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Private hospitals are threatening to suspend critical services, including cancer treatment, dialysis and chronic surgical procedures, following months of delayed reimbursements from the Social Health Authority (SHA).

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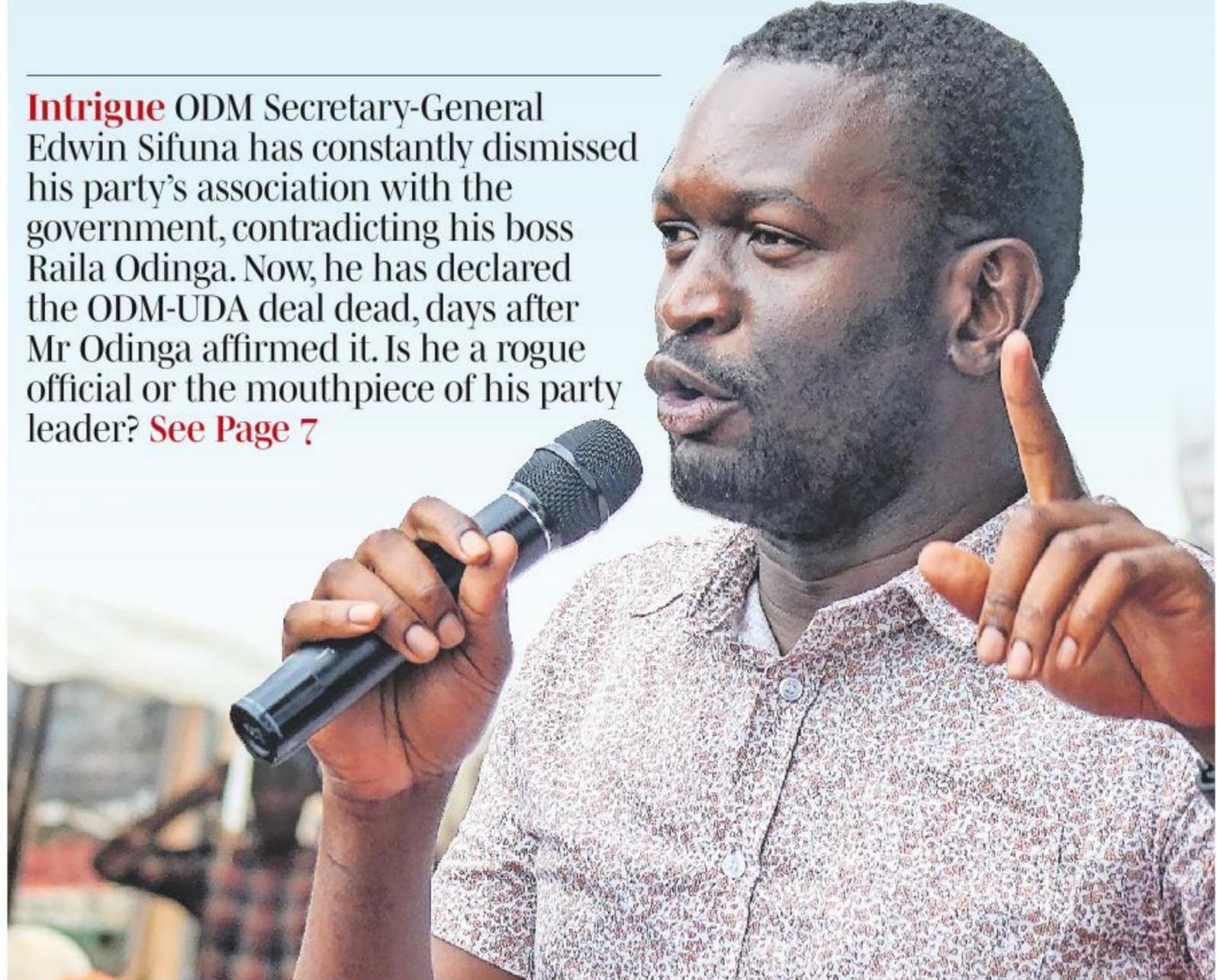
Susan Njoki died hours after admission to a city hospital. An autopsy reveals she was strangled

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# National News

**Relief** As Stevo prepares to return to a much-changed country, his family is also preparing for reintegration and healing

## Travel plans in top gear as Kenyan set free from Saudi prison returns

Plans for Stevo's homecoming are underway, with the government preparing his travel documents

BY DANIEL OGETTA AND STEVE OTIENO

Kenyan national Stephen Muniyakhko, who was freed Tuesday after 14 years in prison in Saudi Arabia, is expected to return home any time now.

Plans for his much-anticipated homecoming are underway, with the Kenyan government already processing his Emergency Travel Documents (ETD).

"Muniyakhko, a Kenyan national who had been sentenced to death in Saudi Arabia for manslaughter, has been released and is expected to return home as early as today," said Mr Jacob Ng'etich, the director of the Press Service in the Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary and Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs.

Mr Muniyakhko, popularly known as Stevo, was released from Dhaban Prison in Jeddah. According to the Foreign and Diaspora Affairs ministry, Stevo's release is the result of



Stephen Muniyakhko's mother Dorothy Kweyu poses with an old family photo at her Katani home in Machakos County on Tuesday. EVANS HABIL NATION

an intense diplomatic campaign by the Kenyan government.

"The Saudi authorities have agreed to cover the full cost of his deportation, and the Prime Cabinet Secretary's office is awaiting confirmation of the flight schedule—which could be as early as today," Mr Ng'etich added.

A high-level diplomatic intervention by President William Ruto and Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi helped secure release of Stevo, who had been on death row for over a decade. President Ruto personally appealed to Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman Al

Saud, the ruler of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, requesting a stay of execution as Kenya pursued a diplomatic resolution. At the same time, Dr Mudavadi wrote to the Saudi Foreign Minister, formally appealing for clemency.

These efforts bore fruit. The execution, initially scheduled for May 15, 2025, was postponed to allow negotiations over the blood money (diyya) demanded by the family of the man he had killed—a delay that ultimately paved the way for Stevo's release. On Tuesday, after years of fear and uncertainty, Stevo walked free. He was allowed to per-

form Umrah (minor pilgrimage) and later transferred to a deportation centre to await his flight back to Kenya. The Kenyan government has confirmed that Stevo's ETD has been processed and final arrangements are underway.

Stevo left Kenya in 1996, securing work as a warehouse manager at a Red Sea resort. But in 2011, a workplace altercation led to the death of Abdul Halim Mujahid Makrad Saleh, a Yemeni national.

Stevo was initially sentenced to five years for manslaughter, but the victim's family appealed the sentence. A Sharia court subsequent-

### AT A GLANCE

#### On death row a long way away from home

Stevo left Kenya in 1996, securing work as a warehouse manager at a Red Sea resort. But in 2011, a workplace altercation led to the death of Abdul Halim Mujahid Makrad Saleh, a Yemeni national. Stevo was initially sentenced to five years for manslaughter, but the victim's family appealed the sentence. A Sharia court subsequently enhanced the punishment to death

ly enhanced the punishment to death by execution.

As the years passed, his family launched a relentless "Bring Back Stevo" campaign, partnering with the government and global well-wishers. In a turning point, the Muslim World League stepped in and offered to pay the full Sh129 million blood money, a move that stunned the family, who had already begun plans for another round of fundraising.

Even after the blood money was paid in March 2025, Stevo remained in prison due to bureaucratic delays. Yesterday, Stevo's mother, veteran journalist Dorothy Kweyu, said she was looking forward to reuniting with her son after a harrowing 14-year wait.

"For him, it's a different ballgame. He has always reassured me that in God's own time, he'll come back. He is the one who has strengthened me. He bolstered my faith," she said.

But the wait has not been easy. Just last week, the family held prayers solely for Stevo—still unsure if they would ever see him again.

The anxiety peaked after she received a chilling BBC article about an Indian girl who was executed in Yemen even after her family paid the blood money.

"That story haunted me," she said. "The whole week I've not been myself... I didn't know if he too was headed in that direction, where the money has been paid but things just go south."

Now, as Stevo prepares to return to a country that has changed quite a lot since he left, his family is also preparing for reintegration and healing.

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## Supreme Court, LSK hold talks on Ahmednasir ban

BY JOSEPH WANGUI

The Supreme Court and the Law Society of Kenya (LSK) are engaging in talks in a bid to resolve the impasse surrounding the ban of lawyer Ahmednasir Abdullahi and his associates from appearing before judges of the apex court.

This revelation was made yesterday by the lawyer representing the LSK, Mr Wilfred Nderitu, at the High Court in Nairobi during proceedings in a case that is challenging the ban imposed on Mr Abdullahi over his "consistent distasteful" social media posts "ridiculing" the Supreme Court.

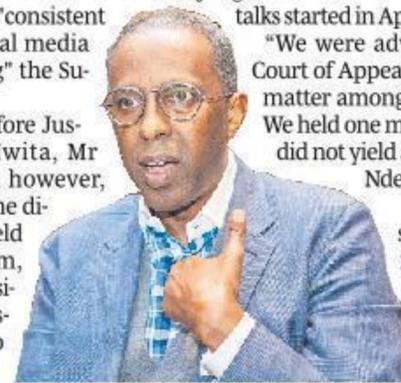
Appearing before Justice Chacha Mwita, Mr Nderitu noted, however, that prospects the dialogue would yield fruits were dim, pointing to a possibility that the dispute was likely to prolong.

The ban, which was imposed in January 2024 and communicated by Supreme Court Registrar Letizia Muthoni Wachira, also extended to all advocates working at Mr Abdullahi's law firm, Ahmednasir Abdullahi Advocates LLP.

Mr Nderitu said the talks followed an advise by the Court of Appeal, where the parties are engaged in a separate contest involving the High Court's jurisdiction to hear and determine queries concerning veracity of the Supreme Court judges' ban on Mr Abdullahi. The talks started in April, this year.

"We were advised by the Court of Appeal to settle the matter amongst our selves. We held one meeting which did not yield anything," Mr Nderitu said.

The judge is scheduled to mention the case again on November 28, this year.



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**Case** The family's lawyer says the husband and some hospital staff were briefly arrested but later released on bail

# Autopsy: Toto Touch CEO was strangled

Susan Kamengere had recently secured a senior position with a European firm and was in the process of finalising travel documents

BY STEVE OTIENO

Even before breathing her last on a hospital bed after being strangled by an unknown person, Susan Njoki, the founder and CEO of Toto Touch, had repeatedly expressed fears for her life.

Her ominous premonition now haunts her family, who are demanding justice after a post-mortem revealed she was killed by manual strangulation.

The death of the 48-year-old entrepreneur, within 24 hours of her admission to Chiromo Group of Hospitals' Braeside branch, has raised disturbing questions and triggered a police investigation.

Susan, a mental health advocate and mother of three, was not only a respected health professional, but also a woman on the cusp of a major career breakthrough. She had recently secured a senior position with a European firm and was in the process of finalising travel documents.

Her brother, Ephantus Kamengere, said Susan had told him in April, during a visit to their home in Leshau, Nyandarua County, that if she were to die, she should be buried next to their mother.

"That request shocked me... but it made sense later; she feared something terrible was coming," Mr Kamengere recalled.

She had also shared with her siblings that her marriage of 19 years had deteriorated. The relationship had, according to family members, turned cold and emotionally distant.



Susan Njoki Kamengere, CEO of Toto Touch, who died at a city hospital. PHOTO I POOL

**Susan died of manual strangulation. All six of us reached the same conclusion**

Dr PM Maturi



The post-mortem on her body, conducted on Tuesday at Montezuma Monalisa Funeral Home, showed she died of manual strangulation. Government pathologist Dr JN Ndung'u, who led the procedure, confirmed the findings alongside five other doctors, including Dr PM Maturi, who represented the family. Of-

ficers from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations were also present.

"Susan died of manual strangulation. All six of us reached the same conclusion," Dr Maturi said.

"There were signs of compression on her neck and a lack of oxygen in her blood – classic symptoms of strangulation. This kind of death is always homicidal, never suicidal. It cannot be self-inflicted," Dr Ndung'u elaborated.

He added that Njoki died less than four hours after her last meal – likely breakfast at the hospital – placing her time of death between 12.30pm and 1pm, a time when patients usually go for lunch, leaving her exposed to her assailant. This timeline matches the account from her younger sister, Priscillah Wanjiru, who said she spoke with Susan that morning and later attempted to visit her.

"She asked me to bring her some items," Wanjiru said. "But when I got to the hospital, I was denied entry unless her husband approved. He didn't answer my calls. When we came back at 2.30pm with our aunt, we were again barred – but eventually allowed in – and by then, she had already died. We need justice!"

A certified nurse who had worked at Nairobi Hospital and CIC Insurance, Njoki later founded Toto Touch, a Nairobi-based enterprise offering prenatal and breastfeeding support services.

Her work had earned her national recognition, including a feature in May 2025 on a local TV show with psychiatrist Dr Frank Njenga (the founder and chairman of Chiromo Group of Hospitals), where she spoke about her recovery from bipolar disorder.

On the evening of Monday, July 14,

Susan posted a disturbing message on Facebook claiming she had been forcibly taken from her Kileleshwa home and admitted to Chiromo Hospital against her will. She alleged that four individuals – two men and two women – stormed her bedroom, pinned her down, and injected her without her consent.

"They ignored my questions as a patient and survivor of bipolar disorder. I did a show on overcoming mental illness. Dr Njenga was so proud of my progress. Now, this is the final destination, by force," she wrote.

In a voice note later shared with the family, Susan said her phone had been confiscated and she was being sedated against her will.

Despite her mental health history, her family insists Susan was not in crisis.

"She had appointments scheduled. She was stable," her aunt, Ruth, said, adding that Susan typically sought treatment at Aga Khan Hospital, not Chiromo Group of Hospitals.

The family's lawyer, Ndegwa Njiru, said that while Susan's husband and some hospital staff were briefly arrested, they were later released on police bail.

"Criminal proceedings must follow. If the family sees fit, we will also pursue civil liability against the hospital."

Meanwhile, Chiromo Group of Hospitals issued a statement acknowledging the gravity of the situation.

"We recognise the deep public concern and the gravity of the questions raised. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Since the sudden death occurred, we are cooperating with authorities and have preserved all records to support investigations," the hospital said.

Detectives from Kabete Police Station, where the case is being handled, said they were still piecing together information.

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# National News

**Health in crisis** Move threatens thousands of lives that depend on these specialised services

## Private hospitals vow to withhold services as SHA fails to pay them

Crisis stems from the authority's failure to attract meaningful participation from the informal sector

BY ANGELA OKETCH

Private hospitals are threatening to suspend critical services — including cancer treatment, dialysis and chronic surgical procedures — following months of delayed reimbursements from the national health insurer.

The move threatens thousands of lives that depend on these specialised services as medical service providers struggle to maintain expensive treatments without adequate compensation from the cash-strapped Social Health Authority (SHA).

Many facilities are now considering withdrawing from SHA contracts altogether, warning that continued non-payment will force them to restrict life-saving services to cash-paying patients only, effectively excluding the majority of Kenyans who depend on SHA coverage.

Dr Brian Lishenga, chairman of the Rural and Urban Private Hospitals Association of Kenya (Rupha), yesterday highlighted the extent of the financial crisis facing the facilities, with hospitals forced to borrow money from banks to continue operating.

"It is not fair that hospitals offer services and then have to beg for payment," Dr Lishenga said. "We have hospitals owed more than Sh2 million, and there is no way to run a hospital under these conditions."

The association's members report being pushed to the brink of bankruptcy as they attempt to maintain expensive specialised services without adequate compensation. Many facilities are borrowing against their assets to purchase medications, maintain equipment and pay specialised staff required for chronic disease treatment.

According to a SHA official who sought anonymity, the crisis stems from the authority's failure to attract meaningful participation from Kenya's informal sector, which comprises approximately 83 per cent of the country's workforce.

Despite government projections, only 10 per cent of informal sector workers who completed the mandatory means testing process remain active contributors to the system, with the rest failing to remit their annual payments as required by law.

SHA data shows that of 18.5 million registered Kenyans, about 3.5 million are from



Rupha chairman Brian Lishenga (centre) addresses journalists at Boulevard Hotel in Nairobi in mid February while flanked by Deputy Treasurer Pacifica Omambia (left) and Vice-Chairman Joseph Kariuki. BILLY OGADA | NATION

**It is not fair that hospitals offer services and then have to beg for payment. We have hospitals owed more than Sh2 million.**

Rural and Urban Private Hospitals Association of Kenya Chairman Brian Lishenga



the formal sector. While 4.6 million took the means testing, only 1.2 million have ever paid, and just 500,000 Kenyans remain active contributors.

"This means we are depending on salaried Kenyans to run the kitty. Without the 2.75 per cent [contribution], we are unable to run our healthcare," Dr Lishenga said.

Efforts to obtain comment from SHA CEO Mercy Mwangangi were unsuccessful,

as calls went unanswered. SHA officials promised to respond to questions but failed to do so, and later attempts to get a response were also unsuccessful.

Separately, Health Cabinet Secretary Aden Duale has said that at least 1,058 health facilities have been closed down by the Ministry of Health across the country due to various reasons. Most of the facilities, he said, were implicated in SH-related fraud while others have failed to comply with set standards.

Speaking in Nakuru yesterday, Mr Duale further revealed that 458 health facilities have been downgraded across the country in an effort to weed out unlicensed and substandard service providers.

"In collaboration with the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council, we have closed down various facilities; some for defrauding SHA and others because of various reasons on non-compliance. We will continue with the crackdown to streamline provision of healthcare services in the country," Mr Duale said.

Additional reporting by Purity Wanjiru

## Activist seeks to join petition on UHC digitisation

BY SAM KIPLAGAT

An activist has faulted the government's move to outsource the digitisation of the universal health coverage (UHC) plan to a Safaricom-led consortium without subjecting the process to public participation.

While seeking to join a petition filed by Busia Senator Okiya Omtatah and two others, who have challenged the Sh104.8 billion tender, Ms Jackline Ruguru Kagu said the outsourcing and procurement were done in a shadowy manner and without institutional checks. The consortium, comprising of Safaricom, Konvergenz Network Solutions Limited and Apeiro Limited, was awarded the tender by the Ministry of Health in June last year.

Ms Kagu says in the application that the development of a national health data exchange system using a Safaricom-led consortium has long-term consequences for data sovereignty, civil liberties, access to healthcare and architecture of the State's social contract with its citizens.

She argues that the move runs the risk of impairing the right to the highest attainable standard of health and might also lead to violation of the right of access to information under Article 35 of the Constitution, due to opacity in the structure, terms, and impact of the data system and its interface with private contractors.

She was directed to serve the court documents on all respondents and the petitioners within 14 days. The court will give directions on the hearing of the application on September 1.

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**Education** The shortage is likely to jeopardise plans to transition 60 per cent of learners exiting junior

A report paints a dire picture of the competency-based education rollout at junior secondary level with tutors forced to improvise

BY MERCY SIMIYU

An acute shortage of teachers specialised in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) in junior and senior schools poses a threat to specialisation in these learning areas, a new report shows. The report by Zizi Afrique Foundation and Usawa Agenda paints a dire picture of the competency-based education (CBE) rollout at the junior secondary level. It reveals that some schools do not have any teacher specialised in teaching STEM subjects, and that many are forced to improvise, with teachers handling subjects for which they are not trained.

The shortage is likely to jeopardise government plans to transition 60 per cent of learners exiting junior school to the STEM pathway. Junior secondary schools are grappling with a deepening teacher crisis, with data reveal-

# Schools struggling with shortage of STEM teachers



Grade Nine learners at Yago Junior School in Ndiwa Sub-County, Homa Bay County, on January 6, 2025. A report by Zizi Afrique Foundation and Usawa Agenda paints a dire picture of the competency-based education (CBE) rollout at the junior secondary level. GEORGE ODIWUOR I NATION

ing that only 21 per cent of public junior school teachers are trained in STEM subjects — leaving thousands of students without critical learning opportunities. “Teachers are expected to teach multiple classes and learning ar-

reas, including subjects they were not trained in. Only 21 per cent of teachers in public junior schools were in STEM learning areas, with 35 per cent of the schools lacking even a single STEM teacher,” reads the report.

The teacher shortage is especially alarming in rural and marginalised regions, where 35 per cent of public junior secondary schools do not have a single STEM teacher. This is exacerbated by infrastructure gaps, with fewer than half of

Teachers are expected to teach multiple classes and learning areas, including subjects they were not trained in

Report



public junior school learners having access to laboratory facilities. With only a few months to go before Grade Nine learners transition to senior schools, the report shows that 1,600 schools lack laboratories, a critical component of competency-based education. “At the national level, we only have 33.9 per cent of schools currently offering computer studies. That means these are the only schools ready to offer the new

curriculum, where computer studies is now a compulsory subject. Of these 33.9 per cent, 92.9 per cent are actually Cluster 1 (former national schools), and only 17 per cent are Cluster 4 (former sub-county schools),” said Dr Emmanuel Manyasa, the Executive Director of Usawa Agenda.

The crisis comes at a critical time when the first CBC cohort is now in Grade Nine, but the ambitious curriculum is straining under the weight of teacher shortages and poor resource allocation. The report further shows that laboratory infrastructure is worryingly inadequate across public junior schools.

The disparity is also evident in the type of laboratories available. National schools report over 80 per cent ownership of science labs, while sub-county schools, the majority in rural areas, struggle with rates as low as 6.5 per cent for physics laboratories and 3.7 per cent for computer laboratories.

“Only 48 per cent of learners in public junior schools had access to laboratory facilities. Nationally, 33.9 per cent of secondary schools in Kenya offer computer lessons. Ninety-two per cent of national schools offer computer lessons, compared to only 17.3 per cent of sub-county schools” reads the report.

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2	Supply of Stationery and General Office Supplies	22	Provision of Interpretation Services
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5	Supply of Telecommunications Equipment and Services	24	Provision of Hotel and Accommodation Services
<b>CATEGORY B: TECHNOLOGY SERVICES</b>			
6	Provision of Development and Design of Website	25	Provision of Conference/Meeting Room Rental Services
7	Provision of Data Security Services	26	Provision of Transportation and Travel Services
8	Provision of IT Support and Network Management	27	Provision of Catering Services
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12	Provision of Payroll Administration Services	30	Provision of General Goods and Materials
13	Provision of Document Management Services (Filing, Scanning)	<b>CATEGORY F: MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS</b>	
<b>CATEGORY C: CONSULTING SERVICES</b>			
14	Provision of Rapporteur Services	31	Provision of Branding and Creative Design Services
15	Provision of Litigation and Legal Consulting Services	32	Provision of Public Relations and Media Outreach Services
16	Provision of Organizational Development and Strategy Consulting	33	Provision of Digital Marketing and Social Media Management Services
17	Provision of Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Services	34	Provision of Photography and Video Production Services
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20	Provision of Policy Advocacy Consulting Services	36	Provision of Audit and Accounting Services
		37	Provision of Financial Consulting and Tax Advisory Services
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		40	Provision of General Insurance Services (Medical, Life, Asset)
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# National News

**'New Kenya'** He acknowledges public frustrations, but defends his administration's 'bold and ambitious reform agenda'

## Stop 'wash wash' politics, Ruto rebukes opposition

President says 'Ruto must go' slogan is empty rhetoric that will not solve the problems in Kenya

BY MERCY SIMIYU

President William Ruto has challenged the opposition to give constructive criticism and better solutions for the country's problems.

He dismissed critics' chants of "Ruto must go!" as empty rhetoric. He likened the rhetoric to "wash wash" scams.

"If you have a better plan than mine for the economy, health, creating jobs and education, then you should be bold enough and tell us," he said.

"Let us have that conversation. Kenyans deserve honesty from all of us. Shouting is not enough. Criticism is not enough. Show us

your plan," he said.

The President spoke yesterday during the bell-ringing ceremony to commemorate the listing of the Linzi Asset-Backed Security at the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE).

Dr Ruto acknowledged public frustrations, but defended his administration's "bold and ambitious reform agenda".

"Yes, I made promises. Yes, I took on difficult challenges. And I would do it again. This was not a mistake—it was deliberate and intentional. We must merge leadership with national ambition," the President said.

"For far too long, we made peace with mediocrity. That's how slums became homes, hunger became normal, health became a privilege, and jobs became a status symbol. I promised to change that—and that change is happening," he added.

The Head of State scoffed at calls to reverse key reforms such as the Social Health Insurance Fund



that replaced the National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF), the housing levy and the revamped education funding model.

"The more I listen to them, the more they sound like a broken re-

cord: 'Let's go back to NHIF'—the same NHIF that never worked. 'Let's go back to the old funding model'—the one that crippled our education system. 'Let's abolish affordable housing'—and keep letting slums grow. 'Let's do away with SHIF'—and make healthcare a privilege again," Dr Ruto said.

"They sound like people who are too comfortable with the status quo and afraid of progress. But I will not back down. I made a solemn commitment to lead from the front and I intend to keep it," he added.

The President urged Kenyans to assess his administration fairly and allow time for reforms to take root.

"Pause. Reflect. Think. Give me a chance and judge me fairly when the time comes. This is not a gamble or an experiment—it's a disciplined, determined effort. We are building a new Kenya one that dares to dream big, push harder, and break free from mediocrity," he said.

Addressing growing calls for his resignation, he maintained that leadership transitions should be based on ideas, not slogans.

"I listened to another group of friends, fellow Kenyans, saying 'Ruto must go!' We have a great nation, and it is our duty to make it even greater. I also listened to a gentleman who recently retired

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President William Ruto



after working for 40 or 50 years, saying Kenya is a failed State. And I asked myself: so, you worked for 40 years in a failed State? You now want to be President of a country you don't believe in? Really?"

Dr Ruto highlighted key economic achievements under his leadership.

"Our economy is stabilising. We have moved from being the eighth-largest economy in Africa to sixth. Inflation has dropped from 9.6 per cent in 2022 to 3.8 per cent today. The shilling has strengthened and stabilised at 129 to the dollar, down from 165.

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### INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA AND PUBLIC HEARING THE CULTURE BILL, 2024 (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 12 OF 2024)

The **Culture Bill, 2024 (National Assembly Bills No. 12 of 2024)** was read a First Time in the Senate on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 and thereafter stood committed to the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare for consideration. The Committee is required, under standing order 145(5) of the Senate Standing Orders, to facilitate public participation on the Bill and to take into account the views and recommendations of the public when the Committee makes its report to the Senate.

The Bill seeks to give effect to Article 11 of the Constitution by promoting all forms of national and cultural expression through literature, the arts, traditional celebrations, science, communication, mass media, publications and other aspects of cultural heritage. The Bill further seeks to ensure that communities receive compensation or royalties for the use of their cultures and cultural heritage and also provides a clear framework to guide national cultural development.

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

The memoranda may be submitted to the Clerk of the Senate, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi, hand-delivered to the Office of the Clerk of the Senate, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi or emailed to [clerk.senate@parliament.go.ke](mailto:clerk.senate@parliament.go.ke) and copied to [laboursocialwelfarecomm.senate@parliament.go.ke](mailto:laboursocialwelfarecomm.senate@parliament.go.ke) to be received on or before **Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 at 5.00 p.m.**

In addition, the Committee will hold a public hearing on the Bill on **Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2025** at the **Mini Chamber, First Floor, County Hall Building, Nairobi** at **11.00 a.m.** Members of the public are welcome to attend the hearing.

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

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### INVITATION TO TENDER

TENDER REFERENCE	KTDA/104/2025
TENDER DESCRIPTION	TENDER FOR SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF DOCK LEVELLERS, GALVANISED ROLLER SHUTTERS AND DOCK BUMPERS TO CHAI TRADING COMPANY LTD WAREHOUSING COMPLEX (PHASE 2)
TENDER REGISTRATION FEE	Kenya Shillings 3,000
MODE OF PAYMENT	Cash or Bankers Cheque payable to Kenya Tea Development Agency (H) Ltd, to be Deposited into the Agency's Bank Account at any Family Bank branch- Account Number: 065000006071 Branch: Corporate-KTDA Plaza, Moi Avenue Nairobi

Chai Trading Company Limited (CTCL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Kenya Tea Development Agency (Holdings) Ltd is currently constructing a warehousing facility at Miritini, Mombasa County. The scope comprises of 4 No. warehouses, each requiring several dock levelers, galvanized roller shutters and dock bumpers to the offloading areas. Thus, the company invites sealed tender(s) for supply, delivery and installation of dock levelers, galvanized roller shutters and dock bumpers for the proposed CTCL warehousing complex site.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain a detailed tender document from the procurement office, on third floor Majani Plaza, Koinange Street, Nairobi during office hours upon payment of the non-refundable tender fee. The tender document may also be requested by emailing: [procurement@ktdateas.com](mailto:procurement@ktdateas.com)

Tender document in sealed envelope marked with the tender description and reference should be addressed to:

**The Chief Executive Officer  
KTDA Holdings Limited  
Majani Plaza, Koinange Street  
NAIROBI, Kenya**

Completed document should be deposited in the tender box at the reception on Ground Floor, Majani Plaza, Koinange Street Nairobi, so as to be received not later than **12<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 9.30 am**. Tender opening shall be on the same day.

The tender opening shall be virtual through a video link. Bidders shall be provided with the login credentials before the tender opening.

KTDA/CTCL reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications without the obligation to assign any reason for the decision.

Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification from the tendering process.

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**Politics** In May, Mr Odinga said Mr Sifuna, as secretary-general, is the official spokesperson of the party

# Edwin Sifuna: ODM rebel or Raila's puppet?



On Tuesday night, the ODM secretary-general declared that the pact his party signed with the ruling political outfit to prop up President Ruto's besieged Kenya Kwanza administration is 'dead'

BY COLLINS OMULO AND MOSES NYAMORI

Orange Democratic Movement (ODM) Secretary-General Edwin Sifuna's continued stinging criticism of the political deal between his party leader Raila Odinga and President William Ruto has stirred debate on the outfit's 2027 game plan.

On one hand, the firebrand Nairobi senator has been labelled a rebel who is out to rock the Orange party from within. On the other, he is seen as Mr Odinga's Trojan Horse for a strategic exit from the memorandum of understanding (MoU) between ODM and the ruling United Democratic Alliance (UDA).

On Tuesday night, Mr Sifuna stepped up the attack, declaring that the MoU ODM signed with the ruling party to prop up a besieged Kenya Kwanza administration is "dead".

He also vowed to snub an ODM committee expected to review progress in implementing provisions of the deal reached to stabilise the government following last year's Gen Z protests.

His hardline position came only three days after his party leader, on Saturday, expressed ODM's commitment to the deal with President Ruto, at least up to 2027.

Mr Sifuna's constant scathing attacks on President Ruto's troubled regime and his repeated dismissal of ODM's deal with the ruling party as "the worst decision ever" have foudounded both friends and foes.

Yet the fact that he seems to get away with these stinging statements, which contradict Mr Odinga's position, even at one point securing his party leader's backing, has got tongues wagging.

In May, Mr Odinga came to Mr Sifuna's defence, affirming that he is the official voice of the party.

Speaking during the funeral of Kapsipul MP Ong'ondo Were in Oyugis, Homa Bay County, the former premier said ODM must remain steadfast, acknowledging that in a political party there are always differences of opinion on some issues.

"Ultimately, the official position must be articulated by the party, and

the spokesman of the party is actually the secretary-general, Mr Sifuna. He speaks on behalf of the party," said Mr Odinga.

The senator has proven to be a thorn in the flesh of the broad-based government, calling it out for its excesses, including police brutality, enforced disappearances, and extrajudicial killings.

He has also been unequivocal that ODM is not in government and will not support President Ruto in his re-election bid.

"The price we are paying for this association is too high. This relationship is hurting our party because there is no desire or commitment from the President's side to implement the agreement we had, and that is why I am saying this thing is dead," said Mr Sifuna.

"I want Ruto to know that his removal from office is a national priority agenda. It is the only agenda, because his government is opposed to everything the Constitution stands for. In my ranking, removing Ruto is top. If he was sent to the Senate, I would impeach him without blinking," Mr Sifuna said during an interview with Citizen TV on Tuesday night.

The senator explained that the move to work with UDA was arrived at to avert Kenya collapsing as a State, but maintains that continuing with the association until 2027 is untenable, as there has been a material breach of the agreement.

He explained that he advised the party against signing the MoU with UDA, as it would blur what ODM has always stood for, but he was overruled.

In an interview with NTV and Daily Nation in Nairobi on Saturday, Mr Odinga said the decision by ODM to cooperate with President Ruto's administration was made purely in the interest of national stability.

He described the current collaboration as a response to last year's wave of youth-led anti-government protests, which pushed the country to the edge of civil unrest. According to Mr Odinga, had they not acted when they did, Kenya risked plunging into chaos

## AT A GLANCE

### Senator Sifuna's stand on ODM-UDA agreement

Mr Sifuna says that sticking with the Kenya Kwanza government until 2027 will leave the party (ODM) with no room to prepare for the elections. This, he says, will see ODM lose the opportunity to extricate itself from the unpopular government and explain to the people what they have been doing with the regime.

The senator says that ODM has a good chance of winning the 2027 elections with President Ruto losing the votes from Mt Kenya that propelled him to the presidency in 2022. He has vowed to snub an ODM committee that is expected to review progress in implementing provisions of the deal.

**If ODM's leadership wanted Sifuna to stop, they could remove him as SG. Raila is hedging his bets, maintaining ODM's political legitimacy as leverage against a weakened Kenya Kwanza.**

Professor David Monda



such as that plaguing Somalia, Haiti, and Sudan.

"We have said that we are in the broad-based government until 2027. We did not say that we are going to work with UDA beyond 2027. Those are issues that we will discuss at the appropriate time, and the decision

will be made by party members, not Raila Odinga alone," the ODM leader said.

However, Mr Sifuna argued that sticking with the Kenya Kwanza government until 2027 will leave the party with no room to prepare for the elections.

This, he said, will see ODM lose the opportunity to extricate itself from the unpopular government and explain to the people what they have been doing with the regime.

"So I don't understand those within our ranks who see us as a viable option to the Kenya Kwanza government and want us to yoke ourselves with the government beyond 2027 — much to the chagrin of many of us in the party," he said.

The senator insists that ODM has a good chance of winning the 2027 elections, with President Ruto losing the votes from Mt Kenya that propelled him to the presidency in 2022.

"If a decision is taken by the party to support Ruto in 2027, that is something that I cannot abide by. I believe we have a good chance as a political party and there is still time to correct the course. We have been the hope of the people for a long time and we can still be that," said the Senate Deputy Minority Whip.

"I don't know why people forget that Raila is still there, and I will support him in 2027 — and we will win that election. All we need is all the votes we got in 2022."

Lending credence to the observation that Mr Sifuna could indeed be Mr Odinga's Trojan Horse, US-based university lecturer and political analyst Professor David Monda says the senator would not be speaking the way he has been without the blessing of his party leader.

"If the top honchos of ODM wanted Sifuna to stop, they could easily remove him from the SG position. He (Raila) is hedging his bets on different factions of ODM while always leveraging ODM's political legitimacy as an asset to a beleaguered Kenya Kwanza," said Prof Monda.

"In politics, as in poker, keeping your cards close to your chest is an invaluable skill. Raila is doing this effectively

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via SG Sifuna."

Prof Macharia Munene, another university lecturer and political analyst, agrees with Prof Monda, saying Mr Sifuna is doing his best to rescue ODM from the mistake of agreeing to work with UDA.

The don argues that the senator has been consistent since ODM mooted the idea of working with UDA and he has since been proven right.

"What we have now is desperation within ODM, and so Raila could be trying to create a way for him to get out of the sinking ship. He has learnt that the UDA boat is fast sinking, so they are looking for a credible way to get out; that is what Sifuna is doing."

When contacted, ODM Chairperson and Homa Bay Governor Gladys Wanga declined to comment, saying she did not wish to be drawn into an exchange with Mr Sifuna.

However, Mombasa Governor and ODM Deputy Party Leader Abduls-wamad Nassir said the position of the party remains that ODM supports President Ruto until 2027.

"We still believe that the decision we made was the best in the circumstances. It is true that we have shed some popularity as a party, but was it not the best decision? If we chose to take the populist route, there would be no country to talk about at the moment," argued Mr Nassir.

But Makadara MP George Aladwa dismissed Mr Sifuna, saying the sentiments are his personal opinions, just like anyone else's.

"As a party, we will only go with what Raila says, and so far, he has told us he is in full support of the broad-based government. The KICC declaration is still intact," said the ODM Nairobi chairperson.

Mr Sifuna vowed he will not be silenced and will continue to express his mind — even if that means losing his post as ODM SG.

The lawmaker said he is ready to trade the position for living in a country that is free, observes the rule of law, where people obey court orders and do not shoot people in the street like chickens.

He said there is a split within ODM between people who believe in safeguarding the party's ideology and philosophy, and those who support the government.

Saboti MP Caleb Amisi said there are many other members within the party opposed to the deal but have chosen to remain quiet.

He argued that should ODM continue to support Dr Ruto, it will be a shell going into the 2027 elections.

"I am one of the few principled members of the party who rejected the deal from the word go. My rejection even cost me the chairmanship of the National Assembly's Public Accounts Committee," said Mr Amisi.

"I have made it clear that I cannot support Ruto. If my party decides to support him, it will be enough reason for a divorce, because I cannot support a regime that is killing people."

Facing accusations that he is being used by the opposition to rock the boat from within, Mr Sifuna termed the allegations "absolute nonsense", saying he has only met former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua twice in his life.

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## National News

# Rex Masai inquest: Officer admits signing for gun linked to shooting

BY RICHARD MUNGUTI

A police officer attached to Nairobi's Central Police Station has admitted that he signed out two firearms and 30 rounds of ammunition on the day activist Rex Masai was shot dead during anti-government protests on June 20, 2024.

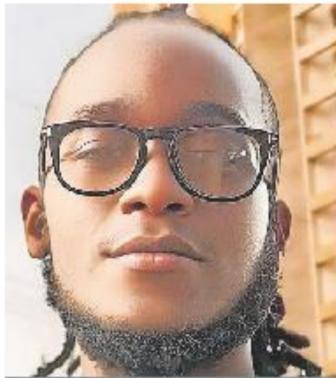
Corporal Martin Githinji told the court that he had been assigned undercover duties. However, he struggled to explain why he signed for both a Jericho and a Ceska pistol on that day.

Under intense questioning from

prosecuting counsel Jalson Makori, International Justice Mission lawyer Manases Mwangi, and Law Society of Kenya advocate Mwangi Chege, Mr Githinji had difficulty clarifying the discrepancies in the Arms Movement Register, including the use of different force numbers next to his name.

"If either of these guns, which you signed for, was used to fatally shoot Rex Masai, who should take responsibility?" Mr Mwangi asked.

"According to the Arms Movement Register, I signed for them—so I would take responsibility," Mr



Rex Masai

Githinji replied.

Notably, the register bore his signature and force number but a previously written name had been whitewashed and replaced with that of one Simon Waweru.

Pressed further by Mr Mwangi, the witness admitted that different force numbers had been recorded against his name, placing him at the centre of what appeared to be irregular entries made by the station's armourer, one Corporal Okapesi.

Testifying before Milimani Chief Magistrate Geoffrey Onsario, Mr

Githinji described the questionable entries as a "human error common in record keeping".

"How many guns were you actually issued, given that you signed for two?" Mr Mwangi asked. "I was given one," Mr Githinji responded.

When asked about how many rounds of ammunition he got from Mr Okapesi, he said: "Fifteen rounds, as usual."

During examination by Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions Jalson Makori, he said that police regulations do not permit an officer to sign out a weapon on behalf of a

colleague.

Mr Makori criticised the entries in the register as "misleading, full of errors, and a glaring cover-up". He noted that the whitewashing of a name and replacement with "Simon Waweru" while retaining Mr Githinji's signature and force number was particularly troubling.

Although he admitted to signing for two guns, Mr Githinji said he only received one—a Jericho pistol. The second gun, a Ceska, was given to Constable Simon Waweru.

The hearing of the inquest continues on July 29.

## Seven charged with committing terrorist acts during protests

BY CYNTHIA MAKENA AND NICHOLAS NJORGE

Seven youths arrested in Machakos County during the June 25 demonstrations have been charged with commission of terrorist acts.

The seven, among them 21-year-old Veronicah Ndongwa Mbindyo, denied several counts when they were presented before Kahawa Law Courts Magistrate Gideon Kiage.

Other accused persons are; Joshua Mutuku Lusyu, Josphat Kioko Mulako, Frankline Wambua, Shadrack Kioko Manthi, John Kioko and Jacob Wanjau Theuri.

The charges stated that they committed a terrorist act that resulted in serious damage to government offices and assets at Matuu Police Station, an offence they allegedly committed on June 25.

The suspects were also charged with assaulting three police officers; Eliud Kiarie, Moses Mutuma and Faith Teteiya, who were manning Matuu Police Station, by pelting them with stones and causing them actual bodily harm. They were also accused of damaging three motor vehicles and destroying 39 window panes at the police station.

The damage caused at the police station, and replacing the motor vehicles' windscreens cost the government an estimated Sh85,000, according to the charge sheet.

The accused persons were arrested on June 30 and they initially appeared at the Kithimani Law Courts on July 2 and released on Sh200,000 cash bail each. The denied charges of malicious damage to property.

### Ruling on bail

They were re-arrested on Monday during the mention of the case, and transferred to Nairobi, where were slapped with the terrorism-related charges.

The prosecution urged the court to deny the suspect bail, arguing that they were likely to interfere with witnesses and the ongoing investigations, while the defence team submitted that there was no compelling reason to continue holding them. Defence lawyers also submitted that the seven had cooperated with the police so far. The accused persons will remain in custody until Friday, when Mr Kaige will rule on the application.

Meanwhile, a Nairobi court has granted the prosecution 30 more days to complete investigations in a case involving three activists accused of multiple criminal offences, including arson, theft, housebreaking, burglary, and malicious damage to property.

Kibera Magistrate Irene Marcia Kahuya allowed the police 30 days to conclude the probe against John Mulingwa Nzau alias Garang, Mark Amiana alias Generali, and Francis Mutunge Mwangi alias Chebukati, who were arrested over the June 25 protests in Nairobi.

The prosecution said they needed additional days to complete forensic examinations of several electronic gadgets which were seized from the suspects during their arrest.

According to the prosecution, the gadgets may contain crucial evidence relevant to the case, including possible communication records and digital trails.

In her ruling, the magistrate noted that while some progress had been made into the investigations, the need for further forensic analysis justified the extension.

**Petition** Ipoa has not named him as a subject of investigation, court told

# State defends DIG Lagat in court over Ojwang's death

Commission, AG want petition filed against him dismissed, terming it misplaced and legally defective

BY JOSEPH WANGUI

The government has mounted a strong defence of Deputy Inspector-General of Police Eliud Lagat who is facing calls to leave office following the death of teacher-cum-blogger Albert Ojwang.

The National Police Service Commission and Attorney-General Dorcas Oduor have jointly asked the court to dismiss a petition filed against him, terming it misplaced and legally defective.

The AG, in a preliminary objection before Justice Chacha Mwita, argued that the matter falls outside the jurisdiction of the Constitutional and Human Rights Division of the High Court, stating it does not touch on violation of rights.

### 'Wrong interpretation'

On the other hand, the National Police Service Commission said the petition lacks merit and wrongly interprets Mr Lagat's temporary exit from office as a form of resignation.

The commission said that Mr Lagat did not resign, but stepped aside on June 16 for 18 days in the interest of transparency as investigations into Ojwang's death began.

"The decision by the first interested party (Mr Lagat) to temporarily step aside from his role as Deputy Inspector-General Kenya Police Service, as communicated in the letter dated June 16, 2025, was an act of accountability, restraint, and good governance, voluntarily



Deputy Inspector-General of Police Eliud Lagat. FILE | NATION

undertaken to avoid any perception of interference with investigations," chief executive officer Peter Leley said in a sworn affidavit.

He said that Mr Lagat's June 16, 2025 letter announcing his decision to step aside was not an admission of guilt or unfitness to serve.

"Nowhere does he state or imply unfitness to hold office. The decision to step aside temporarily pending investigations into the death of Ojwang was an administrative gesture rooted in principles of accountability and transparency not a legal relinquishment of office," he added.

Ojwang died at Central Police Station in Nairobi following his arrest after Mr Lagat filed a complaint on alleged online defamation. However, the National Police Service Commission said filing a complaint cannot be used to assign blame.

"It is a constitutional right and du-

ty for any person, including public officers, to report suspected criminal conduct to appropriate authorities. The events that may have subsequently unfolded following such a report are now the subject of independent investigations by the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (Ipoa). However, no credible evidence has been adduced to link the first interested party (Lagat) to any wrongdoing, and he should not be prejudiced merely for having exercised his lawful right to file a complaint," said Mr Leley.

The commission said that Ipoa has not named Mr Lagat as a subject of investigation, and no evidence has been tabled implicating him in either criminal or disciplinary wrongdoing.

The commission also addressed concerns over the assignment of duties to Mr Lagat's principal assistant, Mr Patrick Tito.

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National Police Service Commission CEO Peter Leley



The petitioner, rights activist Eliud Matindi, had stated that assigning duties to Mr Tito during the 18-day leave period amounted to an illegal acting appointment.

But the commission disagreed. It said that Mr Tito only handled routine administrative functions and was not elevated to acting Deputy Inspector-General of Police.

"It was a legal and temporary internal mechanism for continuity of command and operational efficiency in the absence of Mr Lagat, and it did not create a new substantive office holder nor require the invocation of section 13 of the National Police Service Act," said Mr Leley.

"He (Mr Tito) was designated only to perform limited administrative functions temporarily for continuity of command during Mr Lagat's leave. This temporary arrangement did not elevate him to the status of the second in command nor as an acting Deputy Inspector-General," he added.

The case will be heard on July 31.

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# National News

**Scandal** Since the start of the probe, MPs have interviewed one witness

## Sabotage claims derail probe on organs trade

Appearances by key witnesses have either been postponed or removed from the committee's programme

BY SAMWEL OWINO

Claims of sabotage have rocked an investigation by MPs into allegations of organs trafficking by a private hospital. The National Assembly's public inquiry into alleged malpractice and ethical breaches in kidney transplants at the Mediheal Group of Hospitals has stalled.

Since the Health committee opened the probe on April 22, it has only interviewed one witness even as its 90-day term comes to an end this week.

Initiated following whistle-blower reports and media exposés, at the heart of the inquiry are claims of unethical harvesting of organs amid questions about the donors and recipients of the body parts at Mediheal's facilities in Nairobi and Eldoret.

Scheduled appearances by multiple key witnesses, including hospital representatives, have either been postponed indefinitely or quietly removed from the committee's programme.

On June 19, the committee sent out a media invite announcing a meeting with officials of the Kenya Tissue Transplant Authority. The meeting was, however, postponed and no reason given for the change.

Earlier, on June 10, the committee had scheduled a meeting with representatives of the Kenya Renal Association (KRA). But they did not turn up. No new date has been set by the committee for the meeting with KRA.



Mediheal Group of Hospitals chairman, Dr Swarup Mishra.

The failure by officials of the agencies to appear has crippled the committee, which has only met with the petitioner — Nandi Hill MP Benard Kitur. Mr Kitur testified on June 5.

Sources within the committee told *Nation* the initial political goodwill for the inquiry has since waned.

The committee's chairman, Dr James Nyikal, did not answer our calls or respond to a text message sent to his known number regarding the status of the inquiry. Dr Nyikal had in April promised the House his team would table a report in 90 days.

"We are going to assess the legal and

ethical integrity of transplant processes that are going on at Mediheal," he had said. However, Ndihiwa MP Martin Owino, who is a member of the committee, told *Nation* the investigation is still on.

"The inquiry is still on. We are just waiting for the report from the ministry then we corroborate because they are also doing their own investigations," Mr Owino said. He was referring to the report by the Independent Investigative Committee on Tissue and Organ Transplant Services set up by Health Cabinet Secretary Aden Duale.

Mr Duale pointed out some of the recommendations by the committee on Tuesday while appearing on Citizen TV.

The report recommends an investigation against Dr Swarup Mishra, founder and owner of Mediheal Group of Hospitals, for suspect kidney transplants at the facility.

According to the report, data covering 452 donors and 447 recipients across multiple institutions revealed that 417 files originated from Mediheal Hospital in Eldoret, accounting for approximately 81 percent of all donors and 76 percent of all recipients.

The report shows that, between 2018 and March 2025, Mediheal Hospital handled 417 donors and 340 recipients, with male patients making up three out of every four cases.

The report shows that 44 percent of recipients are residents, 16 percent are non-Kenyan, and a notable 38.94 percent have an unknown status, indicating possible gaps in documentation or lack of identification documents in the patient record. Mr Duale has assured the country that he will implement the report in its entirety.

## Why dirty bedding is risky during the cold season

BY LEON LIDIGU

With the intensifying cold season in July, medical experts are raising the alarm over deteriorating bedroom hygiene, especially among young people, posing a grave health risk to them.

A new peer-reviewed study by Amerisleep, a US-based eco-friendly mattress company with clients in Kenya, has revealed shocking findings about bacterial growth in beddings. The research shows that a seven-year-old mattress can harbour more than 16 million colony-forming units (CFUs), with bacterial growth accelerating during cold weather as people seek warmth under unwashed beddings.

The findings paint a grim picture: pillowcases and sheets can accumulate up to 12 million CFUs in just four weeks without washing. Among the most dangerous bacteria found are gram-negative rods, known for causing infections and increasing antibiotic resistance.

The health implications are already affecting relationships and social interactions among young people. Mercy Waithera, a university student, shares her disturbing experience.

"We broke up with my boyfriend because I refused to spend the weekend at his place anymore. The last time I visited him, his beddings were too dirty and smelled of sweat. When I woke up, I noticed bedbugs had been feeding on me," Waithera told *Nation*. Allan Otieno, a 30-year-old graduate from Ongata Rongai,

acknowledged the widespread nature of the problem among young men.

"Things have been difficult economically, and getting money to pay a cleaning lady is almost impossible nowadays, but I agree we as young men need to do better," Otieno said. "I have visited male friends for house parties, and when they offer you a bed to sleep, you almost faint because the duvet is stinking to the point you wonder whether the beddings were ever changed or cleaned."

McKenzie Hyde, a certified sleep science coach, explained the scientific basis behind the bacterial explosion.

"Warmth and moisture are bacteria's best friends," Hyde noted. "When we sweat more and don't increase how often we wash or air out our beddings, the result is a perfect breeding ground for bacteria and allergens."

Hyde emphasised that the problem extends beyond cold seasons: "Hot seasons can supercharge bacterial growth in mattresses, pillows, and bedding, especially when combined with sweat, skin cells, and poor airflow. Amerisleep's study shows that mattress bacteria can increase fivefold over time, but heat and moisture may accelerate that process."

Dr Benard Wambulwa, a bacteriologist and infectious disease expert specialising in anti-microbial resistance (AMR) at Kakamega County General Hospital, warns that the bedroom hygiene crisis connects to larger global health threats.

"The climate crisis is a health crisis because climate change and AMR are interconnected global health threats, with climate change exacerbating the development and spread of AMR," Dr Wambulwa explained. "Increased temperatures, altered precipitation patterns, and extreme weather events create conditions that favour the survival and transmission of resistant bacteria."

To combat this growing health threat, Dr Wambulwa urged young people to prioritise regular bedding maintenance.

"Clean your bedding (mattress) at least every six months to maintain a healthy sleep environment," he recommended. "To clean a mattress, you can vacuum it, spot clean with a gentle solution, and allow it to air dry."

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# National News

**Incriminating evidence** Mr Haji's fingerprints had been found on a door on the passenger side of the Porsche Cayenne

## Suspect in US murder, robbery case charged after arrest in Nairobi

Haji was arraigned barely a week after his arrest in Nairobi, where he's believed to have been hiding since being linked to the incident

BY NYABOGA KIAGE

US national Salman Subeyr Haji has pleaded not guilty to the murder of a 67-year-old woman in Seattle.

Mr Haji was arraigned barely a week after his arrest in Nairobi, where he is believed to have been hiding since being linked to the January 26, 2024 incident.

Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) officers arrested Mr Haji at a house in Mkuu Apartments, Komarock Estate, on June 12, 2025. He was held at Gigiri Police Station until June 19 when he was handed over to Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) officers for extradition to the US.

On Monday, a court in Seattle granted Mr Haji bail of \$5 million (Sh648 million) after he denied one count of murder, two counts of robbery and another of eluding police. He is being held at the Kings County Jail in downtown Seattle.

"Our car-jacking task force identified this case as meriting federal prosecution. Separate and distinct from the fatal shooting in Tukwila, this defendant (Haji) is alleged to have used a firearm to steal a car from a woman driving in Seattle. She made a narrow escape. This defendant needs to be held accountable," said US Attorney Tessa Gorman in court.

Mr Haji and Ilyis Abdi are sus-

pected of shooting dead Yuam Ming outside the Tukwila branch of popular US retail chain Costco.

The two are alleged to have earlier car-jacked a Porsche Cayenne from another woman at gunpoint and used the luxury Sports Utility Vehicle to extend their crime spree.

While driving the stolen car, Mr Haji and Mr Abdi are alleged to have spotted Ming and her sister, Ms Mingyong Huang, loading their shopping from the Costco branch.

Ming tried to fight off an attacker prosecutors insist was Mr Haji. Another individual alleged to be Mr Abdi was the getaway driver sitting in the stolen Porsche Cay-



Directorate of Criminal Investigations officers arrested Mr Haji at a house in Mkuu Apartments, Komarock Estate, on June 12, 2025. PHOTO | SHUTTERSTOCK

enne. The man believed to be Mr Haji pulled out a gun and shot Ming dead.

The two men allegedly drove to another store, where they used a credit card stolen from the Porsche Cayenne's owner to buy gift cards. In the US and Europe, gift cards are often used by criminals to launder their loot. Criminals, after acquiring the gift cards, sell the redemption codes to larger

syndicates at a throwaway price. The larger criminal organisations then use their networks to purchase items using the redemption codes from the gift cards. The redeemed goods are then sold, mostly in countries other than those in which they were redeemed.

Police used CCTV footage from that store to circulate images of the two suspects.

### SUBTERFUGE

Suspect uses many aliases, officials say

Mr Haji has multiple known aliases, including Salmon Subeyr Haji, Salman Haji and Markell Somo Jefferson. Prosecutors have revealed that the aliases had caused confusion during the investigation.

The car was abandoned at a church parking lot. Mr Haji is believed to have fled to Kenya five days after Ming's murder.

Mr Haji's fingerprints had been found on a door on the passenger side of the Porsche Cayenne, while Mr Abdi's were found on the vehicle's number plate.

Mr Haji has multiple known aliases, including Salmon Subeyr Haji, Salman Haji and Markell Somo Jefferson.

Prosecutors have revealed that the aliases had caused confusion during the investigation, mostly after the FBI launched a manhunt for the suspect. There is no hearing date yet for the case against Mr Haji and Mr Abdi.

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# National News

## Relief County secured 150 acres in Embakasi, Kamiti



A vandalised grave at the Lang'ata Cemetery. EVANS HABIL NATION

# City Hall gets land for new cemeteries

Development is expected to end 100-acre Lang'ata gravesite woes

BY NDUBI MOTURI

Nairobi residents will soon have a place to bury their loved ones after City Hall said it has secured 150 acres of land – 100 acres at Kamiti Prison and 50 acres at Embakasi Garrison – to ease the capital's deepening burial crisis.

The development signals the end of an era for the overstretched 100-acre Lang'ata Cemetery, which was declared full 25 years ago but has continued to be used, often under unsafe and undignified conditions.

The new burial sites, according to Chief Officer for Public Health Tom Nyakaba, are in the final stages of testing and preparation and are expected to be opened to the public soon.

"Nairobi County Government has a good working relationship with the national government. President Ruto met with Nairobi Governor Johnson Sakaja, and the Head of State allocated the land to the county government to aid in burial planning and ensure that city residents are given a decent send-off," Mr Nyakaba told the Nairobi City County Assembly Health Committee yesterday.

He added that logistical and infrastructural planning is underway to make the grounds operational.

Mr Nyakaba was responding to questions raised by Mugumoini MCA Jared Akama regarding the status of the city's cemeteries and the proposals being implemented by the county executive to ensure safe and dignified burial options.

Mr Akama revealed he is in the process of developing a private member's Bill that will guide how burials should be conducted within Nairobi County. The Bill will include provisions discouraging the burial of loved ones in private residences or homes within city boundaries.

"The city is growing, and in the next few years, there will be a greater need for expansion. That is why we need regulations in place to guide the use of public cemeteries. We must ensure that people do not bury their loved ones in their homes and mandate that they use available public cemeteries," Mr Akama said.

Lang'ata Cemetery, the city's largest public burial ground, was officially declared full in the early 2000s. Despite this, the 100-acre site continues to receive new bodies,

with graves often dug dangerously close to the surface or layered atop older ones. Mr Nyakaba explained that the county is currently relying on temporary graves to keep up with the rising number of deaths.

"We usually inform families that their loved ones will be buried in temporary graves. This means the grave will not be exclusively theirs. We bury the first body at 10 feet, the second at eight feet, the third at six feet, and the last at four feet," he said.

The looming closure of Lang'ata Cemetery follows recent recommendations by MPs and senior Health officials, including Public Health Principal Secretary Mary Muthoni, who warned that continued use of the site poses serious public health risks.

Ms Muthoni urged the county to formally decommission Lang'ata, citing issues such as shallow graves, groundwater contamination, and the potential spread of disease. Lawmakers have supported the call and pressed City Hall to act swiftly to provide safer, more dignified alternatives for burials within the city. This latest move follows a failed attempt to acquire land for a cemetery in Mavoko, Machakos County.

# Disaster tools to be tax exempt

BY EDWIN MUTAI

The Treasury will exempt all materials, articles, goods or equipment meant for use in disaster management activities from import duty, value added tax, demurrage charges, port charges, and any other applicable taxes, following the approval of changes to a new Bill by Members of Parliament.

The National Assembly has approved the National Disaster Risk Management Bill, 2023, which seeks to establish the Disaster Risk Management Fund.

The Fund shall consist of monies appropriated by the National Assembly, grants or donations, income generated from the Fund's proceeds, and any monies accruing to or received by the Fund from any other lawful source. It will be administered in accordance with Section 24 of the Public Finance Management Act.

The Fund will be utilised to support disaster preven-

tion, preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery measures.

The proposed Fund will also serve as a common basket for receiving and disbursing resources for disaster management. It will support capacity development of county governments and other institutions mandated with disaster management, and assist agencies dealing with early warning systems.

The Bill consolidates all public funds previously established for disaster management into the new Fund, with the exception of those created under an Act of Parliament or established by county governments. "The Cabinet Secretary responsible for Finance may, by regulation, exempt all materials, articles, goods or equipment intended for use in disaster management activities from import duty, value added tax, demurrage charges, port charges and any other tax as may be determined," states a new clause inserted into the Bill.



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Previously, premium-level international schools would attract mainly foreign diplomats and expatriates. In recent times, more locals are enrolling their children in such schools, which today number at least 60 in Kenya alone, from just a handful a few years ago.

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- What virtues?
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The EastAfrican regional weekly has scheduled a special feature on the growth of the international education industry in the region, and is offering space to international schools to profile their institutions. The special feature will run in the **July 26-August 1 2025** edition.

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# OPINION

## How owning a home in Kenya is changing, fast

Kenya's cities are growing—fast. But with rising populations, traffic congestion, and spiralling cost of living, many urban dwellers are now questioning whether city life is still the dream it once was. The pressure of trying to own a home in Nairobi or Mombasa has become too much for many, pushing more people to look beyond the skyline in search of space, peace, and a better quality of life.

The desire to escape the urban grind is not new, but what has changed is how people are responding to it. More Kenyans are choosing to invest in homes outside cities—not just for affordability, but for the promise of a calmer, more sustainable lifestyle. Even then, this shift comes with its own challenges.

Buying land or a home outside the city often means navigating unclear title deeds, unreliable infrastructure, and uncertain access to basic utilities such as water and electricity. Then there's the burden of complex payment plans and security concerns, and it's easy to see why many give up before realising their dream.

But there is a growing movement among real estate developers and buyers alike toward smarter, more sustainable models of homeownership. More companies are creating well-planned, secure communities with essential services already in place—making it easier for buyers to transition from crowded cities to comfortable suburban or rural living.

What sets these newer developments apart is a fo-



An aerial view of Nairobi West estate on June 13, 2023. PHOTO | FILE

If you're feeling the weight of urban life, know this—you're not alone. More and more Kenyans are choosing to step away from the noise



**George Fundi Homeownership**



cus on accessibility and transparency. Think gated communities with titles, reliable utilities, and flexible payment options that don't require a lifetime of debt. They are not just plots of land—they're thoughtfully designed spaces where families can grow, communities can thrive, and individuals can finally breathe. For Kenyans abroad, the pull to invest back home remains strong. Many members of the diaspora are now looking to build homes or invest in property as a way to reconnect with their roots. To meet this demand, some developers are stepping up efforts to engage with potential buyers overseas—bringing information, clarity, and trust directly to them through events and consultations held in global cities with large Kenyan communities.

This trend signals a broader shift: the future of homeownership in Kenya is no longer confined to the city. It's about making informed choices, investing wisely, and finding balance between modern convenience and natural tranquillity.

If you're feeling the weight of urban life, know this—you're not alone. More and more Kenyans are choosing to step away from the noise and into a life that offers more space, less stress, and the freedom that comes with owning a true home. While the journey isn't simple, it's becoming clearer, more accessible, and more rewarding than ever before.

Mr Fundi is a real estate expert and advocate for sustainable homeownership in Kenya.

Going forward and in view of the transition going on at TSC, the commission must ensure its operations are within the law



**Benjamin Sogomo Education**

## TSC is losing its autonomy to external forces

The Teachers Service Commission (TSC) is among independent commissions established under article 237 of the Constitution. This empowers TSC not to take instructions from any other entity other than the Constitution itself. But in the last few years, the independence of TSC has severely been tested by the Executive and the Legislature. Sadly, the response of the commission to these external influences on its functions has been erratic. TSC doesn't seem to know it is an independent commission.

For instance, take the delocalisation policy, through which TSC transferred teachers to work away from their home counties. Its justification was that teachers perform better away from the influences of their relatives. TSC argued that such transfers happen to all public servants. But the teachers were uncomfortable with the policy. Unlike other public servants, they agitated to have the policy reversed through a motion in the National Assembly. One wonders whether the commission realised that by yielding to these external forces, it was losing its independence! Or maybe TSC viewed the move as a way of revising its own policy due to what seemed to be public demand?

The most recent incident was the promotion of 25,000 teachers. The Education Committee of the National Assembly was able to get detailed information about irregularities that had rocked the process. The MPs directed TSC to cancel at least 2,000 of the promotions, and promote an equivalent number to replace them. What MPs did was to issue a direct instruction to an independent commission, something that the law does not allow.

This raises many questions. To start with, how did the irregularities occur and has TSC identified its officers who were responsible? If it has, have the culprits been punished? Also, where were the commissioners when the irregularities were being committed? Can the commissioners be penalised now that the secretariat works under their instruction?

Another important question is; why does it appear as if the Education Committee has taken over the functions of the internal and external auditors of TSC? Wouldn't it be better for the committee to focus its oversight role on policy issues at TSC and the education sector at large, rather than auditing the work of individual institutions?

With all that's happened, can TSC still claim to be an independent commission?

Going forward and in view of the transition going on at TSC, the commission must ensure its operations are within the law. The commissioners seem to be laid back, which appears to have enabled a few secretariat staff to carry out some malpractices giving TSC a bad name. The issues that have been raised by the Executive and the Legislature are not too complicated for the commission to sort out, internally. Independence of TSC that I, and many former secretariats and commissioners fought for is under assault over issues that can be resolved easily. The incoming CEO must ensure the secretariat staff attain the same pay levels as their peers in other commissions.

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## Kiswahili now on global stage

Do you know Kiswahili is now taught in over 100 universities across the United States?

In lecture halls from Atlanta to New York, students are asking questions such as, "What's the difference between simu and sumu?" The students call their instructors *mwalimu*, scribble Kiswahili vocabulary on whiteboards, and present in Kiswahili like it's French or Mandarin. Because it actually is. Kiswahili has arrived on the global stage.

With over 200 million speakers across Africa and a growing footprint in Europe, Asia, and the Americas, Kiswahili is now one of the world's major languages. Yet here in Kenya, the birthplace of many Kiswahili speakers, we're still debating whether our language deserves to be more than a subject.

Recently, I had the opportunity to teach Kiswahili as a Fulbright FLTA at Lincoln University in Pennsylvania. It was in those classrooms, miles away from home that I fully grasped the beauty of my own language. I wasn't just teaching nouns and verbs; I was sharing culture, identity, and pride.

We've somehow internalised the idea that intelligence must be spoken in English. That Kiswahili is just a stepping stone, good for greeting elders or passing KCSE, but not for discussing chemical reactions or writing academic papers. Some schools even punish students for speaking Kiswahili on school grounds. Punished for speaking our national language! Yet, across the ocean, Kiswahili is being

The world is embracing Kiswahili. It's time we did too



**Tonny Kimathi Language**



embraced, respected, and studied. Isn't it ironic?

This isn't to say English doesn't have a place. Of course, it does. But language is more than a tool. It is a carrier of culture, identity, and world view. Just ask countries like Japan, France, South Korea, or Ethiopia. They use their native languages not because they can't speak English, but because they value who they are. So, as we rethink education through CBE and other reforms, I can't help but wonder why language isn't part of that transformation. Why are we updating syllabi but not confronting the colonial hangovers in our classrooms?

Imagine learning Chemistry in Kiswahili. Or doing math in your mother tongue. What would that do for a child who has never felt "smart" in English?

The world is embracing Kiswahili. It's time we did too, not as an afterthought, but as a foundation.

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## DAILY NATION

## NTSA lack of control over Sh186m system troubling

The National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA) is the government agency responsible for regulating and promoting road transport safety. It plays a pivotal role in enabling the safe transportation of people and cargo countrywide.

It is, therefore, shocking that the NTSA has to rely on an external entity to perform its core functions. These include motor vehicle registration and licensing. The agency is also charged with motor vehicle inspection and certification, and regulating public service vehicles.

The NTSA, which also advises the government on national road transport policy, develops road safety strategies, and educates the public on road safety, must ideally be in control of the technical system it uses.

But as Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu has revealed in a report, the NTSA has absolutely no control over its online portal. And yet it paid Sh186 million for this online system. Its lack of control exposes its crucial services to possible data breaches and leakages, to the country's potential detriment.

The recently rolled-out Transport Integrated Management System (TIMS), Ms Gathungu has revealed, is managed from elsewhere. As this is the system that NTSA uses to control its transport-related services, such as motor vehicle registration and transfer of ownership, this leaves it quite exposed and risks revenue losses.

After fully paying for the system, the Auditor-General has confirmed, NTSA staff have little access to its functionalities. For lack of a better expression, this is a blatant short-changing of the agency after its huge investment in the system. It should ideally be calling the shots over it, but the controls are instead externally driven.

This sad state of affairs comes not long after similar concerns were raised over the e-Citizen platform. Both these essential public systems are still controlled by the vendors. As a result, the revenue collected cannot be fully accounted for and the integrity of data guaranteed. This raises serious questions. The government must come clean on the operations of these two vital public agencies.

## Boost child literacy

Education reforms are vital in enhancing access, equity, quality, and relevance in the training of learners from the lowest level. The transition to the Competency-Based Education (CBE) system has faced a number of challenges, but it is meant to nurture the quality human resource the country needs.

Quite worrying is the revelation of a low literacy level among children in the lower grades. A new report shows that four out of 10 learners in Grade Four in the public schools cannot read and comprehend a Grade Three-level English story. And only three out of 10 learners in Grade Six can read to understand the same text.

According to a 'State of Education in Kenya' research report, learners in the rural and dry regions are the most affected. Just two in every 10 Grade Four pupils in the northeastern region can read and comprehend a Grade Three-level English story. Learners in arid and semi-arid lands (Asals) and other rural regions, the report confirms, underperform those in the non-Asal areas and urban centres.

It simply means that thousands of pupils are going through the education system without acquiring the literacy skills essential for learning in junior and senior schools and later in their careers. The report links poor reading skills to lack of early childhood education.

The children who attend pre-school are more likely to perform better in mathematics and English than those who do not.

There was a crisis over the introduction of the junior secondary school in the CBE. The problems included inadequate infrastructure, teacher shortages, and curriculum implementation challenges.

There is a need to invest in early learning, teacher capacity, infrastructure, and equitable distribution of resources to ensure every child thrives in school. This calls for hiring more competent teachers, improving facilities in schools, and fine-tuning the CBE.



## EAC's dance with Kenya's 'turmoil'

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In the sun-baked sprawl of East Africa, where borders are porous and fortunes fickle, one nation's stumble can be another's quiet gain. Kenya, East African Community's economic giant, is reeling from anti-government protests that, according to Semafor, have shaken confidence in its markets. Some investors told the outlet they were "hedging their bets" on Kenya and eyeing calmer prospects in Ethiopia, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Uganda.

Neighbours are watching—some with concern, others with a glint of opportunity. But is a neighbour's chaos truly a windfall, or just a fleeting spark? History offers clues. Kenya's demos haven't significantly dimmed its shine, but key pillars—Mombasa port and tourism—may falter.

Ethiopia hosted a major investor conference, declaring itself "more open for business than ever." This coincided with protests over the death of Albert Ojwang in police custody. Doctors refuted police claims of suicide, sparking fresh outrage that dovetailed with Gen Z-led anniversary protests.

Meanwhile, Dar es Salaam port is reportedly buzzing louder, likely benefiting from delays in Mombasa. Tourists, wary of unrest, are being wooed by Rwanda's misty hills and Tanzania's Serengeti. Rwanda and Ethiopia, with tighter governance and steadier streets, could draw firms spooked by Nairobi's tear gas. But these gains remain fragile, relying as much on Kenya's woes as on the agility of its neighbours.

In 2022, Tanzania's President Samia Suluhu took a veiled swipe at a neighbour—likely Kenya—for forex troubles. As Kenya faltered amidst post-election protests, Tanzania's foreign investment surged 18 per cent to \$1.2 billion, as Kenya's dipped. Dar's hotels brimmed with dealmakers, drawn by calm and Suluhu's reforms. However, by 2023, the Tanzanian shilling had fallen by 15 per cent, foreign exchange reserves had dried up, and heavy-handed policies had unnerved investors. In this region, today's winner is often tomorrow's struggler.

Part of Ethiopia's rise in the 2000s also followed Kenya's misstep. The 2007–08 post-election violence, which killed 1,400,

Between 2004 and 2014, Ethiopia's GDP grew at an annual rate of 10 per cent—twice Kenya's. As Nairobi smouldered, Addis sparkled



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What Others Say



sent investors to Ethiopia. Projects such as Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam drew local and international capital. Between 2004 and 2014, Ethiopia's GDP grew at an annual rate of 10 per cent—twice Kenya's. As Nairobi smouldered, Addis sparkled.

Kenya's other neighbours moved swiftly, too. Tanzanian truckers took over contracts when Mombasa slowed. Ugandan maize and fuel suppliers filled Kenyan shortfalls. Rwanda pitched itself as the region's new safe haven for conferences and tech ventures. But Ethiopia's 2020–2022 war in Tigray revealed how quickly fortunes reverse. The conflict dulled its shine and unravelled many of the earlier gains.

The brain drain tells the human side. In the 1970s, Idi Amin's terror drove 50,000 Ugandan professionals across borders. Kenya, under Jomo Kenyatta and later Daniel arap Moi, welcomed them.

By 1980, Nairobi's hospitals and universities thrived, with Ugandan talent boosting the medical workforce by 20 per cent. Yet in the late 1970s and 1980s, Kenya's own crackdowns under Moi pushed activists, unionists, and intellectuals to Dar.

Back then, Dar wasn't just a city—it was an idea. It housed Africa's liberation movements: South Africa's ANC, Namibia's SWAPO, and Mozambique's FRELIMO, Angola's MPLA. Over grilled fish and politics, futures were plotted.

But as Julius Nyerere's Ujamaa economy collapsed, so did Dar's shine. The brain drain reversed. Combined with Uganda's collapse under Amin and the later unravelling of Sudan and Somalia, Nairobi emerged as the region's diplomatic and NGO capital. The UN and aid agencies chose Kenya—not because it was perfect, but because it wasn't on fire. As the 21st century dawned, newly independent South Sudan brought fresh capital to Kenya. Oil wealth flowed into Nairobi's leafy suburbs and international schools.

Yet instability isn't always bad for business. When governments lose their grip, regulators retreat. Taxmen vanish. During Kenya's 2007–08 chaos, factory owners reported that tax officials stopped coming. A 2008 report recorded a 30 per cent rise in informal sector tax evasion.

Somalia's long crisis has been a mixed blessing. Nairobi's Eastleigh district thrives with Somali businesses, fuelled by hawala remittances. But the 2010 Kampala bombings and Kenya's mall attacks show the cost—instability's profits come with blood.

Djibouti has capitalised on Somali instability, hosting peace talks and foreign military bases. Ethiopia, too, has leveraged Somalia's turmoil to project power under the guise of "stabilisation." But these gains are often short-lived. Tanzania's 2023 forex crisis created a window for black-market traders but deterred serious investors. Ethiopia's Tigray war brought temporary tax relief to Amhara businesses, but post-war crackdowns erased those gains. Uganda's health system still limps from the 1970s disruptions and chronic underinvestment.

So yes, sometimes when your neighbour's house is burning, you roast maize in the glow. You might win a contract, poach a graduate, or fill a market gap. But you also risk catching the same sparks. In East Africa, no country lives far from the next. The winds shift quickly. One day, you're the safe harbour. The next, you're the storm.

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# Letters

## THE CUTTING EDGE by THE WATCHMAN

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**Dashed hopes**• Kenyans, David Yator says, had high hopes in President William Ruto's government after its election in 2022, until it plunged from its high moral pedestal. "They voted for good governance, only to find immorality laced with impunity. It could happen again in the 2027 General Election with the weaponising of the laws meant to protect them." His email address is davidyator14@gmail.com.

**Budgeted corruption**• The Auditor-General's report on how 33 non-existent schools received billions in taxpayers' money as capitation funds "is the latest proof of shameless budgeted corruption", says Taabu Tele. "After disorganising university funding, the government is now taking food from the mouths of its children to cement the graves of a generation thrown to the dogs." His contact is taabu.tele@mail.com.

**Wake up, NTSA**• For several days, Sammy Ng'ang'a reports, the National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA) vehicle inspection office on Likoni Road, Nairobi, has been unable to renew or issue new driving licences. He hates the message: "Sorry the system is down." He poses: "What kind of system is this, which renders an entire department unable to provide services?" His contact is samnganga2009@gmail.com.

**Court drama**• National institutions must be respected by all, including powerful personalities, says Chris Kiriba. "This is why the Justice Service Commission (JSC) is protesting an arrest within the Ruiru Law Courts on July 4. But the JSC should also condemn the singing, shouting, and other theatrics by activists in the courts, which are supposed to be hallowed places." His contact is chriskiriba14@gmail.com.

**Polygamy**• After what he describes as "a detailed observation", Enrique Fabios is rooting for polygamy. Says he: "All Kenyan men with a net worth of Sh5 million should marry several wives so that more children can have a male figure in their lives. They should also get tax breaks. It should be about the children's welfare, but will also help to reduce sexual impropriety." His contact is fabiosenrique73@gmail.com. Have a needful day, won't you!

## LETTERS

### Make digital literacy a core subject

Digital literacy is no longer a luxury but a necessity. Most public schools in Kenya still treat computer studies as optional or lack ICT infrastructure, leaving students unprepared for a rapidly evolving world. The Covid-19 pandemic exposed the stark digital divide, with rural learners falling behind due to limited access. Making digital skills a core subject—like Mathematics or English—will equip students for modern careers, close the gap, and empower them to be safe, informed citizens. The future starts in the classroom.

By Venus Bartena, Nakuru

### Raila's party should stop the hypocrisy

I listened to Edwin Sifuna on one of the national television stations, and he didn't represent the ODM-UDA pact agreement but instead criticised the government. I think it's either Raila is fooling President Ruto or ODM is playing safe with the UDA government. The time has come for Raila Odinga to accept that he is in government to stay—or move out. Our leaders should stop the hypocrisy, regardless of the front they portray publicly. Let's be genuine.

Blemoh Ngunjiri, Nyeri

### KDF's sacrifice deserves our salute

Kenya Defence Forces (KDF) soldiers remain at the forefront of protecting the nation's sovereignty, often risking their lives to ensure our safety. The recent loss of KDF personnel in an IED attack is a tragic reminder of their daily sacrifices. As citizens, we must honour their courage by living with the same integrity, discipline, and dedication they embody. The government should prioritise and support KDF fully. True patriotism is found in the bravery of our soldiers.

Phillip Njuki Ndirangu, Nyeri

### Release youths arrested during demos

Several youths arrested during recent protests are languishing in remand prisons, facing what many believe are politically-motivated and trumped-up charges. Their prospects for future employment are now in jeopardy, with concerns growing over the Judiciary's ability to act independently in such a politically-charged environment. MPs should focus on solutions rather than blame-shifting, and investigative agencies must resist political manipulation. A public appeal has been made for the release of the youths as they do not deserve the punishment they are enduring.

Joe Mungai, Seattle, WA USA

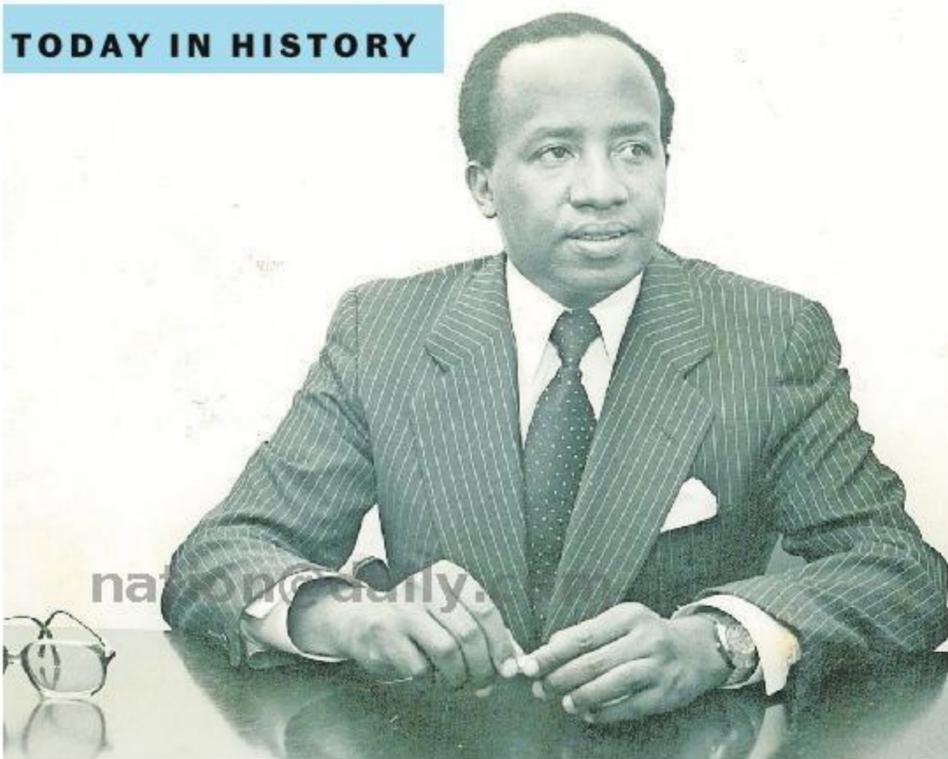
### President must deliver on his promises

The President's assertion that he was not "over-promising" and that he would deliver all the pledges he made to Kenyans seems too good to be true. In addition to falling prey to diversionary politics from his detractors, the government itself has not demonstrated the goodwill to slay the dragon of corruption. Coupled with misplaced projects—not originally in the manifesto—that consume billions of taxpayers' money, and the inability to curb massive government wastage, I fear that some of the promises may never see the light of day.

Jeremiah Wambugu, Nairobi

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## TODAY IN HISTORY



**July 24, 1982:** President Daniel arap Moi lashes out at former Standard Editor-in-Chief George Githii over an editorial criticising the country's detention law. Speaking at Kenya High School, where he helped raise Sh2 million for the institution, the President condemned Githii's claims that Kenyans had lived in fear for six months due to the law. Githii was dismissed by the Standard's board last Wednesday following the publication of the piece.

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## LETTER OF THE DAY

# Good governance can solve Kenya's problems

I have grown up witnessing a deep desire for a brighter Kenya. But this national aspiration is often threatened by the persistent problem of poor public governance, fuelled by political dishonesty and a lack of will among elected leaders to address key public issues.

Even in the current era of Gen Z-driven discourse on governance, the political leadership across the divide appears too self-absorbed in their usual manoeuvres, power struggles, and self-preservation tactics, rather than embracing the clear strategic call for reform from aggrieved

youths. These young people are demanding a complete paradigm shift in the way public service and national affairs are managed.

The truth is that nothing significant will change in our public governance sphere unless and until the public outcry we are witnessing is translated into a complete and positive shift in voter behaviour. Only then can we foster a truly "issue-based" national and county politics.

Regrettably, our entrenched culture of bad governance continues to carry a heavy cost for our national image, resources, and potential.

Yet, there is still hope—if we are sincere about building a better Kenya. We must collectively channel our desire for a more hopeful future into a genuine, strategic approach that tackles our governance challenges through systems thinking, not personality politics.

This calls for a reawakening of civic consciousness across all generations. Citizens must begin to demand not just transparency, but measurable accountability from those entrusted with leadership. Civil society, the media, faith-based organisations, and educational institutions must play a greater role in shaping a govern-

ance culture that rewards integrity, service delivery, and long-term vision over populism and political theatrics.

As Margaret J Wheatley once observed: "Yet we act as if simple cause and effect is at work. We push to find the one simple reason things have gone wrong. We look for the one action, or the one person, that created this mess. As soon as we find someone to blame, we act as if we've solved the problem." It won't work that way.

Hassan Malik Mohamed, Garissa County



# County News

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## Strike by warehouse labourers in Mombasa enters third day



Officials of the Kenya Shipping, Clearing, Freight Logistics and Warehouses Workers Union address their members in Shimanzi, Mombasa City, as a workers' strike entered its third day yesterday. The labourers are demanding better wages. KEVIN ODITI NATION

### BRIEFLY

#### Borehole vandals cause water crisis

**KAJIADO** • There is an acute water shortage in Kajiado town after 19 boreholes were vandalised in two months. Locals said a criminal gang has been stealing water cylinders, solar panels, and electric cables and selling the items to scrap metal dealers. Ms Phoebe Mollel, a resident of Kajiado, told *Nation* that her family is struggling to get clean water after their borehole was vandalised. Stanley Ngotho

#### Traders arrested for lack of permits

**NAIROBI** • Several traders were yesterday arrested by county officials for violating health protocols. They were locked up at Kamukunji Police Station then freed on a Sh5,000 cash bail. Among those arrested were shoe shiners, cigarettes and clothes sellers. "I was selling cigarettes. My goods were taken away. I had no licence as a food handler. I was freed on a cash bail of Sh5,000," one trader said. Sammy Kimatu

#### County rocked by Sh80m scandal

**KERICHO** • The county government is embroiled in a scandal involving the alleged fictitious payments worth over Sh80 million for undelivered goods and services, with Deputy Governor Fred Kirui emerging as the whistle-blower. The payments made to at least 28 companies have prompted the county assembly to form an ad hoc committee to investigate the claims. Mr Kirui, who is not in good terms with his boss Governor Erick Mutai said the matter is about accountability. The revelations have sparked public anger, with Senate Majority Leader Aaron Cheruiyot calling for a speedy probe. Vitalis Kimutai

### Baringo

## Blogger vanishes from shop in a cloud of mystery

BY FLORAH KOECH

Outspoken government critic Vincent Kipsang has allegedly been abducted, sparking panic in Kabarnet.

The businessman and blogger, popularly known as "Zonko Classic" among locals, was reportedly abducted on Sunday evening by unknown individuals and bundled into a Subaru in the SS area in Baringo Central Sub-County.

Witnesses said some men in plain-clothes arrived in two Subarus and a Toyota Land Cruiser and took the father of two from his shop. He was bundled into one of the cars which sped off.

Mr Kipsang's wife Angela Chesang said that some children, who were playing outside the shop, raised the alarm.

Ms Chesang said her husband called and told her to take his ID to Kabarnet Police Station. At the station, officers told her to wait for her husband at Muthaiga Police Station in Nairobi, she said.

"I plead with the authorities not to harm him. Our children are young. He is the breadwinner," Ms Chesang said.

Baringo County Police Commander Julius Kiragu denied knowledge of the incident. So did County Criminal Investigations Officer Kiama Gichimi.



Vincent Kipsang

**Taita-Taveta** Ward representatives fined for criticising the House leadership

## Assembly in turmoil as two MCAs 'axed' for absenteeism

MCAs Mlughu and Tayari kicked out after acting Speaker declares their seats vacant

BY LUCY MKANYIKA

The Taita-Taveta County Assembly has been plunged into fresh controversy following the removal of two elected Members of County Assembly (MCAs).

Acting Speaker Anselm Mwadime declared the seats of Rong'e Ward MCA Dorcas Mlughu and her Mboghonyi counterpart, Mr Halifa Taraya, vacant on Tuesday.

Mr Mwadime cited Section 27(1)(d) of the County Governments Act, 2012, which stipulates that an MCA's seat shall become vacant if the member is absent from eight sittings of the county assembly without written permission from the Speaker.

The Speaker made the announcement during a plenary session in the assembly.

The ouster has escalated a

long-standing power struggle, exposing deep-rooted divisions and accusations of political witch-hunt in the assembly.

Wundanyi Mbale Ward Representative Jimmy Mwamidi spearheaded the motion against his colleagues.

Reading a report from the Powers, Privileges, Immunities and Obligation Committee, Mr Mwamidi said that acting Speaker Mr Mwadime had, on July 9, formally communicated the absenteeism of the two MCAs.

"In his communication, he stated that Ms Mlughu and Mr Taraya were absent for more than eight sittings without written permission from the Speaker. The matter was referred to the committee for hearing and determination within 14 days," he said.

In its report, the committee stated that the two MCAs were invited to appear before it, but only

Ms Mlughu attended—accompanied by her legal representative.

Mr Mwamidi said her lawyer argued that his client had not been adequately informed about the specific dates of the alleged absences.

"The committee's objective was to determine why the members missed the sittings and whether they offered satisfactory explanations for their absence," he said.

While the committee maintains its decision was procedural, others see the move as a politically

motivated purge. The debate on the motion to declare the seats vacant was notably brief. Apart from the mover and his second, Daniel Kimuyu, no other MCA contributed—further fuelling speculation that the outcome was predetermined.

This dramatic development follows months of mounting tensions in the Assembly. In June, Ms Mlughu and Mr Taraya, along with Chrispus Tondoo (Bomeni) and Azhar Din (Kaloleni), publicly criticised the House leadership.

They accused the leadership of neglecting its oversight role, engaging in financial mismanagement and sidelining dissenting voices. The criticism sparked a fierce backlash. All four were suspended, ordered to issue public apologies on the assembly floor. They were each fined Sh100,000.

The MCAs challenged their suspension in court, which directed both sides to pursue out-of-court negotiations.

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### IN TROUBLE

## Sh100,000

Amount MCAs Dorcas Mlughu, Halifa Taraya, Chrispus Tondoo, and Azhar Din were fined.

# County News

## Nairobi

# City Hall announces plan to overhaul disaster management strategy

BY KEVIN CHERUIYOT

City Hall has unveiled plans to overhaul its disaster management strategy amid stinging criticism from residents over poor service delivery.

In the new plan, the county government is proposing the establishment of an independent disaster management authority aimed at improving efficiency and response capacity.

According to the Chief Officer for Disaster Management, Mr Bramwel Simiyu, the new authority will enhance both staff welfare and the county's ability to respond to emergencies.

If the proposal is approved, the disaster management sector will have its own board and dedicated budget—freeing it from reliance on the governor's office for facilitation.

"Since 2018, we have operated under

other departments, limiting our ability to fulfil our mandate effectively," said Mr Simiyu. He added that autonomy would help attract investors.

"We face growing challenges and increasing hazards. Our biggest constraint remains the limited resources available. With Nairobi's population now at around five million, we're stretched thin while still facing frequent fire outbreaks, flooding, and road accidents," he said.

Established in 1907 with the construction of the Tom Mboya Fire Station in the city centre, Nairobi's fire brigade has seen little progress since, even as emergency cases have continued to rise.

The county receives an average of three fire calls per day—about 800 annually—with the majority originating from low-income settlements such as Mukuru kwa Njenga, Mukuru kwa Reuben, Kibra, Kangemi, and Kawangware.

Nairobi has only about 300 fire-fighters, far below the recommended 2,000 needed to serve its population of nearly six million.

The city is served by only six operational fire stations: Tom Mboya, Enterprise Road, Kangundo, Ruaraka, Gigiri, and Waithaka. A new station in Gikomba, which is 90 per cent complete, is expected to help manage frequent market fires in the area.

## Taita-Taveta

# Manga town on the rise as Sh11bn iron factory takes shape

BY LUCY MKANYIKA

From a sleepy backwater near Voi on the Nairobi-Mombasa highway, Manga is undergoing a transformation as construction of the Sh11 billion iron ore plant by the Devki Group of Companies takes shape.

Once a remote shopping centre neighbouring the vast Tsavo National Park and surrounded by ranches, Manga is now attracting a wave of investors and real estate developers eager to tap into its rising commercial potential.

Over 1,000 workers are on-site as trucks ferrying building materials roar back and forth.

The development boom has sparked renewed interest in surrounding land, with parcels being earmarked for housing, businesses and supporting infrastructure to serve a growing population and industrial economy.

Neighbouring Mbulia Ranch has positioned itself to benefit economically from the project.

Ranch secretary Gerald Kishushu said part of the land was sold to Devki, while the remaining piece has been subdivided into thousands of commercial plots for its members.

Local businesses are already feeling the ripple effects.

Ms Martha Mwavita, who runs a food kiosk near the construction site, told *Nation* that her daily sales have increased.

"I used to go days without making any sales. Now, the construction workers stop by every morning to eat. I hope that there will be even more customers once the factory opens," she said.

The government is working with Devki and the ranch to ensure that services such as water, electricity, and schools are incorporated into broader urban planning for Manga's future.

## Organisation launches tree-planting project at GSU college



Ushiriki Wema Foundation Chair Tessie Musalia (left), Inspector-General of Police Douglas Kanja (second right), and Regner Fu Capital Group chief executive Kent Joshua (second left) commission a borehole to support a tree-planting drive at the GSU Embakasi 'B' Campus in Nairobi yesterday as part of the foundation's afforestation project. BONFACE BOGITA | NATION

## Kilifi

# Investigators on the spot as Galana Kulalu probe comes apart

BY EDWIN MUTAI

The Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) has been put on the spot for failing to establish the identities of 10 people who grabbed 301,330 acres valued at Sh15 billion at Galana Kulalu in Kilifi County.

The National Assembly's Committee on Implementation accused the DCI's Land Fraud Unit of negligence for failing to initiate investigations into the illegal subdivisions and encroachment of the Galana Kulalu ranch that belongs to the Agricultural Development Corporation (ADC).

The committee that is chaired by Budalangi MP Raphael Wanjala heard that the DCI has not acted on the recommendations of the House that was adopted in the 12th Parliament.

The recommendations had directed the DCI, alongside the Ethics and Anti Corruption Commission (EACC), to expedite and conclude investigations into the attempted grabbing of the land registered as ADC 1 FR. 119/86 with a view to prosecuting those found culpable.

Appearing before members of the committee on behalf of Lands Principal Secretary Nixon Korir on Tuesday, Chief Land Registration Officer David Nyandoro told MPs the boundaries of the ADC 1 FR. No. 119/86 of 1972 have not been altered and no new survey has been presented to the Director of Survey for approval.

Mr Nyandoro said a repeat exercise to determine the boundary between Galana Kulalu Ranch, ADC 1 FR. 119/86 and Adu Kamale and Adu Chamari Adjudication Section has not been done.

Mr Nyandoro further told the committee that implementation of the recommendations made by the Lands Committee fell squarely under the purviews of the National Land Commission (NLC), the DCI and the EACC.

## Probe Both private and public entities have been responsible for the theft Sh18bn railway land lost to grabbers, audit report says

KRC blamed for mismanagement of funds, uncollected rent and lack of asset register

BY ERIC MATARA

An audit has revealed massive grabbing of land valued at billions of shillings belonging to the Kenya Railways Corporation (KRC).

In her report for the year ended June 2024, Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu says the State-owned firm lost 529 parcels of land to both private and government entities.

Ms Gathungu has also put the KRC on the spot over mismanagement of funds, uncollected rent and failing to keep a proper asset register. In some cases, well-connected fraudsters grabbed KRC land and re-sold it to private developers.

"Despite records showing that the (KRC) owned land valued at an excess of Sh17.9 billion, as at June 2024, land valuation has al-

so not been done over the years," the report reads in part.

The audit has further revealed illegal allocations of land where, in some instances, the parcels were given to third parties without the consent of the KRC.

In her report, Ms Gathungu revealed that land in Mombasa, Limuru, Nakuru, and Kisumu had either been grabbed or irregularly allocated, and most of it remains unrecoverable despite the corporation putting in place measures to reclaim it.

In Mombasa, for instance, parcels adjacent to the railway station measuring between 0.75 and one acre were irregularly allocated to individuals who have since developed the land.

The report shows that the illegal allocations were made over the years, fingering the Commissioner of Lands or defunct local

authorities as those responsible for the irregularities.

In Limuru, several parcels within the railway station, including nine industrial plots measuring around three acres and land within Kikuyu Railway Station measuring two acres, were allocated to third parties. The report says efforts to recover these parcels have not borne fruit.

In Ziwani Estate, Nakuru City, about seven acres of KRC land has been encroached on by the Nakuru County Government, according to the report.

"The land had been allocated to private individuals by the Nakuru County Government on a long

term lease of 25 years and an amount of Sh37.5 million having been paid as premium and attracting an annual rent of Sh13.3 million," says the report.

In Kisumu County, 247 residential units owned by the KRC have been taken over by various organisations without lease agreements, leading to a rent loss of Sh27.4 million per year.

She further disclosed that the corporation has not paid Sh8.3 billion in compensation to people whose land was compulsorily acquired and "did not explain why the balance has remained outstanding for a long period without being settled."

The report further says that the KRC has attracted an avoidable expenditure of Sh34.1 billion comprising penalties amounting to Sh5.3 billion and Sh28.8 billion in accrued interests, which could have been avoided. The penalties are due to non-settlement of a China Exim Bank loan.

# 529

Number of plots owned by the Kenya Railway Corporation that have been grabbed or illegally allocated, according to the auditor-general.

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# DN2 Property

They are often cautiously relegated to small scale projects, temporary installations and projects that are risk-averse. Contractors also tend to avoid working with those whose designs may be out of the ordinary, fearing that they may not be able to implement these designs.

BY ALBERT MWAZIGHE

When their project Little Orbit was recognised among 10 of the most compelling projects at the 2025 Kaira Loro Design Awards, Adrian Madoya and his team of young professionals at Kenyan-based design company LondonConsult, could not believe it.

Rather than reduce childhood architecture to bright colours and clichés, their winning entry reimagined a rural nursery school as a place of solemnity, treating childhood space with the same weight and dignity that is often reserved for temples or museums.

"We knew we had submitted something grounded in meaning, but were shocked when we got a special mention because every Kenyan project recognised at the award before ours, had been authored by international architects," said Madoya in an interview with DN2 Property.

According to the designer, unlike in more advanced economies, meaningful, vernacular or sustainable architecture in Kenya is often dismissed as a poverty aesthetic, particularly when it comes from young practices.

No matter how much they prove feasibility, many of these young practices are often told to scale down their vernacular ideas, to make them more realistic, or to wait their turn.

"Our work has often been met with skepticism. We've never broken ground on any of our disruptive design commissions. In Kenya, we're told to scale down, make ideas more realistic," stated Madoya.

Typical architectural work focuses on the technical aspects of the project, with little attention being given to developing interesting concepts that go beyond creating livable spaces, to creating spaces that focus on the character of the users.

"Much of architectural work involves technical problem-solving, not the creative, visionary design that draws most to the field in the first place. It can take years of frustration before one is finally able to focus on projects that will truly allow them to express themselves," said Madoya.

This resistance to new concepts, according to Robert Omondi, a built environment professional, is as a result of cultural and regulatory barriers that have prevented the use of contempo-



## Young voices push for change in building sector

Adrian Madoya is a Principal Partner at architectural design firm LondonConsult. PHOTO | POOL



rary technology and materials in the industry.

"Young professionals are complaining because laws like CAP 525 that regulate architects and quantity surveyors in Kenya follow the structure of the colonial era when there was a lot of gatekeeping," said Omondi. Although they may have had good intentions, the architect says that these laws are not aligned with the current realities, and little has been done to make amendments over the years.

"A young architect comes with ideas for different materials like fiberglass, the regulatory boards do not appreciate these emerging materials, so when the young professional goes for approvals, they cannot get them," said Omondi.

If by chance their boldness and inventiveness happen to be recognised, young practitioners are often cautiously relegated to small scale projects, temporary installations and projects that are risk-averse. Contractors also tend to avoid working with young practitioners whose designs may be out of the ordinary, fearing that they may not be able to implement these designs.

**An ideal mentor should not gate-keep, they should provide feedback, help connect tasks to the bigger picture and create structure while encouraging ownership.**

Adrian Madoya, LondonConsult

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"The same progressive projects that do not break ground here because contractors don't know where to start, are recognised abroad, that is why you find all the unique projects coming up have mostly been done by foreign architects," said Omondi.

Contemporary concepts from young practices are also hardly implemented because

a client would not want to pay for a design which may face resistance during implementation.

"Clients will always take the safe approach. They want to be sure that a design can be implemented, if not, the architect will bear the costs. No young architect has the capacity to indemnify a client and the older architects who have this capacity will not agree to offer support," said Omondi.

Having worked in the industry for close to a decade, Faith Nyambura, a designer, says that the challenges for young professionals in the male-dominated built environment can be even more daunting for young women.

This is especially so, when it comes to balancing career and family. During her pregnancy a few years ago, Faith remembers having to commute long hours to work for a firm that didn't value her contributions in the way she thought she deserved.

"I felt like I was sacrificing my well-being and that of my unborn child for a job that wasn't rewarding me, financially or emotionally," stated Nyambura.

She eventually decided to leave the firm

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If local communities can bet on their ideas and trust them with serious commissions, the results can rival any international benchmark

# 'Mentor us, support our ideas'

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and start her own practice, a decision that saw her move from making an average salary working for someone else to billing significantly more within a year of starting her own practice.

While she would like to see more women in the built environment making similar transitions, Faith admits that there are several systemic issues in the industry which make it hard for women to advance or even just remain in the profession.

In some cases, lack of appreciation for the work of young women professionals does not come from their male counterparts, rather, from clients who use the gender or age-card against them during negotiations and project implementation.

"I've had countless clients who, maybe because they have watched something online, believe they know as much about design as a professional who has gone to school and has hands-on experience," stated Nyambura.

While collaborating with an informed client is the best way to



get a satisfactory outcome for both parties, Faith says that it is a completely different thing when someone without the background constantly tells a professional what to do, thinking they know better.

"When clients insist on ignoring the expertise they're paying for, the results can be disappointing for both parties. Unfortunately, this lack of recognition is something many young practitioners

can relate to," said Nyambura.

Despite being the cornerstone of the entire design and construction process, young practitioners are also often at the mercy of clients and developers who are constantly trying to cut fees and keep costs low.

"It's disheartening to put your heart and soul into a project only to see your compensation slashed to make the bottom line work," explained Nyambura.

According to the designer, clients and stakeholders need to recognise the expertise and immense effort that young practitioners bring to every project and offer fair compensation. The investment that these professionals make in their education, skills and their creative endeavours is significant, therefore it is crucial also that clients trust their judgment and expertise instead of undermining their work.

"Professionals should be rewarded with higher fees and salaries that reflect the value they provide, rather than being squeezed by budget cuts or undervalued in the project hierarchy," said Nyambura.

In addition, the profession must evolve to accommodate the realities of modern life, such as the fact that many women are now

working in the built environment as architects, quantity surveyors or designers, but still need to take care of their families.

"Everyone deserves the freedom to pursue their careers while also enjoying the other aspects of their lives, whether that means spending time with children, nurturing personal passions, or simply maintaining a balanced lifestyle," said Nyambura.

This kind of flexibility can enhance the well-being of all professionals and by extension the quality of work in the built environment, since professionals will be able to bring their best selves to the table.

With the fast pace at which the world is evolving, Omondi points out that change in the built environment is inevitable, and the sooner we accept this change, the better it will be for everyone.

"Traditionally, architects and designers would come up with concepts on paper, a process that would consume a lot of time. Now, the new generation of professionals is using technology to create designs within minutes," said Omondi.

Not only are these new technologies such as artificial intelligence enhancing efficiency, they are also enhancing scalability and the accuracy of projects.

"A project like the Two Rivers mall was so big in scale that it was set out using Global Positioning System (GPS) technology. Ordinarily, we use fences or boundary lines to set out projects, but doing this for a project of such scale would result in a lot of errors," stated Omondi.

As opposed to stifling innovation, Madoya urges senior pro-

fessionals to offer leadership, so that a balance between innovation and elements that are fundamental to our society such as culture, is achieved.

"Technologies such as artificial intelligence are progressive, but in architecture, there is something known as context, meaning if I am to build in a community that uses bricks, I cannot come with a glass design that will make the client or community uncomfortable," explained Madoya.

Stakeholder collaboration, whether through pairing young professionals with experienced mentors who can offer guidance, support, and career advice, or encouraging open dialogue and creating a safe space for young professionals to share ideas, can help achieve industry balance.

"Mentors are often the primary touchpoint for young professionals and have a significant impact on their success. An ideal mentor should not gate-keep, they should provide feedback, help connect tasks to the bigger picture and create structure while encouraging ownership," said Madoya.

If the world, and especially local communities, can bet on the ideas of young practitioners and trust them with serious commissions, Adrian opines that the results can rival any international benchmark.

"In many African contexts, beautiful still means foreign. But good architecture can decolonise this, proving that excellence can emerge from what is local. It can awaken imagination and help people dream big with the little around them," said Madoya.

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# International



## Aid, rights groups call for action as hunger ravages Gaza

GAZA, WEDNESDAY

More than 100 largely aid and rights groups on Wednesday called for governments to take action as hunger spreads in Gaza, including by demanding an immediate and permanent ceasefire and the lifting of all restrictions on the flow of humanitarian aid.

In a statement signed by 111 organisations, including Mercy Corps, the Norwegian Refugee Council and Refugees International, the groups warned that mass starvation was spreading across the enclave even as tonnes of food, clean water, medical supplies and other items sit untouched just outside Gaza, as humanitarian organisations are blocked from accessing or delivering them.

"As the Israeli government's siege starves the people of Gaza, aid workers are now joining the same food lines, risking being shot just to feed their families. With supplies now totally depleted, humanitarian organisations are witnessing their own colleagues and partners waste away," the organisations said.

"The Government of Israel's restrictions, delays and fragmentation under its total siege have created chaos, starvation and death."

The organisations called for governments to demand that all bureaucratic and administrative restrictions be lifted, all land crossings be opened, access to everyone across Gaza to be ensured and for the rejection of military-controlled distribution and a restoration of a "principled, UN-led humanitarian response."

"States must pursue concrete measures to end the siege, such as halting the transfer of weapons and ammunition."

Israel, which controls all supplies entering Gaza, denies it is responsible for shortages of food.

More than 800 people have been killed in recent weeks trying to reach food, mostly in mass shootings by Israeli soldiers posted near Gaza Humanitarian Foundation distribution centres.

The foundation, backed by the United States, has been criticised by humanitarian organisations, for an alleged lack of neutrality. (Reuters)

## Russia and Ukraine set for a third round of peace talks



A police boat patrols yesterday on the Bosphorus with a third round of peace talks between Russia and Ukraine expected to be held in Istanbul, Turkey, today. PHOTO | REUTERS

**Waste** The contraceptives to be burnt are worth nearly \$10 million

## US-funded implants, pills to be destroyed in France

Supplies have been stuck for months in a warehouse in Geel city, Belgium

BRUSSELS, WEDNESDAY

US-funded contraceptives worth nearly \$10 million are being sent to France from Belgium to be incinerated, after Washington rejected offers from the United Nations and family planning organisations to buy or ship the supplies to poor nations, two sources told *Reuters*.

The supplies have been stuck for months in a warehouse in Geel, a city in the Belgian province of Antwerp, following President Donald Trump's decision to freeze US foreign aid in January.

They comprise contraceptive implants and pills as well as intrauterine devices to help prevent unwanted pregnancies, according to seven sources and a screengrab shared by an eighth source confirming the planned destruction.

The US government will

spend \$160,000 to incinerate the stocks at a facility in France that handles medical waste, according to four of the sources with knowledge of the matter, following Trump's decision to shut down the US Agency for International Development (US-Aid).

The US State Department did not respond to a request for comment on the negotiations to save the contraceptives from destruction or the plans to incinerate them.

US lawmakers have introduced two bills this month to prevent the destruction of the supplies but aid groups say the bills are unlikely to be passed in time to stop the incineration.

The Belgian Foreign ministry said Brussels had held talks with US authorities and "explored all possible options to prevent the destruction, including temporary relocation."

"Despite these efforts, and with full respect for our partners, no viable alternative could be secured. Nevertheless, Belgium continues to actively seek solutions to avoid this regrettable outcome," it said in a statement shared with Reuters on Tuesday.

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"Sexual and reproductive health must not be subject to ideological constraints," it added.

The supplies, worth \$9.7 million, are due to expire between April 2027 and September 2031, according to an internal document listing the warehouse stocks and verified by three sources.

Sarah Shaw, Associate Director of Advocacy at MSI Reproductive Choices, told *Reuters* the non-profit organisation had volunteered to pay for the supplies to be repackaged without USAid branding and shipped to

countries in need, but the offer was declined by the US government.

"MSI offered to pay for repackaging, shipping and import duties but they were not open to that... We were told that the US government would only sell the supplies at the full market value," said Ms Shaw.

She did not elaborate on how much the NGO was prepared to pay, but said she felt the rejection was based on the Trump's administration's more restrictive stance on abortion and family planning.

"This is clearly not about saving money. It feels more like an ideological assault on reproductive rights, and one that is already harming women."

The United Nations' sexual and reproductive health agency, UNFPA, also offered to buy the contraceptives outright, three sources told *Reuters*, without disclosing the financial terms of the proposal.

However, negotiations broke down, a source with knowledge of the talks said, in part due to a lack of response from the US government. UNFPA did not immediately respond to requests for comment. (Reuters)

BRIEFLY

KHARTOUM

Sudan reports 1,307 new cholera cases in one week

A total of 1,307 new cholera cases, including 18 deaths, were reported in Sudan over the past week, the Ministry of Health announced. "Between July 12 and 18, 1,307 cases were recorded, including 18 deaths...in 12 states," the ministry said. Tawila locality in North Darfur recorded the highest number of infections with 519 cases, while Bileil in South Darfur had highest number of deaths. Sudan is experiencing a seasonal outbreak of several diseases, particularly those associated with the rainy season like malaria, cholera, and dengue fever. (Xinhua)

WINDHOEK

Namibia plans major farmland expansion by 2030

Namibia has committed to expanding large-scale farming land and increasing the value of strategic crop exports to enhance food security, bolster the agro-industry and increase rural incomes by 2030, as part of its new national development plan. Known as the Sixth National Development Plan, the plan was launched Monday by President Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah to guide economic and social policies from 2025 to 2030. (Xinhua)

LILONGWE

Hopefuls to present papers for Malawi presidential race

At least 20 candidates who collected nomination papers from the Malawi Electoral Commission (MEC) for the September 16 presidential race are expected to present them to the MEC from July 24 to 30. The candidates include the incumbent President Lazarus Chakwera of the governing Malawi Congress Party, ex-president Peter Mutharika of the Democratic Progressive Party, former president Joyce Banda with the People's Party and former reserve bank governor Dalitso Kabambe with the United Transformation Movement. (Xinhua)

# Business

# 17%

## Nigeria's shareholding in Shelter Afrique

### KenHa resumes Jomvu-Miritini road construction after two-year suspension



A truck on the Jomvu-Miritini Road in Mombasa yesterday where the Kenya National Highways Authority (KenHA) has resumed construction of the two-kilometre stretch. The project had been suspended for two years following a court case with a private developer.

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#### BRIEFLY

##### FINANCE

### Platinum credit, sister lenders get Sh1.3bn loan

Microfinance lender Platinum Credit's parent firm Platcorp Holdings has received a \$10 million (Sh1.29 billion) loan from Swedish development financier Swedfund to expand its lending to micro, small, and medium enterprises in Kenya and across the region. Platcorp Holdings Limited is the parent firm of Platinum, Premiere, Momentum, Eezy, Viva, Fanikiwa, and Spectrum, which operate in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, and Zambia. Vincent Owino

##### FINANCE

### SBM Bank enters insurance in industry trend

SBM Bank Kenya has launched its bancassurance subsidiary joining the growing list of lenders betting on partnership with insurers to diversify revenue streams. The lender said yesterday it has entered the business by setting up SBM Bancassurance Intermediary that will see it partner with insurers to underwrite individuals and businesses. SBM said the intermediary will allow it to simplify coverage, enhance affordability and improve claims settlement. Patrick Alushula

##### REAL ESTATE

### Nigeria topples Kenya as Shelter Afrique's biggest shareholder

Kenya has been displaced by Nigeria as the largest shareholder in Pan-African housing financier Shelter Afrique Development Bank (ShafDB). Nigeria increased its shareholding to 17.06 per cent last year following a Sh663 million (\$5.14 million) capital injection as Kenya sat out. Kenya was previously the largest shareholder in the Nairobi headquartered development bank since 2017 with a 15.86 per cent stake. George Ngigi

### Ruto sets September deadline for KPC listing

BY GEORGE NGIGI

The government will sell part of its stake in Kenya Pipeline Company and list the firm on the Nairobi Securities Exchange before September this year, President William Ruto said.

Structuring of the initial public offering (IPO) was being finalised by the privatisation team before being presented to Cabinet for approval, Dr Ruto said yesterday.

In an IPO, a company raises additional capital from new investors with part of its shares being made available for trading. The Privatisation Commission is expected to structure details of the IPO which include pricing of the initial offer.

The listing of Kenya Pipeline will mark the first sale of a government entity through the securities exchange in 17 years, the last being Safaricom's IPO in 2008.

"I expect the cabinet to grant approval to this IPO shortly," the President said during the listing of the bond backed by the Talanta Stadium.

### Audit Repeated queries by Nancy Gathungu remain unheeded

## Puzzle of ex-staff accessing Portland banking accounts

Four former employees are still signatories to cement manufacturer's millions

BY EDNA MWENDA

Four former employees at the East Africa Portland Cement (EAPC) are still signatories of the company's bank accounts despite repeated queries by Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu, raising concerns of potential financial exposure.

Ms Gathungu has revealed that the quartet is still registered as signatories of EAPC bank accounts despite having exited the firm, pointing to a risk of unauthorised transactions.

"Review of the bank confirmations received from the financial institutions revealed that four (4) former staff were still signatories to the bank accounts despite having ceased being employees of the company," the Auditor-General said in an au-

dit report on EAPC's operations for the financial year to June 30, 2024.

"There is a risk of unauthorised access to the bank accounts. In the circumstances, the existence of effective controls in the management of bank accounts could not be confirmed," it added.

Audit reports often delay, and some of the issues raised could have been resolved by the time they are published.

Ms Gathungu's report revealed that EAPC had a balance of Sh18.10 million in its bank accounts by the close of the financial year to June 30, 2024, a drop compared to Sh77.96 million reported in the previous year.

Banks generally require companies to have at least two authorised signatories to transact

#### BALANCE

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Amount of money in EAPC's bank accounts by time of audit

through their accounts.

In the event of resignation or retrenchment, managers who run them are expected to relinquish such and other responsibilities immediately upon their exit.

Apart from the questionable bank account signatories, Ms Gathungu also flagged EAPC's weak debt collection system and non-remitted employee pension contributions, tax deductions, and mining levies, among other accounting weaknesses.

For instance, the audit revealed that the company has been un-

able to settle its obligations on statutory deductions, including Sh2.98 billion in pay-as-you-earn, Sh893 million in value-added-tax, and Sh227 million pension liabilities, being principal, penalties, and interest.

"The management made subsequent payments totaling Sh60,000,000 after the year-end to reduce the outstanding pension liabilities," the audit said.

The audit said that EAPC faced contingent liabilities owing to employee-related claims arising from unpaid salaries based on collective bargaining agreements with an estimated total exposure of Sh1.5 billion and claims by suppliers totaling Sh3 billion, as well as Sh383 million in claims from contract breaches.

"All these claims have been provided for in the financial statements," Ms Gathungu said.

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440.00	240.00	Kakuzi Plc Ord. 5.00		400.00	
332.00	81.00	Kapchoruar Tea Kenya Plc Ord	329.25	328.50	3,000
430.00	320.00	The Limuru Tea Co. Ord 20.00		310.00	
32.60	13.60	Sasini Ltd Ord 1.00	15.10	15.40	15,100
289.00	120.00	Williamson Tea Kenya Plc Ord 500	239.25	239.75	15,100

**AUTOMOBILES & ACCESSORIES**

49.00	18.50	Car & General (K) Ord 5.00	23.50	23.50	200
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**BANKING**

20.00	10.00	ABSA Bank Ord 0.50	19.55	19.45	296,100
38.00	26.50	BK Group Ord 0.80	34.50	34.75	20,900
83.25	43.05	Diamond Trust Bank Ord 4.00	78.00	78.25	94,300
52.50	33.70	Equity Group Holdings Ord 0.50	50.00	49.70	820,200
9.74	2.80	HF Group Plc Ord 5.00	7.88	7.78	74,300
39.00	15.80	I&M Group Ord 1.00	36.15	36.15	113,900
47.35	15.00	KCB Group Ord 1.00	48.25	47.55	12,413,200
65.00	28.50	NCBA Group Ord 5.00	64.00	63.00	56,800
180.00	90.00	Stanbic Holdings Ord. 5.00	177.00	177.25	85,600
319.00	134.00	Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ord. 5.00	307.00	305.50	31,400
18.35	10.10	The Co-op Bank of Kenya Ord 1.00	16.50	16.45	464,600

**COMMERCIAL & SERVICES**

0.45	0.45	Deacons (East Africa) Ord 2.50		0.45	
1.88	0.59	Eveready EA Ord 1.00	0.88	0.86	112,100
5.40	2.70	Express Kenya Ord 5.00	4.33	4.22	2,000
4.66	4.66	Homeboyz Entertainment Plc Ord 0.50		4.66	
9.18	3.83	Kenya Airways Ord 1.00	5.20	5.36	174,800
3.46	2.00	Longhorn Publishers Ord 1.00	2.65	2.60	97,600
5.00	1.76	Nairobi Business Ventures Ord 1.00	1.83	1.82	29,400
22.40	10.60	Nation Media Group Plc Ord. 2.50	13.55	13.55	5,800
7.28	1.80	Sameer Africa Plc Ord. 5.00	5.04	5.00	132,200
10.80	4.50	Standard Group Ord 5.00	6.36	6.14	2,800
18.70	10.85	TPS Eastern Africa Ord 1.00	14.70	14.30	1,800
0.41	0.16	Uchumi Supermarket Ord 5.00	0.31	0.31	29,500
3.95	1.80	WPP ScanGroup PLC Ord. 1.00	2.61	2.63	15,400

**CONSTRUCTION & ALLIED**

5.55	5.55	ARM Cement Ord 1.00		5.55	
84.00	21.30	Bamburi Cement Ltd Ord 5.00		54.00	
47.00	29.00	Crown Paints Kenya Ord 0.50	44.90	41.50	1,300
3.27	0.72	E. A. Cables Ord 0.50		1.71	
55.75	4.38	E.A. Portland Cement Ord 5.00	45.00	48.95	100

**ENERGY & PETROLEUM**

7.52	1.94	KenGen Ord 2.50	7.16	7.14	542,900
12.40	1.30	KP & LC Co Plc Ord. 250	10.90	10.75	1,028,000
4.20	4.00	KP & LC Plc 4% Pref. 20.00		4.10	
6.00	6.00	KP & LC Plc 7% Pref. 20.00		6.00	
26.00	14.55	TotalEnergies Marketing Kenya Ord 5.00	24.10	24.00	2,100
24.70	6.30	Umeme Ltd Ord 0.50	11.55	13.25	472,700

**INSURANCE**

8.70	4.01	Britam Holdings Ord 0.10	8.42	8.54	20,600
3.19	1.60	CIC Insurance Group Ord. 1.00	3.25	3.34	278,900
247.00	142.00	Jubilee Holdings Ord 5.00	238.50	235.25	200
2.97	1.05	Kenya Re Insurance Ord 2.50	2.20	2.22	1,175,200
12.20	3.30	Liberty Kenya Holdings Ord 1.00	11.00	10.40	143,900
11.00	4.00	Sanlam Kenya Ord 5.00	8.02	8.02	30,600

**INVESTMENT**

16.50	7.60	Centum Investment Co Ord 0.50	11.40	11.50	23,300
1.12	0.27	Home Afrika Ltd Ord. 1.00	0.65	0.67	89,400
1,500	1,500	Kurwitu Ventures Ltd Ord. 100.00		1,500.00	
5.60	1.91	Olympia Capital Holdings Ltd Ord. 5.00	3.64	4.00	26,700
1.78	0.29	Trans-Century Plc Ord. 0.50		1.12	

**INVESTMENT SERVICES**

10.00	5.22	Nairobi Securities Exchange Ord 4.00	9.78		9.80	29,600
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**MANUFACTURING & ALLIED**

95.00	65.00	B.O.C Kenya Group Co. Ord 5.00	89.25	90.00	1,900	
495.00	325.00	British American Tobacco Kenya Ord 10.00	380.50	379.75	1,700	
23.90	11.00	Carbacid Investments Ord 1.00	21.40	21.70	25,600	
215.00	100.00	East African Breweries Ord 1.00	198.25	193.00	10,500	
2.33	0.86	Flame Tree Group Holdings Ord 0.825	1.27		1.29	40,800
77.00	10.40	Kenya Orchards Ord 5.00	61.50		56.00	100
0.27	0.27	Mumias Sugar Co. Ord 2.00			0.27	
31.00	12.00	Unga Group Co. Ord 5.00	19.55		18.95	800

**TELECOMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY**

27.50	11.50	Safaricom Ltd Ord. 0.05	27.20	27.00	14,302,600
20.00	20.00	Lap trust I-Reit Co. Ord 20 .00		20.00	
3330.00	1880.00	Absa New Gold ETF		4080i	
761.00	761.00	Satrix MSCI World Feeder ETF		761.00	

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**COMMERCIAL BANK RATES**

		Euro	\$	£	C\$	SF	IR	JY	ZR
ABC	buy	151.36	129.00	174.47	94.78	162.30	1.49	87.70	7.32
	sell	152.20	129.50	175.41	95.15	163.141	1.49	88.10	7.39
Absa	buy	151.38	129.10	174.52	94.85	162.42	1.49	87.79	7.35
	sell	151.87	129.30	175.05	95.14	163.08	1.49	88.05	7.37
Co-op	buy	149.27	128.45	171.96	93.64	160.00	1.49	86.49	7.19
	sell	150.45	129.45	173.39	94.39	161.35	1.50	87.19	7.25
Equity	buy	150.45	128.85	173.15	94.15	161.65	-	87.05	7.20
	sell	151.30	129.55	174.15	94.75	162.65	-	87.55	7.35
NBK	buy	151.54	129.00	174.69	94.91	162.59	1.49	87.82	7.35
	sell	151.75	129.40	174.89	95.09	162.95	1.49	87.97	7.38
KCB	buy	151.27	129.05	174.57	94.83	162.51	1.49	88.00	7.35
	sell	151.75	129.45	175.21	95.13	163.10	1.50	88.00	7.38
NCBA	buy	150.10	129.05	173.15	94.05	161.00	1.49	86.95	7.38
	sell	150.35	129.25	173.45	94.21	161.35	1.49	87.15	7.31
Stanbic	buy	149.98	129.00	173.03	94.05	161.15	1.49	86.96	7.29
	sell	150.46	129.40	173.56	94.34	161.65	1.51	87.23	7.39
Gulf African	buy	134.86	129.25	167.56	90.53	142.84	1.50	82.74	6.84
	sell	133.21	129.75	158.18	90.02	142.10	1.49	83.09	6.87
Prime	buy	151.15	129.00	174.55	94.70	162.30	1.49	87.95	7.35
	sell	151.65	129.50	175.05	95.20	162.80	1.50	88.55	7.45

**CBK RATES**

	Exchange Rate	Swiss Franc	162.7827
US Dollar	129.2495	100 Japanese Yen	87.9129
1 Sterling Pound	174.8487	1 Swedish Kroner	13.5835
1 Euro	151.6614	1 Norwegian Kroner	12.8327
1 South African Rand	7.3615	1 Danish Kroner	20.3165
Ksh/USH	27.7757	1 Indian Rupee	1.4969
Ksh/TSH	20.1161	1 Hongkong Dollar	16.4651
Ksh/RWF	11.547	1 Singapore Dollar	101.0907
Ksh/BIF	23.0586	1 Saudi Riyal	34.4537
1 UAE Dirham	35.1919	1 Chinese Yuan	18.0472
1 Canadian Dollar	94.1817	1 Australian Dollar	84.8717

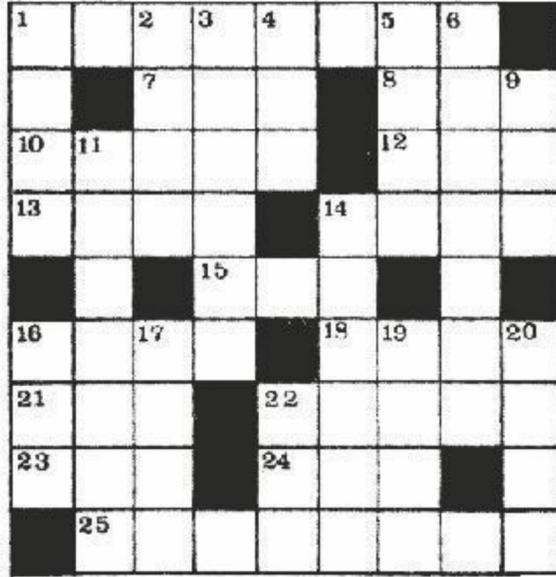
**UNIT TRUSTS**

		Daily Yield	Annual Rate
African Alliance Kenya Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.61%	7.88%
African Alliance Kenya Enhanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.02%	8.32%
Britam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.59%	11.17%
Britam Money Market Fund	USD	4.62%	4.73%
Absa Shilling MMF	Kenya Shilling	8.20%	8.51%
Absa Dollar Fund MMF	USD	4.08%	4.36%
Gulfcap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.89%	13.11%
Gulfcap Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	13.13%	13.94%
Gulfcap Shari'ah Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.08%	7.33%
Old Mutual Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.53%	11.02%
Old Mutual Dollar Money Market Fund	USD	5.02%	5.14%
Etica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.43%	12.10%
Etica Money Market Fund	USD	5.82%	5.99%
CPF Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.54%	7.83%
Co-op Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.90%	9.30%
Co-op Bond Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.29%	10.84%
Arvocap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.42%	10.94%
Arvocap Alimasi Fund	Kenya Shilling	1.30	1.31
Mayfair Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.94%	8.26%
Mayfair Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	15.36	15.36
Enwealth Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.42%	10.91%
CIC Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.51%	8.85%
CIC Wealth Fund	Kenya Shilling	6.25%	6.25%
CIC Dollar Fund	USD	4.39%	4.48%
Equity Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	4.97%	5.08%
Kuza Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.80%	12.51%
Kuza Money Market Fund	USD	5.38%	5.53%
Madison Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.47%	11.04%
Madison Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.81%	12.54%
Orient Kasha Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.89%	12.65%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.31%	10.81%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	USD	5.29%	5.42%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.00%	12.75%
Lofty-Corban Bond Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.66%	13.42%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	USD	5.27%	5.40%
Cytonn Money Market	Kenya Shilling	12.53%	13.34%
NCBA Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.00%	8.30%
NCBA Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	2.94%	2.98%
ICEA LION Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.93%	9.33%
ICEA LION Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	103.84	103.84
ICEA LION Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	118.87	118.87
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (3 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.68%	11.22%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (6 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.70%	11.24%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund (12 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.88%	11.43%
Sanlam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.82%	10.32%
Sanlam US Dollar Fund	USD	5.22%	5.36%
Apollo Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.91%	10.42%
Genghis Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.52%	8.89%
GenAfrica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.95%	11.51%
KCB Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.49%	9.91%
KCB Money Market Fund	USD	5.12%	5.24%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	USD	6.03%	6.21%
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	USD	5.28%	5.42%
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.22%	11.87%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.12%	12.88%
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	USD	5.16%	5.28%

# Leisure

## SIMPLE CROSSWORD

- ACROSS:**  
 1. Pirate or buccaneer  
 7. Intense anger  
 8. Girl, informally  
 10. A scheme to incriminate or deceive someone (3-2)  
 12. Fib  
 13. Malt-based beers  
 14. Of or relating to the air  
 15. Concealed  
 16. Indian city where the magnificent Taj Mahal Palace is in  
 18. A distinctive feeling or quality capable of being sensed  
 21. Untruth  
 22. To make less bright  
 23. Honey-making insect  
 24. Uniform Resource Locator (abbreviation)  
 25. Sleeps
- DOWN:**  
 1. Leaning tower in Italy, one of the wonders of the world  
 2. Quote  
 3. Town that is the gateway to northern Tanzania near Mt Kilimanjaro  
 4. A fabric with a ribbed surface used in curtains and upholstery



5. Eye lasciviously  
 6. The city that hosted the All Africa Games in 1987  
 9. The 5th sign of the zodiac  
 11. Poems to lament the dead  
 14. A word or phrase that modifies or qualifies an adjective
16. Priestly garment  
 17. Stagger as from a blow or drunkenness  
 19. At a loose end  
 20. Australian ostriches  
 22. Someone who lives off others and avoids work

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

- ACROSS:**  
 1 Collier  
 7 Oil  
 8 Eke  
 10 Spool  
 12 Nit  
 13 Hymn  
 14 Cobs  
 15 Ell  
 16 Pall  
 18 Enki  
 21 Emu  
 22 Avoid  
 23 Ear  
 24 Leu  
 25 Eternal
- DOWN:**  
 1 Cash  
 2 Loom  
 3 Lionel  
 4 Ill  
 5 Reno  
 6 Bets  
 9 Kibaki  
 11 Pyjama  
 14 Clever  
 16 Peel  
 17 Lure  
 19 Noun  
 20 Idol  
 22 Ale

## SUDOKU

### Enjoy the Sudoku Game Daily

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

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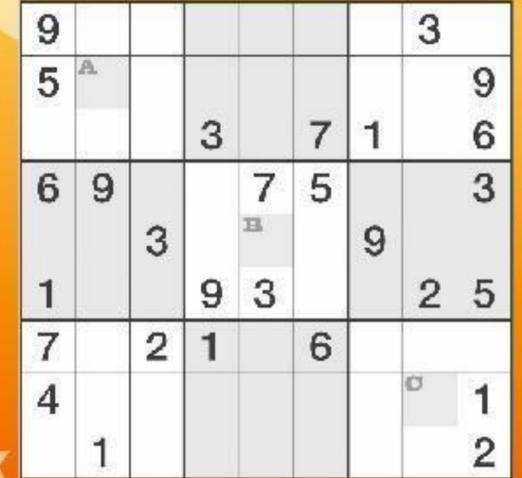
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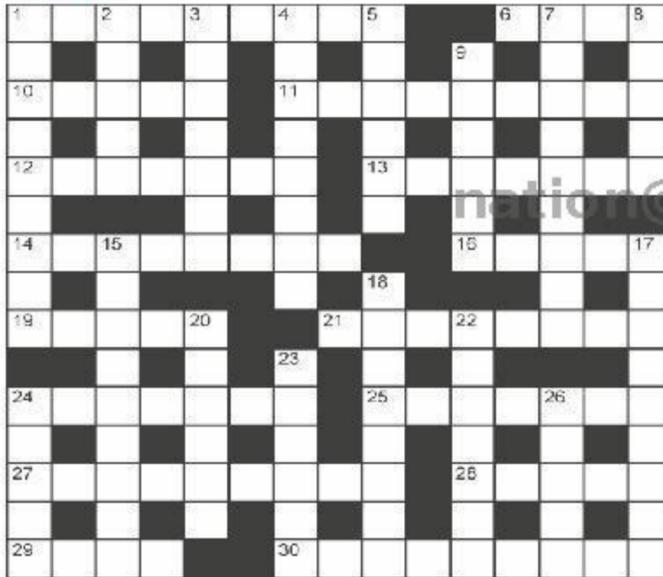
## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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



## COMPLEX CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**  
 1 Cold, mild and lacking appeal (9)  
 6 Look both ways (4)  
 10 Spirit of reportedly modern chaps (5)  
 11 Hassle arresting degenerate dissident (9)  
 12 Passes over untamed regions (7)  
 13 Record kipper overwhelms one gourmet (7)  
 14 Topple plain vase (8)  
 16 Small enclosure for monkey (5)  
 19 Sweetheart is in bloke's way (5)  
 21 Server sites with raw bits crunched (8)  
 24 Support of rider's foot wearing spur? (7)  
 25 Old boy facing stage getting smutty (7)  
 27 Sense a conflict confronting English head (9)  
 28 Initially individual things, each made singly (5)  
 29 Strip ends occasionally getting bound (4)  
 30 Excited from brilliance in performance (9)
- DOWN**  
 1 Writing system of numeric characters decrypted (9)  
 2 Publicists marketing principally in foreign port (5)  
 3 Live inside pristine tower (7)  
 4 Former partner blameless



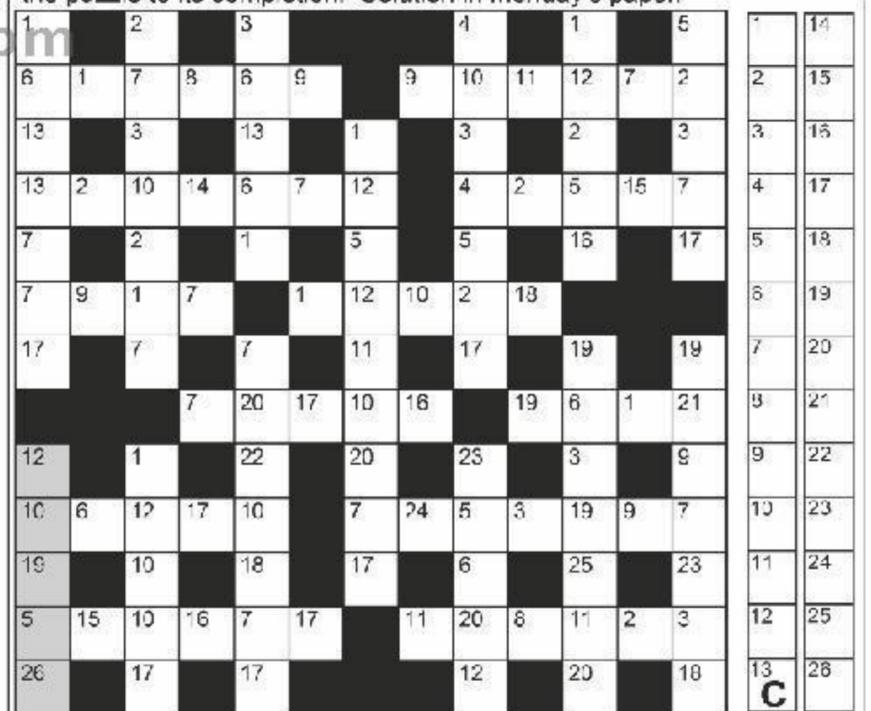
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 4. A fabric with a ribbed surface used in curtains and upholstery
5. Verbal nudge in empty sermon (6)  
 7. From Embankment our agenda involves train (9)  
 8. Party's leader longing for witch hunt (5)  
 9. Intellectual sort keeping current (6)  
 15. Kill time, say, losing heart (9)  
 17. Some elevated goddesses, so pitifully demonised (9)  
 18. Vehicle by river and large
- roundabout (8)  
 20. Row ship around lake (6)  
 22. Savouring nip following cheers (7)  
 23. Sort of betting with odds scrutinised (6)  
 24. Little time being under investigation... (5)  
 26... standing before court (5)

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

- ACROSS**  
 1 Pandora's box  
 7 Fable  
 8 Cashew nut  
 10 Skittle  
 11 Titanic  
 12 Italy  
 13 Tragedian  
 16 Nosferatu  
 18 Steep  
 19 Saw to it  
 22 Buffalo  
 23 Apocrypha  
 24 Ridge  
 25 Pipe-cleaner
- DOWN:**  
 1 Publicans  
 2 No entry  
 3 Orchestra  
 4 Asset  
 5 Breathe  
 6 Xenon  
 7 Fashionista  
 9 Technopho-bee  
 14 Adumbrate  
 15 Icelander  
 17 Ego-trip  
 18 Saffron  
 20 Whoop  
 21 Topic

## CODEWORD

Each number in our Codeword grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. For example, today 13 represents C so fill in every time the figure 13 appears in the main grid, then use your knowledge of words to work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you get the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and control grid. Check off the list of alphabetical letters as you identify them.



**YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION**

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

## YOUR STARS

- AQUARIUS | JAN 21 - FEB 19**  
 You could wake up this morning, look around, and decide you want to spend as much time as possible working on your home. You could be bored with the decor and want to make some changes. Spend the day coming up with ideas and try to see what's feasible now.
- PISCES | FEB 20 - MAR 20**  
 Today, you could receive an affectionate, supportive letter or phone call from someone close to you. Communications with others should go smoothly. A favourite musician, or actor could release an album, or movie that you'll want to jump on right away.
- ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20)**  
 You sometimes get stuck in your rut. All that focus on "waiting for the right time" can bring you to a place of inertia. The astral energy at play makes this a great day to get on your feet

- again! This is a time for nurturing yourself, not others. Give yourself what you need in terms of diet, exercise and rest.
- TAURUS | APR 21 - MAY 20**  
 You should be happier than usual with what you see in the mirror, because your inner beauty is more visible than usual. You could also feel especially sociable. Both old friends and new should find your company especially congenial. There's a slight tendency today to see partners through rose-collared glasses.
- GEMINI | MAY 21 - JUNE 21**  
 Today you might find yourself more inclined than usual to actively explore your interests in the arts, Gemini. You might want to look at an online art gallery or attend a virtual concert or play. Your interest could be in the motivations of the artists as much as the works themselves.

- CANCER | JUN 22 - JULY 22**  
 A friend you haven't seen for a while could surprise you with a call. A lot of interesting news and useful information could be exchanged that benefits both of you. You may make a number of short journeys throughout the day, as you have a lot that needs doing.
- LEO | JULY 23 - AUG 22**  
 With the current aspects at play, Leo, you could find that the hard work you've done in the past finally brings financial rewards. This will make you very happy, but don't get carried away and go on a spending spree! Treat yourself a little.
- VIRGO | AUG 23 - SEP 23**  
 Today, Virgo, you might find yourself thinking longingly of exotic lands and possibly traveling to them in the future. You could also wonder about the people who live in those countries.

- Romantic daydreams may distract you from your day-to-day business, so it's important to stay focused. Read travel books and rent travel videos.
- LIBRA | SEP 24 - OCT 23**  
 Your intuition is operating at a very high level. You tend to follow your heart by nature, so you don't always go out of your way to be logical. However, more than one event could occur during the day in which it's imperative that you go with your intuition.
- SCORPIO | OCT 24 - NOV 22**  
 If you want to make some changes to your work this is the week to do it. Your communication sector is expanding, giving you unique skills to get your point across to anyone. At the same time, your social circle changes as you weed out the people who aren't serving you or your life's goals

- SAGITTARIUS | NOV 23 - DEC 21**  
 You will benefit from eating fish instead of meat as often as possible. Fish oil has tremendously beneficial effects on the nails and hair and doesn't tax the digestive system as red meat does. Enjoy the lighter things in life: fresh vegetables, bean curd, soy products and herbal tea
- CAPRICORN | DEC 22 - JAN 20**  
 Today's planetary alignment is there to encourage you in your pursuit of truth. This is like the Hollywood starlet carrying out the director's wishes with perfection and grace, creating something sublime. In other words, act out your fantasies! Remember that in order to do this successfully, you must plan. You will reap enormous benefits financially.

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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
 Duly instructed by our Principals, the Chargees, we shall sell by Public Auction the under mentioned property together with buildings and improvements standing and erected thereon:

**AN APARTMENT ON A SECTIONAL TITLE IN SYOKIMAU, LIFESTYLE TERRACES - MACHAKOS COUNTY.**

**ON THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup>, AUGUST 2025 AT OUR OFFICES ON 10<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, BRUCE HOUSE, SUITE 1014, STANDARD STREET, NAIROBI FROM 11.00 AM.**

**ALL THAT** property known as **APARTMENT NO. 6 BLOCK 2, ON SECTIONAL L.R. NO 12715/538** within **LIFESTYLE TERRACES, SYOKIMAU** in **MACHAKOS COUNTY** registered in the name of **ZAITUNI NDANU ASMANI** of **P.O. BOX 34942 - 00100, NAIROBI** with a plinth area of approximately 1,131 square feet, and developed with Lounge cum Dining with balcony, Kitchen, Pantry, Laundry, Three (3) bedrooms - Master Ensuite and two bedrooms sharing WC, WHB and Shower, fitted with wardrobes. The apartment is located in Lifestyle Terrace within Syokimau area, Machakos County, neighbouring Airport Gardens, Amalia Residence Apartments and Gateway Mall on Mombasa Road. The GPS co-ordinates for the apartment are - **Latitude 1°21'44.0" S, Longitude 36°55'14.9" E.**

**CONDITIONS OF SALE**

- All interested purchasers are requested to view the property and verify the details for themselves as these are not warranted by the Auctioneers or the Chargees.
- A deposit of 25% of the purchase price must be paid immediately after the sale either in **Cash** or **Banker's Cheque** and the balance within **Ninety (90) days** from the auction date to the Chargees.
- The sale shall be subject to a reserve price and all the pre-requisite consents and Land Board Consent, where applicable. **NOTE** that the Auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid at his discretion. All interested purchasers **MUST** pay a refundable deposit of **KES. 50,000/-** by way of either cash or Bankers' Cheque to obtain a bidding number, without which they will not be allowed to bid.

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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
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On at 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Arthi Shopping centre in Juja Sub-County, Kiambu County, all that property known as LR No. Ruiru East/Juja East Block 2/27769 registered in the name of Naftali Muchoki Wainaina measuring approximately 0.029ha.

**CONDITIONS OF SALE**

- All intending purchasers requested to view the properties and verify the details as these are not warranted by Auctioneers.
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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 AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY IN NAROK COUNTY.**

**ON THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025 STARTING AT 12.00 NOON OUTSIDE THE GENERAL POST OFFICE IN NAROK TOWN.**  
 All that parcel of land known as **L.R. NO. CIS-MARA/ NAIBOR AJIJK/ 222** registered in the name of **WILSON KASHU OLE OSONO P.O. BOX 3112 - 20100, NAKURU G/T PETER NDUNGUYA OLE OSONO P.O. BOX 3112 - 20100, NAKURU.** The property is situated within Naibor Ajijik area, Narok East, Narok County. It is situated about 10.9km north west of Enaibor - Ajijik Primary School, approximately 6.6km west of New Towfiq Shopping Centre and about 13km south east of Mau Narok. It measures approximately **16.97 Ha or 41.932 acres.** Developed on the land are temporary structures while a vast part of the land is taken by natural vegetative cover of grass. The title is freehold interest.

**CONDITIONS OF SALE**

- All intending purchasers are requested to view the property and verify the details as these are not warranted by the auctioneer or client.
- 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.
- The sale is subject to a Reserve Price and Land control Board Consent (where applicable).
- 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!!**

**REQUEST FOR BIDS**

**Project No:**  
**Credit No:**  
**Country: KENYA**  
**Contract title: Supply, delivery, and construction of 11.8 km HDPE water pipeline project.**  
**RFB Reference No. - OLVASCO/WSTF/01/2025-2026**

- The **Government of Kenya** has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **Water and Sanitation development Project- Conditional Liquidity Support Grant (CLSG) II**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the various contracts as detailed below
- The **Olkalou and Sanitation Company Limited (OLWASCO)** now invites sealed Bids from eligible suppliers and contractors as indicated in the table below:

NO.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Closing Date
1	OLWASCO/WSTF/CLS-GII/01/2025-2026	Proposed pipeline rehabilitation works of 11.8km HDPE pipeline.	6th August 2025

- Bidding will be conducted through **National Competitive Procurement** using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated **July 2016, revised 5<sup>th</sup> Edition September 2023** ("Procurement Regulations"), which can be found in the following website: [www.worldbank.org/procurement](http://www.worldbank.org/procurement) and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from **Olkalou Water and Sanitation Company Limited Head Office, Juakali, Olkalou town, Off Olkalou Njabini road. Postal Address: P. O. Box 455 - 20303 Olkalou** and inspect the bidding document during office hours **0900 to 1700 hours** excluding **weekends and public holidays** at the address below
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- Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before the **closing date and time indicated above**. Electronic Bidding **will not** be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on **6<sup>th</sup>, August, 2025, 1100 hours East African Time (EAT)**.
- All Bids must be accompanied by a **Bid Security in the form of a Bank Guarantee of ksh 205,000.00**
- Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.
- The addresses referred to above are:  
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REG	MAKE	Y.O.M	YARD
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**CONDITIONS OF SALE**

- Interested buyers are requested to view and verify all the details of the Motor Vehicle as these are not warranted by the auctioneer.
- Bidding deposit of **Ksh. 100,000** in favour of Antique Auctions agencies.
- The motor vehicle will be sold on "As Is Where Is" basis.
- Sale of the motor vehicle is subject to reserve price.

**CONTACT: 0722 885 028**

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**PARTEC EAST AFRICA LIMITED.....CLAIMANT**

**-VERSUS-**

**JOSEPH KARANJA KAMAU.....RESPONDENT**

**-AND-**

**FAMILY BANK LIMITED.....**

**.....1<sup>st</sup> INTERESTED PARTY**

**DIRECTORATE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS**

**.....2<sup>nd</sup> INTERESTED PARTY**

To: **Joseph Karanja Kamau**

Take notice that a Suit dated 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025 has been filed in the above Court where you are the Respondent. Service of the suit and Mention Notice has been ordered by means of this advertisement. Copies of the suit may be obtained from the Court's Registry at Milimani or from the undersigned Advocates' office.

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** this matter will be mentioned on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2025 before Hon. Barbara Akinyi.

**TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that in default of your attendance on the said date and time, the Court may proceed to mention the matter ex parte and such Orders may be made as the Court may deem fit to grant.

**Dated at Nairobi** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2025

**KIMANI & MICHUKI ADVOCATES**

**ADVOCATES FOR THE CLAIMANT/APPLICANT**

**Drawn & Filed by:-**  
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**To Be Served Upon:**  
**Joseph Karanja Kamau**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

##### CHANGE OF USE. (PLUPA 2019)

The registered owner(s) of **KISUMU/NYAHARA/3497** on Kiboswa Darajambili road, Nyahera. Wishes to Change the use from **agricultural to commercial (ware houses)**. Subject to approval of County Government of Kisumu. Individuals with comments or objections to forward them within **fourteen days (14)**. Citing grounds of objection.

**CECM Lands Physical Planning & Urban Development**  
 P. O. Box 2378-4010 Kisumu.

#### FORM PLUPA/DC/3 (r.3)(3)(xi)

##### PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

##### NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of Plot L.R No. 8C Majengo B54 located in Kajiado Municipality, County Government of Kajiado, proposes to change its use from **Agricultural Land Use to Residential Multi-dwelling** subject to approval by the County Government of Kajiado, Individual(s), institution(s) or members of the public etc. With comments and or objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within **fourteen (14) days** of this notice to:

**The CECM-Lands, Physical Planning, Urban Development, Housing and Municipalities County Government of Kajiado P.O Box 11, Kajiado.**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Physical And Land Use Planning Act (Cap 303)

##### NOTIFICATION FOR CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of plot number **Manyatta/60** located at Manyatta, Ruguru-Ngandori Ward, intends to change its use from **Commercial to Industrial (Petrol station)** subject to approval from Embu County Government. Any individuals/organizations with objections or comments to the proposal are requested to forward the same in writing within **14 days** of publication of this notice to:

**The CEC-M Lands, Mining, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development, Embu County Government, P.O. Box, 36-60100 Embu.**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Physical And Land Use Planning Act (Cap 303)

##### NOTIFICATION FOR CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of parcel number **Gaturi/Githimu/6778** located at springvalley, Kirimari Ward, intends to change its use from **Agricultural to Residential (multi-dwelling units)** subject to approval from Embu County Government. Any individuals/organizations with objections or comments to the proposal are requested to forward the same in writing within **14 days** of publication of this notice to:

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#### THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

##### NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF PART DEVELOPMENT PLANS

Title of Plans:

i. Existing site for Kenya Red Cross Society Regional Hub - Marigat town  
 Plan Ref. No: NRB/358/2025/01

ii. Existing site for Kenya Red Cross Society Sirinyo  
 Plan Ref. No: NRB/358/2025/02

iii. Existing sites for:  
 A. Kenya Red Cross Society - Eludume  
 B. Eludume Dispensary  
 Plan Ref. No: NRB/358/2025/03

iv. Existing site for Kenya Red Cross Society - Chemolingot  
 Plan Ref. No: NRB/1162/2025/01

v. Existing site for Kenya Red Cross Society - Kapsergon  
 Plan Ref. No: NRB/8/2025/01

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 13(g), and 69(1 and 4) of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019 read together with Legal Notice No. 27 of 2020, the preparation of the above plans were on the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2025 completed.

The Plans relate to sites situated in Marigat, Baringo County.

Copies of the Plans as prepared have been deposited for public inspection free of charge at the offices of the National Director of Physical Planning-5th Floor, Ardi House Building and CECM in charge of Land, Housing and Urban Development-Baringo County between the hours of 8.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday.

Any interested person who wishes to make any representation in connection with or objection to the above Plan may send such representation in writing to be received by the National Director of Physical Planning, 1<sup>st</sup> Ngong' Avenue, Ardi House Building, P.O. Box 45025-00100, Nairobi or electronically via email: [ndpp@ardhi.go.ke](mailto:ndpp@ardhi.go.ke) not later than 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, and such representation or objection shall state the grounds on which it is made.

**DATED** the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of June, 2025.

**Dr. Plan. Peris C. Mangira, PhD, HSC**  
 National Director of Physical Planning  
 State Department for Lands and Physical Planning

#### THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)

##### NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF PART DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Title of Plan: Existing site for Kenya Red Cross Society- Bomet Town  
 Plan Ref. No: NRB/336/2025/02

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 13(g), and 69(1 and 4) of the Physical and Land Use Planning Act, 2019 read together with Legal Notice No. 27 of 2020, the preparation of the above plan was on the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2025 completed.

The Plan relates to a site situated in Bomet Town, Bomet County.

Copies of the Plan as prepared have been deposited for public inspection free of charge at the offices of the National Director of Physical Planning-5th Floor, Ardi House Building, Nairobi and CECM in charge of Lands, Housing and Urban Planning-Bomet County between the hours of 8.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday.

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**THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019)**

**NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF PART DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Title of Plan: Existing site for Kenya Red Cross Society - Leshau  
 Plan Ref. No: NRB/2/2025/01

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The Plan relates to a site situated in Leshau, Nyandarua County.

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**FORM PLUPA/DC/3 (r.3)(3)(xi) PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

**CHANGE OF USER**

The registered owner (s) of the property E.R.No. 1870/ VIII/15 (Nairobi Block 6/34) Along Peponi Gardens Road, Westlands proposes to change the user of the property from Single Dwelling to Multi Dwelling (Town Houses) Subject to approval by Nairobi City County. Any individuals, organisations, institutions etc with comments or objections are requested to forward the same in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice to: The CECM- Urban Planning, Lands and Housing, Nairobi City County, P.O. Box 30075-00100 Nairobi. Name of the Registered Planner: Kennedy M. Kaburu Reg. No. PP0353

**REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT AT THIKA ELC CASE NO. 215 OF 2017**

WANJIKU KARUKI..... PLAINTIFF  
 VERSUS  
 PAUL NJAU MUGO & 13 OTHERS..... DEFENDANTS

**HEARING NOTICE**  
 (By substituted service pursuant to orders issued on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025 by Hon. Justice J.A Mogeni of the Environment & Land Court at Thika)

TO: 1. Paul Mugo Njau 2. Daniel Njau Kamau 3. Samuel Githu Njau 4. Margaret Wanjiru Muchai 5. Justus Mulindi Mue 6. Philip Ngumo Njoroge

**TAKE NOTICE** that the above suit has been fixed for hearing of the main suit in the Environment & Land Court at Thika on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 2025 at 9.00 am or soon thereafter. **TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that if you do not attend by yourself or by someone duly authorized by law to act on your behalf the suit shall be heard and determined in your absence notwithstanding. DATED at Nairobi this 16<sup>th</sup> day of JULY 2025

**ODERO-OLONDE & COMPANY ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFF**

**DRAWN & FILED**  
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**REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT AT MALINDI CASE NUMBER MCEL/NO. E054 OF 2024**

**JUMWA KATUKU KOMBE... PLAINTIFF VERSUS KATANA WANJE..... DEFENDANT MENTION NOTICE**

**KATANA WANJE MALINDI**

**TAKE NOTICE** that the above mentioned matter has been fixed for mention on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at the Chief Magistrate's Court at 8.30 am or soon thereafter.

**TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that if no appearance is made by you or by someone authorized by law to do so on that date and time, the case will proceed in mention the said matter your absence notwithstanding.

Dated at Malindi this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.

**KHAMINWA & KHAMINWA ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFFS DRAWN & FILED BY**  
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### Death and Funeral Announcement



**Grace Muhenge Amuyunzu**

We regret to announce the death of our mother, Grace Muhenge Amuyunzu. She was wife of Moses Amuyunzu Andove.

Mother of the late Wycliff & Rahab, Mary & Isaac, the late Margaret, Fred, the late Rose, the late Esther, Caroline, Pauline & Eric, Nicholas & Victoria and the late Alice.

She was daughter of the late Ainea and Esther Mugolwa and daughter-in-law of the late Sabet and Timothy Andove.

She was sister of Fridah & Luvonga, the late Zinafa, the late Solomon, Florence & the late Luyali, and the late Tom & Prisca. She was sister-in-law of the late Milka, Zilipa and the late Naftali, the late Catherine, the late Meshack, the late Margaret & Rufas, Leah & Noah, Ruth & Albert, the late Peter and Gladys; and Simeon and the late Susan.

She was grandmother of Alvin & Sarah, Clare, Bonface & Daisy, Jared, Jansen, Maxwell & Precious, Faith, Diana, Jamie, Bravin, Abel, Abigael, Audrey, Bradley, Gift, Natasha, Leon & Gian.

She was great grandmother of Serian, Melissa, Mikel, Naila & Jayson. She was a niece, cousin, aunty and friend to many.

Funeral service will be held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 from 2.00pm to 4.00pm at SDA Karengata Church. The burial will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2025 in Lelget Village, Aldai Sub-county, Nandi County.

**Mom lived a life of service. We give thanks to God for her life.**

### Promotion To Glory



**Maureen Cheron Korir**  
07/12/1984 – 15/07/2025

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the sudden passing on of Maureen Cheron Korir, who went to be with the Lord on July 15, 2025. Maureen was the beloved daughter of Dr. David Kipkosgei Korir and Mrs. Rose Chelangat Korir. She was sister of Dr. Wycliffe Kipkurui Kosgei, Lynette Chepkoech Ochieng and Oscar Kipng'etich Kosgei.

She was also the sister-in-law of Dr. Faith Yego Kosgei and Pst. Dalton Ambrose Ochieng, and she was an aunt of Richard-Bryan Ochieng. She was a granddaughter of Zipporah Sang and niece of Jane, Alice, Hellen, Elijah, Symon, Edward, Joseph, Zakayo, Alfred, Robert, and a cousin to many.

Maureen previously worked at The Boma Hotel in Nairobi, Hotel Chalet Christiania in Switzerland, and Rupaz Fun N Fitness Center. She was also the owner of Uptown Coffee House in Eldoret.

Maureen was a cherished daughter, a dear friend, and a faithful servant of God. She touched many lives through her fellowship at CITAM Eldoret, Calvary Chapel, and ICC Nairobi, as well as through her dedicated service with Aflewo – Eldoret.

Maureen will be laid to rest on Saturday, July 26, 2025, at the family farm adjacent to Kapsaret Water Dam, past Eldoret International Airport in Mlango area.

**John 15:15 "I no longer call you servants .... Instead, I have called you friends."**

### Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with deep sorrow we announce the death of Mama Roselida Akeng'o Asiachi.

Daughter of the late Zacheus and Clara Siatikho. She was wife of the late Professor Adams Asiachi formerly of Kenyatta University.

Mother of the late Rebecca Awotsi, the late James Asiachi, Charles Opolu and Wellington Okola. Mother-in-law of Priscah, Sylvia and Judith.

Grandmother of Steve and Risper, Tracy, Sharlet, Hope, Adams, Ernest Claire, Shaleen, Cindy and Prince.

Great grandmother of Olivia, Valarie, Ethan and Prince.

She was sister of Dickson Siatikho and Edward Omukhango. Sister-in-law of the late Besi Indika, Donald Simwa, Rev. Silvanus Asiachi, Noah Asiachi and Jethro Otieno.

The cortege leaves Masaba Hospital Mortuary on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025 to Mulukhambi church of God for a church service.

She will be laid to rest at her home in Mulukhambi Village on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 4 vs 7 "I have fought a good fight, I have finished the race, and I have kept the faith"**



**Roselida Akeng'o Asiachi**

### Death and Funeral Announcement

With humble acceptance of God's will we sadly announce the death of Margaret Njeri Kimama.

Wife of the late Joseph Kimama Kirunda, sister of Mary Wanjiku Matimu and the late Rahab Wambui Kamau.

Mother of Anne Njoki Kariuki, Stephen Karugu Kimama, James Muiruri Kimama (Cuba), Rose Wambui Kiarie (USA), Angela Waithera Motanya, Late John Kinyanjui, Late Lucy Wanjiru Njoroge and Late Hellen Wanjiku.

Mother-in-law of Nancy Wanjiku Karugu, John Njoroge Mbatia, Kiarie Kariuki (USA), Daniel Motanya Nyamboga, Veronica Wanjiru Muiruri and the late Joseph Kariuki Macharia.

She has left behind many grandchildren and many great grandchildren.

Meetings are being held everyday at her home in Kigami Village Lioki from 4:00pm.

The cortege will leave Kenyatta University Funeral Home Thika Road on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 8:00 am. The mass will be held at Lady of Victory Catholic Church Lioki at 12:00 noon followed by the burial at her home in Kigami Village Lioki, Ikinu Location Githunguri.

**"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on... they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them." Rev 14:13**



**Margaret Njeri Kimama**

### Celebration of a Life Well Lived



**Esther Toroitich Rotich**  
Sunrise: 22.02.1958 - Sunset: 19.07.2025

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Esther Toroitich Rotich that occurred on 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2025.

Daughter of the late Mzee Luka Kamar, the late Kogo Toiyoi Kamar and Kogo Kimoi Kamar. Daughter in-law of Kugo William Chelulei and the late Kogo Eunice Chelulei.

Loving wife of Daniel Kiptarus Mase Rotich. Mother of Cyndi Jebet, Rita Jekporir, Angela Jekporir, Ken Kiptoo and Bob Kipkoeh. Mother-in-law of Duncan Beet and loving Grandmother of Hope Eva.

Sister of Mary Kiboss, the late Dr. Kamar, Joseph Kamar, Lily Seronei, Ruth Kolil, Prof. Kamar, Kibet Kamar (KK), Susan Mibei, Charles, Elizabeth, Nerisa, and the late Chris among others. Sister-in-law of Esther Atino, Elizabeth Chebil, Grace Musyimi, the late Sarah Jeptum, Lucas Rotich and Rose Rotich.

A fundraising will be held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 at Professional Centre, Nairobi at 5:00PM. The requiem Mass will be held on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 at 2:00pm at St. Michael Catholic Church, Langata.

The burial ceremony will take place on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 at home in Tachasis Village, Flax, Kaptagat, Elgeyo-Marakwet county.

**"Mummi, you fought a good fight and kept the faith. May your soul rest in peace"**

### Death and Funeral Announcement

With humble acceptance of God's will, we celebrate the life of Lillian Nyambura Kanyi, beloved wife of the late Jesse Kanyi Kariuki, who was called to glory on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

Lillian was the cherished daughter of the late Josphat Kamau and Helen Wangeci, and a devoted servant of God who touched many lives through her unwavering faith, warmth, and compassion.

She was a loving mother of the late Nelly Sila, the late Alex Kariuki, David Ndegwa, Timothy Kibui, Mwangi Kanyi, and Anne Mabwai; and a dear mother-in-law of Taylor Sila, Mercy Kariuki, Hidder Kibui, Carol Mwangi, Andrew Mabwai and doing Cucu of many grandchildren.

She was a beloved sister of C.R. Mwangi Kamau, the late Walter Kariuki, the late Wanjohi Kamau, the late Hoseah Mwangi, Lorna Muthoni, Danson Kabui, Naomi Wanjiru, Elder George Muraguri, Judy Wairimu, and Wilson Waweru. She was also a cherished auntie to many.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> July 2025, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at YMCA Shauri Moyo, Kamukunji.

The cortege will depart Kenyatta University Mortuary at 7:00 AM on Tuesday, July 29, 2025, for the funeral service in Muthuthini village, Gikondi, Mukurweini, Nyeri County.

Planning meetings are ongoing daily at her residence in Uhuru Estate, starting at 6:00 PM.

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



**Lillian Nyambura Kanyi**

### Death and Funeral Announcement

We regret to announce the passing of Peter Mwangi Mirugi Mathenge (General), formerly of the Municipality of Nyeri, which occurred on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

He was the son of Freedom Fighter General Stanley Mathenge Mirugi and Freedom Fighter Miriam Muthoni Mathenge Mirugi.

Beloved husband of Mary Karungari Mwangi Mirugi. Loving father of Stanley Mathenge, Wilson Waturu, Issack Karonji, John Gitonga, and Michael Machira. Cherished father-in-law of Faith Wagaki, Judy Nyambura, Nancy Muthoni, Irene Wangui, and Esther Muthoni. He was the brother of Lucy Wanjiru, Wambui, and the late Karonji, Njeri, and the late David Ndiritu. Son-in-law of John Gitonga, Peter Theuri Karueru, Mathenge Karueru and Benjamin Karueru. Brother-in-law of Consolata Muriuki, Jane Njoroge, Teresa Njeru, Millicent Wanjiru, Janet Wambui and others.

Uncle of Samuel Mathenge, Stanley Ndiritu, Martin Kamano, Millicent Muthoni, and James Kariuki, among others. Cousin of Weston Kereru, John Maigwa, Wambui machira, Mirugi Muthondio and Martin Mirugi, among others. Nephew of Samuel Mathenge, Stanley Ndiritu, Martin Kamano, Millicent Muthoni, and James Kariuki. Doting Grandfather of Nicole Karungari, Lewis Mwangi, Eric Mwangi, Abigail Karungari, Alvin Gitonga, Joy Karungari, Mwangi Mathenge, Caleb Mirugi, Jayden Mirugi, Mahenia Mathenge, Calvin Macharia, Stanley Mathenge, and Alayah Wangari.

Family and friends are meeting daily at Blue Springs Hotel, Nairobi, and at his Mweiga home from 5:00 PM for prayers and funeral arrangements. The cortege will leave Mary Immaculate Funeral Home, Mweiga, on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> July 2025, at 8:00 AM. The funeral service will be held at his residence in Ex-Willy, Labura, Mweiga, at 8:00AM.

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



**Peter Mwangi Mirugi Mathenge (General)**

### Death and Funeral Announcement



**Simon Nyamu Maina**

Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company Limited regrets to announce the death of Simon Nyamu Maina, which occurred on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025. He hails from Muranga County, Mathioya Sub-county, Kiru Location, Kagumoini Sub-location, Mananga Village.

Son of the late Morrison Maina Kariuki and the late Annah Njoki Maina. Husband of Leah Wambura Njuki. Brother of Charles Kariuki Maina, Victoria Wangari Maina, Susan Muthoni Burundi and the late Johnah Kimani Maina.

Friends and relatives are meeting daily at his home in Kasarani, Sunton at 6:00pm for prayers and funeral arrangements.

The Cortege leaves Montezuma Kabati Mortuary on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 8:30 am for funeral service and burial at his rural home in Muranga County, Mathioya Sub-county, Kiru location, Kagumoini Sub-location, Mananga Village.

**MAY THE ALMIGHTY GOD REST HIS SOUL IN ETERNAL PEACE.**

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### Celebration of a Life Well Lived

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the demise of Hezron Wainaina Iguku on 19th July, 2025 at his home following a bravely borne illness.

He was son of the late Joseph Iguku Wainaina and the late Naomi Njeri Iguku.

He was loving husband of the late Esther Mumbi Wainaina and Hannah Wanjiru Wainaina. Brother of Ruth Wanjiku Iguku.

Father of Naomi Njeri, Lucy Muthoni, Joseph Iguku, the late Stephen Mbugua, Ruth Wanjiku, Michael Mbugua, Naomi Njeri, Beth Wanjiku, Joseph Iguku, Ruth Njoki and Ben Waweru. He was grandfather to many.

Family and friends are meeting daily at his home Karii, Muguga near Muguga Model primary School from 5.00pm.

The cortege leaves PCEA Thogoto Mortuary at 9.00am on Friday 25th July, 2025 for a Requiem mass at Heritage Grounds Muguga Hagiciini and thereafter burial at his home Karii Muguga, Kiambu County.

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



**Hezron Wainaina Iguku**  
1960 ~ 2025

### Death and Funeral Announcement



**Daniel Guy Kithimba**

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of our beloved father, Daniel Guy Kithimba, which occurred on Wednesday, 16th July 2025.

The late Daniel Guy Kithimba was the son of the late Kyambo Kithimba and the late Esther Nzakwa Kithimba.

He was a beloved brother of the late Boniface Kilonzo, the late Elizabeth Mueni Kithimba, the late Kyambo, Agnes Wanza, Dominic Muthya, Fred Nzau, Mary Kiluu, Mutasya, Mwania. He was step brother of Eng. Elijah Kithimba, James Maingj and late Ndila.

He was the devoted husband of Margaret Kasiva Kithimba, and a loving father of Jacqueline Mutinda, George Nzioki and Caroline Mwikali.

He was doting father-in-law of Mumbi Ngure.

He was a loving grandfather of Nathan Guy, Owen Guy, Rozie Kasiva and Danny Ngure.

There will be a fundraiser at his residence in Ruai behind Josnah Primary School on 26th July 2025.

Daniel will be laid to rest on the 30th of July 2025 at his home in Kwakathule, in Kangundo, Machakos county.

*"The righteous man perishes, and no one takes it to heart; devout men are taken away, and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil." — Isaiah 57:1*

### Death and Funeral Announcement



**James Kamau Njuguna**  
Sunrise: 1949 - Sunset: 2025

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on to glory of James Kamau Njuguna on 17th July 2025, after a short illness.

Son of the late Joseph Njuguna and the late Mary Wanjiru. Brother of the late Daniel Kirubi, the late Benson Njenga, Hannah Muthoni, Philip Maina, the late Wanjiku Ndung'u and Dr. Joseph Mungu Njuguna. Loving husband of the late Mary Wanjiru, the late Pricilla Nyambura and Pauline Wanjiku.

Loving father of Joseph Njuguna, Elizabeth Wanjiru, Mary Wanjiru, Margaret Wairimu, John Njuguna, Anne Muthoni, Samuel Gichuru, Duncan Mwangi, Samuel Maina.

Grandfather of Elizabeth, Dahir, Pokasi, Alexander, Njuguna, Rachel, Junior, Felix, Kinyanjui, Shadrack, Joseph, Anthony, Maxwell, Shiru, Nyambura, Isaac, Hussein, Mohammed, Malic, Imla, Paul, Charles, Lemuel and Liam. Great grandfather of Mary, Elizabeth, Samuel, Elisha, Christant and Wairimu.

Cousin of Bishop Karanja, Bishop Kiarie, Anthony Gachau, Kirubi, the late Ann Francisca Thuo, Wanjiku, Njeri, Wakonyo, Murugi, Kamau, Shadrack, Zachary and others. He was a great friend of Hon. Dr. Joseph Wainaina (Mp), Mr. James Maina Gicheru, Paul Mbugua and others.

Family, friends and church are meeting daily at his Kahuroko home for prayers and funeral arrangements from 7:00 p.m. The funeral service and burial will be held on Saturday, 26th July 2025, at Yamumbi Cemetery, Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County.

*Corinthians 5:1... "For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven not built by human hands"*  
Forever in our hearts.

### Promotion To Glory

It is with profound sorrow and acceptance of God's will, that we announce the passing-on of a brother, husband, father & grand-father: Mwalimu John Kiango Ngomo of Uthini Village; Kawethei Location; Kangundo Sub-County Machakos, which took place on 14th July 2025.

He was the son of the late Mr and Mrs Paul Ngomo Kiango. A loving husband of Mary Katungwa (Rtd. Teacher). A devoted father of Alfonse Nzioka (C.I.C Insurance), Caroline Mueni (W.E.F), Stephen Ngomo (L.C Markets Kenya), Jennifer Mukii (HFC Bank), and Ruth Ndinda (HFC Bank).

Father-in-law of Joyce Kanini Nzioka and Ruby Moraa Ngomo. Grandfather of Angel Betty Nzioka. He was son-in-law of the late Reuben Nzioka Mwilu and Serah Mukii Nzioka.

He was brother of Solomon Mbilli, the late Daniel Mutinda, Jacob Nzioki, Serah King'oo, Elizabeth Kituku, Philip Mutiso, Henry Muryao (Survey of Kenya), Joyce Ndinda, Beatrice Kamene (Kitui M.O.H), late Dr. Jeremiah Nding'u and Ruth Muryiva (Kyenii Primary School).

He was brother-in-law of Regina Mbilli, Francisca Nzioki, Florence Mutinda, Serah Mutiso, Elizabeth Muryao, Rev. Salome Malu, Bishop Dr. Moris Muthembwa, King'oo Katumo, Daniel Mwanthi, the late Raphael Mutua Nzioka, Sylvester Muindi Nzioka, the late Vincent Mutei Nzioka, Rosalia Muthike Wambua, Nicholas Nzioka, Kioko Nzioka, Mutiso Nzioka, Nthoki Nzioka & Wambua Nzioka.

He was uncle of Christine Mueni, Lucy Nzioki, Nancy Mutinda, Dr. Francis Kituku, Jackline Mueni, Duncan Ngomo, Prince Mwanthi, Caleb Ngomo, Patience Nduku, Lydia Mueni among many others. He was also cousin of Onesmus Mbatha (USA), Allan Simu, Rev. Simba Kitooni and many others. Prayers and funeral arrangements will be taking place daily at his home in Uthini Village.

The cortege will leave Montezuma funeral home (Mks) on 26/7/2025 at 7:00 am. The funeral service will be held at A.B.C Uthini grounds and thereafter he will be laid to rest at his home in Uthini Kawethei. Contributions to support funeral arrangements can be made to Mpesa No. 0714538378 - Stephen Kiango.

*"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His faithful servants" Psalms 116:15*



**Mwalimu John Kiango Ngomo**

### Celebrating A Life Well Lived



**Hon. Catherine Moraa Nyamato**

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the promotion to glory of **Hon. Catherine Moraa Nyamato**, who departed this life on 16th July, 2025, at her home in Nyansiongo, Nyamira County. She was born in West Mugirango, Nyamira, on 28th February, 1949.

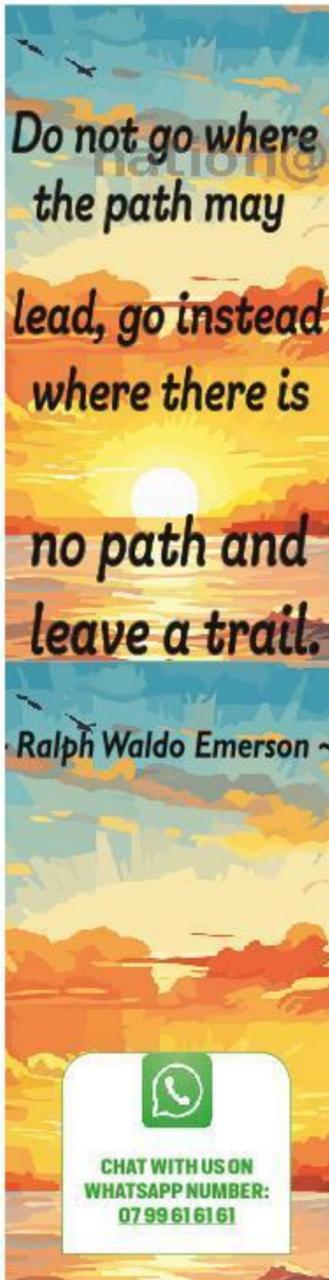
Hon. Nyamato was the beloved wife of the late **John Silas Nyamato**.

She was the cherished daughter of the late Alexander Onkangi Ocharo and Pauline Nyabiage. She is survived by her loving children: Roselyn Kwenda, Maureen Nyamato (USA), Dr Ernest Nyamato, Peter Nyamato, and Judy Nyamato.

She was a respected Kenyan civil servant and politician, serving as Chief Principal Immigration Officer and later as a Member of Parliament, advocating for the welfare of Kenyans. Her body is preserved at the Lee Funeral Home, Nairobi. Family members and friends are meeting daily for prayers at her Kitisuru Country Homes residence (house No.1), Nyansiongo home (Kijauri) and All Saint's Cathedral from 5.00pm. The main fundraising will take place on Tuesday, 5th August, from 5.00pm at All Saint's Cathedral. Friends and family members can also send their contributions directly to Dr Ernest Nyamato via **Till No. 3388688 (Buy Goods)**

Further details regarding the burial date will be communicated at a later date.

*Psalm 23:4: "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff comfort me."*



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### Celebrating the Life of



**Wilson Rienye Gukura**

It is with deep sorrow, but with acceptance of God's will, that we announce the passing on of our beloved Wilson Rienye Gukura.

Wilson was the cherished son of Patrick Newton Gukura Muraya and Susan Wamucii Gukura, and a loving brother of Innocent Muraya Gukura and the late Shelmith Njamiu Gukura. He was a brother-in-law of Sylvia Wanjiru Muraya, and also a sibling of Anthony, Frida, and Peace.

Professionally, Wilson served diligently as the Logistics and Marketing Director at Patnet Steel Makers Manufacturers.

Wilson was called to eternal rest on Sunday, 13th July 2025, while undergoing treatment for Pituitary Adenoma. We remember Wilson with gratitude, love, and admiration for the life he lived and the light he brought into our lives. His legacy of love, faith, and resilience will forever remain in our hearts. His absence leaves a void that will be deeply felt for years to come.

Prayer meetings are going on daily from 6:00 PM at Kahawa Sukari B, Kiu River Road, Mimosa Court, Kianjogu, Mathira West and PCEA Buru Buru Church. The cortege will leave Kenyatta University Referral Mortuary on Friday 25th July 2025 at 7:00am. Burial ceremony will be held on the same day at Kianjogu, Kirimukuyu Location, Mathira West Constituency, Nyeri County.

*"To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." — 2 Corinthians 5:8*  
May his soul rest in eternal peace.



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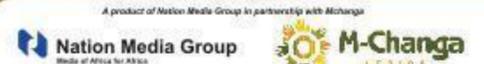
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# Sport

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Stars coach McCarthy says he is fully in charge of the team amidst reports of a rift in the camp **←P.32**

## Golf

### 78 to battle it out at Sigona in Kenya's first 'major'

BY LARRY NGALA

At least 78 golfers from eight countries have converged at Sigona Golf Club for Kenya's first "golf major".

The Kenya Amateur Match Play Championship comes after last weekend's Kabete Open at Vet Lab Sports Club where South Africa's Kapur Pranay scored an upset victory.

Due to the huge entry, the leading golfers from Kenya, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Austria, Mauritius and India will first battle it out in a 36-hole stroke play rounds today, after which the top 32 golfers will move to the match play that starts on Friday morning.

The tournament forms part of the "Kenya Swing Series" that kicked off with the Kabete Open last weekend, and whose other event, the Kenya Amateur Stroke Play Championship, has been attracting a big following because the winner automatically earns a slot in the Magical Kenya Open.

#### Order of merit

This is in addition to the Kenya Amateur Golf Championship (KAGC) series Order of Merit points, plus the World Amateur Golf Rankings. There is a cash prize of Sh694,000 with the winner taking home Sh130,000.

And fresh from his victory in the Kabete Open, Pranay, 21, from Royal Johannesburg Golf Club, is likely to attract a big follow.

"I am really looking forward to play well in the Match Play this time around hoping I can get a chance of playing in the Magical Kenya Open," said Pranay after his victory at Vet Lab.

He first played in Kenya during last year's event, at Windsor Golf Hotel and Country. Pranay battled his way to the semi-finals where he lost to Uganda's Joseph Cwinyaa. The Ugandan later lost to his compatriot Michael Alunga in the final. Alunga had beaten the then defending champion Michael Karanga who is among the leading Kenyan players listed for action this weekend.

**National Secondary School Games** Kwale's Mwanambeyu eye glory in maiden appearance

## Butere Girls aim for third straight football crown



Jacinta Musanga (left), of Wiyeta Secondary from Rift Valley Region, challenges Valencia Joyangela of Butere Girls, from Western Region, during the KSSSA Term Two Games girls' football final at Bukhungu Stadium in Kakamega on August 12, 2023. PHOTO | FILE

Confident national champions from Western are, in fact, even thinking about the regional title

BY AGNES MAKHANDIA

Reigning champions Butere Girls High School coach Howard Shikanga has declared that they are going for a third consecutive football title in the Kenya Secondary School Sports Association National Term Two Games that kick off in Kakamega on Sunday.

"We are in a relatively easy pool and I believe the real work for us will start in the semi-finals. We are determined to defend the national title," Shikanga said yesterday.

Added the computer and mathematics teacher: "We are also targeting the East Africa trophy after we lost to St Noah Girls of Uganda 1-0 in last year's final in Kampala. We have a rich technical bench in Edwin Sakwa and Andrew Diego who step in when I'm attending class sessions."

Butere are drawn in Pool "B" alongside fellow Western Region side Madira Girls, Nyanza Region champions Kobala Mixed Secondary School and little known Mwanambeyu Secondary School, from Kwale.

Kobala's Deputy Principal and coach Julius Aminga said they are returning to the national games a better side, having missed the last two editions, in 2023 and 2024.

"Last year, the school competed at the Europe Day Tournament in Romania and won the title. Our school,

alongside Highway Boys High School from Nairobi, won the slots during the qualifiers at Ulinzi Sports Complex in Lang'ata. Kobala beat Dagoretti Mixed School 4-1 to earn the ticket to the Romania tournament. We got experience and exposure that have come in handy," said Aminga, a chemistry and agriculture teacher.

"We last competed in the East Africa Games in 2015 in Rwanda. We hope to clinch the ticket to the regional games that will be hosted in Kenya. Our team captain Scovia Awour was part of the Kenya Under-17 team that competed in the World Cup in Dominican Republic and so she brings vast experience to the squad," he added.

Kobala humiliated Sepsi 17-0 and Csitereba 5-0 in the three-team tournament in Romania.

Newcomers Mwanambeyu, from Ganze Constituency, said they are ready for the games with coach Joseph Oyoo saying they are targeting the title in their maiden appearance.

"Our feat is historical. I started the team last year but we failed to go past county level competition. We went back to the drawing board, got our act together and now we have qualified for the nationals," he said.

Mwanambeyu beat Kachororoni Secondary School 4-2 during the regional final to qualify for the nationals, for the first time.

## RUGBY

### Boks leave out experienced trio ahead of Australia tests

South Africa have named their squad for the two Rugby Championship tests at home to Australia next month as they begin the defence of their title, with no place for double World Cup winners Lukhanyo Am, Faf de Klerk and Makazola Mapimpi. The experienced trio are on a stand-by list in case of injury as coach Rassie Erasmus named a 37-player group. (Reuters)

## TENNIS

### Sinner re-appoints former fitness coach Ferrara

Wimbledon champion Jannik Sinner (right) has re-appointed his former fitness coach Umberto Ferrara with immediate effect, the Italian world number one confirmed on yesterday. Sinner parted ways with Ferrara and physiotherapist Giacomo Naldi last year following the investigation into his positive tests for banned substance clostebol in March. (Reuters)



## GRAND PRIX

### Japanese GP to remain on MotoGP calendar until 2030

The Japanese Grand Prix will stay on the MotoGP calendar until 2030 after a new contract was signed to continue holding races in Motegi, the motorcycling organisation said yesterday. The Japanese GP has been a part of the world championship since 1990, with Motegi staging the race since 2004. Media reports said 229,000 spectators attended the event last year over three days, as Francesco Bagnaia won the Grand Prix. (Reuters)

TRANSFER

# International 'Japolo' Ooro relishing life at KCB Rugby

BY AYUMBA AYODI

Kenya Sevens captain George 'Japolo' Ooro has said joining a big club like eight-time Kenya Cup champion KCB Rugby is every player's dream.

Ooro, who joins KCB, who are also four-time national sevens champions, from Strathmore University Leos, said he already feels at home having been welcomed warmly at the KCB Sports Club in Ruaraka.

"Expectations are high not only for the new players joining but also for the regulars at the den especially after the team finished last season without any major trophy," said Ooro.

Ooro goes straight into the SportPesa National Sevens Circuit campaign with the bankers. The Circuit starts with Driftwood Sevens at Mombasa Sports Club this weekend.

"It's a good move... it's every player's dream to play for a top club in the country and KCB does not need any introduction," said the 25-year-old, who is eyeing a great start in the sevens circuit before the more defining 15s season.

"My main goal is to give my best. It will be a good start if KCB reclaim the national title," said Ooro.

Ooro is a physically versatile who can mix it well playing in the opening and in tight situations

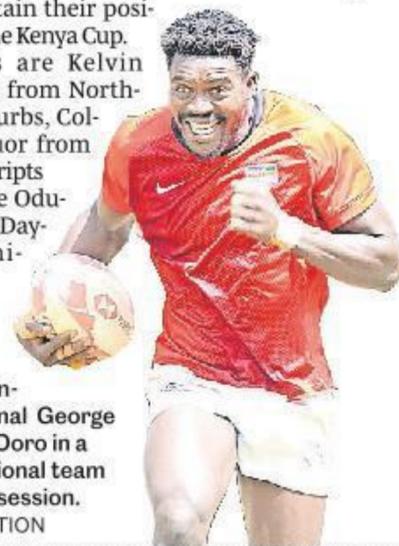
He joins KCB alongside Strathmore Leos duo of second row John Aswani, and fly-half Steven "Zola" Osumba.

Kenya Under-20 and Kabras winger Brandon Biko Lusisa, Joseph Wanja, and Ian Oduor have signed for the Lions from Kabras Sugar.

Lusisa, a former Koyonzo Secondary School star, was on loan at Kisumu where he helped them retain their position in the Kenya Cup.

Others are Kelvin Ochieng from Northern Suburbs, Collins Oduor from Nondescripts and Mike Oduor from Daystar University Falcons.

Kenya Sevens international George 'Japolo' Ooro in a past national team training session. FILE | NATION



## Sevens rugby SportPesa bets on series with Sh15m sponsorship, KBL gives Sh3m



Patrick Odongo (right) of Daystar Falcons attempts to beat a Strathmore Leos player during their Driftwood Sevens fifth place play-off match at Mombasa Sports Club on September 8, last year. KEVIN ODITI | NATION

# You must feature in national circuit to be selected to Kenya 7s teams, KRU tells players

Union director Odera says selection panel will be formed to make exercise efficient

BY AYUMBA AYODI

Only players who will feature in the 2025 SportPesa National Sevens Circuit will be considered for selection to Kenya teams.

Kenya Rugby Union (KRU) Director of Rugby Paul Odera warned yesterday that the only players who get exemption from this rule of making it to Kenya Sevens and Kenya Lionesses sides are those nursing injuries or have professional contracts outside the country.

At the same time, Odera said that the union will revive the national team selection panel that has not been in place for the last three years so as to instil professionalism in the exercise.

Odera said that coaches of teams participating in the National Sevens Circuit will be required to submit seven names of the players they think should be in the national teams.

SportPesa and Kenya Breweries Limited at the same time renewed their sponsorship for the six-leg national circuit that will for the first time feature the Embu Sevens. A women's competition will feature in four legs of the series.

SportPesa partnerships manager Willis Ojwang unveiled Sh15 million sponsorship for this year's circuit, which includes Sh9 million for the six host clubs. Last year the betting firm gave the circuit Sh16.5 million in sponsorship.

Kenya Breweries Limited sponsored the circuit for Sh3 million.

The popular series gets underway on July 26 to 27 with the Driftwood Sevens at the Mombasa Sports Club before action moves to Nakuru Athletics Club for the Prinsloo Sevens on August 2 to 3.

Kenya Harlequin, who are the circuit defending champions will host Christie Sevens on August 16 to 17 at the Rugby Football Union of East Africa ground with Embu Rugby Club staging Embu Sevens on August 23 to 24 at the Njukiri Showground, Embu.

Mwamba will host the Kabeberi Sevens on September 6 to 7 at RFUEA ground while Kisumu Rugby Club will stage Dala Sevens on September 13 to 14 at the Jomo Kenyatta International Stadium, Mamboleo, Kisumu.

Women's sevens will feature at Prinsloo Sevens, Christie Sevens,

Embu Sevens and Kabeberi Sevens.

"I will request for patience as far as the formulation of the panel of selectors is concerned because we want to get it right. We want credible people who will help the national team coaches and not individuals that will fan controversies," said Odera. He said the inclusion of former international players in the panel was desirable.

KRU chairperson Harriet Okatch thanked SportPesa and KBL for walking the journey with rugby and for coming on board as the sponsors for the National Seven Circuit.

The overall circuit winners will pocket Sh550,000, runners up Sh300,000 and third placed Sh150,000.

Winning a leg will earn a club Sh100,000 in prize money, with runners up getting Sh50,000 and third placed teams Sh25,000.

0.55

Million shillings that will be given to the KRU National Sevens Circuit winner as prize money this season

0.3

Million Shillings on offer in prize money for the winner of each leg of the KRU National Sevens Circuit this season

# Super subs save the day as England go through to Women's Euro final

GENEVA

Just when England's reign as women's European champions appeared to be coming to an end, their bench cavalry rode to the rescue once more as substitutes Michelle Agyemang (right) and Chloe Kelly got the goals that put them into the Euro 2025 final.

Trailing 1-0 deep into second-half stoppage time against Italy in their Euro 2025

semi-final, the defending champions looked beaten, but Agyemang levelled to force extra time and Kelly snatched the winner to seal England's place in Sunday's final in Basel.

For the second game in a row, the pair came on and proved decisive, and with Beth Mead also impressing from among the ranks of the replacements, England coach Sarina Wiegman has some welcome selection problems ahead of the decider

against either Germany or Spain.

Just as she did against Sweden in the quarter-final, Agyemang came off the bench to level, and though that game went to a penalty shoot-out, this time Kelly needed only the rebound from one late spot-kick to send her side through.

Agyemang has been a colossus for England in her substitute appearances to date, providing power, physicality and a nose for goal when they need it most - not bad for a

19-year-old who was a ball girl for an England game at Wembley only four years ago.

Kelly's wing work has been equally exemplary, her unshakeable confidence allowing her to persistently create chances and change every game she entered.

Their contributions were vital. Italy defended with a mix of heroism, wisdom and cynicism that looked to be enough to see them into the final for the first time since 1997. (Reuters)





## Rugby

Strict rule set for selection to Kenya sevens men's and women's teams P.32



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## 2024 AFRICAN NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIP

9 days to go



## United in football - 'Pamoja' is the tournament's theme

BY CECIL ODONGO AND AGENCIES

As football fever grips Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda ahead of the TotalEnergies CAF African Nations Championship 2024, the continental football body CAF has launched the tournament's official poster and theme (below) under the banner "Pamoja".

The competition will run from August 2 to 30.

"Pamoja" -- Swahili for together, was the name given to the three East African countries' bid campaign for the 2027 Africa Cup of Nations.

The 2024 Chan edition will be co-hosted by Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania. This will be the first time the biennial tournament's will be held in three nations in its 16-year history.

"Pamoja embodies the spirit of togetherness, harmony, and shared ambition. It reflects the collective strength of African communities and the values that football brings to life, teamwork, collaboration and solidarity," said CAF in a press communication this week.

Only players featuring in their respective local leagues are eligible to play in Chan that is aimed at a celebration of homegrown talent and a showcase of the depth and diversity of African football.

Citizens from the three East Africa nations speak and understand Swahili which is also spoken by over 200 million people across Africa.

According to CAF, the offi-

cial tournament poster outlines how vibrant African football is and the unique cultural heritage of the host nations.

"Designed with bold, energetic motifs, the poster showcases East African landmarks and symbolic elements that resonate with the values of Pamoja" the tournament owners said.

"As excitement builds for Chan 2024, the Pamoja campaign will roll out across multiple media platforms, incorporating fan engagement activities, digital storytelling, and grassroots football initiatives aimed at strengthening the connection between the tournament and African communities," the CAF press release further said.

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Confederation of African Football



## Beefing up Proven international striker Masoud Juma in Kenya's plans

# 'I am fully in charge'

Kenya coach McCarthy refutes talk of any rift in camp, happy with progress of the team

Kenya head coach Benni McCarthy addresses the media after a team training session at Nyayo National Stadium, Nairobi yesterday. CHRIS OMOLLO | NATION



BY CECIL ODONGO

Harambee Stars coach Benni McCarthy yesterday asserted that he was fully in charge of the team amidst reports of a rift in the camp.

Some football pundits on social media last week indicated that the coach was forced to eject a number of players who had reported to camp with neither his invitation nor approval.

McCarthy, acknowledged that he heard of the stories and called on those making the claims to come forward and name the players concerned.

"Kindly give me names please and back it up with facts so that I know who came to my squad without my knowledge. Every player has been here for two weeks with the exception of Felix Oluoch who impressed when we played a combined team and was a standout player," said the 48-year-old South African coach.

"As a technical team, what

Oluoch showed in the friendly game was enough to convince us that he can join the team. I'm very professional and if there is anybody claiming so, let him back it up with evidence. I'm fully in charge of this squad," added McCarthy.

He said he was at liberty to make any addition or subtraction to his squad at the camp if he felt the need to do so.

McCarthy was speaking at a well attended conference at Nyayo National Stadium during Harambee Stars' first training session after returning to the country following their withdrawal from the Cecafo Four Nations tournament in Arusha without kicking a ball on Monday.

The Kenya coach said he would not be effected by sideshows and was happy with the progress of the team in training ahead of the 19-nation tournament that kicks off on August 2.

"We are working on fitness and mass training sessions where my

players can play for 90 and even extra time. I'm pleased with everything on fitness and we are hitting over 500km in distance covered so far," said McCarthy.

He revealed that he has drafted international Masoud Juma, a former player of Kariobangi Sharks.

"He is back in Kenya and signed with a local team and is eligible to play since he is registered with the league.

"I have known him since we were at an international camp and I signed him to play in the South African league.

"I have spoken to him, I know his quality, he has a lot of experience and if his style is good as what we have seen, I will draft him in the final team. He is from an international team to a local club thus he can play," said McCarthy.

But McCarthy did not reveal which club Juma had joined while *Nation Sport* could not verify if indeed he had signed up for

a Kenyan outfit.

Kenya Police forward Mohamed Bajabeer, who has been training individual as he recovers from injury, is expected to link up with his mates.

On the prematurely ended Tanzanian tour, McCarthy said he was not satisfied with the quality of the pitch and couldn't risk his players' health.

"The conditions were not favourable to us, we could have got more injuries and for safety reasons, the well being of the players, we decided not to play and so came back," he said.

Shabana teen Austin Odongo, Gor Mahia duo of Alphonse Omiya and Austin Odhiambo echoed McCarthy sentiments saying the training sessions have been superb and it was all system go to shine in Chan.

There are currently 28 players in the Harambee Stars camp. The final 23 men to do duty at Chan will be chosen by the end of this week, McCarthy said.



# CBE CONNECT

Igniting minds, shaping futures



Music  
nurtured in  
***discipline*** and  
***confidence***

BY JOHN NJOROGE

**D**uring a recent visit to Anestar Schools in Nakuru County, we found music enthusiasts training ahead of the National Music Festivals planned for early next month in Meru County. The learners will represent their school in various categories during the event.

Emmanuel Wangai, 14, a Grade Eight learner, will represent his school as a

guitarist. "I started playing the guitar when I was in Grade Five in my former school. I used to attend my local church every Saturday and Sunday since I was in day school. To a large extent, I was inspired by the church band to play the guitar," recalls Emmanuel.

One day, Emmanuel said, his father surprised him with a brand-new guitar. This was after he noticed his interest in playing the instrument.

The second born in a family of three, Emmanuel says he was excited about the gift, especially since his father rarely surprised anyone, unless on special occasions.

He used to carry guitar to church for practice. Em-

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## Career Pathways

# Music nurtured in discipline, confidence and hard work



Elizabeth Karungari, 12 (left), a Grade Seven violin player, with a Grade Eight learner, Emmanuel Wangai, 14, during a training session at Anestar Schools in Nakuru County. They will represent their school in the National Music Festivals next month in Meru County. JOHN NJOROGE | NATION

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manuel said he is grateful to the church's band leader for the support he accorded him during the training sessions.

During his free time, he also watches videos on YouTube, to learn new skills and grow his talent.

When Emmanuel joined Grade Six, his mother urged him to attend classes on Saturdays as he prepared for his Kenya Primary School Education Assessment (KEPSEA). This would allow him to concentrate on his studies so that he could excel in the crucial exams. This left Emmanuel with Sunday as the only day he could practice playing guitar.

When he was transferred to his current school in 2024, he found there was an extravaganza. The teacher in charge of music was selecting pupils to join the Music Club.

"Being the only person who could play guitar in the school at the time, I knew I would earn automatic selection to join the music club," said Emmanuel, adding that he chose guitar because he wanted to play a different instrument from his father who was already playing piano, and his uncle, who played the saxophone. Following his passion and the support he received from his family and the school management, he excelled from the sub-county level to the national level competitions that were held in Eldoret last

year. Emmanuel bagged certificates in all the categories. The boy is optimistic he will clinch a top position and bag medals and trophies at the forthcoming National Music Festivals in Meru.

He says being determined, disciplined, focused and choosing the instrument that fits his capability has contributed to his success. He says the Competency-Based Education has helped him to grow and nurture his talent through Creative Arts and Sports, since he learnt how notes and keys are played.

His ambition is to record his own songs and open a music theatre to train budding musicians. He looks forward to becoming an international musician in the future. The boy says he also owes it to his grandmother who loved music and played guitar as well.

A Grade Seven learner, Elizabeth Karungari, who plays a violin, said: "When I was in Grade Four, I loved how my grandmother played the instrument. I started watching some TV shows which saw my interest in playing violin grew. Early this year, I requested my trainer, Mr Samuel Nyariki, to train me," said Elizabeth. She added that her within two weeks of intense training by her teacher, she was able to play the violin without much difficulty.

Elizabeth says she tirelessly practiced and learnt more skills from

YouTube. She requested her parents to buy her a violin so she could continue practicing during her free time, which they did. Aside from the help of her mother, Ms Ruth Mugure, who trained her, the girl also gets support from colleagues who encourage her to continue working hard. One time, she says, it became complicated for her and she contemplated quitting playing the instrument, but one of her friends encouraged her to carry on. The violin has become one of her favourite instruments since.

"I was happy when Mr Nyariki recently informed me that I would participate in the forthcoming national music festivals. I will do my best and I hope to receive a trophy in the competition that will be my first ever," says Elizabeth.

The girl, who urged her colleagues to explore and showcase their talents with confidence, thanked the school management for providing instruments that have enabled her and others to grow their talents.

Mr Nyariki, together with the school's head teacher, Mr Michael Ojango, say CBE has helped them identify talents and to showcase them.

"We have seen passion and cooperation from the learners and the parents who have continued to support their children as they nurture talents," said Mr Ojango.

## Career pathways corner

# Passion and purpose: How hobbies can shape your future career

BY DR EDWIN OGADA

**DID** you know that your favourite hobby could be the beginning of a future career? Whether it is drawing, coding, singing, playing football, fixing gadgets, baking, or storytelling, your passions matter. In junior school, you are not only learning about numbers, grammar, and science; you are also discovering who you are, what excites you, and where your talents lie. The Competency-Based Education (CBE) system encourages learners to grow not only in academics, but in creativity, confidence, and self-efficacy. That means your hobbies are not just 'fun', they are part of your personal development, and they could play a big role in what you do in future.

Hobbies give you a chance to develop real-world skills in a fun and relaxed way. For example, writing stories can build your communication and imagination skills; playing team sports can teach you leadership and collaboration; while drawing or building things develops problem-solving and creativity. These are the same core competencies that CBE aims to nurture - like critical thinking and digital literacy. And when you keep practicing something you love, you get better at it. Over time, that hobby may grow into a talent, and that talent could become your future career. Many successful musicians, designers, chefs, and engineers began exploring their interests at your age, just by doing what they enjoyed after school.

But just like side hustles for older learners, hobbies should not distract

you from your schoolwork. It is important to balance your time. Make sure you finish your assignments and study well, then set aside time for your hobbies. If possible, connect your hobby to school projects or clubs. For example, if you love drawing, join the art club or help decorate your class; if you enjoy computers, take part in digital learning programmes or coding challenges. Your parents and teachers can also support you by providing space, materials, or encouragement. Remember, CBE is all about developing the whole learner, not just your grades, but your goals, gifts, and grit.

So, go ahead and explore your passions; discover your purpose, and have fun while learning. Your hobby may seem minor now, but with time, practice, and dedication, it could open doors you never imagined. You are not just a student you are a future artist, engineer, teacher, athlete, or inventor in the making. And it all starts with what you love to do.



## Reading List

**BOOK: The Animal Boogie AUTHOR: Debbie Harter**

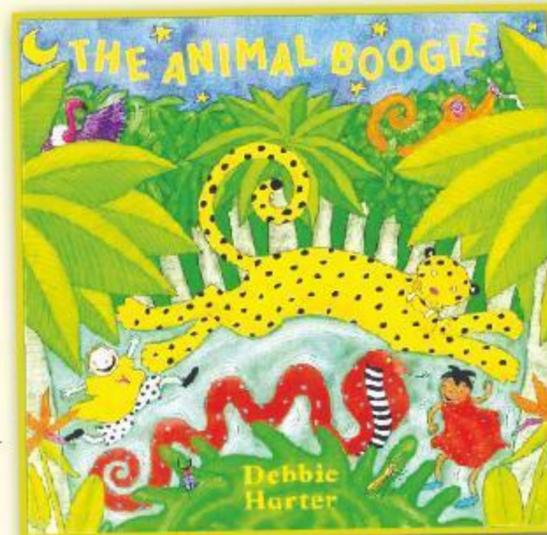
**PUBLISHER: Barefoot Books**

**REVIEWER: Rev. Kariuki wa Nyamu**

The story takes place in the animal world. It is fascinating to see different wild animals enjoy music, song and dance. They love swinging, flapping, shaking, leaping, slithering and boogie, woogie oogling! The narrator invites the reader to enjoy the story. For example, 'Down in the jungle, come if you dare! What can you see shaking here and there?' pping, stomping, slithering, and swaying.

Other most successful early learning books in this series include Walking through the Jungle, The Journey Home from Grandpa's and A Dragon on the Doorstep. You can look for them and enjoy the read, can't you?

Storybook cover picture by Rev. Kariukiwa Nyamu



# NiE at Kawangware Comprehensive School in Nairobi



Teachers at Kawangware Comprehensive School in Nairobi during the launch of the Newspapers in Education (NiE) programme. PHOTOS | CHRIS ADUNGO



Learners seek to answer trivia questions posed to them by the NiE team from Nation Media Group during the activation.



Members of the Journalism Club after the activation.



NMG's Market Development Partner Oscar Otieno hands Mukami Mwangi, the sponsor of the NiE programme at Kawangware Comprehensive School, a Taifa Leo t-shirt.

## Understanding primary Auxiliaries

**BY CAROLINE AMUNGA**

Every day, people give and follow instructions. Whether at home, school, or in public places, we hear sentences that tell us what to do. These sentences help guide actions and ensure things are done in the right way.

In English, we use imperative commands to give instructions, requests, advice, warnings, or orders. Imperative sentences are unique because they do not include a subject. The person receiving the instruction is understood, so we do not need to mention them directly.

Imagine you are in class, and the teacher says imperative sentences, understand their uses, see examples in different situations, and appreciate how they make communication smoother.

### Identifying imperative commands

An imperative command is a sentence that gives an instruction or command. Imperative sentences usually begin with a verb and tell someone to do or not do something. They can be positive (telling someone to do something) or negative

(telling someone not to do something).

### Examples:

- Positive imperative command: Stand up.
- Negative imperative command: Do not run in the classroom.

Imperative sentences do not need a subject because the person being addressed is always understood. For example, when a teacher says, "Open your books," they are talking to the learners, even though they do not mention "you" in the sentence.

### Use of imperative commands

**Imperative commands are used in many ways, including:**

1. Giving instructions:
  - Examples:
    - Wash your hands before eating.
    - Stir the mixture well before baking.
2. Giving orders or commands:
  - Examples:
    - Sit down and listen.
    - Stop talking.
3. Making requests politely:
  - Examples:

- Please pass the salt.
  - Kindly close the door.
4. Giving warnings or advice:
    - Examples:
      - Be careful while crossing the road.
      - Do not touch the hot pan.
  5. Encouraging or motivating others:
    - Examples:
      - Keep working hard.
      - Never give up.
  6. Directions and rules:
    - Examples:
      - Turn left at the junction.
      - Follow the rules of the game.

**Imperative sentences are also commonly used in signs and instructions:**

- "Keep off the grass."
- "Do not litter."
- "Wear your seatbelt."

### Conclusion

Imperative commands play an important role in communication. They help us give instructions, requests, warnings, and advice. These sentences are direct and clear, making them useful in everyday conversations, classrooms, workplaces, and on road signs.

## PRIMARY AUXILIARY VERB:

An auxiliary verb is a helping hand of English!

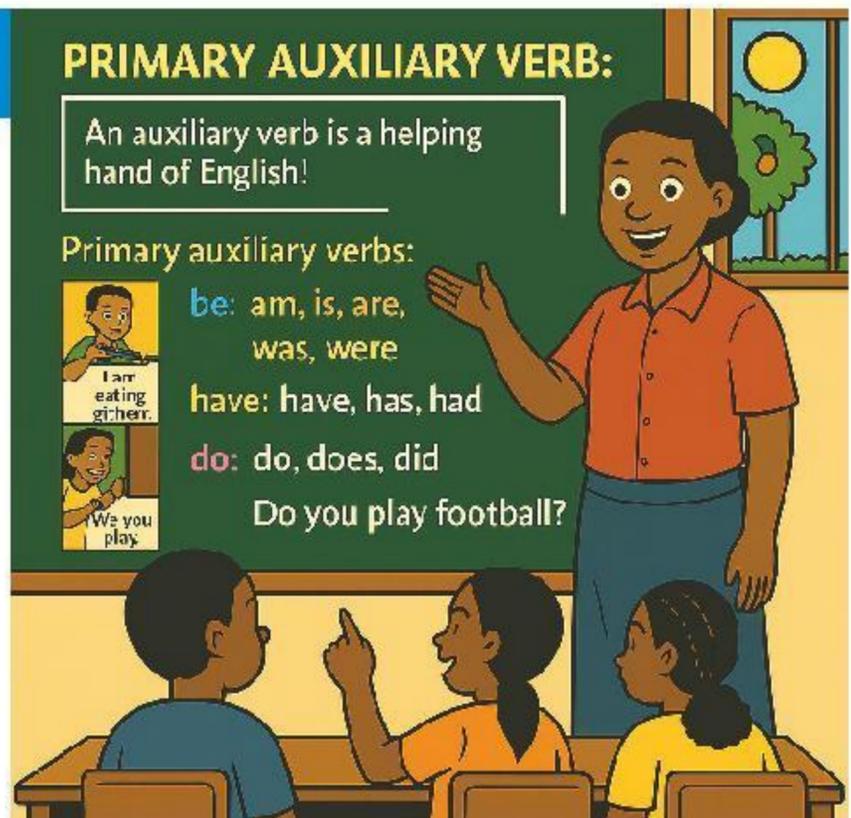
### Primary auxiliary verbs:

**be:** am, is, are, was, were

**have:** have, has, had

**do:** do, does, did

Do you play football?



By learning imperative commands, learners can give instructions effectively and understand when others give them

directions. Now, try making your own imperative sentences and see how they work in different situations.

# KPSEA | ENGLISH REVISION PAPER

## Read the conversation and answer the questions that follow.

Olivia: Hello, Henry! What are you doing at the library?

Henry: Hello, Olivia! I'm looking for a book about wildlife. I have a project on their adaptation behaviours.

Olivia: That sounds interesting! I love learning about our wildlife. Have you found any good books?

Henry: Yes, I found one called "Exploring Nature". It has lots of pictures and information about animals and nature.

Olivia: Great! I'm here to get a book for my book report. I'm choosing "Charlie's Web". Have you read it before?

Henry: Yes, I have! It's a great story about a pig and a spider. You'll enjoy it!

Olivia: I hope so! Are you going to check out your book now?

Henry: Yes, I am. I also need to borrow a book on the life cycle of animals. It's for my science project.

Olivia: Sounds like you're going to be busy with all these projects!

Henry: Definitely! But I love learning about nature, so it's fun for me.

1. What is Henry looking for at the library?

- A. A book on sea
- B. A book on wildlife
- C. His friend
- D. He is passing time

2. What book did Henry find for his project?

- A. Exploration
- B. Exploring nature
- C. Habitats
- D. Animals

3. What book is Olivia getting for her book report?

- A. Life cycle of animals
- B. The space
- C. Charlie's Web
- D. None

4. Where were Olivia and Henry borrowing books from?

- A. The library
- B. Their teacher
- C. In class
- D. Shelf

5. How many books did Henry borrow?

- A. One
- B. Two
- C. None
- D. Three

## Read the passage below and answer questions 6-9.

Road networks are systems of interconnected roads designed to

accommodate wheeled road-going vehicles and pedestrian traffic. They are meant to connect different travel paths between the start and end points.

The road networks include all types of roads including international roads, highways, urban roads and rural roads. They connect countries, cities and towns. In Kenya, we have the Kenya - Malaba road that connects Kenya to Uganda. These roads improve connectivity within neighbouring countries.

Upgrading the road networks is a critical step in addressing the country's transportation challenge, improving safety and boosting economic growth, enhanced connectivity and efficiency.

6. What are road networks according to the passage?

- A. Highways
- B. Systems of interconnected roads that accommodate vehicles and pedestrian traffic
- C. They connect countries together
- D. Not mentioned

7. According to the passage, which road connects Kenya to Uganda?

- A. Thika superhighway
- B. Mombasa road
- C. Highways
- D. Kenya - Malaba road

8. Which is one importance of road network upgrade according to the passage?

- A. The roads look smart
- B. It is a transportation challenge
- C. There's improved safety
- D. It's a critical step

9. Which type of road is not mentioned in the passage?

- A. International roads
- B. Highways
- C. Urban roads
- D. Tarmac roads

## Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

Peer pressure is a significant influence on young adults as they navigate the complexities of social relationships and self-identity. During this developmental stage, individuals often seek acceptance and validation from their peers, sometimes at the expense of their own beliefs and values.

This pressure can manifest in various forms, such as fashion trends and music preferences, to more serious behaviours like substance use and risky activities. One common aspect of peer pressure is the desire to conform to group norms. Young adults

may feel compelled to adopt certain behaviours or attitudes to fit in with their peer group, from the way they dress to the language they use. Fear of rejection or social exclusion often leads individuals to make choices that may not align with their personal values.

Despite its negative connotations, not all peer pressure is bad. Positive peer pressure can motivate young adults to excel academically, engage in volunteer work or adopt healthier lifestyles. When surrounded by friends who value education and personal growth, individuals are more likely to strive for success in these areas.

10. What is one common aspect of peer pressure mentioned in the passage?

- A. Desire to conform to group norms.
- B. Making choices that do not align with personal values.
- C. Adopting certain behaviours
- D. Seeking acceptance and validation.

11. How does fear of rejection influence young adults in terms of peer pressure?

- A. They excel academically
- B. Indulge in risky activities
- C. Value personal growth
- D. Adopt behaviours or attitudes that may not align with their personal values

12. What are some examples of more serious behaviours influenced by peer pressure, as mentioned in the passage?

- A. Experimenting with drugs and alcohol.
- B. Performing well in school.
- C. Being obedient in both school and at home.
- D. Engaging in volunteer work.

13. How can positive peer pressure benefit young adults, according to the passage?

- A. Motivate young adults to excel academically.
- B. Push them to engage in risky behaviour.
- C. Change their mode of dressing.
- D. Desire to conform to group norms.

## Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Artistry is the soulful expression of human creativity. It includes a wide range of activities such as painting, music, dance, sculpture, literature and more. It is the process of tak-

ing raw materials - be they colours, sounds, words, or movements and transforming them into something that evokes emotion, thought and inspiration.

Artistry holds the power to shape cultures, challenge perspectives and unite communities. It serves as a mirror to society, reflecting its triumphs, struggles and aspirations. Through artistry, important social issues can be brought to light. This may drive positive change.

Artistry is not limited by age, background or training. All it requires is the courage to express oneself, the willingness to learn and grow, and the dedication to one's craft. Whether it is a child picking up crayons for the first time or a seasoned painter creating their masterpiece, artistry is accessible to all who dare to create.

14. How does artistry serve as a mirror to society?

- A. It is the soulful expression of human creativity
- B. It reflects the triumphs, struggles and aspirations of the society.
- C. It requires courage to express oneself
- D. It is accessible to all.

15. Artistry knows no bounds. It requires the following except?

- A. Courage to express oneself
- B. Willingness to learn and grow
- C. Dedication
- D. Challenge perspectives.

## The following is a passage with blank spaces. Read it and use the words provided to fill the blank spaces.

Study habits are formed \_\_16\_\_ like other habits. \_\_17\_\_, you have to set a \_\_18\_\_ of goals for yourself, then you have to plan. Find a \_\_19\_\_ place and start your plan. You will soon \_\_20\_\_ study habits which will help achieve your goals.

- | A         | B        | C         | D     |
|-----------|----------|-----------|-------|
| 16. also  | just     | in        | with  |
| 17. First | Starting | Beginning | Also  |
| 18. few   | two      | number    | hence |
| 19. good  | quiet    | noisy     | deep  |
| 20. grow  | start    | develop   | begin |

## Fill in the blank spaces with the correct abstract nouns.

21. We watched in \_\_\_\_\_ as he performed.

- A. amaze
- B. amazing
- C. amazement
- D. amazed

22. The officer displayed unusual \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. brave
- B. bravely
- C. bravery
- D. strong

23. The learner \_\_\_\_\_ walked up the podium and sang the song.

- A. courageous
- B. courageously
- C. courage
- D. couragefully

Identify the plural of the underlined word

24. I went to buy a tomato in the market.

- A. tomato
- B. tomatos
- C. tomatoes
- D. tomtoes

25. The visitor left the luggage in the trunk.

- A. luggages
- B. luggage
- C. luggagges
- D. lugages

26. The farmer brought the sick sheep to the veterinary.

- A. sheep's
- B. sheeps
- C. sheep
- D. sheepes

Which is the odd one out

27. My mother bought new cutlery.

- A. spoon
- B. fork
- C. knives
- D. pans

28. My dad has different domestic animals on the farm.

- A. cows
- B. goats
- C. kangaroo
- D. cockerel

Fill in the gaps with the correct article

29. Everybody would like \_\_\_\_\_ honest employee.

- A. an
- B. a
- C. the
- D. it

30. Have you ever been to \_\_\_\_\_ moon?

- A. the
- B. it
- C. a
- D. an

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- 1. B
- 2. B
- 3. C
- 4. A
- 5. B
- 6. C
- 7. D
- 8. C
- 9. A
- 10. D
- 11. B
- 12. A
- 13. A
- 14. B
- 15. D
- 16. A
- 17. A
- 18. C
- 19. B
- 20. C
- 21. C
- 22. C
- 23. B
- 24. C
- 25. B
- 26. C
- 27. D
- 28. C
- 29. A
- 30. A

### COMPOSITION

#### 'THE DAY I WILL NEVER FORGET'

The twitter of birds which flew hither and thither seemed to complement the glamorous occasion. It was my sister's wedding. I went to the frog kingdom. After I took a bath I went straight to my bedroom where I wore my new extravagant dress which was as beautiful as a peacock. For my feet, I had a new pair of white wedge shoes which I put on graciously. I walked slowly as a tortoise because I did not want to spoil my dress nor crease my new pair

of shoes. Everyone at the dining hall took notice of me. After the delicious meal Lue all went in my father's car. We prayed for the journey before we set off. It was not a long distance from home to the town church. When we got there, we found the bridegroom as impatient as a lover. In a jiffy, the bride arrived. When she entered the church there was pin-drop silence that would scare the angels. When we all settled the priest began. He asked the to be newly wed couple some questions and finally it was time for the vows. The bride started. When it was the bride's turn, she was about to start when a group of five built up

men entered the church headed straight to the front and grabbed her, pulling her outside and taking off with her. On seeing this my parents immediately called the police. Fortunately, my uncle took off after the kidnappers, followed them and informed the police that they were in the Nyambene forest. When the police got there they began the search immediately. Meanwhile, my heart beat like the west African drums, my body paralysed with fear as I waited for the report. In a twinkle of an eye a body covered with a white sheet was put in the police car and some six other men in another. The bridegroom asked the inspector what had happened to his girl-

friend. A cold chill ran down my spine. The inspector said that my sister had been murdered by the six men who they had captured. After some questioning of the men by the inspector he added that one of the men, supposedly the leader, was once my sister's lover back in University days and after they broke up, he had vowed revenge. Tears rolled down my cheek forming a letter eleven. I remembered the days when my sister would buy me dolls and even at one point a laptop. The care she used to give and now I had to live without her and grow up without her. When we got back to the church we found my parents. They asked

where my sister was but all we could do was remain quiet. My uncle who had accompanied us gathered courage and broke the news to them. My mother stood still, rooted to the ground with disbelief written all over her face. Size broke down crying and fell on the ground with a thud. My father reached out to her and started comforting her even though he felt as broken as my mother. A lot of questions ran through our minds but only God could answer them. I wished the ground would open up and swallow me. I wished this was a nightmare. Sorrow smote the air. Truly I will never forget about that day