates, and Sh200,000 for board members. "The share capital to be raised within three years," the minutes read.

Total assets

As at December 31, 2023, Afya Investment Co-operative Society Ltd, the investment arm of the sacco, had total assets of Sh586.5 million with Sh320.5 million liabilities.

Members funds in the entity stood at Sh42.3 million in the period a drop from Sh49.5 million. Operating income of the entity was Sh1.2 million in the period, a drop from Sh2.9 million in 2022.

The 2023 financials for the larger Afya Sacco Society Ltd as contained in the minutes show external borrowings in the year stood at Sh871.0 million compared to Sh854.8 million which is 3.82 per cent and 4.10 per cent of total assets respectively.

From the financials, the ratio of core capital to total assets which should be at least 10 per cent had dropped in the year to 9.86 per cent from 10.13 per cent in 2022.

However, core capital to total deposit was above 8.0 per cent at 12.90 per cent while institutional capital to total assets which should be 8.0 per cent stood at 4.72 per cent.

The other specification where the sacco had fallen short as per the regulators recommendations is the ratio of liquid assets to total deposits and long-term liabilities which stood at 2.49 per cent below the specified 15 per cent.

Proposed dividends in 2023 stood at Sh119.2 million compared to Sh137.8 million. Total revenue in 2023 stood at Sh2.6 billion, with an interest income of Sh2.3 billion. In the 2024 financials, total interest income dropped to Sh1.7 billion.

ORGANISATIONAL GROWTH

Key business lessons from PSG surprise win in Champions League



Paris Saint-Germain players celebrate winning the UEFA Champions League trophy. [AFP]

The other day, the football club Paris Saint-Germain of France shocked many soccer fans when it ran roughshod over Inter Milan of Italy and won the Union of European Football Associations (UEFA) Champions League cup.

Going into the match, PSG was underrated, and many were placing bets on Inter Milan, given their sterling records in European leagues.

For a long time, the face of PSG was star players. When their recent star and ace striker Kylian Mbappe left, many wrote the club as good as dead, only for it to pull a shocker. Here are business lessons we can learn from the PSG win.

Let others shine

There are those employees who are the face of the organisation. They hog all the limelight if the department they head scores a milestone or records impressive growth in the organisation's books.

During award-winning galas, they bag those prizes. What goes unnoticed is that those employees under them are the ones doing the heavy lifting, and their efforts go unrecognised, other than a mere mention.

Even in football, that overlooked and benched player, given five minutes of play in dying time, usually pulls that surprise winning goal and rather than getting plaudits, the coach and technical bench hog the limelight.

This is similar to any organisation where management or that star employee takes recognition for team work. But if others are given space to work and grow in their careers, they have the potential to outperform others.

Otherwise, they're there to earn that salary and follow instructions and not exploit their potential to the fullest.

Allow ideas

The bossy type of managers does not like to get feedback from their employees. They're there to give instructions and seeing to it that everything is followed to the letter. Then there are those who look for innovative ways to carry the organisation forward and will incorporate their employees' ideas and suggestions.

In this technological era, it pays to move with the times and not do things the old-fashioned way and expect different results.

If that employee has an idea that can revolutionise the organisation's way of operations and have a wide market reach, it should be incorporated.

Take the example of developing a marketing app. Such an idea should be incubated and tested to see if it will work. If it proves worth the effort, the organisation can buy it from the employee or compensate him or her as a developer. Reward or compensation can also be in the form of a share.

Big organisations like Amazon grew to be where its because employees are always innovating new ways and getting rewarded.

Retain that talent at all costs

Have you ever seen how that overlooked and always benched player that only plays limited time or is given full play time during inconsequential matches always shines and their worth appreciates once they leave that club for another?

The same occurs when that employee leaves that organisation for another, where their climb up the career ladder is always meteoric.

Suppose that the employee had a brand that the organisation is known for, and was allowed to operate under its stable. An example is a media personality known for a programme that is a signature brand, pulling more viewership and listenership.

If such employees were to leave the organisation with their signature brand programmes, it is likely that the number of viewership or listenership will dip and increase in the competition's organisation. It is likely that the employee carried with him loyalty attached to organisation on account of that programme. Same way when football star moves to another team and fortunes of the new team rise.

For example, before Cristiano Ronaldo moved to the Saudi Arabian league from the European league, the fortunes of his Saudi football club went up, with millions following the club on social media. A club that was hitherto unheard of suddenly became the most talked-about. It became flooded with foreign talents who started signing for the Saudi Arabian league clubs.

That talent you may not treat deservedly has the potential to make or break your organisation.

[Paul Kariuki]

BUSINESS GROWTH

What makes you a unicorn in your industry? Master these 4 pillars

We all want to achieve elusive unicorn status. But how do you attain such a lofty goal among stiff competition, all vying for the same thing.

By Emily Reynolds Bergh
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If you're a business owner like me, one of the things we all share is the desire to be the best in our line of work. Correction: the best of the best.

You want to be a truly exceptional company in your industry, one that outperforms, outdelivers and outshines your competition, winning the race not just because you've trained and prepared for it, but because you genuinely stand out from the crowd.

In other words, you want to be the unicorn (in the figurative, not the financial, sense) among all the other horses, ponies and zebras running in your field.

That's a big ask. Becoming an exemplary example - the ideal prototype - of what a business like yours should be seems like a pretty tall order. But what if I told you that the question of how to achieve unicorn status actually has a short answer?

I've been working in the public relations space for close to two decades now, and in that time of representing countless clients and receiving feedback from them as to why they keep coming back to my PR firm, here's what I've come up with: To become a unicorn in your industry, do one thing really, really well.

Applying Occam's Razor

My theory seems simplistic, I know. But the principle of parsimony (aka Occam's Razor) tells us that oftentimes, the simplest answer is the likeliest to be true, that the simplest route is the best way there.

Picking one thing to excel at and then doing it spectacularly well might seem easy, but it requires a lot of effort.

First, you have to have the capacity, the skill, to excel in that area. Additionally, you have to learn how to leverage that standout aspect to make it work for you in the marketplace - incorporating it into your branding, spotlighting it in your



messaging, maybe even including it in your name.

Concise as the notion is, there's actually a lot of breadth and flexibility in it, for when it comes to selecting what you want to do better than anyone else is doing it, your choices are boundless.

For example, you could strive for superiority in the area of cleanliness, turnaround time, precision or home delivery.

Your unicorn horn could be defined by the diversity of your staff, your concentration on inclusivity or your commitment to the environment.

Honestly, the one thing you do really, really well could be just about anything... so long as it's the primary thing that makes your business your own, something you can embrace without qualification and stay loyal to down the line. Here are some of my personal favourites.

1. Create a niche

There are lots of companies out there that, like yours, make candles. But not all of them source their materials from a specific African village or use hypoallergenic ingredients, or are named after ancient goddesses. Your products?

Incarcerated prisoners package them - they're not just a source of light, they light a way forward for others. That's called having a niche, and to create one of your own, you need to research what your competitors are doing - and then do something no one else is.

Even then, amid our vast and varied business landscape, you're likely to find overlap with others in your sector. Consider the recent addition of Poppi and

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Olipop to the soda market.

Both have set themselves apart from the mainstream by being prebiotic options that offer a far greater health bang for your buck, but they've both successfully set themselves apart from each other as well along such lines as scientific research, specific ingredients, visual strategies and target audience.

Say what you will about the post-2025 Super Bowl controversy, these two companies not only illustrate the power of niche branding (particularly on social media) but also how similar brands can still clearly differentiate themselves from one another within the same market.

2. Be kind

This might seem like another overly simplistic concept, but kindness has too often been supplanted by the perpetual quest for increased profits and presence, making it all the more valuable today.

Consumers have gotten quite savvy at sniffing out false sincerity, so when they come across the real thing, they're much more prone to give you their business.

Basically, when your client base believes you prioritise your vision, your team and creating an incredible product or service over financial gain, they want to work with you. Chewy.com is a business known for being kind.

When it learns of a customer's pet passing, it sends a sympathy card and flowers. And it almost goes without saying that KIND Snacks didn't just build its brand on the basis of products that are

kind to the body; it's far more widely known as an entity committed to international peace, cooperation and understanding.

3. Organisational efficiency

I call this outstanding quality “having your ducks in a row,” and when a business excels in this area, it will rise to the top of its trade.

I'm talking about having an on-the-ball accounting team that pays your bills on time, a crack legal team that prepares fair and clear contracts, an accessible and attentive HR department and sound business practices and processes.

It's what goes on behind the scenes of your business that will determine what appears on the public side of your business, so you can't go wrong adopting company-wide efficacy as your unicorn model. With it, you build a house of bricks, as opposed to a house of straw.

Think of the companies Americans trust to come through for them. When Amazon says your package will be on your doorstep by 5:00 pm tomorrow, it's there, thanks to an amazingly well-oiled machine working nonstop to fulfil orders.

When PODS says it will deliver your belongings to your new driveway on Tuesday, it'll go out of business if that container doesn't arrive.

And I'm not quite sure how Chick-fil-A manages to keep so many cars in so many take-out lines happy, but day in and day out, it does. Being more efficient than any of your competitors may not be “sexy,” but it assures lasting success.

4. Invest in your people

Building and maintaining a remarkable “company culture” can just be a buzzword to you, or you can bring it to life.

I can't think of any single factor that makes my company more valuable to my clients than the value I place on my people and the experience I endeavour to provide them by working for me.

When my staff feel openly recognised, wholly supported and vitally important to achieving our shared outcomes, we're truly unstoppable. So keep in mind that your unicorn focus can be internal, not necessarily client-facing.

How about you? Where do you want to shine? More to the point, where do you already shine?

Sure, all of the above examples are nationally, if not internationally, known, with tremendous resources and budgets at their disposal, so you're not expected to achieve outcomes of the same size and scale.

But the good news here is that you are smaller and more self-contained, so you don't have to appeal to as many people or make as big an impact.

On the contrary, you can make a bigger splash in a smaller pool!

To ride heads and tails above the rest, then, pick one lane, steadfastly stick to that lane, travel it with as much drive and dedication as you can - and then watch as you pass all the others on the track, crossing the finish line in first place!

OPINION

Public-private pacts key catalyst for East Africa's trade future



BY ANATARIA UWAMARIYA

In East Africa, collaboration between public and private sector actors is proving to be a powerful force in shaping inclusive economic development.

While traditional Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) are often associated with infrastructure financing, a quieter, more transformative form of collaboration is unfolding—one rooted in shared purpose, mutual benefit, and inclusive growth.

As governments work to create enabling environments for trade and investment, the private sector brings innovation, agility, and deep market understanding. When these forces are aligned, they unlock opportunities neither could achieve alone.

At TradeMark Africa (TMA), public-private collaboration is at the heart of our approach.

We work with national and local governments, business associations, women's groups, and regional institutions to co-create solutions that reduce trade barriers, promote inclusion, and drive sustainability.

In Kenya, for instance, our collaboration with players in the horticulture sector resulted in the launch of the Sauti Trade and Market Information online platform.

Market insights

The platform has connected more than 1,000 Kenyan farmers and traders to export markets.

It provides some 428 producers and traders with valuable market insights, helping them secure financing, improve their ability to meet market quality standards, and increase incomes.

The Tanzania Mercantile Exchange (TMX) online trading platform is a game-changer too. It helps Tanzanian farmers, traders, and exporters access domestic and global markets by ensuring fair commodity prices. The platform allows farmers to make informed decisions based on real-time and forecast price trends. In 2022, TMX expanded its online trading system to include cocoa and coffee.

From July 2022 to June 2023, over 1 million kilograms of cocoa were traded, earning farmers approximately \$1.9 million (Sh245 million).

Cocoa prices rose by 34 per cent compared to the previous year. In Kagera, over 46,000 metric tonnes of coffee were sold, and the prices of Arabica and Robusta coffee more than doubled, thanks to the TMX platform.

Our collaborations have ensured many businesses benefit from capacity building and technical assistance, which is essential in addressing challenges related to regional trade and inclusive economic development.

Capacity building and technical assistance



TradeMark Africa's collaboration with players in the horticulture sector resulted in the launch of the Sauti Trade and Market Information online platform. [Christopher Kipsang, Standard]

are crucial for boosting regional trade by strengthening human and institutional capabilities, which are essential for effective participation in international trade.

But effective collaboration requires more than goodwill—it takes structured dialogue, trust, and aligned incentives.

We've helped coordinate the submission of policy briefs to the East African Community (EAC) Regional Technical Committee, advocating for harmonised product standards that ease the cost of doing business across borders.

In the case of the East African soft drinks industry, we supported the review of regulations to reflect technological innovation and stakeholder needs.

This kind of coordination—between governments, private firms, and civil society—is what ensures that regional trade initiatives like the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) become a reality on the ground.

At the recent East Africa Staples Food Trade Dialogue, supply contracts worth over \$360 million (Sh46.4 billion) for grains and pulses were signed—proof that trade can deliver when the right actors work together.

Our quieter but transformative model of public-private collaborations has also left indelible marks across the region when it comes to standardisation and trade facilitation.

We have worked with the Uganda National Bureau of Standards (UNBS) to establish three food and non-food testing laboratories in Gulu, Mbale, and Mbarara to improve the quality of goods and reduce counterfeit products.

This collaboration has seen testing times decrease from 25 to 14 days, and certified products traded increased from 849 to 3,554.

“Automation has reduced the time required to purchase Rwanda's standards from 124 hours to just four hours.”

UNBS also reduced document processing times by 79 per cent and cut transaction costs by 45 per cent, making it easier for Ugandan businesses to comply with standards and access new markets.

In Kenya, the Food and Safety Bill 2023, developed by the Ministry of Health, alongside several public and private partners, heralds major reforms that will align Kenya's food safety regulations with the EAC Food Safety Framework and other international standards.

In Tanzania, we worked with the government to update standards to align with national priorities, such as Tanzania's Vision 2025 and Zanzibar's Blue Economy.

International standards

Nationwide surveillance of capsicum has opened new export opportunities in Europe and China. Additionally, the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries has updated key documents to meet international standards, helping improve Tanzania's export capabilities.

Successful public-private sector engagements on standardisation and trade facilitation have also been witnessed in Rwanda, where the Rwanda Standards Board (RSB) has enhanced standards and conformity services.

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This improvement has helped agri-food enterprises meet key food safety standards, supporting the growth of Rwanda's tourism industry, which generated over \$64 million (Sh8.2 billion) in revenue in 2022.

These initiatives underscore the success of a transformative public-private collaboration model rooted in shared purpose, mutual benefit, and inclusive growth. When the right actors are involved, you can bet right with such engagements and use trade as a lever for economic growth and poverty reduction.

A common thread that cuts through our public-private collaborations is the involvement of various national governments, local governments, business associations such as national chambers of commerce and trading, and the inclusion of women and youth groups in the initiatives.

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REGULATION

Energy sector players urge supply chain policy change

Stakeholders in the energy and oil industry are calling for the establishment of consistent policies and dependable supply chains. They believe that such measures are essential for ensuring that consumers can fully benefit from them.

They say the Government-to-Government (G2G) fuel import deal has already brought relief to Kenyans by easing pressure on the US dollar, stabilising the Kenyan shilling, and helping drive down pump prices.

According to Thayu Kamau, the director of Astrol Petroleum, the G2G arrangement has not only ensured sufficient fuel supplies but has also shielded the country from sudden shortages, maintaining the backbone of economic stability. “Fuel is at the heart of every sector,” Thayu explains.

“With the shilling gaining ground, transportation and production costs are softening, which is good news for mwananchi, the ordinary Kenyan. But we need consistent policy and supply stability for the benefits to fully reach consumers,” he said.

Mr Thayu also pointed to recent industry challenges, particularly the integration of Kenya Pipeline Company's (KPC) SAP system with Kenya Revenue Authority's (KRA) iCMS platform. “This integration is meant to improve efficiency and accountability in the supply chain,” he noted.

“But during implementation, we've seen delays in product clearance, slow system support, and new bottlenecks.”

Inventory controls

These system slowdowns have, at times, disrupted fuel procurement and threatened stockouts, especially at smaller stations.

Furthermore, stricter inventory controls now require marketers to replenish stocks before drawing new fuel from KPC depots, a move that improves accountability but adds operational pressure during system hiccups.

While global crude oil prices have been fluctuating, and in some cases falling, Mr Thayu cautioned that local consumers should not expect immediate relief at the pump.

“The government is steadily scaling back fuel subsidies,” he said. “In the past, subsidies cushioned mwananchi from price shocks, but now, fluctuations in global prices are directly passed to the local market. That's why even when global prices ease, pump prices here remain stubbornly high.”

The Energy Petroleum and Regulatory Authority has emphasised that as long as Kenya relies entirely on imported fuel, the country will remain exposed to the global oil market's swings—a structural issue that continues to challenge both consumers and businesses.

Astrol also announced its upcoming entry into the liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) market under the Astrol Gas brand, promising clean, efficient energy solutions for homes and businesses. [Manuel Ntoyai]

State rolls out dual training for textile and apparel programmes



Principal Secretary, State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training Esther Muoria is taken through a crash tailoring lesson after she launched a dual training programme for textile and apparel training at the Karen Technical Training Institute for the Deaf, last week. [Gerard Nyele, Standard]

The pilot programme promotes specialised competencies in digital design, industrial sewing and compliance with export protocols. Programme brings industry to the training centers for students to have first-hand industry experience simulation while training.

By Gerard Nyele, Nairobi.

The Government through the Ministry of Education's State Department for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) has launched the much-anticipated dual training programme for the textile and apparel enhancement in TVET.

The programme will be piloted at Karen Technical Institute for the Deaf, Kibra TVC and at the Maasai National Polytechnic before roll out to other TVET institutions.

The programme, a collaboration between the State Department for TVET and Sainath Education Institute seeks to entrench learners with specialized competencies in digital design, industrial sewing, production engineering, merchandising, logistics, and compliance with export protocols are now essential.

"In the current global market context, the apparel industry demands more than traditional tailoring abilities," explained Dr. Esther Muoria, Principal Secretary (PS), State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training (TVET).

Sainath Education Institute is offering a dual training model in which theoretical instructions are paired with structured, workplace-based learning.

Operating within the EPZ ecosystem, the institution has established recog-

nized industry linkages, developed proprietary training methodologies aligned with global standards, and maintains access to modern production technologies.

Muoria said the collaboration is aimed at supporting the delivery of Kenya's new modularized Competency-Based Education and Training (CBET) Curriculum.

"This collaboration also reinforces the Government's commitment to building a skilled, inclusive, and globally competitive workforce," she added.

She emphasized that the partnership is also aimed at supporting the Government's two boldest visions; Vision 2030 and the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) which emphasize employment creation, SME development and a skilled industry-ready labor force.

She also stressed on the need to roll out similar programmes for all other skills training programmes noting governments "mission to bring back the skilled nation as before."

Kenya's apparel exports currently stand at about Ksh.51 billion, according to a Kenya Association of Manufacturers (KAM) report.

The country is the largest exporter of garments under the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) program, with the United States being the largest export destination of Kenya's apparel.

Kenya is one of the global suppliers of big fashion brands in America such as H&M, Levi's, JC Penny, Wrangler among others.

Sainath Education Institute CEO Rajeev Arora said they have set up a Skills Development Centre of Excellence (SDCE) in Kitengela at the EPZ Plaza, offering up-to-date, relevant and practical training and capacity building for the various segments of the apparel manufacturing sector in Kenya while also solving the societal problem of youth unemployment in Kenya by bridging the skills gap.

"The collaboration brings industry to the training centers so that students have first-hand industry experience simulation while training," noted Rajeev.

He said the programme, which is expected to take six weeks seeks to bridge gaps and update skills in the industry and explained that it will help minimize the existing shortage of skilled workers in the apparel manufacturing sector which currently employs over 40,000 workers.

"At the current capacity, the industry has a shortage of 10,000 – 15,000 skilled workers, 60 percent of which are sewing machine operators. Training of sewing machine operators to date has been ad-hoc with non-standardized in-house training," he observed.

On her part, the principal Karen Technical Training Institute for the Deaf said integrating classroom experience with practical work will enhance training for the differently abled trainees as "in their silence they do more."

The occasion was also used to mark world environment day amplifying TVET role in championing for the environment.

Cash-strapped universities struggle to sustain research and innovation

Kenya's research and innovation sector is facing a major crisis as underfunding and delayed financial support continue to choke universities, crippling their ability to support cutting-edge research and scale up innovations.

Experts warn that unless urgent measures are taken, the country risks stalling its socio-economic progress due to the neglect of research and innovation in higher education institutions.

The Executive Director of the African Population and Health Research Centre (APHRC), Dr Catherine Kyobutungi, lamented that the current financial constraints in universities have led many institutions to scale down or abandon research altogether.

"If African governments don't inject more funding into research and innovation, then we fear economic stagnation on the continent," warned Dr Kyobutungi.

Research funding in the country has dropped by Ksh.2B to Ksh.500m in the last ten years, adversely affecting the operations of the National Research Fund (NRF).

The government has attributed the drop to failure by researchers to fully utilize the annual allocation, an allegation stakeholder in the research field have rejected.

To bridge the huge deficit, institutions of higher learning have now been tasked to diversify their sources of funding including seeking grants for research activities.

According to PS for Higher Education and Research Dr. Beatrice Muganda Inyangala, the government is keen to boost its allocation in research to improve services.

The government has so far achieved to allocate 0.8 percent of its annual budget from the two percent committed and will help drive the country's research initiatives.

The PS called on universities to enter into more linkages and collaborations to share resources and drive commercialization of research findings for common good.

She said that the government was keen to develop the National Research, Science, Technology and Innovation (RSTI) framework in order to strengthen research activities and curb duplication.

Kenya currently spends less than one percent of its Gross Domestic Production on research and development—short of the two percent benchmark set out in the Science, Technology and Innovation Act of 2013.

Most African countries invest an average of only 0.45 percent, which Kyobutungi said is too little to sustain meaningful innovation.

"Research is a cost, and unless it's treated as a funding priority, we will keep seeing brilliant innovations

stuck at the prototype stage," she added.

The frustrations are widely felt among researchers and innovators whose projects never see the light of day due to lack of follow-up funding.

According to Prof Mike Kuria, CEO of the Commission for University Education (CUE), universities are home to most of the country's research activity and must be given more direct funding if Kenya hopes to compete globally.

"Hundreds of students submit proposals for funding every year, with only a few getting support," said Prof Kuria.

He added that some university research projects have stagnated completely, with promising ideas gathering dust on shelves due to lack of support.

"We've submitted policy recommendations to earmark a significant portion of national research funds directly to universities. The science and innovation law is clear on this, but it hasn't been fully implemented," he said.

Dr Kyobutungi challenged universities to actively pursue partnerships and explore ways to generate income from their intellectual property.

"commercialising innovations can diversify university revenue and increase relevance," she said.

Despite the broader funding challenges, some institutions are taking proactive steps. Zetech University, through its innovation hub, has managed to offer mentorship, funding, and even international exposure for student innovators.

"We support students and even members of the public who have a passion for innovation. Some have gone as far as Nigeria, Ghana, and the UK to showcase their work," said Prof Alice Njuguna, Deputy Vice Chancellor at Zetech.

Zetech has also integrated environmental sustainability into its research efforts. Vice Chancellor Prof Njenga Munene said the university is growing tree species for scientific research and climate resilience.

"We've established a tree nursery with diverse species used for research, while also contributing to environmental conservation. Sustainability is part of our academic and operational DNA," Prof Munene said.

As universities grapple with tight budgets, researchers are urging the Kenyan government to fully implement the two percent GDP research funding target and direct a significant portion of this to higher education institutions.

"If the government doesn't act, we risk losing a generation of researchers and innovators, and with them, the solutions to many of Kenya's challenges," said Dr Kyobutungi.

[Mike Kihaki]