

# DAILY NATION

**SABA SABA**

## Death toll hits 31

**Aftermath** More Kenyans lose their lives as injuries also mount amid growing violence in the wave of youth-led protests across the country

**Economy** Protests hit most sectors of the economy hard, disrupting business and travel and keeping workplaces in many towns shut

**Fresh boycott call** Opposition politicians urge Kenyans to shun businesses, services and institutions with links to President Ruto and his allies

**UN sounds alarm** High Commissioner for Human Rights voices concern over violent turn of events during Saba Saba demonstrations

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### REACTIONS

#### Opposition leaders:

This regime is hostile to all. It cannot be reasoned with and must be resisted. We will not rest, retreat or surrender.

#### UN High Commissioner for Human Rights:

It is concerning that these latest incidents come barely two weeks after 15 protesters were reportedly killed and many more injured in Nairobi and other towns.

#### County Commissioner Joshua Nkanatha:

A number of police stations in Kangema are at a high risk...but one thing I must say is the police did the right thing.

#### Ms Ann Gikunju:

When I arrived at the hospital, my son's body was on a trolley in the emergency department surrounded by his friends and some protesters.

#### Business owner Daniel Gikiri:

I have been in Nyeri for six years and I have never seen anything like this. I never thought that I would be targeted.



Ms Sabina Tabitha, the wife of 37-year-old Paul Makori (inset), who was killed during Monday's Saba Saba demonstrations in Kangemi, Nairobi, addresses journalists yesterday at the Nairobi Funeral Home. LUCY WANJIRU | NATION



TSC Acting CEO Eveleen Mitei. DENNIS ONSONGO | NATION

## TSC unveils new policy on teacher promotions

The Teachers Service Commission has established a policy for promotion of teachers that provides for their automatic progression within common cadre grades, without the need for competitive interviews. The policy will apply to three categories of teachers, including certificate holders (commonly referred to as P1), diploma and bachelor's degree holders.

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## Gone too soon KNCHR Vice-Chairperson condemns rights violations and calls for accountability from police



Brian Kimutai: Killed in Kitengela.



Bridget Njoki, 14: Shot dead in Kiambu.



Ian Mungai: Killed by bullet in Thika.



Paul Mburu Mbugua: Shot dead in Ngong.



Jeremy Oscar: Shot dead in Ngong.



Paul Mbera: Shot dead in Kangemi, Nairobi.



Sebastian Omondi: Killed in Ol Kalou.

# Kin recount last hours with victims

A Grade Seven child was in her parents' living room watching cartoons on TV when a bullet cut short her life

BY NATION TEAM

Grieving families yesterday struggled to come to terms with deaths of their loved ones as outrage grew over the use of lethal force by police during Saba Saba protests on Monday.

The death toll has risen to 31, according to the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR). It also documented 107 injuries, two enforced disappearances and 532 arrests by 7pm on Tuesday.

In a press release, the commission said it is still "actively monitoring and following up on reports and incidences linked to the July 7 protests across the country".

KNCHR Vice-Chairperson, Raymond Nyeris, condemned the rights violations and demanded accountability from police and other stakeholders.

In Kangemi, Nairobi County, Elvis Musavi, 25, and Paul Makori, 37, were shot on the same street as they attempted to help each other when police opened fire on

protesters and bystanders.

Musavi, who was heading home from his jua kali job, heard Makori's cries after he was shot in the back.

As he bent to help him, a bullet ripping through Musavi's lower back.

"My husband has left me with three children. His only mistake was leaving the house to escort his friend to buy something from the shop. I do not know where to begin," Makori's wife Sabina Tabitha said at Nairobi Funeral Home yesterday.

"The officers who shot Makori were seen by people around. The government must ensure justice prevails."

She added that her husband was a quiet man who avoided trouble and usually kept to himself.

"It is cruel that his life ended like this lying helpless on the ground where he should have been safe," she said.

Metres away, Musavi's mother Faith Indechi sat staring at a photo of her firstborn on her niece's phone.

Ms Indechi stared blankly ahead, trying to find words to make sense of her loss.

"My son was not a criminal. Had he been one, I would have known. He used to settle some of my bills. I am now left with his two siblings who are still in high school, and I don't know how I will get money for their school fees," she said.

In Kiambu, Ms Rachel Njoroge mourned her brother Ian Mbugua, a 25-year-old law student at Mt Kenya University whose future was snatched away in seconds.

Mbugua, who was hoping to champion human rights and land justice, stepped out of their Ofafa Estate home on hearing gunfire.

He took out his phone to film the chaos and paid with his life with a bullet to the forehead.

"He took out his phone to record and document the excesses of police officers who were fir-



Ramona Chebet, wife of 24-year-old Oscar Jeremy, recounts her last moments with him during an interview yesterday. FRANCIS NDERITU | NATION

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Faith Indechi



ing at people indiscriminately. My brother did not know a bullet would hit him. It is very painful," Ms Njoroge said.

The family of 12-year-old Bridget Njoki is struggling to comprehend how a bullet pierced their living room and killed her as she watched cartoons. The Grade Seven pupil, a class prefect at Benson Njau Primary School, died instantly.

In Ngong, Paul Kagiri was head-

ing home from a movie shop where he had been watching the live protests when he met his death.

Convinced it was safe enough to leave, he never made it home.

The family of the 26-year-old who eked out a living as a labourer, said he was not part of the protests.

"He was shot from behind. He leaves behind two children and an expectant wife," Kagiri's distraught father Stephen Mbugua, said after viewing his body at Ngong Sub-County Hospital mortuary.

"Those who were killed are known to us. They're from this neighbourhood and are people we have grown up with," Kagiri's friend, Paridie Njuguna, told the *Daily Nation*.

From the same neighbourhood, Oscar Jeremy, 24, a boda boda, kissed his one-year-old daughter goodbye, hugged his wife Ramona Chebet and left for work on Monday.

Chebet, 23, expected him back in the evening. She, instead, re-

ceived news that would shatter her world.

"He left home around 7am as always. I prepared him, adjusted his jacket one last time and saw him off. I told him to be home early," she said.

"I'm left with a five-year-old son and a one-year-old daughter."

Jeremy's mother, Penina Mwikali, described him as good-natured.

"That's why you see many people here. He was a people's person," she said.

The usually calm suburb turned chaotic on Monday, leaving a devastated neighbourhood behind.

"I confirmed this morning that my son had been killed. The hospital is demanding Sh20,000 for the postmortem," Ms Mwikali said.

In Murang'a, the County Security Committee said five young people died during the demonstrations.

"Two were shot in Kigumo, two in Kangema and one in Kandara constituencies. The Kangema fatalities had attempted to raid the



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# Tragedy Woman claims her child was killed by an officer known to the family

## Grieving mum's 14-hour struggle to shield son's body at Kitengela home



Elvis Musavi: Shot dead in Nairobi.

police station with intention to torch it," the committee said.

County Health Chief Officer, Eliud Maina, said 19 police officers were treated for minor injuries.

"Three of the victims were already dead upon arrival, all with gunshot wounds. The others died while being treated," Mr Maina said.

Mr Benjamin Kioko told the *Daily Nation* that police officers he knows too well shot his brother Julius Muli Nduku, 30, at Kangari Market.

He blamed President William Ruto for the killing.

"Had he listened to our grievances, we wouldn't be picketing," Mr Kioko said.

Mr Maina said it is disheartening to witness protests leading to killings.

"As a county charged with the well-being of our people, we urge constructive engagement between the parties involved," he said.

Murang'a witnessed battles between protesters and security officers until midnight, with reinforcements airlifted from Nairobi. The worst-hit sub-counties were Kandara, Maragua, Kangeema and Kiharu.

When Alice Nyachama spoke to her son Paul Mbera on Sunday, she had no idea it would be her last conversation with him.

Mbera, 45, lived and worked in Nairobi. He told his mother he would visit their rural home in Kisii soon.

He leaves a widow and three children. His family insists he was not in the demonstration but was heading to a shop when he was shot dead.

"He even bought me shoes and sent me money to buy a chicken, which we were to prepare when he arrived. Now he will be brought home in a coffin," Ms Nyachama said.

Mbera's father, Joshua Oyaro, demanded answers.

"What did the police officer who pulled the trigger hope to gain? Did he shoot him because we are poor? Will we ever get justice?" asked.

Nakuru County Referral Hospital received four patients with gunshot wounds. Medical Superintendent James Waweru said three were referrals from Gilgil.

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Mortuary attendants declined to admit Brian Kimutai's body after he was shot dead during Monday's protests

BY STANLEY NGOTHO

The last 24 hours have been the longest for Ms Ann Nyawira Gikunju, the mother of Brian Kimutai, who was shot dead during Monday's Saba Saba commemorative protests in Kitengela, Kajiado County.

Ms Gikunju had spoken to her son, 21, on the phone moments before he was shot. She did not know that it would be the last time she would hear his voice.

Yesterday at 11am, *Nation* found Ms Gikunju at the Kitengela Sub-County Hospital pleading with mortuary attendants to admit her son's body.

The hospital had initially declined, sparking a stand-off that lasted for hours.

Ms Gikunju told *Nation* that she received a phone call from one of Brian's friends who informed her that he had been shot. She was also told that her son had been taken to Kitengela Sub-County Hospital in critical condition.

Ms Gikunju left her kiosk and rushed to the hospital. By the time she arrived, there was chaos because Brian was pronounced dead on arrival.

"When I arrived at the hospital, my son's body was on a trolley in the emergency department surrounded by his friends and some protesters.

"I overheard one police officer saying that they planned to move the body to Nairobi Funeral Home. But I told my son's friends to stay put."

Medical staff and patients fled as protesters lit bonfires. For nearly five hours, the hospital was inaccessible.

Around 7.35pm, the family took Brian's body to their rented house in Miriam area, which is 100 metres from the hospital.

Ms Gikunju said the body remained in the co-driver's seat of a Station Wagon that was parked outside the house with family and



Ann Nyawira Gikunju, the mother of Brian Kimutai, at Kitengela Sub-County Hospital mortuary yesterday. Below: Brian Kimutai. STANLEY NGOTHO | NATION | FAMILY ALBUM

friends guarding it overnight for 14 hours.

"We suspect the police wanted to seize the body and tamper with evidence. We could not allow that. That is why we took the body away from the hospital on Monday night," Ms Gikunju said.

And yesterday morning the family returned to the morgue with the

body, but the authorities turned them away once again.

After the Directorate of Criminal Investigations officers processed the body, the family took it to Shalom Hospital in Machakos County.

Ms Gikunju claimed that her son was killed by a police officer known to the family with whom Brian had a long-standing dispute over a boda

boda business.

Normalcy was beginning to return at the Kitengela hospital yesterday morning.

The Kenya Union of Clinical Officers (Kuco) and the Kenya National Union of Medical Laboratory Officers condemned the chaos. They said the incident was a threat to the security of health professionals.

"Health workers are neutral. In times of war, medics are protected because they save lives," Kuco chairperson Peterson Wachira said.

"The Occupational Health and Safety Act allows us to withdraw from unsafe workplaces. If we don't see proper protection during future protests, we'll ask our members to pull out."

The laboratory workers chairperson Nicholas Odipo described the hospital attack as "self-destruction" that could trigger a national health crisis.

Kajiado Governor Joseph ole Lenku visited the hospital and urged security agencies to expedite investigations.

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## National News

## SABA SABA

**Saba Saba protests aftermath** Kalonzo, Gachagua and the rest accuse Ruto, Interior Ministry and police of crimes

# Shun firms linked to State, opposition now tells Kenyans

Leaders vow to support citizen-led resistance and community based mobilisation efforts

BY JUSTUS OCHIENG' AND SAMWEL OWINO

Opposition leaders yesterday called for a boycott of businesses, services and institutions associated with President William Ruto and his administration, accusing the Kenya Kwanza regime of State-sponsored violence, ethnic persecution and extrajudicial killings.

The leaders said they would document atrocities committed by the government and use the evidence to pursue private prosecutions in the quest for justice for victims of police brutality.

Through the People's Restoration Justice Commission (PRJC) that was launched on June 24, the opposition said part of the evidence collected would be presented to the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) for action against individuals involved in the said atrocities.

They also accused the regime of crimes against humanity.

The opposition alliance, which includes former Deputy Presi-

dent Rigathi Gachagua, Wiper Party leader Kalonzo Musyoka, People's Liberation Party's Martha Karua, Eugene Wamalwa of the Development Action Party of Kenya (DAP-K), Justin Muri's Democratic Party (DP), former Interior CS Fred Matiang'i and Torome Saitoti (Jubilee), accused President Ruto of letting the country descend into lawlessness.

They likened the situation in Kenya to Haiti.

"We issue this call to action: Boycott the businesses, services and institutions owned, operated or publicly linked to this regime and its enablers," the opposition leaders told journalists at the SKM

## June 24

When the People's Restoration Justice Commission was launched at Ufungamano House in Nairobi

Command Centre in Nairobi.

Former Trade Minister, Mukhisa Kituyi, who read the statement, added: "We will publicise a list of shame and call on the public to share any information on businesses affiliated with this list."

The leaders said rogue police officers and state-sponsored militias have been deployed to silence dissent through targeted killings, intimidation, abductions, looting and destruction during anti-government demonstrations.

"This regime is hostile to all. It cannot be reasoned with and must be resisted. We will not retreat or surrender," Dr Kituyi, who also once served as UN Conference on Trade and Development Secretary-General, said.

The opposition presented a list of incidents from July 6 to 7, including the attack on the Kenya Human Rights Commission during a press conference where a gang – reportedly linked to the state – roughed up participants, particularly women without the intervention of police.

They also accused the government of deploying unmarked police vehicles with heavily armed gangs to perceived opposition strongholds.

They cited an incident at Kitengela Hospital, where a group disrupted medical procedures and looted equipment.

The opposition leaders also talked of vandalism and looting of supermarkets and small businesses, as well as reports of bodies being collected by police trucks across the country.

The leaders said the acts are part of an orchestrated crackdown on Kenyans, especially in regions perceived to have politically parted ways with the Kenya Kwanza administration.

The opposition accused President Ruto, the Interior Ministry, the National Police Service and the Directorate of Criminal Investigations of committing crimes against humanity as defined under Article 7 of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC), to which Kenya is a signatory.

They cited murder, torture, abductions, political persecution and other inhumane acts.

"The regime is no longer engaged in mere repression. It has graduated into full-blown persecution," Dr Kituyi said.

"These are not isolated incidents. They are systematic, targeted and sanctioned at the highest levels."

In response to "an undeclared war on the Kenyan people", the opposition politicians issued a call to action – boycott regime-linked businesses and institutions.

The alliance said it would release a "list of shame" and urged the public to crowd-source intelli-



gence on affiliations.

Mr Musyoka, Mr Wamalwa, Mr Gachagua, Mr Muri, Ms Karua, Dr Kituyi and the others said they would shun events and forums organised by pro-government actors, including civil society groups seen as legitimising state violence.

The leaders said they would support citizen-led resistance and community-based mobilisation efforts "aimed at reclaiming Kenya's democratic space".

"Change does not come by asking politely. It is wrestled from the hands of those who thrive on fear and oppression," they said in the statement.

Makueni Senator Dan Maanzo, a, ally of Mr Musyoka, said the opposition would go to great lengths to ensure accountability for the deaths and other injustices committed against Kenyans.

"After documenting the incidents, we will provide the evidence to the Director of Public Prosecutions. If he fails to act,

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- To read the notice convening the meeting.
- To confirm the minutes of the Fifty Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2024.
- To receive, consider, and adopt the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025, together with the Chairman's Statement and the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
- To note that the Directors do not recommend payment of a dividend for the financial year ended 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025.
- To approve the Directors' fees as indicated in the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025.
- To re-elect Mr. Patrick Wamae, who retires by rotation in accordance with Article 99 of the Company's Articles of Association, and being eligible, offers himself for re-election.
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- To reappoint PSK Associates, Certified Public Accountants, having expressed their willingness to continue in office as external Auditors to the Company by virtue of section 721(2) of the Companies Act, 2015, and to authorize the Directors to fix their remuneration for the ensuing financial year.
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## SABA SABA

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we will initiate private prosecutions," Mr Maanzo said.

He added that the evidence would also be available for affected individuals to use in lawsuits against the government for compensation.

"There is no timeline. We will continue until everyone gets justice and the people are satisfied. This is a people's initiative," he said.

Mr Maanzo added that the PRJC Secretariat and membership would be expanded from four to nine and would include journalists, retired judges, top lawyers and representatives from international human rights organisations and the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights.

Jubilee Party Secretary-General, Jeremiah Kioni, expressed concern over increased cases of extra-judicial killings, abductions and enforced disappearances.

"There is need for a public inquests into the deaths and disappearances linked to protests. Individual officers and commanders implicated must be held to account," Mr Kioni said.

The launch of the PRJC at Ufungamano House in Nairobi marked a major step by the opposition in ramping up pressure on President Ruto's administration over governance failures, the leaders said.

Mr Muturi said the initiative is a response to "too much trauma and atrocities in the country," and stressed the need for justice and healing.

Constitutional lawyer Bob Mkangi, said the formation of the commission is a form of protest and a tactical move by the opposition to pressure the government for transparency.

Dr Fred Matiangi, Mr Justin Muturi, Ms Martha Karua, Mr Stephen Mule, Mr Rigathi Gachagua and other opposition leaders address journalists at the SKM Command centre in Karen, Nairobi, yesterday.

BILLY OGADA / NATION

## UN alarmed by rising protest deaths

BY STEVE OTIENO

**T**he United Nations has expressed concern over the rising number of deaths, injuries and arrests during anti-government demonstrations.

In a statement issued from Geneva, Switzerland, yesterday, spokesperson for the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Ravina Shamdasani voiced alarm over the violent turn of events during Saba Saba Day protests on Monday.

The marches, originally intended to commemorate Kenya's decades-long struggle for democracy, quickly escalated into deadly clashes in Nairobi and at least 16 other counties.

"We are deeply troubled by the killings yesterday of at least 10 people, as well as looting and destruction of property in Kenya as police and other security forces responded to protests," said Shamdasani, who urged accountability and restraint from security forces.

The National Police Service said at least 11 people were killed during the demonstrations. Additionally, 52 police officers were injured and 567 people were arrested, it said.

The Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR) reported at least 10 fatalities, 29 injuries, 37 arrests and two abductions.

The commission also documented widespread looting and destruction of public and private property by unidentified individuals.

The UN statement underscored a troubling pattern of excessive force that has marred demonstrations in Kenya in recent months.

"It is concerning that these latest incidents come barely two weeks after 15 protesters were reportedly killed and many more injured in Nairobi and other parts of Kenya," Shamdasani said.

The demonstrations on Monday were part of a larger wave of nationwide protests fuelled by frustration over the rising cost of living, unpopular tax proposals and worsening economic hardship.

While authorities in Kenya say they are working to maintain law and order, human rights groups and families of victims accuse police of applying unnecessary and lethal force against largely unarmed young protesters.

Witnesses have talked of officers firing live and rubber bullets as well as using tear gas and water cannons to disperse crowds in densely populated areas, often leading to casualties among bystanders.

UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Volker Türk, called for calm and urged all parties to respect the right to peaceful assembly, freedom of expression and association.

The UN also welcomed the announcement by police of investigations into recent deaths and other rights violations.

"The High Commissioner repeats his call for killings and other violations and abuses of international rights law – including with respect to the use of force – to be promptly, thoroughly, independently and transparently investigated. Those responsible must be held to account," Shamdasani said.

The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights pledged support to Kenyan authorities in addressing the current challenges, adding that the legitimate grievances behind the protests must be resolved through dialogue and justice – not bullets and intimidation.

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**Huge losses** Fears of fresh chaos in Murang'a during burial of mask seller Kariuki on July 11

# Traders smell a rat in looting spree

Police say there were early intelligence reports indicating specific businesses were targeted during protests

BY NATION TEAM

Details have emerged on how Monday's looting and mayhem were allegedly planned and executed in the Mt Kenya region.

The police and proprietors said that there were early intelligence reports indicating that specific businesses had been identified and targeted for attack.

Sources said that goons were hired, transported and strategically deployed to various towns where they unleashed terror, reportedly under instructions from a central command.

This came as leaders traded blame over who mobilised the gangs that looted businesses during the 35th Saba Saba Day anniversary.

Imenti North Police Commander Ambrose Kyalo said the looters who infiltrated the protests had specific targets. So far, 60 suspects have been arrested in Meru County on suspicion of orchestrating the attacks.

"The suspects are being processed by the Directorate of Crim-

inal Investigations (DCI) and will soon be taken to court.

"They targeted the Meru Dairy Factory, specific supermarkets, police posts, and the National Cereals and Produce Board depot," Mr Kyalo said.

"When they failed to access Magunas Supermarket, they set it on fire. However, we managed to prevent attacks on Seven Eleven Club, Meru Dairy Factory and Selenite Supermarkets," he added.

Firefighters battled the fire at Magunas Supermarket until yesterday amid a hostile mob. Workers at Meru Dairy Factory thwarted an attempted raid by looters.

Meru Dairy's Chief Executive Officer Kenneth Gitonga called for urgent government action.

In Nyeri town, at least 10 businesses were vandalised. Locals said that the attackers raided smaller businesses after failing to access supermarkets. They said the attacks were premeditated.

"There were warnings the night before. Businesspeople were told to carry their goods home because goons might raid the town," said a market trader.



Employees of Stagematt Supermarket peep through the window at the store which was looted. BONIFACE MWANGI | NATION

Mr Daniel Gikiri, who owns Friends Joint Bar in Nyeri, said he got a tip-off from a fellow trader.

"I have been in Nyeri for six years and I have never seen anything like this. I never thought that I would be targeted," he said.

Mr Gikiri said the attackers first raided Kungu Maitu Restaurant next door and CCTV footage showed them disabling cameras.

Restaurant owner Charles

Mwangi estimated he incurred losses of about Sh500,000 due to theft of food and destruction of kitchen appliances.

Two suspects, a Nyeri Polytechnic student and a boda boda mechanic were arrested at the scene.

Police reports suggest politicians sponsored the chaos. Some residents claimed unidentified men held a meeting in town on July 6 and were later seen with

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Protesters who were arrested in the North Rift region. Their case will be mentioned on July 21.

tyres among the demonstrators.

In Murang'a County, intelligence reports have warned of more protests on July 11 during the burial of Boniface Kariuki, a mask hawker shot by police in Nairobi on June 25.

"A number of police stations in Kangema Constituency are at a high risk. We are still compiling our data...but one thing I must say is the police did the right thing," said County Commissioner Joshua Nkanatha referring to incidences of vandalism, looting and rape. "What we witnessed was banditry. Criminals hijacked the protests and battled us until midnight," he said.

Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry Meru Chapter Chairman Joshua Mungania said the business commu-

nity suffered immense losses.

"We are aware the looters were funded. The police must find those responsible. We will not take this lying down," he said.

Politicians are trading accusations over the chaos. Mathira MP Eric Wamumbi and former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua accused each other of hiring youths to disrupt protests.

Mr Wamumbi claimed the chaos was a criminal scheme aimed at creating a false impression of unrest in Mathira. He alleged youths were ferried into Karatina at around 2am. And he denied claims that he held a meeting with goons at a Sagana hotel.

At the Coast, Mr Kennedy Mumbo, Mombasa Bar Owners Association chairman, said most entertainment joints were shut despite no recorded protests.

At the popular Sandrus Hotel, the owner, Mr Yahya Baradhia, said they only made a third of their daily sales.

In the North Rift, more than 70 protesters were arrested and released on bond. The case will be mentioned on July 21.

In Nakuru, goons invaded Don Hotel and Stagematt Supermarket. Mr Viral Shah, the Director of Stagematt, said some youths stole goods worth Sh70 million.

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**Aftermath** Political leaders in Nyandarua said to be radicalising young people

# Mt Kenya towns: From havens of peace to hotbeds of destruction

Owner of a chain of supermarkets in Murang'a says she lost property valued at Sh200 million in the mayhem

BY MWANGI MUIRURI AND ERIC MATARA

Towns in Mt Kenya, long known as oases of peace, have become epicentres of politically-driven violence in recent months.

Towns in Meru, Tharaka Nithi, Embu, Nyeri, Laikipia, Nyandarua, Murang'a, Kirinyaga and Kiambu counties have only experienced brief unrest over issues like illicit liquor or local development concerns in the past.

That has changed. Violence and destruction have erupted in Makutano (Meru), Nyahururu and Nanyuki (Laikipia), Karatina (Nyeri) and Murang'a, Kangari, Kabati and Kenol in Murang'a County.

Mayhem has also been witnessed in Ngurubani, Kagio, and Sagana (Kirinyaga), Ol Kalou, Ndunyu Njeru and Engineer (Nyandarua) as well as Embu and Kiritiri in Embu County.

Ruiru, Ndumberi, Makongeni and Thika in Kiambu have also seen violence, with observers saying political chaos may soon be a trademark of the region.

"People in Mt Kenya used to protest against illicit alcohol and illegal dumping. These were causes aimed at improving their well-being," Prof Peter Kagwanja, a political commentator, told the Nation.

"We are now witnessing destruction of property, battles with



What remains of the building that hosted Magunas Supermarket in Makutano town, Meru County. The building was set on fire by protesters on Monday. DAVID MUCHUJIA/NATION

police, looting and even murder."

He added that past confrontations between residents and security agents were over the war on Mungiki gangs, vigilantes or mob justice.

"We are in the ugly era of people destroying businesses, burning police stations and forcing economic shutdowns," he said.

While leaders and security agents trade blame, the underlying causes appear to be linked to the General Election in 2027.

Ms Annabel Njambi, the owner of County Supermarket in Mu-

rang'a, says she lost more than Sh200 million when her four branches were looted on Monday.

"The gangs must have been sponsored. They descended on our headquarters in Kenol and branches in Kagio, Kabati and Kagumo. Police officers did nothing. It's not hard to see the plot and who's behind it," she said.

Rwathia Distributors Director, Kanene Kabiru, said the region is being "economically crucified by a political elite in disarray".

"Protesters have genuine grievances that must be addressed,

but not by burning what little economic life remains," he said.

"President Ruto must know that securing the country is his responsibility. The opposition will naturally try to derail him."

## Sh200m

What the Nyandarua devolved government estimates was lost during the demonstrations on June 25, 2025

That is politics. It is the duty of the government to ensure protests don't descend into violence."

Central Region Acting Commissioner, Joshua Nkanatha, said what began as genuine protests has been hijacked by criminals.

"This is not in the spirit of Mt Kenya. We are not known for destroying our livelihoods. Let it be known that the government is doing all it can to restore order," Mr Nkanatha said.

Ol Kalou town is arguably the land of milk and honey, surrounded by farming neighbourhoods.

The mention of Ol Kalou, which is also the Nyandarua County headquarters, evokes images of abundance.

However, recent youth-led protests have thrust this typically quiet and little-known town into the limelight, revealing a dark undercurrent in its lush fields and the seemingly contented faces of residents.

On June 25, Ol Kalou was in the national headlines when rowdy youths stormed county and national government offices, setting them ablaze and destroying property estimated at Sh200 million.

The protests, which marked the first anniversary of the 2024 anti-Finance Bill demonstrations, turned violent.

Angry youth set on fire 26 vehicles, motorcycles and government buildings.

The devolved government reported that new music equipment stored at sub-county offices was also destroyed.

Saba Saba Day protests began well in Ol Kalou on Monday, before quickly turning violent.

Young people engaged police officers in running battles, lit fires and barricaded roads, bringing activities in the town to a standstill.

Overwhelmed by police, the protesters retreated to nearby shopping centres like Mairo-Inya and Gwa Kungu where they forced businesses to shut.

They exploited the absence of police in these small towns as almost all officers had been deployed to Ol Kalou and Nyahururu.

### Bees as arsenal

According to Mr John Maina, 79 – a longtime resident – Ol Kalou appears to be stepping in the shoes of Nyahururu, which is historically known for political defiance and unrest.

"Nyahururu was a hotspot during the fight for multiparty politics. It was here that attacking police officers with bees was first tested – and it worked. Protesters used containers of bees and hives as weapons. In fact, President Moi was worried about the path Nyahururu was taking," Mr Maina said.

"Ol Kalou could be following in the footsteps of Nyahururu, which has become calm and cosmopolitan."

Mr Francis Kimani, a religious leader in Ol Kalou, attributes the rising tension to local political figures encouraging young people to adopt radical positions.

"Like in the 1990s when Nyandarua had radical politicians, the current leaders – especially those in the opposition – are influencing the youth to be defiant," Mr Kimani said.

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## Conclave to nowhere: Kenya's endless calls for talks, reforms

BY MOSES NYAMORI

Orange Democratic Movement (ODM) leader Raila Odinga's call for national dialogue has once again cast a spotlight on the country's unending talk for reforms.

For decades, successive regimes have resorted to forming dialogue teams to come up with reform proposals.

Many of these committees have ended up gobbling millions of shillings, with those in power frustrating their implementation.

Some reform proposals have been halted by courts for being unconstitutional while others have been credited for electoral changes.

The National Dialogue Committee (Nadco) report remains largely unimplemented, despite proposing reforms that sought to address some of the issues the young Kenyans have been pushing for since last year.

Only the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) Bill, 2024 has been implemented.

Nadco was a product of consensus between President William Ruto and Mr Odinga following sustained anti-government protests.

In the run up to the 2022 General Election, Mr Odinga and then-President Uhuru Kenyatta initiated a national conversation called the Building Bridges Initiative (BBI).

The talks team went all over the country to collect views, burning billions of shillings, before coming up with proposals designed to alter the structure of governance as well as creating additional positions for the ruling class.

The Supreme Court, however, put the brakes on the BBI.

Other past dialogue teams were the Truth, Justice and Reconciliation Commission, the Commission of Inquiry on Post-Election Violence, the Constitution of Kenya Review Commission and the National Dialogue and Reconciliation Process, popularly known as (Agenda 4).

With President Ruto facing an unprecedented revolt by young Kenyans, Mr

Odinga has once again called a national dialogue.

"I propose an inclusive inter-generational national conclave to hear our people...and come up with irreducible reforms and changes necessary to take the country forward," he said on Monday afternoon.

"The country should urgently return to the agenda of comprehensive police reforms, focusing on enhancing accountability, transparency and improving police-to-people relations."

He added that the conclave needs to come up with proposals for better and sustainable ways of addressing transparency, accountability and impunity, "especially with regard to corruption".

Deputy President, Kithure Kindiki, urged the protesting youth to embrace dialogue.

"Let us find ways to talk. We cannot build the country through chaos. We cannot take our country forward through incitement. We must learn to solve our problems through consultations and

peaceful ways," Prof Kindiki said in Lamu on the same day.

The proposal for national dialogue has triggered debate, with pro-government leaders supporting it while those in the opposition label it another talkshow meant to hoodwink Kenyans.

Former Attorney-General and Cabinet Secretary, Justin Muturi, described the proposal by Mr Odinga as a red herring. He said similar past reports bore no fruit.

Mr Muturi cited the recent Memorandum of Understanding between President Ruto's United Democratic Alliance (UDA) and ODM as another failed attempt to address abductions, extra-judicial killings, corruption, bad governance, wastage of public resources and other pressing matters Kenyans are complaining about.

"One can even equate the so called 10 points agreement between UDA and ODM to such past efforts. That too has not been implemented yet Mr Odinga is not even complaining about its non-implementation," Mr Muturi said.

"How does he expect President Ruto to implement the results of such a conclave? Ruto considers the Constitution an aberration and a nuisance to his way of doing things and ambition to the imperial presidency he desperately wants."

Dr Ruto and his advisers face a different kind of adversary in the youth-led opposition.

The Gen Zs showed their force last month while marking the first anniversary of the protests that were originally against the Finance Bill, 2024, but later spread to include more demands.

There is also concern about where and when the Gen Z will stop. The young Kenyans have made it clear that they won't stop until the President leaves office.

There are fears by those in power that ceding much ground would be like feeding a monster that would continue to attack them.

Machakos Deputy Governor Francis Mwangangi – an ally of Wiper Party leader Kalonzo Musyoka – says talks are the only way out of the standoff.



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### GRANT OF EXEMPTION FROM MANDATORY TAKE-OVER REQUIREMENTS

On 05 June 2025, we, Hubris Holdings Limited ("Hubris") and Sanlam Allianz Africa Proprietary Limited ("SAZ"), applied to the Capital Markets Authority ("CMA") for an exemption from the provisions of regulations 3(1) and 4 of the Capital Markets (Take-overs and Mergers) Regulations, 2002 ("Takeover Regulations") which were triggered by the 2025 rights issue ("Rights Issue") launched by Sanlam Kenya Plc ("SKP"). On 06 June 2025, we published a notice of our intention not to make a mandatory take-over offer to the shareholders of SKP, triggered by the Rights Issue.

Hubris and SAZ are pleased to announce that on 03 July 2025, the CMA granted them an exemption under regulation 5 of the Takeover Regulations from compliance with the mandatory takeover provisions in relation to the acquisition of up to 66.7% of the shares in SKP following conclusion of the Rights Issue. Any further acquisition of shares in SKP by Hubris and/or SAZ up to 71.47% following the conclusion of the Rights Issue will be exempt from the mandatory take over provisions under the Takeover Regulations, subject to receipt of exemptions and approvals under the Insurance Act (Cap 487) Laws of Kenya.

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## Education Commission also forms recruitment policy

# New policy on teacher promotions unveiled

TSC says process will be automatic in three common cadre grades

BY WINNIE ATIENO

The Teachers Service Commission (TSC) has established a policy for the automatic promotion of teachers within common cadre grades without competitive interviews.

The policy will apply to three categories; certificate holders (commonly referred to as P1), diploma and bachelor's degree holders.

Teachers joining service at Grade B5 will be eligible for automatic promotion to Grade C1 after serving a minimum of three years, subject to satisfactory performance.

Those serving in Grade C1 are eligible for automatic promotion to Grade C2 upon completion of three years, while those in Grade C2 qualify for Grade C3 after three years.

"P1 Certificate holders; teachers appointed at Grade B5 are eligible for automatic promotion to Grade C1 after serving a minimum of three years, subject to satisfactory performance," said the commission.

The TSC, in response to the National Assembly Committee on Education, said that diploma holders serving in Grade C1 are eligible for automatic promotion to Grade C2 upon completion of three years of service.

"Bachelor's degree holders; teachers serving in Grade C2 qualify for automatic promotion to Grade C3 after three years of service," the commission said.

The teachers' employer also said that it has put measures in place to ensure that teachers are absorbed while at their prime age in order to maximise on their long-term expertise.

"TSC recruits registered teachers by the recruitment guidelines issued from time to time. The available vacancies are advertised based on the demand for and supply of teachers as per the existing establishments and budgetary provisions," said TSC.

The commission also said that the recruitment process is guided by the principles of fair competition and merit, integrity, transparency and accountability, equity, fairness and impartiality, inclusiveness and non-discrimination.

In the spirit of equity and fairness, the TSC said it distributes recruitment vacancies equally among the 47 counties.

The commission said the recruitment scorecard is developed inclusively to consider professional qualifications, age, length of stay since qualification as a teacher and CBC upgrade.



TSC acting CEO Eveleen Mitei. FILE | NATION

The TSC said it ensures that both teachers who graduated earlier and the recently graduated ones are considered for jobs.

"There are existing policies on the maximum number of schools per region, ward or area and how the policies influence teacher recruitment and deployment to ensure equitable distribution of teachers in all schools," said the teachers' employer.

The TSC has developed a Teacher Recruitment Policy that governs the recruitment process.

"The key principle driving recruitment and deployment of teachers is that the commission is an equal opportunity employer that abides by the tenets of the law espoused under the Constitution, the TSC Act, the Employment Act, the National Cohesion and Integration Act among other pieces of legislation," said TSC.

The commission said the policy is informed by the values and the principles of public service that include fair competition and merit, transparency and accountability, equity, fairness and impartiality, inclusiveness, and non-discrimination.

The recruitment procedure ensures that there is stability and continuity in the teaching sector. The process of teachers' recruitment

ment begins with the identification of vacancies, which will be determined by shortages.

Thereafter, the vacancies are distributed proportionally to counties and sub-counties, ensuring that each region receives a fair share of opportunities based on needs and available positions.

Once the vacancies have been identified and approved based on the budget, the demand and supply of teachers, the commission advertises the vacancies in the print media and through the commission's website.

"During this period, the teachers apply online via the TSC recruitment portal. Once the application period is over, the commission invites the shortlisted teachers for verification of academic certificates and other relevant documents at the sub-county offices or school level," explained the TSC.

The interviews are decentralized Pursuant to Article 6(3) of the Constitution, to improve service delivery to the grassroots level.

The interviews are conducted at the sub-county or school level, enabling access and regional representation.

The TSC said the approach facilitates wider participation from candidates across all counties and minimises logistical and financial barriers for applicants from remote areas.

"A uniform interview scoring guide is applied across all regions," the commission said.

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Number of counties in the country. The Teachers Service Commission says it distributes vacancies in all counties for fairness.

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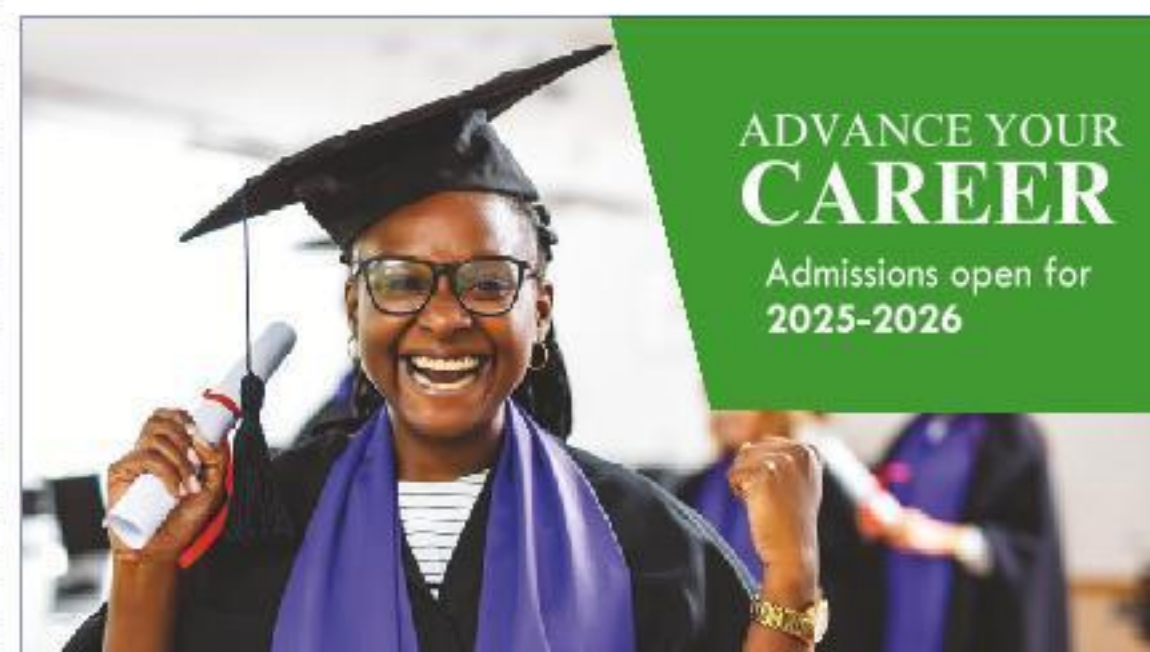
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3.	Customer Care and Communication Skills for Frontline Staff	11 Aug	22 Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
4.	Business Process Re-engineering	18 Aug	22 Aug	1 Week	Dubai, UAE
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7.	Project Management	25 Aug	12 Sep	3 Weeks	Mbabane, ESWATINI
8.	Customer Care and Communication Skills for Front line Staff	1 Sep	12 Sep	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
9.	Monitoring and Evaluation of Projects	15 Sep	3 Oct	3 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
10.	Advanced Public Relations and Customer Care	22 Sep	3 Oct	2 Weeks	Kampala, UGANDA
11.	Business Continuity Planning	29 Sep	3 Oct	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
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13.	CEO Professionalism Development Course	13 Oct	24 Oct	2 Weeks	SINGAPORE
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16.	Wind Energy Project Management	28-Jul	8-Aug	2 Weeks	Maputo, MOZAMBIQUE
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18.	Oil and Gas Marketing Analytics	25-Aug	29-Aug	1 Week	Dodoma, TANZANIA
19.	Climate Governance	1-Sep	5-Sep	1 Week	Naivasha, KENYA
20.	Energy and Technology System Assessment	1-Sep	19-Sep	3 Weeks	Lusaka, ZAMBIA
21.	Climate Change and Risk Management	8-Sep	19-Sep	2 Weeks	Dares Salaam, TANZANIA
22.	Management of Environment and Social Safeguards in Projects	8 Oct	24 Oct	3 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
23.	Renewable Energy Management and Finance	13 Oct	24 Oct	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
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24.	Understanding and Analyzing the Public Sector Budget	14-Jul	25-Jul	2 Weeks	Dares Salaam, TANZANIA
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47.	Financial Planning and Modelling	22-Sep	30-Oct	2 Weeks	ZANZIBAR
48.	Debt Management	13 Oct	24 Oct	2 Weeks	Lilongwe, MALAWI
49.	Advanced Documentary Credits & Financing Trade	20 Oct	24 Oct	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
50.	Activity - Based Budgeting in the Public Sector	20 Oct	31 Oct	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
51.	Innovation in Public Expenditure Management	20 Oct	31 Oct	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
52.	Advanced Financial Management	20 Oct	31 Oct	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
53.	Managing the Internal Audit Function	27 Oct	7 Nov	2 Weeks	Mbabane, ESWATINI
GENDER DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT					
54.	Gender Mainstreaming & Inclusion for Legislatures	11-Aug	22-Aug	2 Weeks	SINGAPORE
55.	Confronting Gender Based Violence in Workplaces Gender and Equity Budgeting & Planning	22-Sep	3-Oct	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT					
56.	Electoral Security and Integrity	14-Jul	18-Jul	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
57.	Parliamentary Leadership Course for Clerks and Deputy Clerks	14-Jul	18-Jul	1 Week	New Delhi, INDIA
58.	Enhancing Leadership and Institutional Effectiveness	14-Jul	25-Jul	2 Weeks	SEYCHELLES
59.	Strategic Leadership and Governance	21-Jul	25-Jul	1 Week	Mbabane, ESWATINI
60.	Expanding the Fiscal Space Options for Governments	4-Aug	15-Aug	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
61.	Public Policy Analysis, Formulation and Management	4-Aug	15-Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
62.	The Role of Parliamentarians in Domestication of Trade Agreements	4-Aug	15-Aug	2 Weeks	Kampala, UGANDA
63.	Public Sector Financial Management for Legislators	11-Aug	22-Aug	2 Weeks	SEYCHELLES
64.	Fiscal Deficit and Public Debt Management	18-Aug	29-Aug	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
65.	Ethical Leadership	18-Aug	29-Aug	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
66.	The Role of Parliamentarians in Domestication of Trade Agreements	25-Aug	29-Aug	1 Week	Kampala, UGANDA
67.	Structuring, Negotiating for and Managing Concessions	25-Aug	5-Sep	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
68.	Boarder and Security Management	1-Sep	12-Sep	2 Weeks	Dares Salaam, TANZANIA
69.	Governance Audit	1-Sep	12-Sep	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
70.	Result Based Management in the Public Sector	8-Sep	12-Sep	1 Week	Dubai, UAE
71.	Leadership and Policy Implementation	8-Sep	19-Sep	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
72.	Transformation of Public Service Delivery: An Evidence Based Approach	8-Sep	19-Sep	2 Weeks	SEYCHELLES
73.	The Role of Legislature in Influencing Government Policies	8-Sep	19-Sep	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
74.	Green Public Service	22-Sep	3-Oct	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
75.	Enhancing Effectiveness of Parliamentary Accountability	22-Sep	3-Oct	2 Weeks	SEYCHELLES
76.	Strategic Agility and Organizational Resilience	29-Sep	10-Oct	2 Weeks	Pretoria, SOUTH AFRICA
77.	Fundamentals of Development Planning	13 Oct	24 Oct	2 weeks	Lilongwe, MALAWI
78.	Leadership Effectiveness and High Performing Organizations	13 Oct	24 Oct	2 Weeks	Livingstone, ZAMBIA
79.	Governance, Ethics, and Anti-corruption Reforms	13 Oct	31 Oct	3 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
80.	Green Public Service	20 Oct	31 Oct	2 Weeks	SINGAPORE
81.	Using Balanced Scorecard (BSC) as a Performance Management System (PMS)	20 Oct	31 Oct	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
HEALTH SECTOR					
82.	Strategic Planning for Effective Health Systems Management	11-Aug	22-Aug	2 Weeks	Mbabane, ESWATINI
83.	Advanced Occupational Health and Safety	13 Oct	24 Oct	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT					
84.	Management Development Program for Executive Assistants I (Basic)	14-Jul	8-Aug	4 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
85.	Training of Trainers	21-Jul	25-Jul	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
86.	Effective Supervisory Management	21-Jul	1-Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
87.	Management Development Program for Executive Assistants II (Advanced)	21-Jul	15-Aug	4 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
88.	Training of Trainers	21-Jul	25-Jul	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
89.	Effective Supervisory Management	21-Jul	1-Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
90.	Competition Policy and Law in African RECS	28-Jul	1-Aug	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
91.	Improving Interpersonal Relations at Work	4-Aug	15-Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
92.	Managing the Training and Development Function	11-Aug	22-Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
93.	Managing Workplace Conflict	11-Aug	22-Aug	2 Weeks	Kampala, UGANDA
94.	The Balanced Scorecard Bootcamp	11-Aug	22-Aug	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
95.	Talent Management and Succession Planning	18-Aug	22-Aug	1 Week	Istanbul, TURKEY
96.	Organizational Development & Sustainability	25-Aug	5-Sep	2 Weeks	Dares Salaam, TANZANIA
97.	Supervisory Skills for Executive Assistants	25-Aug	12-Sep	3 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
98.	Human Resource Metrics and Analytics	1-Sep	12-Sep	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
99.	Managing Intergenerational Workforce	8-Sep	12-Sep	1 Week	Mombasa, KENYA
100.	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Executive Assistant – Level I	8-Sep	19-Sep	2 Weeks	Mbabane, ESWATINI

101.	Advanced Programme on Management Training	15-Sep	19-Sep	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
102.	Effective Report and Minutes Writing	15-Sep	26-Sep	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
103.	Regulatory Aspects of Occupational Health & Safety Management	22-Sep	3-Oct	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
104.	Design and Implementation of Service Delivery Surveys	29-Sep	10-Oct	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
105.	Enhancing Institutional Effectiveness	29-Sep	10-Oct	2 Weeks	Lusaka, ZAMBIA
106.	Managing Workforce Ecosystems	13 Oct	17 Oct	1 Week	Lilongwe, MALAWI
107.	Customer Service Management	20 Oct	31 Oct	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
108.	Strategic Human Resource Management - Advanced	27 Oct	7 Nov	2 Weeks	Harare, ZIMBABWE
ICT PROGRAMMES					
109.	AI For Fraud Detection and Risk Management	14 Jul	25 Jul	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
110.	AI in Marketing - Personalized Marketing and Customer Analysis	28 Jul	8 Aug	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
111.	Artificial Intelligence and Future Workforce	4-Aug	8-Aug	1 Week	Dubai, UAE
112.	Digital Trade, E-commerce and Domestic Regulations	4-Aug	15-Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
113.	Information Systems Auditing	4-Aug	22-Aug	3 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
114.	Cybercrime and Forensic Investigation	4-Aug	22-Aug	3 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
115.	Learning from Big Data, Data Mining and Business Analytics - Data Analytics	1-Sep	5-Sep	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
116.	Advanced MS Excel for Business Modelling	29-Sep	10-Oct	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
117.	Systems Design and Creative Thinking	29-Sep	10-Oct	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
118.	Microsoft Excel for Dashboard Design and Reporting	13 Oct	17 Oct	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
119.	Chatgpt Expert	13 Oct	24 Oct	2 Weeks	ZANZIBAR
120.	Microsoft Office Management for Executive Assistants	27 Oct	7 Nov	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
TRADE PROGRAMMES					
121.	Competition Policy and Law in African RECS	28 Jul	1 Aug	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
122.	Competition Policy and Law in Intra Africa Trade	4 Aug	15 Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
123.	Leveraging Green Trade Policies for Sustainability and Climate Neutrality	4 Aug	15 Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
124.	Understanding Trade in Services & Domestic Regulations	11 Aug	22 Aug	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
125.	Digital Trade and Domestic Regulations	1 Sep	12 Sep	2 Weeks	Mbabane, ESWATINI
126.	Critical Aspects of Trade Finance	22 Sep	3 Oct	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
127.	Trade Facilitation and Logistics	6 Oct	17 Oct	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
128.	Trade Remedies and Trade Defence Instruments	20 Oct	31 Oct	2 Weeks	Nairobi, KENYA
TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE AND PROCUREMENT (TIP)					
129.	Project Risk Management	14 Jul	25 Jul	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
130.	Procurement of World Bank Funded Projects	14 Jul	25 Jul	2 Weeks	Kampala, UGANDA
131.	Multi-modal Logistics: Urban Transport Planning and Modelling	21 Jul	1 Aug	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
132.	Procurement of PPP Projects	21 Jul	8 Aug	3 Weeks	Kampala, UGANDA
133.	Transportation Management	4 Aug	15 Aug	2 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
134.	Purchasing and Supply Chain Management	11 Aug	29 Aug	3 Weeks	Lilongwe, MALAWI
135.	Procurement of Goods, Works and Non-Consulting Services	25 Aug	19 Sep	4 Weeks	Kampala, UGANDA
136.	Road Traffic and Safety Management	8 Sep	26 Sep	3 Weeks	Kampala, UGANDA
137.	Building Supply Chain Resilience in Uncertain Environment	15 Sep	26 Sep	2 Weeks	Dubai, UAE
138.	Fleet Operations, Maintenance and Management	22 Sep	10 Oct	3 Weeks	Kampala, UGANDA
139.	World Bank Procurement Framework for Policy Makers	22 Sep	26 Sep	1 Week	Istanbul, TURKEY
140.	Public Procurement Processes and Management	29 Sep	17 Oct	3 Weeks	Lilongwe, MALAWI
141.	Procurement Fraud Audit and Investigation	13 Oct	24 Oct	2 Weeks	Lusaka, ZAMBIA
142.	Procurement of World Bank Funded Projects	13 Oct	24 Oct	2 Weeks	Arusha, TANZANIA
143.	Logistics & Supply Chain Finance	20 Oct	24 Oct	1 Week	Arusha, TANZANIA
144.	Procurement of Consultancy Services	27 Oct	14 Nov	3 Weeks	Kampala, UGANDA
IN - COUNTRY PROGRAMMES					
145.	Strategic Public Sector Financial Management and Human Capital Optimization (Cohort III)	14-July	08-Aug	4 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
146.	Advanced Pension Management: Fraud Detection, Risk Management, and Structural Dynamics (Cohort I)	14-July	08-Aug	4 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
147.	Structure of Pension Schemes	21-Jul	01-Aug	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
148.	Strategic Thinking and Analytical Skills for Effective Service Delivery	21-Jul	01-Aug	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
149.	Road Safety, Fatigue and Emotions Management for Drivers	21-Jul	08-Aug	3 Weeks	Mombasa, KENYA
150.	Cyber Security Essentials Certificate Programme	04-Aug	03-Sept	9 Weeks	Online
151.	Strategic Public Sector Financial Management and Human Capital Optimization (Cohort IV)	11-Aug	05-Sept	4 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
152.	Advanced Pension Management: Fraud Detection, Risk Management, and Structural Dynamics (Cohort II)	11-Aug	05-Sept	4 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
153.	Strategies for Operational Excellence	18-Aug	29-Aug	2 Weeks	Kampala, Uganda
154.	Digitalization of Records and Best Practices in Electronic Records Management Systems and Solutions	18-Aug	05-Sept	3 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
155.	Productivity Enhancement	25-Aug	05-Sept	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
156.	Pre-Retirement, Financial Planning and Investment Analysis	01-Sep	26-Sep	4 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
157.	Advanced Pension Management: Fraud Detection, Risk Management, and Structural Dynamics (Cohort I)	01-Sep	26-Sep	4 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
158.	Strategic Planning and Management for County Development	01-Sept	12-Sept	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
159.	Participatory Governance and Community Engagement	08-Sept	19-Sept	2 Weeks	Kisumu, Kenya
160.	Health Financing for Universal Health Coverage	15-Sept	26-Sept	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
161.	Food Security: From Policy to Practice	15-Sept	26-Sept	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
162.	Portfolio & Grant Management	22-Sept	03-Oct	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
163.	Strategic Project Management and Procurement for Public-Private Partnerships	22-Sept	03-Oct	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
164.	Health System Sustainability: From Donor Dependency to Domestic Resilience	22-Sept	03-Oct	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
165.	Digital Transformation and AI in Service Delivery	22-Sept	03-Oct	2 Weeks	Kisumu, Kenya
166.	Management of Regulatory Enforcement Agencies	22-Sept	03-Oct	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
167.	Foundations of Public Financial Management in Kenya	06-Oct	17-Oct	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
168.	Effective Organizations Communication for Frontline Officers	06-Oct	17-Oct	2 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ
169.	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Emerging Issues for Drivers and Support Staff	13-Oct	31-Oct	3 Weeks	Mombasa, Kenya
170.	Office Management and Hygiene Course for Office Assistants	20-Oct	07-Nov	3 Weeks	ESAMI HQ, Arusha, TZ



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# National News

**Revival** In Brazil, refined sugar is a by-product as the nation produces more than enough for domestic use

## New sugar millers seek fresh sweetness by diversifying to cane by-products

The low-lying fruit for most of the new barons is the making of ethanol – a sector dominated by Agro Chemical and Food Company Ltd

BY DOMINIC OMONDI

Standing at the porch of the factory as our bodies are bathed by steam from a massive water recycling pit below, Mr Alfred Soi, the chairman of West Valley Sugar Company, points towards an unfinished structure that looks like a sub-station and raises his voice above the roar of the mills.

"We are building our own distillery," the company chairman says.

West Valley is not even three years old but appears like it is running before it can even crawl. The ambition is paying off.

The new miller has leased Muhoroni Sugar – one of the country's oldest sugar factories – a paradox that is not lost on Kisumu Governor Anyang Nyong'o.

West Valley's distillery, whose details are still scant, will be used to make ethanol from molasses, a thick brown syrup that is left when sugar crystallises.

The distillery will also get molasses from Muhoroni Sugar Company in Kisumu County.

Kipchinchim Group of Companies, which owns West Valley, is building another sugar factory in Trans Mara, Narok County, which will be its other source of molasses.

Apart from ethanol, sugarcane be also used to make other products.

A classic illustration of squeezing many valuable products from cane is offered by Kibos Sugar and Allied Industries.

Kibos is also based in Muhoroni Sub-County, Kisumu. It is one of the key players in the industry, crushing 804,873 tonnes of cane in 2023, according to official statistics.

The Kibos Complex has plants for milling, power generation, a sugar refinery, the distillery, a paper mill and fertiliser-making.

To achieve all these, one needs tens of thousands of acres of sugarcane. The investor also requires efficient mills.

That is why the leasing of Chemelil Sugar Factory and the nucleus farm – also in Kisumu County – is important for Kibos, which is owned by the Chat-tha family.

When cane is crushed, the dry pulp that is left – also known as bagasse – is pushed into the boilers where it is heated.

This, in turn, heats water whose steam is eventually used to make electricity to power the factory and plant.

This method of producing electricity is known as bagasse co-generation.

With adequate electricity due to a good supply of sugarcane, the miller can produce surplus electricity which can then be sold to the national grid.

This was the game-plan of Mumias Sugar's 35MW bagasse-based co-generation plant that saw it sign an agreement with Kenya Power to supply the distributor with electricity.

However, the plan was disrupted when the company ran out of bagasse due to a reduced supply of cane.

The low-lying fruit for most of the new sugar barons is the manufacture of ethanol – a sector dominated by Agro Chemical and Food Company Ltd, a government-owned distillery.

In raw form, molasses can be used to improve animal feed or make fertiliser, but it is largely transformed into ethanol, which is then used in the distillation of spirits like whiskey, gin or rum by compounds.

The Rai Group, which has an iron grip control over refined sugar through its five subsidiaries, has set its eyes on the cane by-products, particularly electricity



Inside West Valley Sugar Company factory on June 13. The factory has modern systems aimed at revitalising sugar production in western Kenya. ALEX ODHIAMBO / NATION

co-generation and ethanol production.

Rai Group's subsidiary – West Kenya Sugar Company – is soon building a Sh3.86 billion distillery next to its sugar factory in Kakamega that has a milling capacity of 5,000 tonnes of cane per day (TCD).

With the leasing of Bungoma-based Nzoia Sugar Company which has a TCD of 3,000 for the next 30 years, West Kenya will barely run short of molasses to supply its distillery that is designed for making extra neutral alcohol (ENA), fusel oil and technical alcohol for 330 days a year.

As long as all the plants in the five subsidiaries under Rai Sukari – the holding company for the Rai family sugar factories – keep humming, cane will be milled and molasses will be produced.

### Modernising the mills

Mr Jaswant Rai, the chairperson of Rai Group who not very long ago appeared to be at loggerheads with President William Ruto, was controversially handed by the Head of State Mumias Sugar Company's electricity co-generation and distillery plants.

This decision has been opposed by the area leaders and residents. Analysts say it is a move that is likely to inflame the rivalry between Mr Jaswant and his brother Sarbjit Rai of Uganda's Sarrai Group.

Sarrai Group is running the factory under a lease granted by receivers appointed by the KCB Bank.

It is still not clear if West Kenya will be paying for the molasses from Mumias.

On the Nandi Hills-Kimwani road in Nandi County, the family of Brig (rtd) Peter Kipchirchir Magut, is setting up Tiryo Sugar Mills

Limited at an estimated cost of Sh357.8 million.

Apart from a sugar miller with a daily crushing capacity of 1,000 tonnes, the Eldoret-based investor is also building a 45 kilolitre per day distillery as more entrepreneurs plunge into the alcohol business.

Could Agro-Chemical Ltd, which gets 80 per cent of its molasses from some of these sugar millers, be worried about the new competition?

"The market is huge," says Mr Edwin Owino, the General Manager in charge of Finance and ICT at Agro Chemical.

Portable spirits produced by leading alcohol manufacturers like the East African Breweries Limited (EABL), London Distillers or Kenya Wine Agencies Limited are valued at Sh200 billion and give the taxman about Sh18 billion in excise duty every year.

EABL, which is listed on the Nairobi Securities Exchange, gets most of its ethanol from Agro Chemicals Ltd, but the company management says it is never enough.

The alcohol manufacturer is usually forced to look for more ethanol from elsewhere to plug the deficit.

"When the companies modernise the mills, their capacity will go up," says Mr Owino, add-

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The tonnes of cane that Bungoma-based Nzoia Sugar Company can mill in a day. The company has been leased by West Kenya Sugar for 30 years

There are areas the company was hoping to get into for a long time, including electricity co-generation and producing ethanol

Dr Jane Pamela Odhiambo, New South Nyanza Sugar Company 2025 incoming Managing Director



ing that this will see them produce adequate sugar for the local market.

When sugar production goes up, he adds, molasses will also increase, with the distilleries having more than they require.

He says this is the reason Agro Chemical imports molasses from distilleries in Uganda, which also happen to have mills.

"It is a mill but is able to sell extra. One company cannot produce everything," Mr Owino adds.

Ethanol can also be denatured, or made unfit for human consumption. Such can be used for the manufacture of cosmetics and pharmaceuticals.

Besides bottled spirits, Agro-Chemical Ltd manufactures baker's yeast, hand sanitiser and carbon dioxide.

Unlike most of the state-owned sugar companies whose inefficiencies led them to struggle to even get enough sugarcane and venture into making other products, the new mills are keen to get the most out of the white gold.

Dr Jane Pamela Odhiambo, the incoming Managing Director of New South Nyanza Sugar Company (Sony) 2025, says as part of the long term project, the private investor plans to diversify into many by-products of sugar processing.

"There are areas the company was hoping to get into for a long time, including electricity co-generation and producing ethanol," Dr Odhiambo says.

In countries like Brazil, refined sugar can be a by-product. The South American nation produces more than enough for domestic consumption.

When he made a presentation before the National Assembly Committees of Finance and Agriculture, Mumias Sugar Company General Manager Rakesh Bvats warned against taking this route.

"It should be made clear to millers that sugar is their first priority. The by-products come after," Mr Rakesh told the lawmakers.

That is not surprising. There is a high demand for table sugar, which the local market has not been able to meet. That makes the country import the deficit.

Mr Owino urges caution as the millers diversify. He says the companies should not make the mistake of Mumias Sugar, "which went into many things at once, including areas it had no experience".

"If I were these people putting up the new mills, I would first revamp the factories and invest in cane development. That will take about five years," he says.

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## National News

**Employment** Quality of Kenya's talent one of the key reasons why Kenya is seen as a gateway to Africa, says DP Kindiki

One-day event attracted over 60 companies from a wide range of fields

BY KIMANI MWANGI

The Nation Media Group and Huawei yesterday held the Leap Job Fair 2025 at the University of Nairobi in which discussions on how to bridge the unemployment gap dominated.

The one-day event attracted over 60 companies from a wide range of fields. Employers from sectors such as banking, manufacturing, telecommunications and hospitality were present and offered advice on job applications and career development.

From fresh graduates to experienced professionals, the event drew a diverse crowd, all eager to engage potential employers and gain insights into the job market.

NMG CEO Geoffrey Odundo said the media company has invested in a diverse portfolio of youth-focused initiatives.

"Over the years we have run a number of youth-centred programmes including My Network, the High Schooler, G3 and the Trend. Another of our flagship initiative is Scale Up Africa, which brings stakeholders to reflect and empower young people with skills that they need for employment or successful entrepreneurship," Mr Odundo said.

#### Place to be

He told job seekers the job fair was the place to be. "Be bold and ask questions and be curious. To our partners, thank you for being part of our shared vision," he said.

Deputy President Kithure Kindiki, who was the chief guest, asked development partners to borrow a leaf from the NMG and Huawei approach.

"The quality of Kenya's talent is one of the key reasons why Kenya is seen as a gateway to Africa, a regional hub and a leader in industries like technology. I believe it is also why there are many Chinese companies that are active in Kenya and which are creating many jobs here. For that I want to thank the Kenya and China Economic and Trade association and their members," he said.

Huawei CEO Kenya Gavin Gao noted that the ICT sector is growing rapidly and offers diverse opportunities in the job market.

"We are providing advanced skills through our ICT academy, training over 7,000 students per year and we are providing more basic digital skills across 39 counties. We have signed an MOU in 2023 with the State Department of ICT and TVETS and partnerships with over 60 universities," he said.

Also present at the event were Chinese Ambassador to Kenya Guo Haiyan and Mr Yu Xiaodong, Chairman of the Kenya-China Economic and Trade Association.



Deputy President Kithure Kindiki (left) with Nation Media Group CEO Geoffrey Odundo at the Leap Job Fair organised by Nation Media Group and Huawei at the University of Nairobi. The event sought to connect young professionals and students with career opportunities.



Josephine Njeri from Huawei Kenya engages with a client at their booth during the Leap Job Fair. PHOTOS | BONIFACE BOGITA | NATION

## All about jobs at NMG, Huawei fair



Exhibitors from China Energy Engineering Cooperation engage with students at their booth during the Leap Job Fair at the University of Nairobi.



Exhibitors engage with the youth during the Leap Job Fair organised by Nation Media Group and Huawei at the University of Nairobi yesterday.



Participants are all ears at the Leap Job Fair organised by Nation Media Group and Huawei yesterday at the University of Nairobi.



Metrine Papa from IPS Group Companies engages with a young Kenyan at their booth during the Leap Job Fair.



Huawei Kenya Hiring Manager Mathew Kiptoo explains a point to Prof Kindiki, Mr Odundo, Chinese Ambassador to Kenya Guo Haiyan and University of Nairobi Acting Vice-Chancellor Margret Jesang Hutchinson, among others, at the event.



Caterina Nyambura from United Disabled Persons of Kenya engages with young people who attended the Leap Job Fair yesterday at University of Nairobi.


**Ministry of Health**



# TYPHOID CONJUGATE VACCINES (TCV)

## Frequently Asked Questions

PERIOD: 5<sup>TH</sup> - 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025 ACROSS ALL 47 COUNTIES





**Boil Water**



**Eat well cooked food**



**Always wash your hands**



**Always treat water**

**What is Typhoid disease?**

- Typhoid is a serious bacterial infection caused by *Salmonella Typhi*.
- It spreads through contaminated food and water and causes high fever, weakness, stomach pain, and other symptoms.
- Without treatment, it can be fatal.

**Who is most affected by Typhoid disease?**

- Everyone is at risk of getting typhoid disease, especially children aged less than 15 years. Typhoid places a significant and underestimated burden on children in sub-Saharan Africa, with poor communities often being most susceptible.

**How does Typhoid disease spread?**

- Typhoid is spread by the fecal-oral route through contaminated food and water, usually due to unsafe water, inadequate sanitation, and poor hygiene habits.

**Why is there increased risk for Typhoid disease?**

- Increasing drug resistance, climate change, and urbanization heighten the risk for typhoid outbreaks worldwide.

**What are the risk factors of Typhoid disease?**

- Typhoid risk is highest in settings where sanitation and hygiene is poor and water is unsafe.
- Environmental and social factors such as overcrowding, natural disasters and climate change put children in endemic and emergency settings at most at risk.

**How can safe water and sanitation protect against Typhoid disease?**

- By safely separating waste from water sources used for drinking, cooking, washing, or swimming and ensuring that water is treated and free of contamination, we can help prevent the spread of typhoid and many other diseases.

**How can good hygiene protect us against Typhoid disease?**

- Proper food handling and hygiene practices — including handwashing with soap and water, using safe water sources, and boiling or treating food and beverages—play a large role in the prevention of typhoid, which is often spread by contaminated food or beverages.

**What is Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine?**

- This is a safe and effective vaccine that offers high protection against drug-resistant *Salmonella Typhi*.

**Who is eligible for Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine (TCV)?**

- The World Health Organization (WHO) recommends TCV for:
  - Children aged 6 months and older in typhoid-endemic areas.
  - High-risk populations in areas with poor sanitation and limited access to clean water.
  - Travelers to regions where typhoid disease is common.

**How many doses of Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine (TCV) are needed?**

- Current evidence supports long term immunity after a single dose.

**Can TCV be given together with other vaccines?**

- Yes. TCV can be safely given at the same time as other childhood vaccines.

**Where will TCV vaccine be available in Kenya?**


- The Ministry of Health will be providing the TCV vaccine in all immunizing facilities across all the 47 counties in Kenya.

**Who will receive the Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine and Measles-Rubella vaccine during the immunization campaign?**

- During the campaign, all children aged 9 months to 14 years will receive the Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine (TCV). In addition, children aged 9 months to 5 years will also receive the Measles-Rubella (MR) vaccine.

**What happens after Typhoid and Measles Rubella vaccine campaign?**

- Typhoid Conjugate vaccine and Measles Rubella vaccine will be provided routinely at 9 months in all immunizing facilities.


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**THE INSURANCE ACT (CHAPTER 487, LAWS OF KENYA)**

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR APPROVAL FOR THE TRANSFER OF THE LONG-TERM LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS OF OLD MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LTD TO OLD MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE KENYA LTD PURSUANT TO SECTION 114(1) OF THE INSURANCE ACT, CAP 487, LAWS OF KENYA**

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**NOTICE** is hereby given under the Insurance Act, Cap 487, Laws of Kenya (**Insurance Act**), of the intention of Old Mutual Life Assurance Company Ltd (**OMLAC**), having its registered office at 7th Floor, Old Mutual Tower, Upperhill Road, Upperhill, Nairobi, Kenya to apply to the Insurance Regulatory Authority for its approval, pursuant to Section 113 and Section 117 of the Insurance Act, of the proposed transfer of the long-term life insurance business of OMLAC to Old Mutual Life Assurance Kenya Ltd (**OMLAK**) (the **Proposed Transfer**).

Copies of a statement setting out the particulars of the Proposed Transfer and the report of the actuary in respect thereof, as approved by the Insurance Regulatory Authority (**IRA**) are available for inspection at the registered offices of OMLAC, as set out above and at the office branches, during normal business hours for a period of not less than sixty (60) days from the date of publication of this Notice.







Any person (including a policyholder, shareholder, employee or director) who has reasonable grounds for believing that he/she/it would be adversely affected by the Proposed Transfer is invited to write or make oral representations to the Insurance Regulatory Authority within sixty (60) days of the publication of this Notice stating the grounds on which he/she/it believes he/she/it would be adversely affected by the implementation of the Proposed Transfer.


Take further notice that pursuant to the provisions of section 114(1)(b) of the Insurance Act, Chapter 487 of the Laws of Kenya, the IRA has directed that the parties need to send this notice to every affected policy holder and every other person who claims an interest in a policy included in the Transfer and who has given notice of such claim to either OMLAC or OMLAK, as the case may be.

Dated: 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025

**By the Order of the Board of Directors**

**Moses Obonyo,**  
**Chairman,**  
**Old Mutual Life Assurance Company Limited**



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## WELLNESS

## Advertising Feature

## Self-care, the answer to sustainable health care systems

Kenya's self-care market is witnessing a dynamic chapter – one driven by rising consumer awareness, technological advancement, and a political will that aligns with a broader vision of sustainability and self-reliance. At the intersection of these trends lies a vital opportunity: To build a resilient, equitable, and consumer-responsive self-care ecosystem that enhances long-term health outcomes across the country.

And leading from the frontlines is Haleon Kenya Limited, a world-leading consumer health company with a clear purpose to deliver better everyday health with humanity.

Haleon General Manager for Sub-Saharan Africa Himanshu Raj, says: "As a global leader in consumer health, Haleon's presence in Kenya's self-care market heralds a pivotal time in the country's healthcare evolution. With the government prioritising health systems strengthening to advance self-reliance, our presence reflects and reinforces this national trajectory."

Haleon officially launched as an independent consumer health company on July 18, 2022, following a strategic demerger from GlaxoSmithKline Limited (GSK). Through the recent announcement of its legal entity name change in March in Kenya, Haleon has entrenched itself as a key market player in advancing self-care to Kenya, and by extension, Sub-Saharan Africa.

This paradigm shift lends itself towards greater awareness around the importance of self-care, which is critical, especially since many Kenyans lack access to quality, affordable healthcare services.

#### The self-care imperative

According to socio-economic research done by the Global Self-Care Federation, self-care practices observed in Sub-Saharan African countries – including Kenya – include self-medication, self-testing, self-administration, and self-injection.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) defines self-care as "the ability of individuals, families and communities to promote health, prevent disease, maintain health, and cope with

illness and disability with or without the support of a health worker." Self-care interventions currently save \$119 billion in costs and \$1.9 trillion in welfare spending globally, with potential future savings of \$179 billion and \$2.8 trillion.

These interventions save 11 billion hours of patients' time and 1.8 billion hours of physicians' time. Furthermore, analyses indicate that these figures could rise to 18 billion hours for patients and 2.8 billion hours for physicians, respectively.

"What we now need is a whole-of-society approach that mobilises public and private actors, community leaders, and everyday citizens," Raj says. "Sustainable health isn't just about reducing illness. It's about unlocking the full potential of the Kenyan people."

Globally, Haleon stands to deliver "better everyday health with humanity", making health more inclusive and with an aim to empower 50 million people by this year alone.

In Kenya, the consumer health leader produces 28 million units of healthcare products annually, ranging from popular brands like Sensodyne, Aquafresh, Eno, Panadol and Calpol. Beyond meeting local demand, Haleon's local production facility in Nairobi serves as a regional hub, exporting to six markets on in Africa – underpinning Kenya's strategic relevance in the continent's self-care future.

In 2024 alone, eight million of the abovementioned products were sold in Kenya.

#### A new class of conscious consumers

A greater focus on self-care could significantly reduce Kenya's healthcare demands, lower costs, improve care effectiveness, and conserve resources by minimising the need for clinical treatments for manageable conditions.

However, experts agree that as a start, health literacy must be recognised as a fundamental catalyst for change, ensuring individuals understand and act upon credible health information to become active self-managers of their health.

A recent study in Uasin Gishu County, which examined how demand for consumer health

information affects sustainable health, offers crucial insights into Kenya's health care transformation. The research, anchored in the principles of Human Capital Theory, Consumer Choice Theory, and Rational Choice Theory, reveals a compelling truth: Empowered consumers, armed with timely, affordable, and accurate health information, make healthier and more sustainable choices.

Furthermore, Kenya's Q2 2024 *Consumer Pulse Report* by TransUnion, paints an encouraging picture of resilience and rising optimism, especially among Gen Z and Millennials. With 85 percent of consumers expecting income growth in the coming year and more households able to meet their financial obligations, the environment is ripe for increased investment in self-care and wellness.

Notably, younger Kenyans are not only more financially optimistic, but are also more entrepreneurial, more digitally savvy, and more inclined to prioritise health. These are the very traits that make them ideal participants, and indeed drivers, of the evolving self-care marketplace. For this generation, health is no longer just a clinical matter. It is a lifestyle, a status symbol, and an act of empowerment.

#### Self-care: A collective call to action

Whether it's through championing self-care practices, scaling regional production of consumer health products, or investing in health literacy, Haleon's mission is clear: To build a future where every Kenyan has the tools and knowledge to care for themselves and their families.

According to Raj, self-care will also be a key driver of Kenya's delivery of Universal Health Coverage – a core priority of the government that aligns with its Health Policy Framework 2014-2030. However, Raj emphasises that collective action is needed.

"The foundations have been laid. The consumer is ready. Now is the time to build a sustainable self-care economy that not only supports individual wellbeing but drives national resilience and economic prosperity for generations to come," he says.



From left: Principal Secretary for Medical Services Dr Ouma Oluga, Haleon Site Director Paul Arunga, British High Commission Country Director Richlove Mensah, Haleon General Manager Himanshu Raj, and Haleon Corporate Affairs Manager Kwara Kekana, during a stakeholders' breakfast session at Haleon Kenya factory.



## REPUBLIC OF KENYA THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION (2025) THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLES 2(5) & (6) AND 118(1)(b) OF THE CONSTITUTION AND SECTION 8 OF THE TREATY MAKING AND RATIFICATION ACT, CAP. 4D

AND  
IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 11 OF THE PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES ACT, CAP.179

AND  
IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERATION BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES (GLOBAL CENTRE FOR ADAPTATION) ORDER, 2025

### INVITATION TO SUBMIT MEMORANDA

**WHEREAS**, Article 118(1) (b) of the Constitution requires Parliament to facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of Parliament and its Committees;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Privileges and Immunities (Global Centre for Adaptation) Order, 2025 was tabled in the National Assembly on 4<sup>th</sup> June, committed to the **Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining** for consideration and reporting to the House;

#### IT IS NOTIFIED that—

- (1) The **Privileges and Immunities (Global Centre for Adaptation) Order, 2025** indicates that the Government of Kenya has entered into an Agreement for cooperation with the Global Centre for Adaptation (GCA), an international organization established with the aim of accelerating adaptation action and supporting climate adaptation solutions;
- (2) Pursuant to section 11 of the Privileges and Immunities Act, Cap.179, the **Privileges and Immunities (Global Centre for Adaptation) Order, 2025** seeks to—
  - (a) grant GCA the privileges and immunities under Part I of the Fourth Schedule to the Act, which include—
    - (i) immunity from suit and legal process;
    - (ii) inviolability of premises occupied as offices and official archives;
    - (iii) exemption from rates and taxes, other than taxes on importation of goods;
    - (iv) exemption from taxes on the goods or services imported or purchased locally by the organization for its official use in Kenya or for exportation, or on the importation of any publications of the organization directly by it, subject to conditions imposed in customs and excise laws; and
    - (v) exemption from prohibitions and restrictions on importation or exportation in the case of goods directly imported or exported by the organization for its official use and any publications of the organization directly imported or exported by it; and
  - (b) grant the GCA director, officials and staff the privileges and immunities specified under Part III of the Fourth schedule to the Act, which include—
    - (i) immunity from suit and legal process in respect of things done or omitted to be done in the course of the performance of official duties; exemption from direct taxes upon the emoluments received as an officer or servant of the organization;
    - (ii) immunity from national service obligations;
    - (iii) immunity from immigration restrictions and alien registration in respect of officers and servants and their spouses and dependent relatives;
    - (iv) like privileges in respect of exchange control facilities as are accorded to officials of equivalent status forming part of diplomatic mission;
    - (v) like facilities for the officers and servants and their spouses and dependent relatives for repatriation in time of international crises as are afforded to diplomatic missions; and
    - (vi) exemption from tax or duty on the importation of furniture, personal property and household effects of an officer or servant first arriving to take up his post in Kenya.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in compliance with Articles 2(5) & (6) and 118(1)(b) of the Constitution as well as Section 8 of the Treaty Making and Ratification Act, 2012, Cap. 4D, the Clerk of the National Assembly hereby invites members of the public and stakeholders to submit memoranda on the **Privileges and Immunities (Global Centre for Adaptation) Order, 2025** to the **Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining**.

The memoranda should be addressed to the **Clerk of the National Assembly, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi**, hand-delivered to the **Office of the Clerk, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi**, or emailed to [cna@parliament.go.ke](mailto:cna@parliament.go.ke) to be received **on or before Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 at 5.00 p.m.**

The full text of the **Privileges and Immunities (Global Centre for Adaptation) Order, 2025** and the accompanying Explanatory Memorandum may be accessed at [www.parliament.go.ke/the-national-assembly/house-business/paper-laid](http://www.parliament.go.ke/the-national-assembly/house-business/paper-laid).

**S. NJOROGE, CBS  
CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

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# National News

**Row** After a prolonged debate, the senators delivered a verdict rendering the governor's impeachment invalid

BY COLLINS OMULO

Questionable Hansard records, a court ruling, and a defective impeachment resolution saved the day for Isiolo Governor Abdi Guyo during his trial at the Senate yesterday, as the lawmakers voted to dismiss his ouster on a technicality.

After prolonged preliminary arguments and counterarguments, the Senate delivered a verdict rendering the governor's impeachment invalid.

The impeachment process, the lawmakers argued, was just as important as the outcome.

Mr Guyo, in his objections, had claimed the Isiolo County Assembly did not hold sittings on June 18 and 26, 2025, which are said to have culminated in his impeachment. In light of a court order declaring the resultant impeachment resolution null and void, the Senate ruled that it could not proceed with the trial.

"I am very clear in my mind that there has been a tacit concession by the assembly that there was no sitting. There is also a court decision rendering any such a sitting null and void. It would be the darkest day if we disobeyed court orders," said Nairobi Senator Edwin Sifuna.

His Vihiga counterpart Godfrey Osotsi said the Senate needed to force the assembly "to do the right job and bring back a proper

## MPs cite flawed process as bid to impeach Guyo flops

Guyo claimed the assembly didn't hold any sittings, which culminated in his impeachment

impeachment motion."

Making the case against the impeachment of the first-term governor, Mr Guyo's legal team, led by former Law Society of Kenya (LSK) president Eric Theuri, tore into the arguments laid out by the Isiolo County Assembly.

Mr Theuri urged the Senate to reject the impeachment resolution, insisting that no sittings took place on June 18 and 26, a position supported by Mr Elias Mutuma, another of Governor Guyo's lawyers, who described the case as "an affront to the Constitution" and an attempted coup against the governor, which "sets a dangerous precedent."

Arguing that the Hansard, notices for special sittings and invitations sent to the governor were all defective, Mr Theuri said the blatant contradictions and anomalies in the records presented before the Senate pointed to falsehoods "cooked and generat-



Isiolo Governor Abdi Guyo (left) with his lawyer Eric Theuri during his impeachment hearing at the Senate in Nairobi yesterday. DENNIS ONSONGO | NATION

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Number of senators, out of the required 24, who voted to save the governor from ouster by choosing to agree with his preliminary objections.

ed outside the assembly".

Mr Elisha Ongoya said the County Hansard lacked an official stamp, rendering the impeachment process invalid, and that there was neither a valid nor competent motion to sustain an impeachment hearing, as the resolution before the Senate had been declared null and void by the court.

But in their rebuttal, the assembly's lawyers, led by Mr Paul Nyamodi, said the issues raised by the governor should not be considered as preliminary objection but be tested by way of

cross-examination.

Insisting there were two sittings, he said arguments that the constitutional thresholds for impeachment had not been met were contested and could therefore not form a basis for preliminary objection. The House, the lawyer said, should proceed to full trial to test the veracity of the statements made by witnesses.

On his part, Mr Mutuma dismissed the rebuttal, saying, the assembly had misunderstood the nature, extent and effect of their preliminary objection. He said it was the duty of the county assembly to confirm whether a sitting took place, which could be proved by a credible Hansard.

"Documents speak for themselves and we don't need a witness to take to the stand to interpret the Hansard, which is supposed to communicate what transpired verbatim," he said.

When the voting time came, some 15 minutes to 9pm, 31 out of the 47 senators – against a required minimum of 24 – voted to save the governor by choosing to agree with his preliminary objection that no sitting was held by Isiolo County Assembly, effectively terminating the proceedings on the proposed removal of the governor from office by way of impeachment. Twelve senators voted against the motion.

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## Proud members of Nation DT Sacco recount their successes

BY EVANS ONGWAE

Stories of Sacco members enjoying financial success abound. Nation Deposit-Taking (DT) Sacco, which turns 50 this year, has its fair share of such cases.

Ms Beatrice Gachagwi, the owner of Lelani School, is an example. A veteran journalist, she was hit by the entrepreneurial bug five years ago and decided to open a quality kindergarten that would rival the school where her child studied.

Her neighbour urged her on and even promised to take the first child to the school. Passionate about children, and having worked as a producer on a children's TV programmes at NTV, she accepted the challenge and started with two learners.

However, she was caught flat-footed when Covid-19 struck right after she had handed in a notice to quit her job to immerse herself in business. Getting money during that period was tough, and not enough children had enrolled in her school.

As she recalls, she was hopeless. She had hit rock bottom financially and mentally. When school re-opening was announced, her worries came back because she needed finances.



Nation DT Sacco chief executive officer, Mr Morris Mutai.

Luckily, as a member of Nation DT Sacco since 2006, she was eligible to take a loan from the Society. This enabled her to recruit teachers, repaint the school and start operations. The rest is history, as the school has grown using loans from the Sacco and now has more than 350 learners.

Another happy member of Nation DT Sacco is Mr Alfred Ng'ang'a, the Managing Partner at Oxygene Marketing and Communications Limited. He says he has watched the Sacco grow. "I've



also grown with it," he points out.

Interestingly, as Mr Ng'ang'a states, 80 percent of Oxygene staff are members of Nation DT Sacco. He says he has remained a member of the Sacco because of its stability, owing to robust governance. Hence, he declares: "As we continue to grow as a business, and as Nation DT Sacco continues to grow as a financial solutions provider, we will continue to grow together."

In Isiolo, hundreds of kilometres from Nairobi where Ms Gachagwi and Mr Ng'ang'a are

based, is Mr Murori Kiunga and his wife, two equally satisfied Nation DT Sacco members.

Mr Kiunga, a publisher, also runs a growing hospitality and farming business with his wife. The couple owns Kisimani Eco Resort and Spa, which they started in 2022.

Being long-time members of Nation DT Sacco, they took a loan to buy the property, and went back for more, for construction.

Mr Kiunga says even the publishing business has over the years been financed by Nation

DT Sacco. "So they trust us, and we trust Nation DT Sacco as a trustworthy financier," he says.

It's noteworthy that all these beneficiaries are not employees of Nation Media Group.

Nation DT Sacco chief executive officer, Mr Morris Mutai, says the institution is open to all people who wish to become members.

"People assume Nation DT Sacco is for Nation Media Group employees only. Membership is open for anyone, whether you're in this country or working abroad," he stresses.

Mutai says up to 40 percent of the Sacco's members who take loans invest it in real estate, whether commercial or residential.

He points out that the stability and strong liquidity position of Nation DT Sacco is not by chance. It's a delivery strategy backed by a concrete risk management framework, a well-diversified investment portfolio, and continuous optimisation of operational efficiency on a daily basis.

The Sacco has adopted a progressive approach, where members have the option to use alternative securities in place of the traditional guarantors. This, Mr Mutai explains, has opened a huge potential for members to go for greater opportunities. "Members now have the freedom to bring a title deed or a logbook to secure a loan," he says.

In January this year, the Sacco launched two flagship products. One is a mortgage facility offered in partnership with the Kenya Mortgage Refinance Company (KMRC). And it's quite competitive, with interest rates starting as low as eight percent, says Mutai.

The second product is ideal for members who want to acquire interest-earning or income-generating assets or properties.

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## FOOD FORTIFICATION

# Sanku marks four years in Kenya, celebrates reaching over 10 million people daily with fortified nutritious flour

Since 2020, Sanku Fortification Kenya LTD has worked in close collaboration with the Ministry of Health, other government bodies, development partners, and especially millers, to advance Kenya's national food fortification goal of ending malnutrition

BY EVANS ONGWAE

**S**anku Fortification Kenya LTD, a social enterprise at the forefront of food fortification, has reached two major milestones in its mission to combat hidden hunger in Kenya. The organisation recently celebrated four years of impactful programming in the country, as well as the remarkable achievement of reaching over 10 million Kenyans daily with fortified, nutritious flour.

These milestones were marked on June 24 during the launch of Sanku's new warehouse and offices, located at Nairobi Gate Industrial Park, Unit 5, on the Eastern Bypass. The new premises are a key hub for scaling their operations throughout Kenya.

Food fortification – the process of adding essential vitamins and minerals into the staple foods we eat every day – has long been recognised as a cost-effective public health intervention. A prime example is salt iodization, first mandated in Kenya in 1978. It led to a significant drop in goitre rates from about 16 percent in the mid-1990s to approximately six percent by 2004 – demonstrating the power of fortified staples in eliminating micronutrient deficiencies.

Since 2020, Sanku has worked in close collaboration with the Ministry of Health, other government bodies, development partners, and millers, to advance Kenya's national food fortification goals. Their innovative model equips millers – particularly small and medium-scale – with IoT-enabled dosing machines, called the Sanku Do-



Sanku co-founder and CEO Felix Brooks-church leads in cutting the ribbon to unveil the company's new premises at the Nairobi Gate Industrial Park on June 24, 2025.

sifier, that automatically adds a safe amount of life-saving micronutrients such as iron, zinc, vitamin A, and B vitamins such as folic acid, into maize and wheat flour during milling.

Ms Felistus Mutambi, Sanku's Senior Partnerships and Government Relations Manager, says the organisation has so far deployed over 160 dosifiers to millers across the country. "We've found that many millers were frustrated by the limitations of previous fortification equipment. Our dosifiers are smart, reliable, easy to use, and help ensure that flour meets Kenya's national fortification standards," she explains.

Partner millers also receive consistent, affordable, and compliant premix supply, ensuring that fortified flour remains both accessible and cost-effective to the communities who need it most.

This commitment to quality and scalability is reinforced by Sanku's Co-Founder and CEO, Felix Brooks-church, who emphasises the critical role of high-quality premix in achieving the organisation's mission.

"Sanku is providing a scalable solution centred on quality production. Our 'special sauce' is the highest-quality premix that ensures vital nutrients and vitamins are getting into people's bodies. Without real premix, with the right levels of nutrients, we do not

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**Felix Brooks-church, Co-Founder and CEO, Sanku**



have a mission," he says, and adds: "Sanku is on a mission to end hidden hunger in Kenya, and across Africa, by ensuring that every meal, for every mother and child, contains life-saving nutrients, forever."

The celebratory launch brought together key stakeholders who have supported Sanku's journey, including representatives from Nutrition International, IDE Kenya, the Fortified Whole Grain Alliance, and the Kiambu County Government. Also in attendance were representatives from small, medium, and large-scale millers such as Harvest Mills, Queens Millers, Paleah,

UNGA Limited, Farisi Millers, and Kili-mambogo Millers, among others. Their presence underscored the importance of multi-sectoral collaboration in addressing Kenya's nutrition challenges.

Sanku's efforts contribute directly to reducing anaemia, stunting, neural tube defects, and other micronutrient deficiencies, aligning with both national priorities and global nutrition goals. The fortified flour produced through their model enables families to lead healthier lives, particularly in underserved communities.

"There's still a long way to go," says Ms Mutambi. "But by supporting millers at every level, we're making fortified flour accessible even in the most remote areas."

As Sanku looks ahead, it is focused on expanding its footprint, deepening partnerships, and continuing to innovate to ensure that every Kenyan has access to safe, nutritious food.

"Nutrition is not just about food. It's about equity, access, and dignity. Every Kenyan deserves a healthy start and a life free from preventable deficiencies. That's why collaborations like these – involving government, innovators, the private sector, and grassroots networks – are essential for building sustainable health systems," said Kiambu County Director of Public Health, Teresia Njoroge at the event.



Felix Brooks-church, Sanku co-founder and CEO.



Joy Muthaura, Senior Business Development Manager, Sanku Fortification Kenya LTD.



Teresia Njoroge, Kiambu County Director of Public Health.



Sanku's Premix Blending Manager Alex Ngahu inside the factory.



Loading maize onto the Dosifier for fortification. NELSON MWANGI | SANKU



Sanku Fortification Kenya Limited team and guests pose for a memorial photo at the launch of the company's new premises at the Nairobi Gate Industrial Park.

# OPINION

## Police reforms: A process, not an opportunistic event

Police are the visible representation of the government and thus serve as an important interface between the government and its populace. By virtue of this, it is essential that the behaviour, characteristics, and practices of the police reflect those of a government that is service-oriented, professional, accountable, transparent, and honest, among other virtues central to democratic policing. Unfortunately, the reverse has often been true, as the National Police Service has frequently represented the antithesis of these ideals. Kenya's policing regime is in a crisis.

The clamour for genuine police reforms in Kenya gained momentum in 2008 following the 2007/2008 post-election violence that led to the deaths of over 1,000 people. These deaths were attributed to both acts of commission and omission by the then police force during efforts to maintain law and order. The Philip Waki-led Commission of Inquiry into Post-Election Violence recommended the establishment of a task force on police reforms, a recommendation that was honoured by the president and the prime minister, leading



Police recruits in Kiganjo. FILE | NATION

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**Samson Omondi | Security**

to the establishment of the National Task Force on Police Reforms in Kenya led by Philip Ransley in 2009.

In fulfilling its mandate, the Ransley task force underscored the importance of public participation in policing matters and reached out to a cross-section of actors to gather their views on the kind of police force they envisioned, a policing institution for the people. The task force received both oral and written submissions from faith-based organisations, government institutions, civil society organisations and the general public. The task force worked for nearly a year, beyond the initially proposed period due to the magnitude of the workload, and eventually submitted its report to the appointing authority.

The report put forth over 200 recommendations for effective reform of the then police force. Recognising the complexity of police reform, the task force proposed the establishment of a police reforms implementation committee to track the progress of these recommendations, ensuring that Kenyans could ultimately reap the benefits of police reforms.

In submitting its report, the task force opined that:

## Agroecology can save Kenya's food systems

Kenya is at a crossroads. Our food systems are under immense strain, driven by a convergence of climate-induced shocks, land degradation, biodiversity loss, and persistent rural poverty. According to the 2024 Food and Nutrition Security Assessment, 2.15 million Kenyans in Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs) require food assistance—a figure projected to rise to 2.8 million by mid-2025 if systemic interventions are not urgently adopted.

These alarming trends compel us to reaffirm the transformative power of agroecology, a people-centred, knowledge-rich, and ecologically grounded approach to food production and land management. Agroecology restores dignity to smallholder farmers, rebuilds the health of our soils and ecosystems, and promotes food sovereignty while strengthening local economies.

Those of us in the movement have witnessed firsthand how farmer-led agroecological innovations can regenerate degraded soils, enhance biodiversity, and build climate resilience. Our member organisations, working across Kenya's diverse ecological zones, promote practices such as cover cropping, mixed farming, seed saving, composting, and agroforestry—techniques deeply rooted in local knowledge and cultural traditions.

One of the foundational pillars of agroecology is soil health. Unsustainable ag-

The agroecological transition cannot be achieved by farmers alone



**Rosinah Mbenya | Agriculture**

ricultural practices, including heavy use of synthetic inputs and monocropping, have left our soils depleted and vulnerable. But when farmers adopt regenerative practices—like crop rotation, organic soil amendments, and intercropping—the results are transformational. Such approaches have led to increased yields, better water retention, and improved food security even in the face of unpredictable climate patterns.

Agroecology also offers practical solutions to the rising costs of agricultural inputs. By reducing dependency on expensive and environmentally harmful chemicals, farmers can lower production costs while improving the quality and nutritional value of their harvests.

Economic vulnerability remains a key challenge for rural households. Agroecological farming, with its emphasis on diversified livelihoods, provides multiple income streams—through mixed cropping, livestock integration, and val-

ue addition. Through our training programmes and farmer field schools, communities can build economic resilience while maintaining ecological integrity.

Crucially, agroecology is not a one-size-fits-all solution imposed from above. It is co-created with farmers, drawing on their lived experiences and indigenous knowledge systems.

Without long-term land rights, however, smallholder farmers are less likely to invest in regenerative practices. There is, therefore, need for land reforms that guarantee equitable access to and control over land, especially for historically marginalised communities. Addressing tenure insecurity is not just a legal or an economic issue—it is a prerequisite for ecological transformation and food sovereignty.

The agroecological transition cannot be achieved by farmers alone. It requires coordinated action across government, civil society, academia, and the private sector. We urge policymakers to integrate agroecology into national development and climate resilience strategies. Investments in research, infrastructure, extension services, and market access must prioritise farmer-led innovations and indigenous knowledge systems.

We also need increased public and private funding to support agroecological enterprises. This includes access to credit, insurance, and targeted subsidies that incentivise sustainable practices. Agroecology practitioners have piloted innovative finance models—from commu-

nity seed banks to cooperative marketing schemes—that can be scaled with the right support. At the regional level, there is an urgent need for knowledge exchange and policy harmonisation across African countries.

As we navigate the overlapping crises of food insecurity, environmental degradation, and economic instability, agroecology offers a viable, inclusive, and scalable solution. And the time to act is now. The scaling up of agroecology needs all hands on deck—policymakers, development partners, and the private sector. The upcoming National Agroecology Symposium in Nairobi (July 10–11) presents a key moment for bold commitments, including on the implementation of the National Agroecology Strategy for Food System Transformation, 2024–2033.

This strategy aims to make Kenya's food system more inclusive and enabling, supporting the sustainable livelihoods for all stakeholders, including smallholder farmers, by providing opportunities for economic growth and social equity. It also promotes environmentally sustainable practices that conserve natural resources, reduce pollution, and protect biodiversity and a resilient food system that can withstand climate change, economic shocks, and other challenges.

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## DAILY NATION

## Shelving anti-protests Bill a welcome move

Following a major public outcry, Nairobi Woman Representative Esther Passaris has shelved her parliamentary Bill, in which she had sought the restriction of areas where people can gather and hold demonstrations. The MP has come under severe criticism for her controversial Public Order (Amendment) Bill, 2025 because the people saw in this an attempt to suppress Kenyans' constitutional right to stage peaceful demonstrations, picket, and present to the authorities petitions on their grievances.

Ms Passaris's Bill sought to amend the Public Order Act to designate specific areas where people can assemble and hold demonstrations, but this has been seen as an attempt to restrict how and where such protests should occur.

It is laudable that she has yielded to public pressure over this draconian anti-demonstration Bill that had also been disowned by her own party, the Orange Democratic Movement (ODM). The party said it had nothing to do with the Bill seeking to prohibit protests at Parliament and State House, among other protected facilities.

According to Ms Passaris, the National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCCK) and other stakeholders have influenced her decision to allow more Kenyans to give their proposals. The public anger has been a result of what the people see as an attempt to clamp down on the holding of free and fair demonstrations, which is a constitutional right.

What is more urgent right now is not looking for ways to suppress public rights, but to address police brutality, with nearly 100 protesters killed since June last year. There is unrest not because the people enjoy demonstrating, but because they have genuine grievances that President William Ruto's administration needs to address.

ODM party leader Raila Odinga has urged President Ruto to initiate an all-inclusive national dialogue, leading to a referendum to address the current crisis that threatens to overwhelm the country. People's cardinal rights must not be curtailed by purporting to enhance law and order through police brutality.

## Hasten SHA fraud probe

Health Cabinet Secretary Aden Duale is wielding the whip against the culprits in the widening investigation into the Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF) fraud. Already, the casualties are some 31 health facilities across the country involved in the racket.

The government has now turned its attention to the doctors suspected of being directly involved in the rip-off, through which millions of shillings have been lost. CS Duale has warned that all those found culpable will be de-registered.

Since the government launched the Social Health Authority (SHA), last October, promising an efficient digital system, some hospitals reportedly devised a rip-off scheme. The scam involves double billing, fraudulent outpatient claims, and forced admissions. There is also an abuse of the pre-authorisation code, ghost patient admissions, and illegal sharing of patient codes by hospitals.

The Health minister has warned that the unethical practices that enable the siphoning of money from the SHA will not be tolerated. The individuals will be arrested and arraigned, and the facilities' licences will be cancelled.

According to CS Duale, after the SHA was launched, some 5,000 new health facilities were registered to defraud it. Any loopholes should be sealed.

However, the SHIF was established, as the Health authorities promised, to overcome the shortcomings that had been characteristic of the National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF), which was in operation for six decades.

There have been numerous complaints about the poor performance of SHA, which has led SHIF members to pay out-of-pocket for critical medical attention. Initially, there were technological hitches that inconvenienced patients, including those requiring urgent attention.

As CS Duale pursues the doctors suspected of involvement in the SHA fraud, he should also ensure that access to quality and affordable healthcare, which is a human and constitutional right, is not curtailed.

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## What youth are really demanding

On June 25, a tide of Kenyan youth swept across the country. They weren't just chanting. They were unveiling a truth that has long lingered beneath the surface.

To the outsider, it may have looked like just another protest. But to those of us who work in development — who watch systems, not just scenes — what unfolded was something deeper. It was a cry for opportunity, a revelation of how the education and training systems in Kenya and across the region are failing our youth. Their voices exposed not only economic frustration, but the structural gaps that continue to block pathways to meaningful work.

Across Nairobi, Kisumu, Mombasa and beyond, young Kenyans took to the streets in the hundreds of thousands. And while much has been analysed through a political lens, allow us to look again — this time through the lens of livelihoods, aspirations, and economic inclusion.

In the crowd, you could trace two prevailing realities.

First, the youth from the fringes — those for whom food, shelter, and security are daily battles. Some are part of informal networks and gangs, not by choice but by survival. They are angry. Not just at the State — but at a world that has taught them their lives are disposable. For them, life is a day-to-day negotiation with survival — meals are not guaranteed, jobs are scarce, and school was a door that either never opened or slammed shut too early.

Second, the young, self-taught entrepreneurs, content creators, and jobseekers come from low to middle-income homes. They've studied. Tech-savvy. Hustled. Their families have scraped together enough for a degree/diploma, a smartphone, maybe even seed capital for a business. Yet even with education, they find themselves stuck — locked out of finance, business networks, and opportunity. Their parents are exhausted. Their own optimism is dimming.

These two worlds merged on the same

But to those of us who work in development — who watch systems, not just scenes — what unfolded was something deeper



Anirban Bhowmik and  
Barbara Kiambi | Protests

streets — united not by ideology, tribe, or language, but by economics and unmet promise. One young woman, in a viral TikTok, asked: "You told us to go to school. We did. But now what? Where's the way forward?"

Her question is the real protest.

Over 70% of Kenya's population is under the age of 35. More than 800,000 young people enter the labour market each year, but less than 10% are absorbed into formal employment. The rest navigate underemployment, unstable hustles, and informal gigs — without access to skills, finance, or networks. According to the World Bank, youth unemployment in Kenya stands at over 35%.

This isn't unique to Kenya. In Uganda, nearly one million youth enter the job market annually, yet fewer than 20% are absorbed. In Tanzania, despite political commitment, gaps persist in aligning skills to the economy. What we are witnessing is not just frustration — it is the heartbreak of a generation locked out of its future.

But there is good news. Across East Africa, youth-focused initiatives are pointing to pathways that work.

In Kenya, the PropelA programme is piloting dual apprenticeships that link youth with industries, blending practical experience with learning. In the DRC, PROMOST reaches thousands in fragile regions with technical training and business support. Uganda's now-closed U-LEARN programme invested in rural youth enterprise, leaving behind lessons. Back in Kenya, the Ajira Digital Programme has equipped thousands with digital skills and connected them to online work.

These programmes show that it is possible to create opportunities for youth. Young people have started businesses, found work, and expanded their horizons. But these successes are too scattered, too few and too small compared to the magnitude of the problem. What they offer is evidence, experience and possibilities. What's missing is scale.

This is where governments must lead and learn with intent to scale. Not just in funding, but in vision: co-creating with private sector, civil society, and youth to design systems that empower rather than tokenise. Significant public investment, technical expertise, and enabling policies are essential if proven models are to become national blueprints — not pilot projects. Public institutions don't need to reinvent the wheel. They need to multiply what already works.

The question is no longer what to do — it's how.

How do we bring youth, private sector, and institutions around one table? How do we design platforms where young people are heard, trusted, and given real responsibility? Initiatives like PropelA or PROMOST show that when youth are trusted and supported, they rise to the occasion. They don't need perfection — just patience, partnership, and belief.

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# Letters

## THE CUTTING EDGE by THE WATCHMAN

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**Protests threat** • President Ruto's administration is facing a major threat in the GenZ protests after a one-year lull, says David Kiptum. "How he handles this will make or break him. The very people he promised a better life are worse off than they were before 2022, but millions are being dished out in the so-called economic empowerment programmes." His contact is davidkiptum050@gmail.com.

**Graft reckoning** • The Gen Z's clear message is that the era of the corrupt and self-serving leaders is fast coming to an end, says Zack Ratemo. The stagnation and impunity that have prevailed for decades, he adds, can no longer be tolerated. "It's time for the ruling elite to embrace integrity and accountability now or be swept away by a generation demanding real change."

**Looting shame** • Those stealing and destroying property belonging to others should be ashamed of themselves, says Chris Kiriba. "They are thugs pretending to be Gen Zs. Those encouraging the destruction of road infrastructure and signage could soon be victims of lack of these vital items. They are cutting their nose to spite their face." His contact is chriskiriba14@gmail.com.

**Building mess** • The developers and owners of a posh new residential estate near Kitisuru, Nairobi, must "know what is required to construct such a multibillion-shilling facility," says Peter Mungai. "So, why is the wastewater from the property being directed into Mutundu Stream? Can those responsible clear the mess?" His contact is petermungai2016@gmail.com.

**Beautiful inspiration** • Botswana's 26-year-old Minister for Gender and Youth, Lesego Chombo, should inspire African youths to take over national leadership, says Taabu Tele. "Her appointment was not mere tokenism, as the Miss Botswana 2022 is a lawyer and an able minister embodying beauty with purpose." His contact is taabu.tele@mail.com.

Have a pretty day, won't you!

## LETTERS

### Mr President, please listen to the Gen Zs

Since the Gen Z uprising broke out last year, Kenya's political dynamics have changed drastically. Waves of protests over the past year have been met with brutal repression by the government, resulting in injuries, deaths, and destruction of property. Despite the continued agitation by young people, the government has remained silent about police brutality, exacerbating an already tense situation. Fears of violence before, during, and after the 2027 General Election are rife. It is time for the president to give dialogue a chance.

Ouma Ben Onyango

### Shun tribal incitement on social media

We've lately seen a growing trend of tribal incitement on social media. This is a dangerous practice that threatens our national unity. Leaders must exercise responsibility and restraint in their conduct. The National Cohesion and Integration Commission (NCIC) should boost its monitoring and enforcement capabilities to guard against hate speech and incitement. It must ensure that it holds all the perpetrators to account regardless of their social status.

Gerald Mwangi, Murang'a

### What's your plan, 'Wantam' advocates?

I'm weary of hearing the "Wantam" chants from opposition figures. The risk is that we might end up in the same trap of electing leaders riding on a wave of slogans and empty promises. Leaders whose singular objective is to ensure Mr Ruto becomes a one-term President lack vision. I want to hear their plans on fixing our battered economy, creating jobs for young people, reviving our delapidated healthcare system, ending corruption, building infrastructure, uniting the country, and expanding the democratic space.

Sayila Liganga

### Let youths not burn down our country

Protesting Gen Z youths are unlikely to achieve their aims for good governance if their demonstrations lead to societal collapse. Religious leaders ought to take the lead in taming the passions of these youngsters, such that their energy is used constructively and responsibly channelled. Democratic power, which one hopes is what they desire, is only safely obtained and exercised within the realm of competitive politics. Examples of revolutions gone awry abound with a stark lesson: you destroy yourselves and you're on your own.

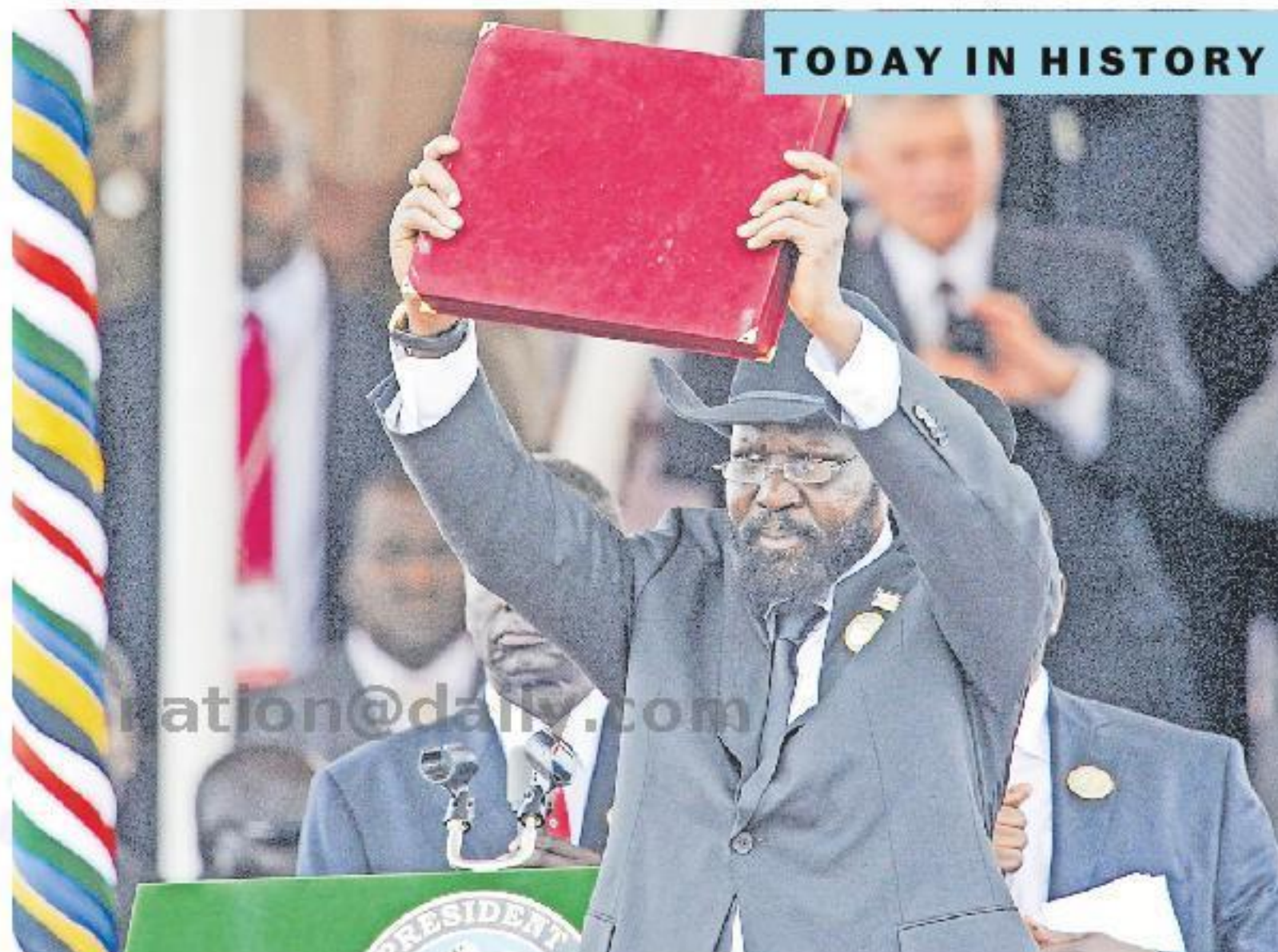
Francis Kariuki Kamau, Kiambu

### Street deaths: Who'll tell protest story?

In wartime, heroes don't come back, so the saying goes, but what happens when the battlefield is your homeland, and the enemy wields state power? Kenya's Gen Zs have staged an uprising, not with guns, but with their voices. Yet, the streets where they march for liberation are now stained with their blood. In a state where justice turns its back on citizens and impunity reigns, the question we must ask is: Who will remain to tell the story, if the heroes keep falling?

Henest Murithi, Chuka University

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## TODAY IN HISTORY

July 9, 2011: Before tens of thousands of his ecstatic countrymen, President Salva Kiir Mayardit used the historic occasion of the entry of South Sudan into the world's community of states to tell his people that they would never again wilfully return to war. "Citizens in every village and county of South Sudan are celebrating. We give praise to the Almighty God for making it possible for us to witness this day, which we have waited for more than 56 years," he said. COMPILED BY ANNIEL NJOKA

## LETTER OF THE DAY

# For prosperity, build factories, not churches

President William Ruto's plan to build a church within the precincts of State House in Nairobi has sparked furious debate. While religious institutions play a vital role in forging social cohesion and ensuring spiritual well-being, this move raises critical questions about the government's priorities amid pressing economic challenges.

### Urgent needs

Kenya, like many other developing nations, faces urgent needs. The government must focus on industrialising the country in order to secure a prosperous fu-

ture for all citizens. Kenya's youth unemployment rate remains alarmingly high, with estimates suggesting that over 50 percent of young people are unemployed or underemployed. This crisis threatens social stability and economic progress. Instead of allocating resources to building churches on public land, the government should channel additional investments into manufacturing industries in order to create jobs. Industrialisation is a proven pathway to economic growth for emerging economies. Countries like Ethiopia and

Rwanda have successfully leveraged factory-driven development to lift millions out of poverty and boost their GDPs. By focusing on establishing manufacturing hubs, Kenya can diversify its economy beyond agriculture and services, reducing vulnerability to external shocks. This also aligns with Kenya's long-term development goals outlined in the Vision 2030 blueprint, which highlights industrialisation as a key growth driver. Investing in infrastructure, technology, and manufacturing capacity will ensure that economic growth is inclusive and sustain-

able, benefiting a broader segment of the population. While building churches is commendable, it should be driven by private initiatives and community efforts rather than government expenditure. While spiritual and religious matters are important, they should not overshadow the urgent need for economic development and job-creation. It is high time the government embraced pragmatic policies that prioritise tangible growth over symbolic gestures.

Abdenico Katiku Kawetu, Makueni





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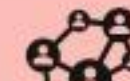
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# County News

**Baringo** About 30,000 land ownership documents have already been issued

## New plan to end decades of banditry, restore calm

Strategy includes issuing residents with land titles to enhance ownership and end invasions

BY FLORAH KOECH

Over the years, parts of Baringo County have been characterised by bandit attacks that have led to a lot of suffering for residents.

Many lives and property have been lost during the attacks, which have been more pronounced in Baringo East, that borders West Pokot County.

The residents have been calling on the government to come to their rescue as perennial attacks, by armed criminals, continue to wreak havoc.

Aside from loss of lives and property, especially livestock that have been among the main targets by the bandits, many residents have been displaced from their homes, that are later taken over by the criminals.

Some of the affected villages have remained abandoned since 2013. Homesteads and social amenities have now been overtaken by overgrown vegetation as their former owners keep off.

Before occupying these deserted villages, the criminals vandalise boreholes, homes, schools and shopping centres, often looting and torching them to instil fear among residents.

Mukutani Ward, which spans over 60 kilometres, has been deserted after residents fled following bandit attacks.

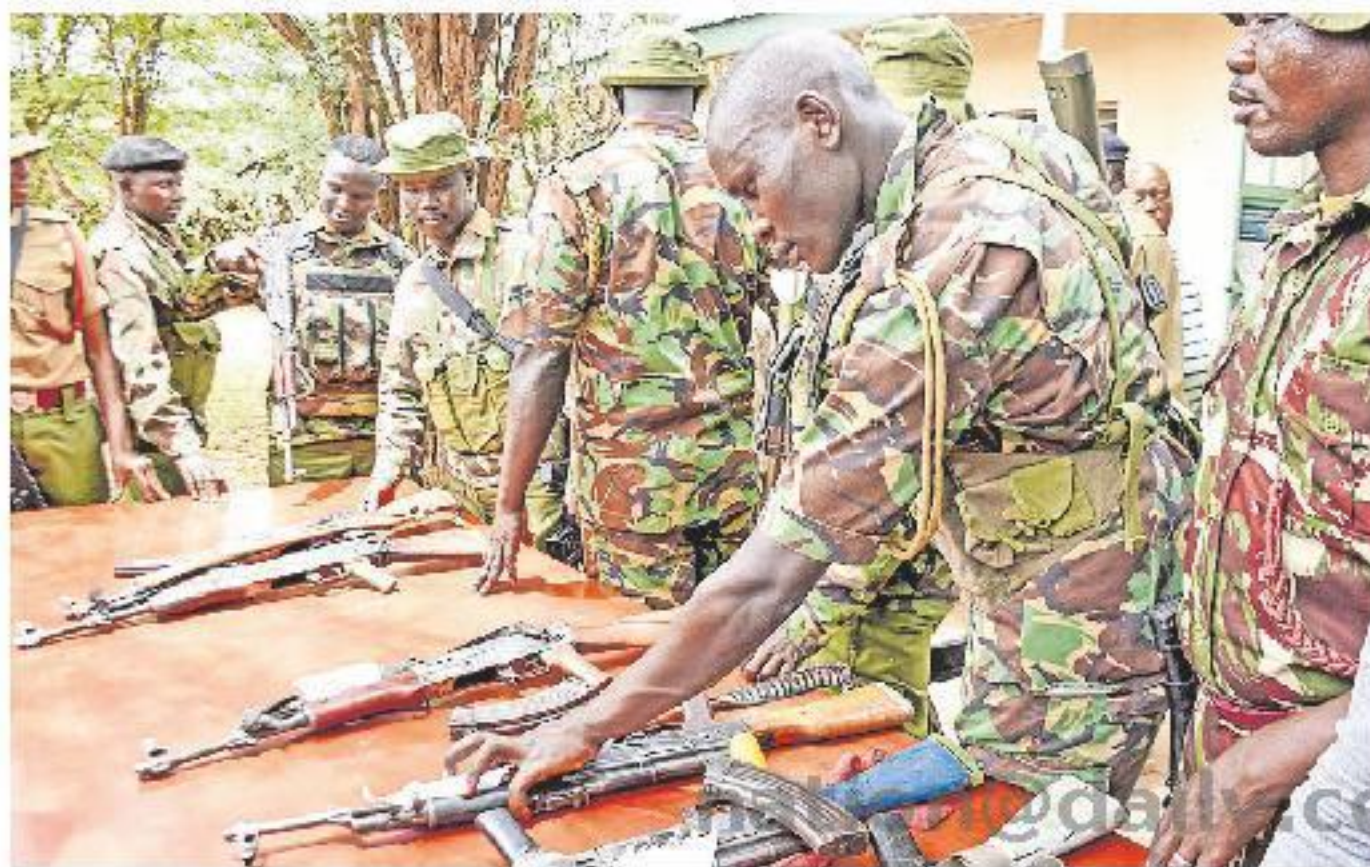
Three locations in Mukutani—Ruggus, Arabal and Mukutani—are now almost uninhabited. The remaining few residents are constantly exposed to attacks.

But there seems to be a light at the end of the tunnel, after the county government of Baringo developed a plan it says will help address the problem.

The plan seeks to give residents land ownership rights by issuing them with title deeds. With the land titles, people will fear entering private properties, thereby reducing the bandit attacks.

Land will be demarcated and residents, especially in the affected areas, issued with title deeds.

"This will prevent criminals from invading land under the pretext of searching for water and pasture," said the county Land Executive Reuben Ruto.



Police officers display guns surrendered by bandits in Tiaty Sub-County on March 10, 2020. FILE | NATION

ben Ruto.

The fact that most land in the banditry-prone areas of Tiaty, Baringo North and Baringo South is still communally owned, has compounded the problem.

Communal ownership of land allows people to move freely, and this has largely contributed to attacks as land invasions persist.

Mr Ruto attributed inter-communal conflicts to the lack of land ownership documents.

"Land adjudication is critical because in areas with disputes, there's always fear of territorial expansion. Without title deeds, neighbouring communities may want to extend their geographical claims," said Mr Ruto.

This scenario, he added, is common in many areas that face insecurity, where overlapping boundaries have been created in the contested regions. For example, the Tugen community in Loruk along the border of Baringo North and Tiaty East, has claimed ownership of the area. Meanwhile, the Pokot community has also laid claim to the same land, fuelling animosity between the two communities.

"We are now focusing on land adjudication and issuing titles in Baringo North, especially in the disputed border areas. So far, we have issued over 30,000 title deeds. In Bartabwa Ward, we have opened several adjudication sections including Kaboskei, Ng'orora and Kin-yach. Our land officers have already processed more than 4,950 parcels, and we expect to complete the process by the end of the year," Mr Ruto said.

Land adjudication in the highland areas, such as Eldama Ravine, Baringo Central and parts of Baringo North, was completed years ago.

**This will prevent criminals from invading land under the pretext of searching for water and pasture**

Reuben Ruto, Land executive



However, lower regions were left out of the process.

"Land adjudication tends to favour agricultural areas, while arid and semi-arid regions—such as much of Baringo North, Baringo South, and Tiaty—are left out. In these places, land is still communally owned," said Mr Ruto.

He noted that over 5,000 title deeds have been issued in Kimondis, and 900 more in the Barkibi A and B adjudication sections in Baringo South.

"We have also issued 3,500 title deeds in Churo in Tiaty East, registered a community land in Paka and we plan to launch adjudication in Tangulbei," he added.

Prof Edward Kateiye, a professional from Mukutani, at the border of Baringo South and Tiaty East, welcomed the initiative saying it would help resolve the recurring inter-communal attacks.

"Conflicts stem from undefined land rights, allowing invasion of land and displacement of people. This is widespread in Baringo South, where some villages have been renamed after invasions," said Dr

Kateiye.

In Mukutani, home to the Ilchamus and Pokot communities, more than 15 villages—Rine, Lendorok, Ilmeut, Lontiani, Loromoru, Akule, Lelera, Karau, Kabikoki, Iltirach, Keperwasu, Lekiricha, Loorisio, Lorukon, Nomase, Ndorot, Ramacha, and Losokoni—have been deserted since 2005.

Former area chief Benjamin Lecher said some of the villages have been taken over by neighbouring communities and renamed, with new schools emerging under the new names. Rine was renamed Plesian, Lendorok became Ponpon, Ilmeut to Chepkenti, Kabikoki to Matunda and Lontiani to Murkutwo.

A something similar is unfolding in Baringo North where several villages, in Saimo Soi and Bartabwa wards, have been uninhabited since 2008. These include Kaborion, Kiplelon, Kakinatya, Sangorok, Barsuswo, Kamwetio, Ng'aratuko, Kosile, Chepkesin, Chepkew and Natan.

Security expert Augustine Lokwang listed incitement, boundary disputes, and political protectionism, as the main causes of instability in the region. "When people occupy some of the areas, land adjudication follows, and administrative and political units are created, expanding county land mass—a key factor in revenue sharing," Mr Lokwang said. However, he warned, that this has resulted to many political-administrative units, which have also fuelled conflict.

"In disputed Kapedo, for instance, there's a Kapedo Ward in Turkana and another in Baringo. These are signs of politically-driven violence," he said.

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### BRIEFLY

#### Verify suspects' ages, police told

**WEST POKOT** • A court in Kitale has ordered the ages of suspects accused of murder and cannibalism be verified before they can stand trial. The decision, on Monday, came as police sought 30 more days to detain the suspects so they can conclude investigations. The suspects, who include six minors, appeared before Chief Magistrate Samuel Mokua, accused of killing and feasting on the bodies of victims. Mr Mokua said their ages should be verified immediately at a public facility. Evans Jaola

#### Traders in losses after Saba Saba

**NAIROBI** • Traders in Nairobi's informal settlements are counting their losses following Monday's Saba Saba protests that brought business to a standstill. Those affected include matatu operators. Several businesses were also looted by goons, plunging the traders into massive losses. "I chose to close my shop fearing that goons may storm and loot, or destroy property as was the case during the June 23 protests. I thought it is better I close for a day and save my stock than risk everything," Jamleck Mbuthia said. Sammy Kimatu

#### City choking in litter after riots

**NAIROBI** • Parts of Nairobi's Central Business District were an eyesore with litter strewn following Monday's Saba Saba protests. At the bustle station, waste, ranging from plastic gunny bags, banana leaves, fruit peels, serviettes, and straws were all over the terminus that has also been invaded by street boys who roam around sniffing glue. The boys have been asking pedestrians and matatu crews for money. "Authorities must act now and take these boys to school or rehabilitation centres," a driver from Kani matatu Sacco said. Sammy Kimatu

### Kilifi

## How lack of water is ruining bid to end hunger

BY MAUREEN ONGALA

An initiative by First Lady Rachel Ruto to fight hunger in Ganze, Kilifi County, is being threatened by lack of water.

Mrs Ruto's visit to celebrate progress of the project, dubbed Feed One, End Hunger, saw her come face-to-face with the harsh realities facing residents as shortage of water undermines her flagship kitchen gardening initiative.

As Mrs Ruto toured the region to promote the programme, she was met with pleas from residents who said without reliable access to water, the well-intentioned project is at risk of failing.

Mrs Ruto, who spoke as she handed over milk to learners at Kachororoni and Gandini primary schools, acknowledged that resolving water problem in the semi-arid region is key to sustaining the kitchen gardening initiative.

"We will get water but how we do that is what we want to discuss with the county, national government and my office, so we can find a lasting solution," Mrs Ruto said.

Ganze community largely depends on water pans replenished during the rainy seasons.

Years of erratic rainfall have caused crop failures and increased reliance food aid.

Ganze MP Kenneth Kazungu said the area has been marginalised making it rank among Kenya's poorest constituencies.

Area Deputy Governor Flora Chibule encouraged the community to recycle wastewater to help keep the gardens alive.



First Lady Rachel Ruto. PHOTO | POOL

# International

**Falling out** Trump mocks plan, saying third parties never work and that Musk can have fun

## Musk US political party faces steep challenges

Complicating the billionaire's plan is that many voters do not like him

WASHINGTON, TUESDAY

**B**uilding a new US political party from scratch is a daunting task, even for the world's richest man.

But that is what Elon Musk, the billionaire behind Tesla, and SpaceX, said he plans to do in the wake of his falling out with President Donald Trump.

Musk this weekend announced the birth of the "America Party" – dedicated, he said, to defeating Republicans who supported Trump's massive tax-cut and spending bill.

Musk described his new party on his platform X as tech-centric, budget-conscious, pro-energy and centrist, with the goal of drawing disaffected Democrats and Republicans.

Musk has criticised the tax-cut bill, which is forecast to add about \$3.4 trillion to the US debt.

Breaking the two-party system's grip on US federal elections would take tremendous resources and a long-term commitment, experts say.

Similar attempts have failed, underscoring how difficult it is to gain a foothold in a country where elections are organised on a state-by-state level.

"There are very, very significant barriers to the creation of a viable third party," said David A. Hopkins, a Boston College political science professor, adding that the challenges include building infra-



Elon Musk, with his son on the day he met Congress members on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC, on December 5, 2024. PHOTO | REUTERS

structure, organising volunteers and qualifying for the ballot.

David Jolly, a former Republican congressman from Florida who left the party over Trump, said Musk can provide what has long been required for such a push – money.

"What the independent space has been lacking is resources," Jolly said.

"It's more than filing with the Federal Election Commission. It's really starting 50 state parties. You're talking about \$100 million just to enter the space with real serious intent."

Jolly considered returning to politics as an independent, but concluded that remaining in the two-party system would be a more effective way to reach unhappy voters. He is running for governor of Florida as a Democrat.

In 2016, former New York May-

or Michael Bloomberg, another billionaire, made a similar conclusion, rejecting the idea of running for president as an independent, saying that such a candidate would have no chance of winning.

Jolly estimated it would take Musk 10 years and perhaps \$1 billion to build a viable national party – and added that Musk's recent history with his Department of Government Efficiency suggests the billionaire may not be in it for the long haul.

Musk left DOGE after a few months in Trump's administration, having delivered little of the savings he pledged.

"We've seen a Musk who is not disciplined... enough to change American politics," Jolly said.

Musk's office did not respond to a request for comment. Tesla shares closed nearly seven per cent lower on Monday as Musk re-

ignited investors' worries about his focus on the company.

Musk could have chosen a more traditional path, using his political action committee to back Republican challengers to incumbents in the party primaries ahead of next year's mid-term elections, which will determine control of Congress.

He was the largest donor in the 2024 US campaign cycle, making nearly \$300 million in contributions, mostly focused on helping Trump return to the White House.

Not all his political efforts have paid off. He poured millions of dollars into a Wisconsin Supreme Court election in April, only to see his preferred candidate fail.

His efforts to convince Republicans in Congress not to pass Trump's tax bill also fell flat.

It is unclear how effective he would be in backing independents in a handful of competitive

House of Representatives races.

As it is, the roughly three-dozen races deemed competitive by non-partisan analysts are often already swamped with cash from political parties and outside fundraisers, and the candidates themselves typically are ideologically more moderate – which would make it harder for Musk's candidates to differentiate themselves.

Historically, congressional candidates outside the two parties have struggled to overcome disadvantages in local efforts to organise and get out the vote.

More often, independents have served as spoilers – siphoning votes from the Democrat or Republican.

In the 2024 election for a House seat in Ohio, independent candidate Dennis Kucinich – a former Democratic congressman – captured more than 12 per cent of the general election vote. The Republican, Max Miller, won by 15 percentage points.

Trump mocked Musk's efforts on Sunday.

"Third parties have never worked, so he can have fun with it, but I think it's ridiculous," he said.

Complicating Musk's plans is that many voters dislike him.

Any role he plays in an election is sure to become part of the debate.

Musk is viewed less favourably than Trump by Americans at large – just 36 per cent of respondents to a June Reuters/Ipsos poll had a favourable view of Musk compared with 42 per cent for Trump, while 59 per cent of respondents have an unfavourable view of him compared with 55 per cent who viewed Trump unfavourably. (Reuters)

### WFP begins food distribution in South Sudan

**JUBA** • The World Food Programme (WFP) said on Monday it has begun airdropping emergency food aid to thousands of families in South Sudan's conflict-hit Upper Nile State. The distributions mark the first access in more than four months to deliver food to more than 40,000 people facing hunger in the most remote parts of Nasir and Ulang counties, areas only accessible by air. "The link between conflict and hunger is clear in South Sudan," said Mary-Ellen McGroarty, WFP Country Director. "Without a major scale-up in aid, Nasir and Ulang risk slipping into full-blown famine." The UN agency said it aims to reach 470,000 people in Upper Nile and northern Jonglei through the lean season, the hungriest time of year. (Xinhua)

### G20 advised to tackle debts

**JOHANNESBURG** • The civil society says it hopes the Group of 20 (G20) will address important issues like debt, youth joblessness and economic growth in its outcomes. Thulani Tshefuta, the Civil 20 (C20) South Africa chairperson, made the remarks to journalists in Pretoria on Monday. Tshefuta said the approach of civil society organisations to the deliberations is focused on South Africa's G20 presidency theme – "Solidarity, Equality, Sustainability". He said the organisations expect the outcomes of the G20 Summit to prioritise policies and budgets that promote jobs, debt relief, trade and a stable global financial architecture. "Many regions are constrained by a low growth and need structural reforms to lift their economies," Tshefuta said. (Xinhua)

## Rwanda hosts World Kiswahili language Day celebrations

KIGALI, TUESDAY

Celebrations for the Fourth World Kiswahili Language Day began in Kigali, Rwanda, on Sunday and ended on Monday.

Hosted by Rwanda and the East African Kiswahili Commission, the celebrations were held under the theme "Kiswahili, Inclusive Education and Sustainable Development".

The event attracted more than 300 par-

ticipants, including top government officials, delegates from East African Community (EAC) member states, academics, language experts and university students.

EAC Deputy Secretary-General Andrea Aguer Ariik Malueth told participants that beyond being a language, Kiswahili is a tool for equity, access and empowerment.

"We believe Kiswahili offers a unique solution to many challenges. As one of the most widely spoken African language-

es and the only language on the continent recognised by the African Union, Kiswahili can bridge gaps between policy and people, education and equity, tradition and innovation," he said.

Rwandan Minister of Regional Cooperation, James Kabarebe, emphasised the importance of Kiswahili in advancing unity and development, especially in the regional bloc.

"Promoting the Kiswahili language in the

East African Community strengthens cultural unity and facilitates cooperation in various projects and programmes," Kabarebe said.

The two-day event featured a symposium, youth engagement sessions and an exhibition.

Participants, including young people, explored how Kiswahili, AI and inclusive education can advance a culture of peace and drive innovation. (Xinhua)

### THE SUMMIT

# 300

The number of participants at the regional Kiswahili event



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### PUBLIC AUCTION

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

- 1) On 5/8/2025 at 11.00 A.M Outside OUR OFFICE - ELDOROT TOWN TITLE L.R. NO: EAST BUKUSU/NORTH KANDUYI/9562 registered in the name of ROSELYNE NANGILA NAMASAKAG/T DAVID BARASA EGESA measuring (0.16HA) or thereabouts. The property is in Pinnade area, Kanduyi, Bungoma Town Outskirts, Bungoma County. It is situated around 600 meters off and to the right of Eldoret - Bungoma - Malaba Highway and lies about 400 meters to the South West of Pinnade Academy Bungoma. It is approximately 1.6kms to the North West of Masinde Muliro Stadium Kanduyi and lies about 940 metres to the South West of Makutano SA Primary School. The property is erected with a four bed roomed (4) bungalow, a single storey residential block, a pit latrine and several semi-permanent structures. Co-ordinates: 0.599474, 34.536121.
- 2) On 5/8/2025 at 11.30 A.M Outside NAROK POST OFFICE- NAROK TOWN TITLE L.R. NO: CISMARA/NTURUMETI/403 registered in the name of JAMES KUDA MEITAYA G/T MATHEW KATET SADARA measuring (9.7123 HA) which is approximately 24 acres or thereabouts. The subject property is located approximately 12.8km from Ntulele, approximately 3.5kms due South West of Ntulele Secondary School and approximately 2.8kms due South West of Ntulele Market. Co-ordinates: 1°11'05.2"S 36°05'10.6"E (-1.184778, 36.086278). This is an agricultural property with temporary structures developed on it.
- 3) On 7/8/2025 at 11.30 A.M Outside MACHAKOS POST OFFICE- MACHAKOS TOWN TITLE L.R. NO: MAVOKO MUNICIPALITY BLOCK 25/10, UTAWALA AREA registered in the name of ANTONNY NYZOKI PETER G/T ELIZABETH MUTILE MUTUNGA measuring (0.0310 HA) or thereabouts. The property is in Standard Court, Utawala Area, Machakos County. It is situated approximately 1km off and to the right of Utawala - Airways road, deviating at Tamarind Valley Estate Utawala. Co-ordinates: 1°18'14.65"S 36°58'59.39"E. It is a residential plot with a three bedroom bungalow erected on it. Boundaries are marked by building lines or a natural stones perimeter wall capped with razor wire fence.
- 4) On 12/8/2025 at 11.00 A.M Outside OUR OFFICE - ELDOROT TOWN TITLE L.R. NO: PIONEER/ NGERIA BLOCK 1 (EATEC)/482 registered in the name of EDWARD FELIX OMBIMA measuring (0.400HA) or (0.988) Acres. The property is situated within Patrician Area of the larger Kabongo Area, Kapseret Constituency, Uasin Gishu County. Approach to the property from the Lobo Village is due South Eastwards via Eldoret Southern Bypass Road for approximately 1.6kms before turning left at Kermetio Junction onto a murram surfaced road for 550 metres then finally turning right for approximately 100 meters to the subject property. The subject property is in the immediate neighbourhood of Patrician Primary School - Kabongo and approximately 12kms from Eldoret Town centre. The property is vacant. Co-ordinates: 0°26'04.0"N 35°15'43.0"E. (0.434444, 35.261944).
- 5) On 12/8/2025 at 11.00 A.M Outside OUR OFFICE - ELDOROT TOWN TITLE L.R. NO: ELDOROT MUNICIPALITY/BLOCK 209KAPYEMIT/445 registered in the name of ELISHA KIPLAGAT KATTAM measuring (0.10 HA) or (0.247) of an Acres. The property is situated along Eldoret - Kitale road within MailiNne Area in the outskirts of Eldoret City, Uasin Gishu County. Access to the property is approximately 80 meters due Northeast of Seventh Day Adventist (SDA) Kapkoros and about 180 meters due East of Neeam Junior Academy. It can easily be identified as Motel Legacy. The plot is developed with a hotel. Co-ordinates: 0°34'16.8"N 35°13'54.0"E.

### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- 1) All interested buyers are requested to view the property and verify details as these are not warranted by the auctioneer.
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- 5) Sale is subject to reserved price.
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## REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT AT KISII ELC CASE NO. 411 OF 2016

Wilfred Gekonye Babu ..... Plaintiff

=VERSUS=

Kennedy Omae Babu ..... 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant  
Dennis Nyakundi Omariba ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Defendant  
Samson Nyakundi Aron ..... 3<sup>rd</sup> Defendant  
Erustus Otwor ..... 4<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Herode Sanganyi Mochogu ..... 5<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
George Morara Ogetili ..... 6<sup>th</sup> Defendant

### NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

(Pursuant to the Order of Hon. Justice SILA MUNYAO (J) given on 13<sup>th</sup> Day of May, 2025)

TO: 1. Erustus Otwor  
2. Herode Sanganyi Mochogu

**TAKE NOTICE:** that service of Summons to Enter Appearance and Further Re-Amended plaint dated 11th February, 2025 in which you were named as the 4th and 5th Defendants be effected upon you through advertisement in the daily press. Copies of the Summons to enter appearance and Further Re-Amended Plaint may be obtained from the Environment and Land Court Registry at Kisii.

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** if no appearance is made on your behalf, by your Advocate, or by someone by law authorized to act for you directions shall be given your absence notwithstanding.

DATED at KISII this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.

**BOSIRE GICHANA & COMPANY**  
ADVOCATES FOR PLAINTIFF

**DRAWN & FILED BY:-**  
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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions received from our principals the chargees acting upon the statutory power of sale conferred upon them, we shall sell the under mentioned property by public auction starting at 10:00AM .

ON FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JULY 2025, AT THE SUIT PROPERTY INFRONT OF DELIVERANCE CHURCH, NEXT TO THE OASIS HOSPITAL IN KISII TOWN WITHIN KISII COUNTY.

All parcel of land known as KISII MUN/ BLOCK 111/328, Measuring 0.2194 HA registered in the name of MEDHEAL HOSPITAL & FERTILITY CENTRE LIMITED, situated next to Oasis Hospital, Kisii Town within Kisii County. Approach from Kisii town centre is along . Hospital road up to Deliverance church sign post, turn right for about 100 metres to the property. Is a commercial plot currently developed with a temporally structure of GCI sheets to walls and roof for the caretaker. Boundaries are marked by 4No of barbed wires nailed on local posts reinforced with natural hedges.

### CONDITION OF SALE.

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2. Only bidders with bidding numbers will be required to participate in the auction.
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4. The highest bidders shall be declared the purchaser at the fall of the hammer subject to compliance with all set conditions of sale.
5. A deposit of 25% of the purchase price MUST be paid in Cash, EFT/RTGS or Bankers cheque at the fall of the hammer and the balance to be cleared within 30 days.
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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals the chargee, we shall sell by Public Auction the under mentioned properties together with all improvements and developments erected thereon on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 11.00 A.M. at our offices Spur Mall, Ruiru, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Room S.46 Thika Road Exit 13.

**VERY PRIME PLOT WITHIN KIRATINA AREA OFF EASTERN BYPASS, KAMAKIS**

All that vacant freehold interest residential plot known as Title No. RUIRU KIU BLOCK 2(GITHUNGURI)/11976 Kiambu County registered in the name of BOSCO GITAU WAMBUI of P.O. Box 146 - 01004, Thika. The plot measures approximately 0.035 HA. It is situated along Sholah Drive and lies approximately 1.3kms South-East of Kiratina Primary School within Kiratina area and about 7KM from Eastern Bypass branching at Corner Stage. For exact location and directions google search (-1.184495,37.055630), then tap maps. Mains electricity and water are available for connection to the subject property from the immediate neighbourhood.

### CONDITIONS FOR SALE

1. All interested purchasers are requested to view the property and verify the details as the auctioneer and the Chargee do not warrant these. Viewing can be done during working hours with prior arrangement with our office.
2. A refundable deposit of Kshs. 50,000/- in cash or bankers cheque must be paid at our offices for one to be allowed to bid.
3. The highest bidder shall be declared the purchaser at the fall of the hammer subject to compliance with all the set conditions of sale.
4. The declared purchaser shall be required to pay 25% of the bid price in cash, EFT/RTGS or bankers cheque to the chargee after acceptance of the bid by the chargee and the balance within Ninety (90) days failure whereof the 25% deposit paid shall be forfeited.
5. Sale is subject to a reasonable reserve price and land board consent where applicable.
6. Other conditions of sale are available on request and shall be availed to the bidders during the auction.

## REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE ENVIRONMENT & LAND COURT AT NAIROBI ELC CASE NO. 402 OF 2015

HEATHCLIFF IGNATIUS CONSTABIR ..... PLAINTIFF  
VERSUS  
ROBERT OTACHI KIBAGENDI ..... 1<sup>st</sup> DEFENDANT  
THE CHIEF LANDS REGISTRAR ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> DEFENDANT  
MOUNTAIN MALL LIMITED ..... 3<sup>rd</sup> DEFENDANT

### SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY ADVERTISEMENT

TO: ROBERT OTACHI KIBAGENDI  
**TAKE NOTICE** that the Plaint dated 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 has been filed by the Plaintiff hereinabove in the High Court of Kenya in the Environment and Land Division in ELC Case No. 402 OF 2015 in which you are named as the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant. Service of summons on you has been ordered by means of this advertisement.

A copy of the pleadings may be obtained from the Plaintiff's Advocates Offices at CONRAD LAW ADVOCATES LLP, GLOBAL TRADE CENTRE (Office Tower), 15<sup>th</sup> FLOOR, WESTLANDS, Chiromo Lane P.O. BOX 98 - 00100, NAIROBI info@conradlaws.com or from the Environment and Land Division Registry AT MILIMANI LAW COURTS, NAIROBI.

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** that, unless you enter an appearance within seven (7) days from the date of this advertisement, the case will be heard in your absence and judgement entered accordingly.

DATED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of JULY 2025

**CONRAD LAW ADVOCATES LLP**  
ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFF

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL AND LANDUSE PLANNING ACT NO.13 OF 1919  
EXTENSION OF USE

The Registered owner(s) of Title No. Ngenda/Kimunya/1926 is proposing to Extend Use of the property to include a Telecommunication (GSM Base Station) subject to approval by the County Government of Kiambu.

Any individual(s), institution(s) and organization(s) with objection(s) to the proposal are hereby requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice to:

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Name of the Registered Planner: Plan. Peter Kaberere Reg. No. PP0287.

# Business

# 52%

State cargo cleared by agencies at various entry points

## Court blocks dealings on land claimed by Rea Vipingo

BY SAM KIPLAGAT

A judge has issued an order blocking the land registrar in Mombasa and Kilifi counties from issuing title deeds over five parcels of land claimed by Rea Vipingo Group.

Rea Vipingo Plantations Limited and Vipingo Development Plc complained that there was a scheme to transfer the contested parcels in Takaungu in Kilifi county to third parties, in defiance of the court order.

According to the company, the new titles were being issued in collusion with the Land Registrar to third-party companies while a case between it and five people was pending in court.

Rea Vipingo said allowing any transactions on the contested parcels will only serve to complicate the outcome of the case.

The plantations firm said the same could expose the company to extended litigation against third parties who ought to have been notified by the Land Registrar that there were legal impediments to the registration of new transactions on the pieces.

### Status quo

Environment and land court judge James Olola noted that in a ruling on March 11, 2024, another judge had ordered the maintenance of the status quo regarding the contested parcels and also issued an order restraining six people, who had titles to the land, from interference.

"From a perusal of the supporting affidavit to the 2nd defendant's (Rea Vipingo) application, it is apparent that in blatant disregard of the orders for the maintenance of the status quo, the 1st to 5th plaintiffs proceeded to surrender the title numbered Land Reference MN/IV/663 - CR 79015 which was in their custody and contemporaneously applied at the Kilifi Land Registry for the sub-division and conversion of the suit properties into five parcels which they registered in their names," said the judge.

## Saba Saba aftermath as traders count losses



Avenue Mall at Gitimbine in Meru County that was vandalised during Saba Saba protests on Monday as looters targeted businesses in the premises, including Selenite Supermarket.

DAVID MUCHUI  
NATION

### BRIEFLY

#### LOGISTICS

**Cargo agents face losses as State moves to clear its own goods**

Cargo clearing agents risk losses as the government moves closer to fully implementing its directive to clear its own cargo at various port entry points. The State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs has initiated the process of recruiting clearing officers to work under the state-owned Government Clearing Agency. The department plans to hire officers will handle the jobs. Anthony Kitimo

#### BETTING

**BangBet on as trademark war continues**

The High Court has dismissed a request to suspend operations of a betting platform known as BangBet, pending determination of a row involving ownership of the trademark and licensing. The betting platform is operated by Lucky Bus DMCC and Afreenken Technology Limited though another company known as Rabow Company Ltd has been alleging violation of business rights over the use of the trading name. Joseph Wangui

#### COURT

**DPP ordered to disclose evidence in theft case**

A court has ordered the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) to furnish a company director accused of stealing Sh359 million from his employer documentary evidence to pave way for the trial. Milimani Senior Principal Magistrate Dolphina Alego said this is the last opportunity granted to the DPP to disclose and furnish Mr Honey Katwani of OKI General Trading Limited with the evidence. Joseph Wangui

## Retirement Fund in renewed efforts to pursue defaulters

# NSSF penalises employers Sh2bn for late remittances

This even as unremitted deductions hit Sh27bn at end of December last year

BY PETER MBURU

The National Social Security Fund (NSSF) penalised employers Sh2.3 billion for delays in remitting workers' pension contributions by the end of December 2024, even as the total unremitted deductions hit Sh26.9 billion.

NSSF recovered the penalties in renewed efforts to pursue employers holding huge debts, following pressure from Parliament.

"The amount recovered in penalties as at December 31, 2024, was Sh2,345,495,492," Auditor General Nancy Gathungu said in a report quoting the fund.

The report also observes that employers owing the NSSF Sh909 million closed shop,

including defunct local authorities that went down with Sh895.5 million.

The NSSF has sent demand notices to employers holding unremitted contributions amounting to Sh1.83 billion, the report adds.

By June 2023, the NSSF was owed Sh26.9 billion by employers, a previous audit observed.

NSSF management said most of the unremitted contributions are owed by ministries, counties, and defunct municipal councils.

"The amount recovered as at December 31, 2024 was Sh155,149,195 while the amount under instalment undertaking was Sh7,995,806. Employers owing Sh8,878,288 are under liquidation/receivership," the Auditor-General report noted.

### NOT PAID

# 18,671

The number of people who have been mapped out as NSSF seeks to settle their dues

This refers to the principal amounts owed and recovered and is different from penalties.

The report, however, blames the NSSF for not instituting adequate measures to collect unremitted pension contributions, warning that part of the debt would be unrecoverable.

"The recovery rate is quite low and recovery of some will be remote as they relate to defunct local authorities," Ms Gathungu

warns.

Besides unremitted contributions, the follow-up report also tracked the payment of benefits to some 19,623 Kenyans who exited the fund, but the majority of whom have never been paid.

The NSSF said that 952 of the members were traced in the last two years and Sh20.3 million owed to them was paid, leaving a balance of Sh158.48 million by the end of June 2024.

"Details of the remaining 18,671 have been mapped and distributed to regions and branches for tracing of members," the NSSF is quoted in the report as having responded.

The National Assembly's Public Investments Committee in a report adopted in June 2024 recommended that NSSF's Managing Trustee ensure recovery of unremitted pension contributions "through aggressive follow-ups".

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## NAIROBI SECURITIES EXCHANGE

Last 12 Mths		Security	Prices		
High	Low		Yesterday	Previous	Shares
AGRICULTURAL					
14.50	10.00	Eaagadis Ord 1.25	12.45	11.35	6,400
440.00	240.00	Kakuzi Plc Ord 5.00		365.25	
280.00	81.00	Kapchoruar Tea Kenya Plc Ord	301.00	304.00	300
430.00	320.00	The Limuru Tea Co. Ord 20.00		310.00	
32.60	13.60	Sasini Ltd Ord 1.00	15.50	15.25	89,500
289.00	120.00	Williamson Tea Kenya Plc Ord 500	232.00	234.25	5,500

## AUTOMOBILES &amp; ACCESSORIES

49.00	18.50	Car & General (K) Ord 5.00	22.00	21.95	2,300
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## BANKING

20.00	10.00	ABSA Bank Ord 0.50	19.95	19.95	55,800
38.00	26.50	BK Group Ord 0.80	35.35	35.25	4,000
83.25	43.05	Diamond Trust Bank Ord 4.00	79.00	80.00	6,500
52.50	33.70	Equity Group Holdings Ord 0.50	50.50	50.50	2,145,100
9.74	2.80	HF Group Plc Ord 5.00	7.62	7.48	31,000
39.00	15.80	I&M Group Ord 1.00	37.60	37.70	29,400
47.35	15.00	KCB Group Ord 1.00	47.30	47.00	1,225,600
65.00	28.50	NCBA Group Ord 5.00	62.75	62.75	35,000
180.00	90.00	Stanbic Holdings Ord 5.00	178.25	180.00	3,100
319.00	134.00	Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ord 5.00	303.25	305.00	39,300
18.35	10.10	The Co-op Bank of Kenya Ord 1.00	17.25	17.30	138,800

## COMMERCIAL &amp; SERVICES

0.45	0.45	Deacons (East Africa) Ord 2.50		0.45	
1.88	0.59	Eveready EA Ord 1.00	0.90	0.85	23,900
5.40	2.70	Express Kenya Ord 5.00	3.89	3.88	1,000
4.66	4.66	Homeboyz Entertainment Plc Ord 0.50		4.66	
9.18	3.83	Kenya Airways Ord 1.00	5.20	5.20	218,900
3.46	2.00	Longhorn Publishers Ord 1.00	2.78	2.81	1,300
5.00	1.76	Nairobi Business Ventures Ord 1.00	1.89	1.86	42,300
22.40	10.60	Nation Media Group Plc Ord 2.50	14.05	14.00	33,600
6.32	1.80	Sameer Africa Plc Ord 5.00	7.10	6.62	35,200
10.80	4.50	Standard Group Ord 5.00	6.58	6.62	1,200
18.70	10.85	TPS Eastern Africa Ord 1.00	15.25	15.25	201,400
0.41	0.16	Uchumi Supermarket Ord 5.00	0.31	0.31	37,000
3.95	1.80	WPP ScanGroup PLC Ord 1.00	2.75	2.75	14,400

## CONSTRUCTION &amp; 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		40.95	
3.27	0.72	E. A. Cables Ord 0.50		1.71	
55.75	4.38	E. A. Portland Cement Ord 5.00	39.95	42.80	12,300

## ENERGY &amp; PETROLEUM

7.52	1.94	KenGen Ord 2.50	7.38	7.32	2,834,300
12.40	1.30	KP & LC Co Plc Ord 250	11.10	11.65	1,473,400
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	23.55	24.05	2,900
24.70	6.30	Umeme Ltd Ord 0.50	23.70	22.50	361,200

## INSURANCE

8.70	4.01	Britam Holdings Ord 0.10	8.42	8.46	33,900
3.19	1.60	CIC Insurance Group Ord 1.00	3.36	3.15	775,200
247.00	142.00	Jubilee Holdings Ord 5.00	230.00	230.00	1,000
2.97	1.05	Kenya Re Insurance Ord 2.50	2.43	2.31	6,602,000
12.20	3.30	Liberty Kenya Holdings Ord 1.00	10.65	10.70	8,100
11.00	4.00	Sanlam Kenya Ord 5.00	8.06	7.90	21,400

## INVESTMENT

16.50	7.60	Centum Investment Co Ord 0.50	12.35	12.25	59,300
1.12	0.27	Home Afrika Ltd Ord 1.00	0.68	0.66	315,900
1,500	1,500	Kurwitu Ventures Ltd Ord 100.00		1,500.00	
5.60	1.91	Olympia Capital Holdings Ltd Ord 5.00	3.78	3.76	2,900
1.78	0.29	Trans-Century Plc Ord 0.50		1.12	

## INVESTMENT SERVICES

9.40	5.22	Nairobi Securities Exchange Ord 4.00	9.74	9.42	41,500
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## MANUFACTURING &amp; ALLIED

95.00	65.00	B.O.C Kenya Group Co. Ord 5.00	91.50	91.25	1,800
495.00	325.00	British American Tobacco Kenya Ord 10.00	380.25	373.25	100,200
23.90	11.00	Carbacid Investments Ord 1.00	21.75	21.10	8,100
204.00	100.00	East African Breweries Ord 1.00	200.50	193.50	176,500
2.33	0.86	Flame Tree Group Holdings Ord 0.825	1.33	1.29	36,100
77.00	10.40	Kenya Orchards Ord 5.00		56.00	
0.27	0.27	Mumias Sugar Co. Ord 2.00		0.27	
31.00	12.00	Unga Group Co. Ord 5.00	20.80	21.80	1,900

## TELECOMMUNICATION &amp; TECHNOLOGY

27.40	11.50	Safaricom Ltd Ord 0.05	27.20	27.20	12,591,800
20.00	20.00	Lap trust I-Reit Co. Ord 20 .00		20.00	
3330.00	1880.00	Absa New Gold ETF	3990i	4040.00	

NSE ALL SHARE INDEX: 01st Jan 2008 - 100 Up 0.50pts - 162.83 NSE 20-Up 15.97pts - 2556.38 .08st sep 2015=4101.67 Up 14.93 pts 4132.27 NSE 20-S 1-30 Aug 2023=1000 Up 9.28pts - 1588.86

## COMMERCIAL BANK RATES

		Euro	\$	£	C\$	SF	IR	JY	ZR
ABC	buy	151.51	129.00	175.89	94.48	161.88	1.50	88.35	7.21
	sell	152.95	130.00	177.59	95.22	163.34	1.51	89.10	7.31
Absa	buy	151.47	129.10	175.86	94.49	161.91	1.50	88.36	7.24
	sell	151.96	129.30	176.36	94.77	162.56	1.50	88.62	7.26
Co-op	buy	151.12	128.45	174.82	94.17	161.81	1.49	89.58	7.25
	sell	152.21	129.45	176.29	94.92	162.87	1.51	89.25	7.31
Equity	buy	151.66	128.85	175.70	94.74	162.24	-	89.24	7.31
	sell	152.38	129.55	176.63	95.21	163.10	-	89.69	7.35
NBK	buy	151.63	129.00	176.04	94.57	162.15	1.50	88.48	7.25
	sell	151.84	129.40	176.30	94.75	162.42	1.50	88.63	7.27
KCB	buy	151.12	129.05	174.99	94.43	161.47	1.51	88.00	7.25
	sell	151.60	129.45	175.60	94.74	162.06	1.51	88.00	7.28
NCBA	buy	151.84	129.05	175.50	94.63	162.31	1.50	88.98	7.28
	sell	152.09	129.25	177.50	94.78	162.58	1.50	89.12	7.30
Stanbic	buy	151.27	128.95	175.66	94.46	161.96	1.50	88.29	7.25
	sell	151.82	129.40	176.27	94.79	162.56	1.51	88.60	7.35
Gulf African	buy	134.86	129.25	157.56	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	150.95	129.00	174.80	94.40	161.35	1.50	87.85	7.25
	sell	151.45	129.50	175.30	94.90	161.85	1.51	88.45	7.35

## CBK RATES

	Exchange Rate	Swiss Franc	162.1761
US Dollar	129.2381	100 Japanese Yen	88.6741
1 Sterling Pound	176.0998	1 Swedish Kroner	13.5898
1 Euro	151.7061	1 Norwegian Kroner	12.7899
1 South African Rand	7.2829	1 Danish Kroner	20.3345
Ksh/US\$	27.8169	1 Indian Rupee	1.5055
Ksh/TSH	20.4274	1 Hongkong Dollar	16.4636
Ksh/RWF	11.1152	1 Singapore Dollar	101.1213
Ksh/BIF	23.0515	1 Saudi Riyal	34.4598
1 UAE Dirham	35.1861	1 Chinese Yuan	18.0130
1 Canadian Dollar	94.767	1 Australian Dollar	84.1469

## UNIT TRUSTS

		Daily Yield	Annual Rate
African Alliance Kenya Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.67%	7.94%
African Alliance Kenya Enhanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.17%	8.49%
Britam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.33%	10.89%
Britam Money Market Fund	USD	4.63%	4.74%
Absa Shilling MMF	Kenya Shilling	8.46%	8.80%
Absa Dollar Fund MMF	USD	4.25%	4.34%
Gulfcap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.89%	13.11%
Gulfcap Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	13.13%	13.94%
Gulfcap Shariah Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	7.08%	7.33%
Old Mutual Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.52%	11.01%
Old Mutual Dollar Money Market Fund	USD	5.04%	5.16%
Etica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.77%	12.49%
Etica Money Market Fund	USD	5.94%	6.12%
CPF Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.27%	8.62%
Co-op Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.96%	9.37%
Arvocap Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.91%	11.47%
Arvocap Alimasi Fund	Kenya Shilling	1.29	1.30
Mayfair Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.34%	8.70%
Mayfair Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	15.05	15.05
Enwealth Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.55%	11.07%
CIC Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.78%	9.15%
CIC Wealth Fund	Kenya Shilling	6.25%	6.25%
CIC Dollar Fund	USD	4.49%	4.59%
Equity Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	2.87%	2.91%
Kuza Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.87%	12.60%
Kuza Money Market Fund	USD	5.58%	5.73%
Madison Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.42%	10.98%
Madison Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.71%	12.42%
Orient Kasha Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.28%	12.35%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.67%	11.20%
Jubilee Money Market Fund	USD	5.24%	5.37%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.99%	12.74%
Lofty-Corban Special Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.00%	9.00%
Lofty-Corban Money Market Fund	USD	5.26%	5.39%
Cytonn Money Market	Kenya Shilling	12.61%	13.44%
NCBA Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.06%	8.37%
NCBA Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	3.38%	3.43%
ICEA LION Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	8.99%	9.40%
ICEA LION Dollar Fixed Income Fund	USD	104.05	104.05
ICEA LION Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	118.03	118.03
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund ( 3 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.52%	11.04%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund ( 6 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.54%	11.06%
Britam Special Fixed Income Fund ( 12 months)	Kenya Shilling	10.71%	11.26%
Sanlam Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.75%	10.33%
Sanlam US Dollar Fund	USD	5.48%	5.63%
Apollo Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.89%	10.40%
Genghis Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.47%	9.93%
GenAfrica Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.23%	11.82%
KCB Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.27%	9.67%
KCB Money Market Fund	USD	5.23%	5.36%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	USD	6.18%	6.37%
Nabo Africa Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.23%	11.88%
Nabo Africa Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.19%	11.84%
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	USD	5.28%	5.42%
Dry Associates Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.61%	10.04%
Dry Associates Special High Yield Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.12%	13.36%
Faulu Money Market Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.94%	10.41%
Britam Bond Plus Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.21%	11.87%
Zimele Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	12.11%	12.81%
Kuza Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	11.74%	12.45%
Orient Hifadhi Fixed Income Fund	Kenya Shilling	9.69%	10.18%
NCBA Equity Fund	Kenya Shilling	200.89	200.89
Nabo Africa Equity Fund	USD	55.83	56.96
ICEA LION Equity Fund	Kenya Shilling	140.58	140.58
ICEA LION Balanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	137.19	137.19
Equity Balanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	161.6	162.97
Zimele Balanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	15.55	15.09
Apollo Balanced Fund	Kenya Shilling	153.05	146.93
Co-op Bond Fund	Kenya Shilling	10.10%	10.63%

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## NAIROBI & UP COUNTRY

### PERSONAL NOTICES

#### A109 Lost

LOSS Of Assent Document Dated 22nd September 2014 For Land Reference Number 330/246 (Original Number 330/207/1) Nairobi

LOSS of Lease for flat no. 4 Block B on L.R. no. 330/445

LOSS OF TITLE-KISUMU/ KORANDO/ 5721

LOSS OF TITLE - KISUMU/MANYATTA A/1394

LOSS OF TITLE-KISUMU/OJOLA/4755

LOSS OF TITLE-KISUMU/OJOLA/6520

LOSS of title L.R. No.19959/34 title No.106216 S.W. of Thika Municipality in Kiambu

LOSS of title No. IRONG/ ITEN/ 3435

LOST greencard nyaribari cache/B/ BOBURIA/12742

LOST T/deed Mavoko town block 2/11636

LOST title block 116/1198

LOST Title Deed Donyosabuk/Komarock Block 1/94658 Jane Ann Mbiche Gitau

LOST title deed Elburgon/Elburgon block 8/18Hezekiah Mbugwa Kaingwa(deceased)

LOST Title Deed I.R. 17049

LOST Title Deed Kiambaa/Waguthu/3376

LOST Title Deed LR 337/647 Bir Singh and Company Limited

LOST Title Deed Marama/Shirosta/622

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LOST Title E.Bukusu/ W.Sang'alo/ 4988

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### PERSONAL SERVICES

#### A167 Acupuncture

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#### A279 Notices

REPUBLIC OF KENYA  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF KENYA AT NAIROBI  
CIVIL DIVISION  
MISC. CAUSE NO. E463 OF 2025  
PALLAVI VINECHAND SHAH (As the administrator of the Estate of Vinechand Khimji Shah)..... APPLICANT  
VERSUS  
HASMUKH AMRATLAL JOSHI.....1<sup>st</sup> RESPONDENT  
HEEMA HASMUKH JOSHI.....2<sup>nd</sup> RESPONDENT  
TO BE SERVED UPON:  
HASMUKH AMRATLAL JOSHI AND  
HEEMA HASMUKH JOSHI,  
P.O. BOX 8776-00100, NAIROBI.

SUBSTITUTED SERVICE  
PURSUANT TO THE ORDER OF HON MR. JUSTICE PROF. (DR) SIFUNA NIXON ON 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025)

TAKE NOTICE The Applicant herein has filed a Originating Summons Dated 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2025 in HCCMISC/ NO. E463 of 2025 in the High Court at Nairobi (Civil Division). In which you are named as the Respondents. The Originating Summons are scheduled for mention on 22<sup>nd</sup> JULY 2025 at 9 O'clock in the morning or soon thereafter as shall appear in the daily cause list. Service of process was ordered to be by means of advertisement in the newspaper.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that you are required to enter appearance in this matter within 15 Days from the date of this advertisement failure to which the matter shall proceed ex-parte and such directions given as the court may deem fit your absence notwithstanding.

DATED at NAIROBI this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2025.  
KIMANI & MURITHI ASSOCIATES  
ADVOCATES FOR THE APPLICANT  
DRAWN & FILED BY:-  
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REPUBLIC OF KENYA  
IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF KENYA AT KWALE  
ELC E033 OF 2024

ABDALLAH ATHMAN NJAMA ..... PLAINTIFF/APPLICANT  
VERSUS

JOEL MAINA KAIRU ..... 1<sup>st</sup> DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT  
FRANCIS NDUTHU KARANJA ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT  
KWALE LAND REGISTRAR..... 3<sup>rd</sup> DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT

Substituted service by advertisement (05.R.17)

TO: JOEL MAINA KAIRU, FRANCIS NDUTHU KARANJA & KWALE LAND REGISTRAR

TAKE NOTICE that you have been sued as the defendants at the Chief Magistrate's Court in Kwale. The Court has ordered that you be notified through advertisement. A mention date is scheduled for the 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2025, and you can get the copy of the summons and all the pleadings from the Court. If you do not appear in Court on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025, the case will proceed and the Court may make decision in your absence.

Dated at Kwale this 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2025.

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FORM PLUPA/DC/3 (r-3)(3)(4)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical and Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of Plot L.R. No. KAJIADO /KAPUTIEI NORTH / 7034, located in Milimani area, Kitengele 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 & Municipalities, County Government of Kajiado, P.O. Box 11, Kajiado.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of Land Reference No 12715/822, located Along Community Road, Syokimau Area, Mavoko Sub-county proposes to change it's use from Residential Use to Commercial Use (Shops), subject to approval by county government of Machakos. Any individual, institutions/ organization with objection are requested to forward in writing within 14 Days to: The CECM, Energy, Lands, Housing & Urban Development, County Government of Machakos, P.O. Box 11, Athi River.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Physical & Land Use Planning Act No. 13 of 2019

CHANGE OF USER

The registered owner of parcel No S.GEM/NDORI/1627 within GEM Sub- County Siaya County, proposes to change use from Agricultural to RESIDENTIAL, subject to approval by Siaya County Government. Individuals Institutions or organizations with objections/ comments to the proposed development should forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days from the date of this notice to: The CECM - Lands, Physical Planning, Housing & Urban Development Siaya County Government, P.O. Box 803-40600, Siaya. Registered Planner; Dr. Fredrick Owino- Reg NO: 0123

REPUBLIC OF KENYA  
IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S COURT  
AT NAIROBI  
DIVORCE MDC E505 2024

O.J.B ..... PETITIONER  
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Should you fail to enter an appearance within the time mentioned above, the Petitioner may proceed with the suit and judgment may be given in your absence.

A copy of the petition may be obtained from the Milimani Commercial Magistrate Court or from the Advocates for the Petitioner.

DATED at Nairobi 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

OMANGA LAW ADVOCATES  
ADVOCATES FOR THE PETITIONER

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### TENDER NOTICE

Makuri Girls Secondary School invites tenders from eligible firms and individuals to supply and deliver goods and provide services in the year 2024/2025 details as below.

#### CATEGORY A: SUPPLY OF GOODS

MGSS/01/2024 Supply and delivery of vegetables (Cabbages)

MGSS/02/2024 Supply of Vegetables (Onions, Potatoes and carrots) reserved

MGSS/03/2024 Supply of industrial manufactured food stuffs e.g. Rice, Sugar, Maize flour, cooking fat etc.

MGSS/04/2024 Supply and delivery of Dry food stuffs. (Maize, beans & Green gram)

MGSS/05/2024 Supply and delivery of fresh milk.

MGSS/06/2024 Supply and delivery of meat.

MGSS/07/2024 Supply and delivery of Laboratory chemicals and Equipment.

MGSS/08/2024 Supply and delivery of printed stationery. (Exercise books/Envelope)

MGSS/09/2024 Supply and delivery stationery (Photocopying papers)

MGSS/10/2024 Supply and delivery of general stationery

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MGSS/13/2024 Supply of General Hardware and plumbing materials.

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MGSS/20/2024 Supply and delivery of Furniture

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MGSS/22/2024 Supply and delivery of baking flour

CATEGORY B: PROVISION OF SERVICES

MGSS/22/2024 Provision of service energy saving jikos

MGSS/23/2024 Provision of insurance services.

MGSS/25/2024 Provision of safety service/Fire extinguishers e.g. equipments.

MGSS/26/2024 Provision of Plumbing works.

MGSS/27/2024 Provision of Carpentry services

MGSS/28/2024 Provision of drainage and emptying of septic tanks (Toilets etc)

MGSS/29/2024 provision of metal works services

MGSS/30/2024 Provision of Automobile Services

MGSS/31/2024 Provision of electrical maintenance services.

Tender documents may be obtained from the school's Accounts office upon payment of non-refundable fee of Ksh.1,000/= per set. Completed tender documents enclosed in plain sealed envelop, marked with the tender number and addressed to:

THE CHAIRMAN, TENDER COMMITTEE,  
MAKURI GIRLS SECONDARY SCHOOL,  
P.O. B.O.X 38 - 60401 CHOGORIA.

Should be deposited in the Tender Box in the school office. So as to be received by 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025. Makuri Girls Secondary school is not bound to accept the lowest or any of the tenders or give any reasons thereof. The successful bidders will be notified by the secretary through written communication.

Should have:  
(i) Registered company/Business Name.

(ii) KRA PIN. Tax compliance certificate.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT, 2019

EXTENSION OF USER

The Registered Owner of the property reserved for Isinya Multipurpose Development Training Institute by allotment letter Ref. No. OCC.LND.16/ISENYA/TC/LDA/ BUS/VOL III/467 located along Nairobi-Namanga Road within Isinya Market is proposing to Extend Use of the land to include GSM/Base Transceiver Station subject to approval by the County Government of Migori.

Any Individual(s), Institution(s) or Organization(s) with Objection(s) to the proposal are hereby requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice to: The CECM-In Charge of Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development, Migori County Government, P.O. Box 195-40400, Migori.

Plan: Betty A. Ong'injo Reg. No. 0248

PUBLIC NOTICE

PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT, 2019

CHANGE OF USER

The registered owners of BAHATI/KABATINI BLOCK 1/9382 situated in Heshima area within Bahati Sub-County in Nakuru County proposes to Change use of the parcel from Agricultural to Residential Multi Dwelling Unit. Individuals, institutions or members of the public with comments and or objections to proposal are requested to forward them in writing within 14 Days of this notice to:

C.E.C.M: Lands, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development, County Government of Uasin Gishu,

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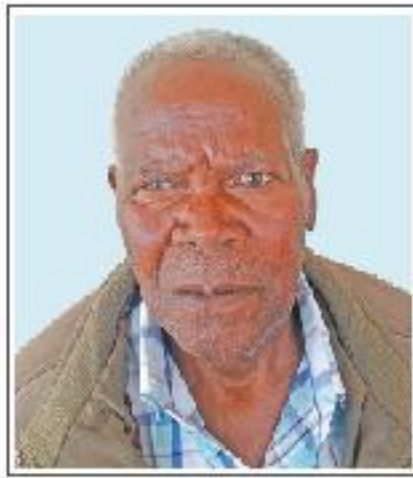
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## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with deep sorrow and acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of Mr. John Baptista Wachira Gathiga (JB) of Mau-Narok, Nakuru County. Beloved son of the late Paul Gathiga Gathirimu and Jane Wanjiru Gathiga. A devoted husband of the late Esther Wanjiru Wachira (Wagicheru). A cherished father of Samuel Murage Wachira, the late Susan Wanjiru Wachira/Mirichu, Sr. Mary Joyce Wairimu Wachira, former Principal of Precious Blood Girls Sch, Ruiru, Fr. Muthi David (Wakil) of the Catholic Archdiocese of Nyeri, Cecilia Wanjiru Wachira of St. Vincent Kiamuri Sec Sch, Mr. Charles Mwangi Wachira of Mathathi Girls Sec Sch, Karatina and Alice Wangari Wachira of Irigithathi Sec Sch, Naromoru. A dear father-in-law of Irene Wairimu, Stella Mukami, and Humphrey Mirichu. Daily Masses are being held at his farm in Mau-Narok and at his residence in Wendiga, Mweiga at 3:30PM, in both locations. The cortege will leave Egerton University Funeral Home on Friday, 11/07/2025 at 9:00AM, followed by the Funeral Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Mau-Narok, and later the burial at his home in Mau-Narok. We invite friends and family to join us in honoring the life and legacy of this humble, faithful, and loving patriarch. **Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen!** "Blessed are those who die in the Lord; they will rest from their labors, for their deeds will follow them." ~ Revelation 14:13



**John Baptista  
Wachira Gathiga (JB)**  
Sunrise : 10<sup>th</sup> July 1932  
Sunset: 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025

## In Loving Memory of Our Beloved Dad

Fifteen years have passed since you left this earthly realm, yet your spirit remains alive within us guiding and comforting us in words we cannot express.

In our prayers and our quiet reflection we feel your energy surrounding us reminding us of the lessons you taught us and the values you upheld in business.

Thank you for being our guiding Star and our protector all the time.

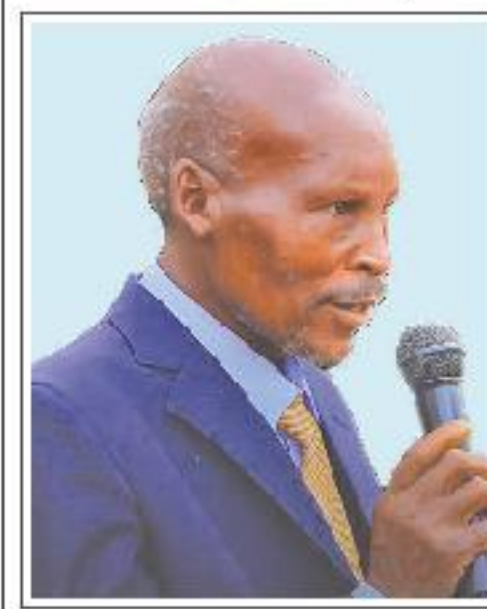
Though we miss you deeply we are sure your soul is internally connected to us.

Dearly missed by your dear wife, sons, daughters, Mum, brothers, sisters, and friends.



**Simon Mutuku  
Munywoki**

## A Gentle Spirit, a Mighty Heart



**Mzee Joseph  
Bikeri Oyunge**  
(1936 ~ 2025)

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of Mzee Joseph Bikeri Oyunge.

He was the son of Oyunge Omosa (deceased) and Pasifika Nyatichi Gechiko (deceased).

A cherished brother of Nyantari (deceased), Nyanchiri (deceased), Maria (deceased), Mang'era (deceased), Teresia, Machogu, Mugeti and Nyang'ate.

Mzee Oyunge was husband of Nyakoboke (deceased) and Kwamboka (deceased).

He was a loving father of Machoka, Alice, Eucabeth, Nyachae, Mobisa, Nyang'ara, Kemunto, Matongo and Nancy; as well as Dennis, Nyambega, Kemunto, Onkware, Nyakoboke, Magare and Onsando.

He leaves behind several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Meetings are going on at his Keumbu home and Utawala, Nairobi (the home of Dennis).

Mzee Oyunge will be laid to rest on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025, at his home in Eremo Village, Keumbu, Kisii County.

**"Blessed are those who die in the Lord... they will rest from their labour, for their deeds will follow them." ~ Revelation 14:13**

## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Edward Onditi Sunda of Esise location, Borabu Sub-County Manga Settlement Scheme, Nyamira County which occurred on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at Nyansioingo Mission Hospital.

Son of the late Sunda Otoigo, the late Nyoriana Moraa and the late Step-mother Askah Moraa. Husband of the late Damaris Wanjiku and Eunice Nyangate. Father of the late Tabitha, the late Nyankwara, Margaret, Maina Onditi (Principal Nakuru), the late Gladys, Samson, Onsanda, Sunda, Gikenyi, Dinah, Grace, Sophie, the late Peninah, Misenta and Abunga. Grandfather of Fred Eira, Gloria, Briana, Fidel, Tinega, Momanyi, Nyakundi, Nyamwancha, Duke, Ombasa, Onyiego, Tyson, Gichana, among others.

Brother of the late Getenda, Atoni, Ayora (Assistant Chief) the late Gichana, Kebande, the late Osoro, the late Magera, Kombo, the late Meroka, the late Nyakoiro, Paul, Morang'a, the late Nyanduko and Biyaki. Son-in-law of the late Kamau, the late Tabitha, the late Maina and the late Kwamboka.

Brother-in-law to the late Esther, the late Kemunto the late Masanta, the late Nyangwesa, the late Milkah, the late Catherine, Rael, Nyaboke, Marcella, Yunes, Florence, the late Tinega, the late Maroko, Kemoni, Mikabata, Serah, Ngechira, the late Mwaura, Babu and Epony. Kareri of the late Nyandoro, the late Nyambeki, the late Kemunto, the late Moraa, the late Wepukhulu and Beatrice. Uncle of Machoka (Cosmo Sacco, Nakuru) John, Ronald, Samwel, Omboto, Reuben, Yunes, Margret, Joel, Charles, David, Sunda, Dennis, Gikany, Ben, Abel, Fred, Njenga, Tom, Liphre, Gladys, Isabella, Nyaboke. Cousin of the late Osoro, Magera, Kerage, Nyamweya, the late Clr. Omwoyo, Moroko, Ebisiba, the late Getenda Magati, Nyarangi, Kemunto and the late Nyandoro.

Family and friends are meeting daily at his home Esise Village, Manga Settlement Scheme, Nyamira County. Main fundraising will be held today 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at his home Esise Village, Manga Settlement Scheme, Nyamira County. The cortege will leave Nyansioingo Mission Hospital on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025 for overnight stay. The funeral service and burial ceremony will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025.



**Edward Onditi  
Sunda**

## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Nahashon Nyagah Gichuhi on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2025.

He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother with a great sense of humor, esteemed for his integrity and compassion. His memory will be treasured by all who had the privilege of knowing him. He was the son of the late Samuel Gichuhi Nyamuri and the late Rahab Wanjiku Gichuhi of Ichichi Sub-location, Murang'a County.

He is survived by his wife Grace Wangui Nyagah of Juja, his children; Rahab Wanjiku, Peris Wambui and Samuel Githu (all residing in the USA). His siblings were: the late Kamau Gichuhi, Geoffrey Wachuma, Samuel Mwangi, the late George Kanyanjua, Esther Wanjiru Gichuhi, Hiram Gichini, John Gichina and Tabitha Wangari Karaga.

Family and friends are meeting at his home, in Juja - Mathuri near Gate B of JKUAT, daily for prayers and funeral arrangements. The body will be transported from Montezuma Monalisa Funeral Home, Kabati - Kenol on Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 8:00am. The funeral service and burial will be held at his rural home in Ngatho Sub-location, Ithanga Sub-county, Murang'a County at 11:00am.

**In God's hands you rest, in our hearts we cherish you forever.**



**Nahashon  
Nyagah Gichuhi**

## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with profound sadness and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Pastor Jimmy Sam Murage of Kiamunyi Olive Inn Nakuru. Which occurred on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 in Pittsburgh, PA after an illness bravely borne.

He was son of the late Samson Kigera and Mary Wangui of Passenga Ol Kalou, Nyandarua County.

He was brother of Dorcas Wangari Mungai, the late Kefa Murage and Miriam Gathoni Kihara.

He was beloved husband of Margaret Nyambura Murage (PA).

Father of Mary Murage (TX), Kigera Murage (PA), Kiiru Murage (KENYA) and Wambui Murage (PA).

He was father-in-law of Paul Mathenge (TX), Lisa Donofrio (PA) and Carolyn Kiiru.

He was grandfather of Sharleen, Michelle, Nathan, Jacob, Seth, Caleb, Adriana and Shawn.

The cortege will leave Umash Funeral Home (Nakuru) on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 8:00 am for a funeral service at his farm in Passenga, Silanga Scheme starting from 9:00 am.

We give thanks to God for the wonderful 80 years and celebrate his legacy of purpose and service as a wonderful husband, father, pastor, mentor and friend to many.

**"The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away, may the name of the Lord be praised." ~ Job 1:21**



**Pastor Jimmy  
Sam Murage**  
Sunrise: May 05, 1946  
Sunset: June 26, 2025

## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Capt. (Rtd) Geoffrey Kimutai Bartilol, affectionately known as Jeff, which occurred on 3 July 2025 at Eldoret Hospital. Beloved son of the late Lt. Col (Rtd) John Kiptum Bartilol and Mrs. Dinah Jepkemboi Bartilol. Husband of the late Jackie Wilson. Devoted father of Brian Kipkemboi Bartilol. Cherished brother of Ibrahim Kiprono (KDF) and Sarah, Dickson Kiplagat (Manengai Oil) and Irene, Dr. Caroline Jepkorir and Late Joshua, Japheth Kiprotich (Eldoret) and Victoria and Margaret Jepkoech (EYS) and Oscar.

Brother in-law of Ian and Lilian Wilson and Ann Wilson. A dear uncle of Clinton, Brian, Naiza, Billy, Adrian, Samantha, Mitchel, Sherry, Emmanuel, Josemaria, Jeremy, Obed and Sammy. Grandfather of John Kiprono.

Friends and relate are meeting daily at his Illula Farm. There will be fundraising today Wednesday at Illula farm from 2pm.

The cortege leaves Eldoret Hospital Mortuary on 12 July 2025 at 8:30am for funeral and burial service at his Illula Farm, Beliamo Location, Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County.

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



**Capt. (Rtd) Geoffrey  
Kimutai Bartilol**



## Death and Funeral Announcement



**Beatrice Osare Simiyu**

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of Beatrice Osare Simiyu of Kenya Revenue Authority, which occurred on Wednesday, 18th, June, 2025 after battling a short-term illness.

Beatrice Osare Simiyu was loving daughter of the late James Ngahanyi and the late Hellen Mukabana of Ebukutenga village, Kwisero Sub-County, Kakamega County. She was the beloved wife of Protus Simiyu. Loving mother of Kelvin Simiyu, Deborah Diana Simiyu, and Brazil Simiyu of Kongoni, Likuyani, Kakamega County. Sister of the late Joseph Meso, the late Ruth Omwende, the late Rose Omung'ala, the late Grace Awino, the late Francis Alukwe, the late Elizabeth Kasudi and Pastor Mark Light Anyangu. Daughter-in-law of late Hudson Jeremiah Wasike and the late mama Ruth Nakhungu. Aunt of many. Mother-in-law of Brian Ikinuya Kirinya and Petronilla Buchete. Doting grandmother of Troy Simiyu, Naya Kirinya, Naigel Ngahanyi, Bratle Ondanje, Arina Osare.

Family and friends are meeting daily for prayers and funeral arrangements at her home in Canaan Estate near Highrise, Mbagathi way, Nairobi. The cortege leaves Montezuma Monalisa Funeral Home on Friday, 11th July, 2025 for Kongoni, Likuyani, Kakamega County, for burial service on Saturday, 12th July, 2025.

**We loved you dearly, but God loved you more.  
In God's hands you rest, in our hearts you live forever.**

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

**"What we have once enjoyed we can  
never lose. All that we love deeply  
becomes a part of us."  
~ Helen Keller ~**

What is lovely  
**NEVER DIES,**  
but passes  
into another  
**LOVELINESS.**

~ Thomas Bailey Aldrich



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## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with great sadness that the family announces the passing on of Martin Okoth Meyo of West Kanyadwera Sub-location, Kisumu County, Seme Sub-county. He was the former Regional Manager of Pest Control Board Western Region.

Son of the late Meshack Obiny Meyo and Mama Risper Odia Meyo.

Husband of Caroline Okoth Meyo.

Father of Lewis, Daisy, Brian, Charles, Valerie, David, Nirah.

Father-in-law of Bertha and Linet.

Brother of Nelson, Peres, the late Zablon, Simon and Benter.

Son-in-law of the late Ambrose Adur and Mama Risper Adur.

Brother-in-law of the late Millicent, the late Enos, the late Betty, the late Roseline, Pauline, the late Kennedy, the late Phillip and Michael. Grandfather of Ochieng, Jabali, Kea and Krystal.

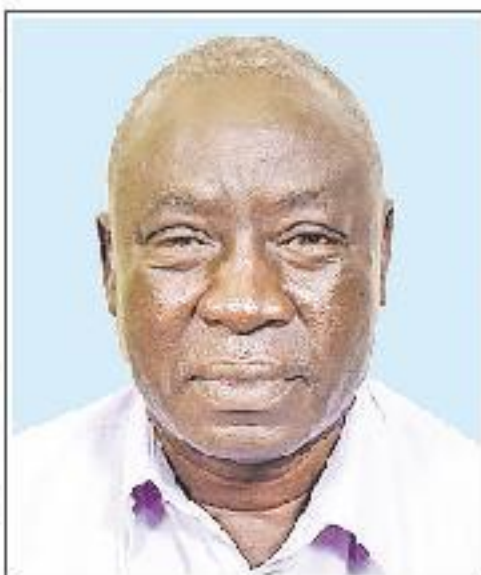
The cortege leaves Montezuma Monalisa Funeral Home - Nairobi on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025 for a memorial service at Winners Chapel International - Bondo thereafter for a night vigil at his home in West Seme Kanyadwera Sub-location Kisumu County.

Burial will be on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at his El Roi farm in West Seme Kanyadwera Location Kisumu County.

~ 2nd Timothy 4:7 ~

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

### Martin Okoth Meyo



## Death and Funeral Announcement

It is with deep sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing of our beloved Monica Njeri Macharia, which occurred on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Mater Hospital. Until her demise, Monica was a valued colleague at ABSA Bank.

Born on 31<sup>st</sup> December 1981, Monica was the beloved daughter of the late Grace Wanjiku Muturi.

Cherished partner of Daniel Murathe.

Granddaughter of Monica Njeri Macharia.

She was a devoted mother of Gift Gitonga, Promise Macharia, and Will Murathe.

A loving sister of Mary Gathoni and Charles Kiplagat.

Monica was also a deeply cherished auntie of Sharon, Ian, Tiffany, Bernard, Jackline, Maina, Talia, Wangari, Watare, Justin, Kamau, Keffa, Mathenge, Vivian, and many others.

The cortege will depart from Montezuma, Kabati, at 7:00 AM on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025, for her final resting place at her home in Kiamabara Village, Mathira East, Nyeri County.

John 16:28 ~ "I came from the Father and entered the world; now I am leaving the world and going back to the Father."



### Monica Njeri Macharia

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## In Loving Memory 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

We think about you  
always,

We talk about you still,

You have never been  
forgotten,

And you never will.

We hold you close within  
our hearts

And there you will remain,

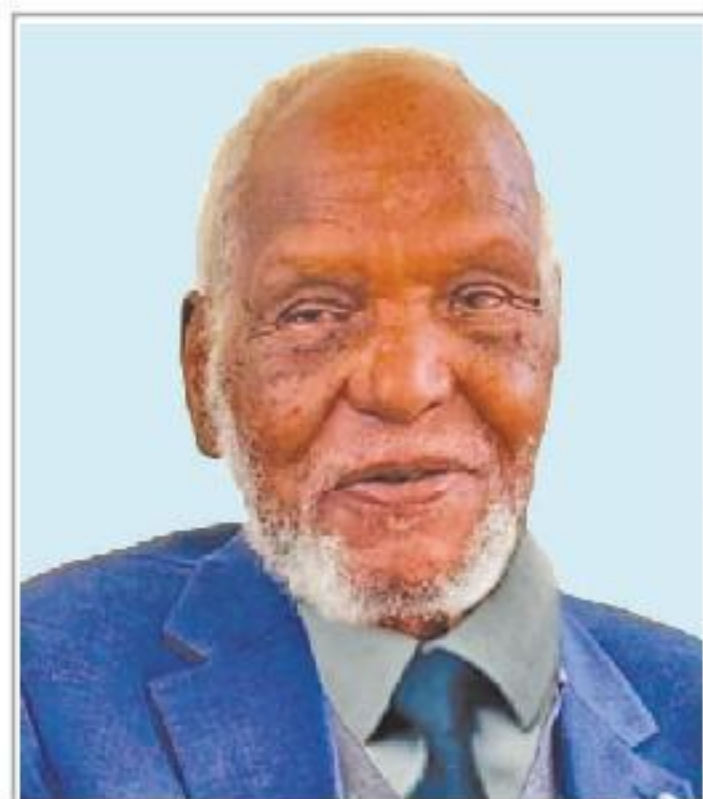
To walk and guide us  
through our lives,

Until we meet again.



### Richard Machora Onchwari

## Death and Funeral Announcement



### Pastor Aaron Richard Soi 1932 ~ 2025

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the passing on of Pastor Aaron Richard Kibet Soi of Bukacha - Kiromwok Location - Merigi Ward, Bomet County and Keongo - Kericho County after a short illness bravely borne.

He was the firstborn child of the late Kipng'erechi and Recho Tabutany Chebos. Step-son of the late Bornes Tabelgaa.

He was husband of the late Mary Soi and the late Jane Soi.

He was Father of Charles Bett (Bomet), Nancy Rugut (Longisa), Edna Tangus (Chepsir), Hellen Sang (Narok), Jennifer Langat (Narok), Joyce Koech (Keringet), Janet Momanyi (Kericho), Emmy Sang (County Referral Hosp. - Kericho), Dorothy Soi (Sitoka Comprehensive School - Transmara), Justice Alice Bett (Kakamega), Janeth Soi (Kenya Prisons - Busia), Emily Kalya (Moi Siongiroi Girls), Stanley Bett (Kebeneti Secondary), Caroline Okunga (Busia County Referral Hosp.), Nicholas Bett (Judiciary - Nakuru), Dr. Joan Kiyeng (MTRH - Eldoret), Gladys Rono (Mononwet Comprehensive School), and Lorna Mang'era (Nairobi).

He was grandfather of Gilbert, Patrick, Mercylline, Nimrod & Dr. Charlene among many others. He was Great-grandfather to many and great-great-grandfather of five.

He was father-in-law of Christopher Tangus, Hon Franklin Bett, Edna Bett and Sheila Bett among others.

The cortege leaves Lazarus Funeral Home, Siloam on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025 for a Funeral service on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Bukacha Primary School - Kiromwok Location - Bomet County. Thereafter, his remains will be interred at his home in Kapsilibwo village.

The Lord gives and the Lord takes. Blessed be his holy name.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

## Celebration of a Life Well Lived



### Rose Wambui Wanjohi - Njagi, OGW

It is with profound sadness and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the demise of Mrs. Rose Wambui Wanjohi - Njagi which occurred on 2nd July, 2025 who was a Director at the Executive Office of the President.

Her parents are the late Jotham Wanjohi and Eunah Wanjiku.

She was the loving wife of Dr. John Muriuki of Kenyatta University. Loving mother of Fredrick Muriuki, Jotham Wanjohi and Grace Nyachomba Njagi.

She was Daughter-in-law of the late Fredrick Muriuki Gathwagi and the late Grace Nyachomba.

She was sister of Esther Nyachomba Kinyua, Susan Gathoni Ngugi, the late Sarah Wanjiru, the late Ann Njeri, Robertson Muriuki and the late Samuel Mwangi (Ruwa).

Grandmother of Natalia McKenna & Alaina Wambui; and also to many other grandchildren in the larger family, and friends.

She was a much loved Sister-in-law of many in the Muriuki Gathwagi family.

Prayers and funeral arrangement meetings are being held daily at their Kenyatta Road home from 5:00 p.m. and in her rural home.

The funeral service and burial will take place on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at their Gaturiri home, Baricho - Sub-location, Karatina, Nyeri County.

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

~ 2nd Timothy 4:7 ~

In our hearts you will live forever  
We loved you, but God loved more

## Death and Funeral Announcement



### Stephen Kanyuira Gikonyo

It is with great sadness that we wish to inform you of the passing on of Mr. Stephen Kanyuira Gikonyo. He was the son of the late Gerald Kanyuira Gikonyo and the late Lucy Muthoni Gikonyo.

He was husband of the late Minnie Wanjiku Gikonyo.

Father of Noni and Mike Milici, Esther Gikonyo, Maureen and Mike Flannagan, Nicholas and Dottie Gikonyo and Yvonne Gikonyo.

Grand Father of Stephanie Gikonyo, John Beecher, Nicole Gikonyo, Carrie Beecher, Nia Kigozi and Chris Gikonyo.

He was brother of the late Nelli Wachinga, Paul Ndugi, Samuel Gichimu and the late Margaret Wairimu.

He was the son in law of the late Erastus Kimani and the late Esther Wangui.

Brother in law of the late John Mwangi, Mary Stevens, the late Peter Githaiga, the late Elizaphan Maina, the late Josephene Wambui, Priscilla Gakobo and George Ndekele.

There will be a Memorial Service at ACK St. Francis Church - Karen, on Thursday July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 11 am.

The cortege leaves K.U Funeral home on Friday 7.00 am for funeral service and burial at his home in Kiawambogo, Murang'a.

May the Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all. Amen.

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# Sport



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Zipporah Gichigi playing in the Cardinal Otunga Charity tournament at Sigona Golf Club on May 31 last year. FILE | NATION

## Matharu to lead Sigona team to NCBA Series finale

BY LARRY NGALA

One of the leading golfers at Sigona Golf Club Sandeep Matharu and Lady golfer Zipporah Gichigi have booked their places in the grand finale of the 2025 NCBA Golf Series to be held at Muthaiga Golf Club in November.

Matharu, one of the longest hitters at Sigona, currently playing off handicap two, fired an impressive round of level par 72 gross, to claim the overall gross title for the men. Gichigi, playing off handicap seven, carded gross 86 to take the overall title in Ladies section.

The event, which marked the 16th leg of this year's series, attracted a field of 260 golfers, making it one of the most competitive and vibrant legs of the Series so far. The players defied the chilly weather as they battled across various categories for a chance to qualify for the Grand Finale.

Joining Matharu and Gichigi in the grand finale, is Division One winner Saahil Shah who carded 40 points to emerge tops in the division which featured players playing off handicaps five to 12.

In addition to Shah, who also won the longest drive contest, will be division three winner Bharat Lakhani who brought home 43 points.

And to represent division two, open to players playing handicaps 13 to 24, will be Milan Varsani (playing off handicap 18) who delivered a stellar performance, carding 42 points to lead the men. Jane Njau, playing off handicap 14, led the ladies with 33 points. Jane also emerged the winner of the Longest Drive challenge among the ladies.

Among the guest players, who played along with the club members, was Tonny Tugee who stood out with a total of 38 points.

Precision was also rewarded during the event, with William Moturi and Mukami Wachira winning the Nearest to the Pin prizes in the men's and ladies' categories respectively.

NCBA Bank's ABC Place Branch Manager Rose Mburu, who spoke during the prize-giving ceremony, lauded the day's participants and reiterated the bank's commitment to supporting the growth of golf across the region. "Golf remains a key priority for NCBA, and our commitment to the sport is as strong as ever."

### FOOTBALL

#### Tottenham sign Japan defender on five-year deal

Tottenham Hotspur have signed Japan defender Kota Takai on a five-year contract from J-League side Kawasaki Frontale, the Premier League club said on yesterday. Financial details were not disclosed but British media reports said Europa League champions Tottenham paid a fee of five million pounds (\$6.82 million) for the 20-year-old. Takai, a product of Frontale's youth academy, was part of the side that missed out on the Asian Champions League Elite title after suffering a 2-0 defeat to Saudi Arabia's Al-Ahli in the final in May. He has also made four appearances for Japan's national team. akai is the third centre back to join the north London club this summer. (Reuters)

### WIMBLEDON

#### Paolini parts ways with coach after early elimination

World number four Jasmine Paolini has parted company with coach Marc Lopez just days after her second-round exit from Wimbledon, the Italian said. Paolini, who last year became the first Italian woman in the Open era to reach the Wimbledon final, lost 4-6 6-4 6-4 to Russian Kamilla Rakhimova last week. The 29-year-old began working with Lopez in April after ending a decade-long partnership with Renzo Furlan. Under the guidance of Lopez, a former doubles world number three who was once part of Rafa Nadal's coaching team, Paolini won her second WTA 1000-level crown at the Italian Open and also lifted the women's doubles title at the French Open. "We had some great results together. Especially in Rome and Paris," Paolini wrote on social media. (Reuters)

**Athletics** AK hopes to complete Team Kenya selection by July 22

## Kenyan trio targets rare gold in Japan

Runners eye 10,000m glory at the World Championships after 24 years of pain



BY BERNARD ROTICH IN OREGON, USA

US-based Edwin Kurgat will lead two compatriots at this year's World Athletics Championships in Tokyo, Japan as they bid to reclaim the 10,000m gold medal that has eluded Kenya for 24 years.

Kurgat, Ishmael Kipkurui and Benson Kiplangat were selected to represent Kenya in the race during the Prefontaine Classic in Oregon, USA, on Saturday.

Athletics Kenya used the Prefontaine Classic event to pick a team to represent Kenya at the global event. The first three Kenyans to cross the finish line would automatically qualify to compete in 10,000m at the 20th World Championships slated for September 13 to 21 at the Japan National Stadium.

AK chose the Prefontaine Classic, held at the Hayward Field, because of favourable weather conditions there. This was advantageous to the Kenyans all of whom ran their personal best times.

Kurgat finished fourth in 26:46.35 followed by Ishmael Kipkurui, a student at New Mexico University of the USA, who clocked 26:47.72.

The third to qualify to represent Kenya in the 10,000m showpiece in Tokyo was World Cross Country Championships bronze medallist Kiplangat who settled for the sixth position after clocking 26:50.00.

He has trained in Japan before and he hopes this will give him an advantage during the championships.

Ethiopian Biniam Mehary won in Oregon with a world lead time of 26:43.82 ahead of his compatriots, second-placed Berihu Aregawi (26:43.84) and Sele-

mon Barega (26:44.13) who finished third.

Kenya's 5,000m women's category was represented at Prefontaine Classic by the newly-crowned record holder Beatrice Chebet who clocked 13:58.06, Agnes Jebet Ngetich (14:01.29) and Margaret Akidor (14:30.34). The qualification standard for women's 5,000m is 14:50.0. Kenya will be represented by four athletes when you add defending champion Faith Kipyegon who has a wild card.

AK Executive Committee member Barnaba Korir, who witnessed the race, said they had decided that it would be the trial for Kenyan athletes ahead of the Tokyo championships. "We agreed that the first three Kenyans would be given slots to compete at the World Athletics Championships," Korir said.

Kurgat, who has been training at Flagstaff in Arizona, US, said he had been keen on making the national team for Tokyo. He represented Kenya last year at the Olympic Games in Paris in a 5,000m race.

"I'm delighted to have made it to the national team. It was my dream to represent Kenya at the championships in the 10,000m race. Last year, I competed in the 5,000m after emerging fourth in the national trials," said Kurgat.

He said: "We are training hard because we know it will be very competitive as we will be meeting the Ethiopians who won the event in Oregon."

"But championships are a little bit different. They are tactical. It will be different at the world championships but I have to work on my finish in the 400m because that is where they normally beat Kenyans. I'll be glad to carry Kenya's flag high," said Kurgat.

From left, Edwin Kurgat, Ishmael Kipkurui, Athletics Kenya Executive Committee member Barnaba Korir and Benson Kiplangat at the Prefontaine Classic Diamond League in Oregon on Saturday. This was moments after they had qualified for the World Athletics Championships slated for September 13-21 in Tokyo, Japan. BERNARD ROTICH | NATION

## School games Rift Valley Region Games kick off today in Uasin Gishu



Enkare Ngiro Secondary School Principal and basketball coach Seela Kuluo with her team at Narok High School on June 20. JEFF KIRUI | NATION

# The only two female coaches in Rift Valley Region boys' basketball aim for history

Kuluo of Enkare Ngiro, Chebet of Kimulot eager to test themselves in male dominated field

BY JEFF KIRUI

As the Rift Valley Region Secondary School Term Two Games kick off in Uasin Gishu today, two outstanding female coaches are worth singling out.

Seela Kuluo, is the basketball coach and principal of Enkare Ngiro Secondary School from Narok County and Norah Chebet, is a Kiswahili teacher and basketball coach of Kimulot Boys High School from Bomet County.

The duo are set to lead their boys' basketball teams in the regional finals that are male-dominated field.

They are, in fact, the only female coaches guiding boys' teams at this year's Rift Valley Region Games 3x3 basketball competition.

Both will be aiming to become the first female coach to guide a boys' team to the nationals.

They are also appearing as basketball coaches in the region for the very first time.

Their remarkable journey to the regional stage is the result of not just passion, but deep technical knowledge, commitment to nurturing talent, and breaking stereotypes in school sports.

Both women have taken hands-on roles in developing their teams for competition under a focused approach.

"I personally train the boys on ball handling, defensive positioning, and court vision," says Seela Kuluo, a Level One certified basketball coach and referee.

She added: "We spend time analyzing our mistakes, and working on individual player growth. It's not just about shouting instructions from the touchline but I'm fully involved in their training routines."

Under her guidance, Enkare Ngiro stunned Narok Boys High School 11-8 in the county final after a 9-7 semi-final victory over the then reigning champions, Kilgoris Boys.

It was their first-ever county basketball title and a proud moment for a school that had long been overshadowed by the big teams in the sports.

"I tell the boys to trust the process. I train them not just to win but to understand the game," Kuluo admits.

Coaching is a passion for Kuluo who was part of the technical bench of the Narok Boys High School hockey team that won the national title in 2014 and the East African bronze medal that year.

In Bomet, Chebet has transformed Kimulot Boys into a disciplined, tactically aware unit.

They dethroned the mighty Tenwek High School 18-17 in a nail-biting county final at Boito playground, securing a regional spot for the first time.

"I introduced structured training and focused on fast breaks, man-to-man defense, and free throw drills," said Chebet.

She added: "The boys initially thought training was just about running around with the ball, but now they understand set plays and understanding of the game."

Chebet says coaching is an extension of her mentorship role.

"Coaching gives me the chance to

mould boys into young men, disciplined, confident, and respectful. They now believe that being coached by a woman doesn't mean you'll lose but it might just mean you'll win smarter," she said.

Titus Kipngetich, who was crowned MVP in Bomet County, credits Chebet for his improvement: "Coach taught me how to read the game. She focuses on details and how to defend without fouling, when to pass, and how to stay calm under pressure."

Both coaches say they hope their visibility inspires more women to take up coaching roles especially in boys' sports where female leadership is rare.

"There are many women who love the game and know the game, but they fear stepping into coaching, especially for boys. I want them to know that you can do it and do it well," said Kuluo.

"We're not here just to make history but we're here to make an impact. If one girl somewhere sees me and dares to dream of coaching or leading, then this is bigger than any trophy," said Chebet.

Kimulot have been placed in Pool "A" together with Ortom Boys from West Pokot and St Joseph's Boys School, Kitale from Tans Nzoia.

Enkare Ngiro are in Pool "D" with Jome Kenyatta Secondary School (Nakuru), St

Patrick Iten (Elgeyo Marakwet) and Baringo High School (Baringo).



Kimulot Boys High School basketball coach Norah Chebet. JEFF KIRUI | NATION

## Football

# Gor Mahia search for a proven African winner as coach

BY CECIL ODONGO

The deadline for applications to become Gor Mahia coach is tomorrow.

The club is mum on who has so far applied for one of Kenya's and indeed Africa's hottest coaching seat but it is expected the applicants will be some of the best available going by the club's minimum requirements for the position.

Gor Mahia started the process of rebuilding the team in earnest for the 2025/26 season on Friday by announcing vacancies for the posts of the head coach, assistant coach, team manager, goalkeeper trainer and team doctor.

Gor also announced they were filling the position of Chief Executive Officer that has been held by Raymond Oruo since 2021.

According to a communication from the executive committee, to qualify to be considered for the Gor Mahia coach a person must possess a CAF A or Uefa FifaPro coaching licence.

The persons interested must have an eight-year experience of managing a national team or club successfully.

Gor indicated that the success will be based on the number of titles won and in which competitions. In fact, Gor have indicated that they will prefer coaches who have worked on the African continent and have won either the CAF Confederation Cup, CAF Champions League and Africa Cup of Nations.

"The new coach should also have adequate understanding of modern football tactics, sports science, tactics and data analysis," the Executive Committee said.

"We need a qualified coach who will see a good turnaround in the results of the club as we

look to bounce back. That is why we will be very keen on getting the best, most qualified candidate. A tactician who is hungry for success," said Gor Mahia Chairman Ambrose Rachier.

Many clubs fans have said they prefer a Briton to take over as head coach. Gor's recent success has been brought about by British coaches.

The assistant coach should have a CAF B or Uefa B coaching license.

The club indicated that local coaches who have worked in the Football Kenya Federation Premier League or other top leagues in Africa will have an added advantage.

It will be interesting to see who is picked as some fans have opposed the separate recruitment of the assistant coach, arguing that the head coach should come with his line-up.

## 'Village team'

"You are running this club like a village team. The new coach is the one who should come back with staff for easy coaching," said Mike Okoth on Facebook while commenting on the club's announcement.

Shadrack Deshatta said: "The coach should come with his technical bench to avoid sabotage claims which have been experienced before."

The previous technical bench of Zedekiah Otieno, Michael Nam and Boniface Oluoch were accused for sabotaging the head coach. First it was Brazilian Leonardo Neiva then Croatian Sinisa Mihic in quick succession.

Gor finished second in the Football Kenya Federation Premier League behind new champions Kenya Police.

K'Ogalo also lost to Police in the final of Mozart Bet Cup, ending the season trophyless for the first time since 2016.



Gor Mahia chairman Ambrose Rachier (left), vice chairman Francis Wasuna (right) unveils the club's new coach Brazilian Leonardo Neiva in Nairobi on July 1, last year. FILE | PHOTO

## School games

Two female coaches ready to ruffle feathers in Rift Valley Region men's basketball competition P.31



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## World record holders Chebet and Kipyegon decry poor training facilities in Kenya

BY TOTO AREGE

Kenyan women star athletes Faith Kipyegon and Beatrice Chebet have decried poor training facilities in the country, urging the government to address the issue.

The two proven world beaters, who arrived in the country from the Prefontaine Classic Diamond League meeting in Oregon, USA on Monday evening, spoke yesterday morning during a meeting with Sports CS Salim Mvurya and PS Elijah Mwangi at Talanta Plaza in Nairobi.

Kipyegon won gold in the 1,500m with a world record time of 3:48:68, improving upon her previous record of 3:49:09 set at the Paris Diamond League last year. On the other hand, Chebet broke the world record in the women's 5,000m race, clocking 13:58.06.

"My preparations have been challenging, particularly regarding training locations. When I was training to become the first woman to run a sub-four-minute mile I went through a lot," explained an emotional Kipyegon.

"I'm grateful to the University of Eldoret and the School of Law training grounds in Eldoret for providing training opportunities. I was disappointed that Kipchoge Keino Stadium in Eldoret was closed when I needed to train there ahead of the Breaking4 mile in Paris."

The three-time Olympic 1,500 champion also explained that improved facilities would enhance performance for Kenyan athletes.

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"My request is to renovate the track, for the benefit of current and future athletes. I also thank the media for promoting Kenyan athletes globally; we wouldn't be where we are today without you." Said the 31-year-old.

On June 26, Kipyegon ran in the Breaking4 project in Paris, attempting to be the first woman to run the mile in under four minutes. She fell way short with a 4:06:91 time.

Olympic 5,000 meters and 10,000 champion, Chebet echoed Kipyegon's sentiments.

"We endure a lot in training, and as Kipyegon experienced, the facilities aren't always up to standard. We are not asking for much, just adequate training facilities," said Chebet who has been training in Iten, Elgeyo Marakwet County.

"The ministry is already heavily investing in high-altitude training venues like Kamariny, Kipchoge Keino, and Kapsabet Stadiums, as there are plans to install tartan tracks at the facilities. In Homabay, Raila Odinga, and Nyayo National Stadium in Nairobi, the stadiums' training conditions are being enhanced," Mvurya responded.

CS Mvurya further clarified that Olympic packages for both Olympic and Paralympic awards have been reviewed, and a Sh70 million reward will be given in the coming weeks to previously unrewarded athletes.

The CS awarded the two athletes Sh5m each, government reward for breaking world records.



Women's 5,000m world record holder Beatrice Chebet (left), women's 1,500m world record holder Faith Kipyegon (right) with Sports Cabinet Secretary Salim Mvurya at Talanta Plaza in Nairobi yesterday. EVANS HABIL | NATION

## 2027 Rugby World Cup qualifiers Namibia play Algeria in second semis

# One step done, two to go

Kenya Simbas see off Uganda in Kampala to storm semi-final where tough Zimbabwe await

BY ISMAIL KIGONGO IN KAMPALA

Kenya Simbas moved within 160 minutes of a maiden appearance at the Rugby World Cup, holding off hosts Uganda 32-24 at a hostile Namboole Stadium, Kampala yesterday.

In what was the closest of the four 2025 Rugby Africa Cup quarter-finals, Kenya rode on a quick start and strong finish by their scrum to knock out the Rugby Cranes under pristine playing conditions in the Ugandan capital city.

The entire day went according to the script as the top four – Zimbabwe, Namibia, Algeria and Kenya – won their quarter-final duels against lesser-ranked sides to advance.

Zimbabwe walloped Morocco 43-8, Algeria erased Cote d'Ivoire 41-16 and seven-time Rugby World Cup participants Namibia obliterated Senegal 55-17.

The winner of this qualifier which doubles as the Rugby Africa Cup will qualify for the 2027 World Cup in Australia while the beaten finalist will face an Asian side in the repechage for a ticket to the prestigious tournament.

Following a dull start as both teams cancelled each other out, the prowling Simbas jumped into a 21st minute lead as Edward Mwaura scored the first try. The conversion was missed.

Kenya doubled their lead in the 35th minute when Barry Young powered through to score under the posts. Barry Robinson Young added the extras for a 12-0 cushion.

The home side who finished fifth last year, one place below Kenya, struck when scrum-half Aaron Ofoyworth caught the defence napping to cross the white line.

France-based Philip Wokorach converted to make it 12-7 at the break. Uganda had their chances but lacked the cutting edge against coach Jerome Paarwater's side.

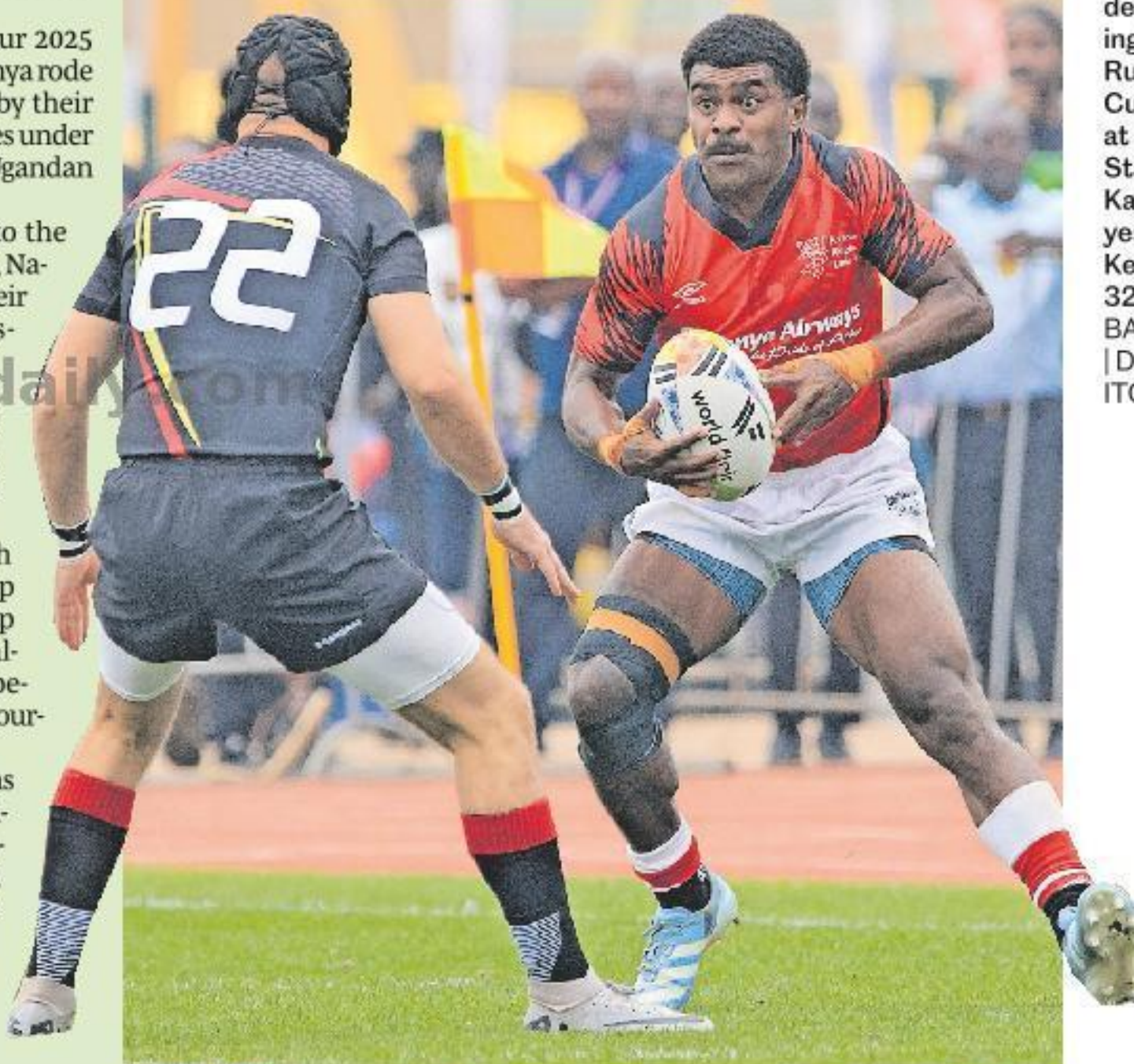
The home crowd waited with bated breath for a comeback in the well attended match. A flurry of changes in the pack gave the Simbas advantage which they duly utilized, scoring two more tries in quick time.

Griffin Chao got on the try list. Then a maul went over to build a seemingly insurmountable lead that was however threatened late on as Wokorach and Uganda captain Byron Oketayot scored a try apiece to move within striking distance.

However, Kenya's tactical superiority came through as they managed the clock and then got Fiji-born Jone Kubu Tavaga into position for a drop goal to ensure a semi-final meeting with the reigning champions.

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Uganda 24 Kenya 32  
Zimbabwe 43 Morocco 8  
Algeria 41 Cote d'Ivoire 6  
Namibia 55 Senegal 17



Kenya Simbas's Fiji-born fullback attempts to step past a Uganda Rugby Cranes defender during their 2027 Rugby World Cup qualifier at Namboole Stadium, Kampala yesterday. Kenya won 32-24. JOHN BATANUDDE | DAILY MONITOR

VICTORY IS OURS! Kenya Simbas players celebrate their 2027 Rugby World Cup qualifier win against Uganda Rugby Cranes at Namboole Stadium, Kampala yesterday. JOHN BATANUDDE | DAILY MONITOR

# Z2 PARENTING



## Raising children amidst civil unrest and political upheavals

BY NDUGU ABISAI

**C**onfusion, anger, uncertainty, and frustration are common feelings parents experience at heightened levels during times of civil unrest, war, violence, or political or social upheaval. It is often difficult for parents and guardians to know how to support their children during such times, as they may also feel overwhelmed and confused.

They are caught between guiding their children through a tumultuous period of life — which can sometimes be extensive and with serious consequences such as destruction, displacement, or even death — and managing their own emotions. Addressing this requires having well-considered, age-appropriate, honest, and candid conversations with their children. Professional counselling and therapy may also be needed, as the aftermath of these events can leave a lingering trail of anxiety, trepidation, and fear.

Over the past year, Kenya has found itself in such a situation. Inadvertently, parents have had to step up as primary counsellors and conversation starters to navigate through the unprecedented realities they face.

Purity Wanjiku, 28, is a mother to a six-year-old daughter. Over the past year, she has had several discussions about what has become known as the Gen Z Revolution. As a Gen Z herself, she has participated in numerous protests to add her voice to the thou-

sands who take to the streets when called upon.

"I had several sit-downs with my daughter about the protests. On the days I left home for the streets, I notified her as much."

Purity believes in speaking clearly and maintaining an open-book style of parenting, so it's understandable why she shared with her daughter about her involvement in the 2024 protests. Her daughter asked her about her level of involvement during their first sit-down.

"Children see what is happening in their country. At times, as parents and guardians, we get self-absorbed in our adult bubbles and forget that children are human beings too, with brains, eyes, and emotions. It's true, some may not be fully developed to grasp the entire subject matter, but they understand things in small doses and on matters that

directly affect them. If they can't go out to play because of ongoing gunfire and screams, if they can't go to school because the roads are blocked, that becomes an issue of interest to them," she explained. This approach fosters honesty and understanding, allowing children to process complex issues within their capacity.

To effectively convey her message and give it significance, Purity clarified the motive behind her involvement and that of many others across the country. "I took her through an age-appropriate overview of governance and leadership and connected it to the process that led to the increased activities in the streets."

It's no surprise that Purity didn't feel inadequate when having this tough conversation with her daughter. "I explored an angle I was sure would be easy to understand. I practised great

calmness while explaining information to her because it's easy to get angry when going through the very things that cause anger and pain. Explaining to your child and bearing your pain multiple times is especially a difficult part of the process. I am fortunate because I didn't struggle with most of the concepts since my daughter already had an idea why there was civil unrest in the country, and understanding that made it quite straightforward."

Purity has sat on the front row of her daughter's emotional turmoil each time there's a planned protest. "She knows that people die in the protests, she knows that people get arrested, and this is a scary part for me as a parent, to know that my child could be imagining losing me violently. The other day she 'warned' me not to step out of the door because she didn't want to lose her mom. Her fears are justified, and her admonishment is welcome. But it stands at a critical intersection of duty and fear, on one hand, the adult in you wants to exercise your civic duty, on the other, you admit that it could get violent, you could get killed or sexually assaulted. You imagine what could become of your child's life if you stopped a bullet in the streets."

To protect her well-being for now, Purity has had to switch off the TV to avoid piling more coal on the fire that is already out of control. "The mental impact on me as an adult is so hard that



Davis Maina is a father of two aged 11 and 12 years. He witnessed post-election violence as a child and it haunted him. PHOTO| LUCY WANJIRU

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# Be honest and keep it age appropriate

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I had to take intermittent social media breaks. I can only imagine what adding to what she's already seen and heard can do to her."

Purity admits that this is just a stopgap measure and may not work in extended periods of unrest because somehow, "the spillage has a way of ending up at your doorstep."

Even then, Purity believes that parents must find a pivot on which to balance the truth, in its ugliest form and content, and the duty to shield, guide and guard their children through and against damaging information that could have far-reaching effects as they grow.

Davis Maina, 33, has seen first-hand how unrest can damage a child. He has a vivid image of violence etched in his mind from the post-election violence that bedevilled the country about eighteen years ago. "I still remember death and destruction, the burden borne by a community in the wake of wanton recklessness."

Davis remembers this burden because he is now a parent to two children aged 11 and 12. "Back then, nobody talked to us young people, nobody talked to the children in the community, even though we all were part of those affected by the destruction, displacement and the air of volatility the skirmishes left behind. I think our parents assumed that just because we were children, we could not process it."

Davis is careful not to remodel or recreate such a mistake. He calls it a mistake because he believes some of his agetates never recovered from the things they saw then. "I believe if we got the right guidance on how to process the whole fiasco, some people would not be pulling a chain of trauma by their heels behind them today."

Children today, Davis says, unlike in the past, have broader access to information. "My daughter knows of the many children that have died from stray bullets over the years occasioned by civil unrest witnessed in the country."

What happens when a child tells their father they are afraid they could get injured or even killed if they went to play outside during such times, as is the case with Davis? "As a parent, you learn so many things on the job. One of those things is become a safe space for your children. I listen to my children and interrogate their understanding of what is happening. How much they know and sieve through what could be true, what could be misinformation because again, they get their information from internet sources and the internet is awash with misinformation. Listening to them and unpacking what they have to say has been



Margaret Njihia is a clinical psychologist and child therapist based at the Technical University of Kenya.

my biggest go-to strategy. Only then am I in a position to gauge their distress, their fear and level of anxiety and know what I can do to help them."

There are days he has had to stay at home during working hours. "My physical presence for them acts as a fortified sense of security, you can tell they are calmer when I am home, especially on days when the streets are ugly. Their fear, I have come to see, is twofold: they are afraid that I could be harmed while going to work. They also fear that in my absence, nobody will be there to protect them." In this, competing interests ensue—fending for his family and reassuring them in terms of physical presence. Davis has learned to walk the high wire to keep a balance.

"As a businessman, every day I open shop counts; similarly, every day I can be there for my children is immeasurably important. So, I have been talking to them, leading them to understand that I am there even when they can't see me. I keep my communication channels open. I will be on the phone with them numerous times during the day to check on them and assess their status. This is important because it lifts off their fear and creates an element of assurance; they know that in case of anything, I will find my way to where they are. We have moved houses as well to

an area I think is less susceptible to sporadic violence"

Davis believes that both parent and child should seek professional help when it gets worse. "Your children see you as this superhero that is impregnable. In a way, there is some truth in their thoughts. But it is a bubble you must not live in yourself. You also need help; you also need to process what you are feeling and going through. These events are happening as we all watch, you are not immune because you are a parent and more specifically, as a father. I wish we had a community debrief from, say, humanitarian organisations, every time this happens. This could help parents and children process first-hand trauma."

Margaret Njihia, a clinical psychologist and child therapist currently working at the Technical University of Kenya, shares insights on how children are affected by civil unrest, political instability, and violence, and what parents can do to support them.

"First, it is important that we define trauma as anything that is overwhelming and leaves the child at a state where they are feeling completely overwhelmed, like a near-death experience, helpless, hopeless, anxious, and defeated."

She categorises trauma into primary experiences (what happens directly to the child) and

secondary experiences (what the child witnesses or hears about). "You may not have been there, but you saw it in the media, heard people screaming, or even inhaled tear gas from your balcony. That's secondary trauma," she explains. "And that's how children suffer vicarious trauma."

So, how does one start addressing this possible trauma? "Start with a debrief, ask them, 'What have you seen? What have you heard? What do you think is going on in our country?' Then fill in the knowledge gap—age appropriately," Margaret emphasises that helping children process their fears starts with reassurance and honest dialogue, not denial, because even though they are young, they are alive to the events around them. "Use age-appropriate language," she adds. "What you'll tell a 14-year-old is not the same as what you'll say to a five-year-old."

Further, Margaret offers actionable steps that can help both child and parent sail through the storm: "Start by having honest conversations with the children using age-appropriate language. Be as honest as possible. Then, prioritise physical safety. Even if I'm living in an informal settlement, how can I prioritise the child's safety? Secure your home. Know which room is the safest. Lock doors, close windows." She adds that homes should have emergency plans: "What if something happens and you're not home? Who can the child call? Are the numbers visible? Are phones charged?" She is afraid that this is not a common practice in many households. "If you did a random survey today, how many homes have emergency contacts visible to the child or even to the nanny? Very few."

Limiting exposure is another step a parent can take to help their children in distress. "Children's brains are not fully developed to analyse or filter information as an adult would," she warns. "Control media consumption, filter conversations, stop discussing worst-case scenarios in their presence."

Social and mainstream media are probable channels through which children consume information. Your child can stumble upon graphic media, at times without a disclaimer for viewer discretion. This, she says, can be unsettling and may induce feelings of anxiety and fear.

It is prudent that parents remain on high alert about behaviour change as well. "Watch for changes in behaviour and monitor signs of distress, this may include a change in sleeping or eating patterns, sudden anxiety when a phone rings, hiding, or refusing to go to school—possible signs of trauma."

Additionally, it is important to maintain routine and familiarity. "Routine gives children a sense of predictability," she explains.



Purity Wanjiku, a mother of a six-year-old daughter always informs her child when she takes part in streets protests. Besides going to the streets, the young mother has educated her daughter on the importance of speaking up. POOL PHOTO

"Mealtime, bath time, bedtime—keep them consistent. Stick to familiar environments where possible." This creates a sense of stability, Margaret advises. As a parent, model calmness, "Are you modelling calmness, or are you the one who needs more help than the child?" she poses. "Children must feel like they can come back to you for support."

Family all-inclusive activities can help children unplug from the prevailing distress and reconnect. "Families can participate in fun activities such as hikes, walks, swimming, knitting, artwork (painting/ drawing), cooking, table games like Scrabble, playing cards, reading story books, or even telling stories." This removes them from the chaos, even just for a moment, and centres their focus on their sense of togetherness and resilience in the face of instability.

Lastly, seek help for the child and the parent. Margaret encourages parents not to fear therapy, especially when they feel overwhelmed. "If I feel I'm not effectively helping the child or I'm struggling because this reminds me of my past—that's the time to seek professional help." Therapy, she explains, could be individual or family-based. "Sometimes what we see as anger in adults is unprocessed trauma from childhood," she notes. "The adults we have today are shaped by the childhoods we had in the past."

**Self awareness** Knowing yourself will influence the standard you set for yourself and your children

Hi Zulu,

I think my husband is a drunkard. He leaves the house every Friday morning to go to work and comes home between 2.30 and 5.30am. Sometimes, we can't sleep after he comes because he makes so much noise and often vomits all over.

We have four kids, and I have to wake up and open the windows before they wake up. Mark you, the last born is just a few weeks old. I attend clinics alone, and this guy doesn't even know.

Is it normal to drink every weekend, or am I just a nagging wife? For context, I am 34. He is 40. We have been married for 12 years. He has been physically violent five times. He only paid the dowry, no legal marriage yet.

Dear reader,

You can't change people's character for sure. But you can choose which types of characters will coexist with you.

Let me introduce you to standards and personal preferences. These are decisions you make about how you want to conduct your life and engage with others. They're usually derived from your concept of self.

You determine what kind of life you deserve when you find out who you are. Whatever happens in your life always comes from who you think you are.

This concept of self is both developmental and personal. It is developmental in that the logical brain from which we derive our identity doesn't finish growing until we're 25.

This is developmental psychology backed by research. You cannot know who you are before you're 25 because you don't have the brain

# Is it normal for a man to go drinking every weekend?



**Relationships**  
**Benjamin Zulu**

for it yet. In your case, you started cohabiting at 22. You didn't know who you were or the kind of life you deserved.

Again, what you deserve is derived from who you are. When you don't know who you are, you can't tell what you deserve.

You ask whether you deserve your husband coming home in the wee hours of dawn because you can't answer that question yourself. You don't know who you are.

You already have four children with him, the youngest being just weeks old, so you've decided to build your family there. But still, you're finding his behaviour intolerable. This confusion comes from not knowing who you are.

It's true you're 34 now and no longer 22. But why haven't you moved on from that mindset? Why do you call a cohabiting arrangement marriage, for example, know-



ing full well you can't stand in court and claim to be married to this man? You're still stuck at 22.

This is explained by another law of psychology around marriage. Marriage tends to freeze you at the level of growth you were at when you entered it. The person you marry or get into marriage arrangements with will usually marry that version of you. That's the version they're most comfortable with.

If you transform yourself too much, there will be a disconnect, and the marriage could end.

So, what happens if you were in your pre-25 era, didn't know your-

self, didn't have clear standards on what you wanted, and just went with the flow? That's the precedent. That's what they'll expect from you.

You will only get lucky if the person loves growth and allows you to evolve with them. But most people are not. They prefer comfort instead. Your attempt to grow will destabilise the marriage.

The best time to start dating and choosing a life partner is after 25, when your brain has matured and you have a consistent personality.

You can know yourself and where you're going with life.

We're not suggesting that every-

one over 25 is mature because, remember, there's a personal choice besides the biological development of the brain. Some people don't want responsibility or to live consciously. They won't use their brain even after it has matured.

In short, not everybody over 25 is mature because not everyone wants to live mindfully. But nobody is mature before age 25 because it's not possible biologically.

Can people marry before 25 and grow together? Sure, it's possible. But it's a blind decision and a wide gamble. I don't recommend it.

In my observation, pre-25 dating is

the leading cause of bad marriages and the most explosive divorces. In your case, I suggest you retrace your steps and find out who you are.

Use personality tools and determine where you want to go with your life. After that, you'll decide what kind of marriage you'd like, besides the kind of climate you'd like to provide for your children.

Most of these marriages started before women, in particular, know who they are, crumble by the time she is in their mid-30s. The misalignment becomes too painful to bear, and the arrival of children forces many to reconsider their lifestyles.

Some people refuse to reflect and wake up. They continue with unconscious living, and the most unfortunate victims are the children.

They witnessed physical violence, like in your case, alcoholism, strife between parents, and overall, a dysfunctional model of life. That's how generational traumas are planted.

The antidote is healing. Start therapy and conduct self-discovery and recovery from everything you've been through. Once you mentally lift yourself from the rubble, you'll make sound decisions about where to proceed.

Will you state your boundaries and expectations to him and let him decide if he can match them or not? Will you stay or leave once he takes a stand about your expectations? Healing will lead you to these answers.

## Marriage does not always equate to common ownership of property



**Legal Clinic**  
**Eric Mukoya**

**In the event of a divorce, how is the property supposed to be divided between the two parties? What informs who gets what?**

Dear reader,

Divorce in Kenya is primarily a fault-based process, occurring when one or both spouses no longer find value or meaning in their marriage. Several factors are recognised by law as grounds for dissolving a marriage, although court precedents have suggested the need for reform. These precedents argue that it should not be the Court's role to enforce an unwanted union. In Divorce Cause E1 of 2020, Justice Reuben Nyakundi redefines the Court's role in divorce matters. He states, "It is an intolerable interference by this Court to insist on sustaining a marriage that is against the rights of individuals as outlined in Articles 28 and 29 of the Constitution."

It is inappropriate to order that adults of sound mind continue to live together in a marriage that has irretrievably broken down, with no possibility of reconciliation. Divorce should be considered a means to end a marriage if the union is defined in the outlines of Section 3 of the Marriage Act. The termination of a marriage is addressed in various sections of the Act, specif-

ically 64 to 73, which take into account the values and rituals of a particular religion or separation system.

It is essential to acknowledge that the divorce process is distinct from the legal and social aspects of determining and dividing property. The central principle at the start of every divorce process is the notion of equality within the union, which applies throughout its formation, duration, and dissolution. Article 45 of the Constitution, when read in conjunction with Article 27, Clauses (1) and (5), supports this principle. Likewise, the division of property is first grounded in this principle of equality before the specifics of acquisition are considered.

Although the Courts have the sole mandate to grant a divorce, the affected couples can also choose to end their marriage without the court's involvement, but opt to register their decision with the Court. If there are property disputes, the separating spouse seeks guidance from the Court, if an agreement between them is difficult to achieve.

Before marriage, couples can agree on how to manage their property through a prenuptial agreement, as outlined in Section 6(3). They can also decide in advance what should happen to their property in the event of a divorce. Howev-

er, this topic can be highly emotional, often leaving couples feeling upset and angry over what they consider shared property. The Matrimonial Property Act in Section 6(1) defines matrimonial property as that which includes the matrimonial home or homes, household goods and effects within those homes, as well as any other immovable and movable property that is jointly owned and acquired during the marriage.

In a marriage, property can take several forms: property that is registered solely in the name of one spouse, whether the husband or the wife; property that both spouses jointly own; property that either spouse earns while working with others, not necessarily including their spouse; property that is held in trust for other beneficiaries. All or any of these types of property can be considered matrimonial property, as defined in Section 6(1). Suppose the couple cannot reach an agreement on how to divide their matrimonial property, even after mediation attempts? In that case, they may seek a decision from the Court, as outlined in Section 17 of the Matrimonial Property Act.

In the case of Joseph Ombogi Ogentoto v. Martha Bosibori Ogentoto, the Supreme Court affirmed the principle of contribution concerning matrimonial property. The Court clarified

that marriage does not automatically equate to common ownership or co-ownership of property. It also warned against the simplistic notion of marriage equality, which implies a 50 per cent division of property. The Court emphasized the importance of understanding the concept of contribution. The interpretation and application of this concept has a higher probability of an individual exiting the marriage with the wealth they have acquired through their efforts. The Supreme Court's decision is based on Section 7 of the Matrimonial Property Act, which recognizes contributions as either monetary or non-monetary in nature.

Furthermore, Section 9 recognizes indirect contributions such as domestic work, childcare, farm work, companionship, and property improvement. However, this part of the law does not provide a specific formula for determining what qualifies as companionship, childcare, or domestic work. Typically, monetary contributions can be documented through receipts, invoices, and quotations. According to the information provided, there is a presumption that a property registered in one spouse's name is held in trust for the benefit of the other spouse. In contrast, property that is jointly owned is assumed to be equally owned by both parties.

## Parenting

# Does customer service have to be an extreme sport?

There is a very special kind of heart-break reserved for customers in Kenya. It is a special service, labelled Customer Care, only it is far from it. It comes neatly packaged with a fake smile, a bored sigh, and a side of, "why are you even here?" In this land of deplorable customer service, I am fast becoming a reluctant partaker.



**Wife Speak**  
**Karimi Gatimi**

and then - just for laughs - a repeat of the same two pages.

At this point, I started to wonder if I was the problem. Maybe I had slipped into an alternate universe where service means doing absolutely nothing, and hoping the customer dies or gives up trying.

The ultimate Dead Customer Service platinum medal goes to

a telco store in one of our big malls. My grandmother's phone line had been deactivated, but her ID number was still tied to the old line, now being used by someone else. She was advised to purchase another line, which she did, with the assistance of her caregiver. The new phone line could not activate, so when I next went to Isiolo, grandma and caregiver gave me all the details to come and have it checked in Nairobi.

"Where is the owner of this ID and Sim card?" The customer service officer asked me as soon as I had explained everything.

"The owner must present herself, in person."

"I just told you; she is past one hundred, and her movements are limited."

"Even disabled people come here in wheelchairs."

"That is extremely rude and insensitive."

I know about data protection and fraud, but surely, is that reason to be unreasonable and quite rude about it?

"You want an elderly woman to travel five hours for this?"

"Well," the customer representative said, adjusting her non-existent halo, "if she wants help."

I had to pause. Not because I was shocked, but because I could not decide whether to weep or scream.

"Fine, can I speak to her?"

"Yes, here's her caregiver's number, but they both only speak Kimeru."

"No. I can only speak to her through her own line."

"You want to talk to her through the line you deactivated?"

"You could be a fraudster." At this point, I felt hot, and it had nothing to do with premenopausal symptoms.

It took me four time-wasting visits in that store before Victor, who recognised my frustration on the fifth visit, stepped in and did a two-minute SIM swap process, and I was sorted out. Three minutes, three, and just like that, the line was working.

Customer service seems a game of survival, where complaining is an extreme sport, and results depend entirely on whether you meet a Victor or a Villain.

Take, for instance, the great Perfume Fiasco of the Year. I walked into this chic little store, holding my half-used, very expensive vintage perfume. I am not expecting a refund or a standing ovation, but just hoping someone will listen. You know, like those well-trained staff in the customer service videos my kids binge online that say, "Welcome ma'am, I'm so sorry this happened, how can we make it right?"

Well, not in this, our Nairobi. The moment I uttered, "I have a complaint about my last purchase," the salesperson's smile evaporated like cheap cologne on a hot day. She morphed into a cross between a customs officer and a courtroom prosecutor. My children, who had accompanied me that Saturday afternoon, looked on in horror. Not because of the drama, but because their understanding of customer care and this reality on the ground was vastly different from the Savannah grasslands and the Tundra of Antarctica.

Suddenly, I was on trial as she scrutinised the perfume bottle.

"Where's the serial number?"

"It must have rubbed off."

"Do you have the receipt?"

"No. But I have the payment statement."

I even called the bank when she looked doubtful. "What time exactly did you buy it?"

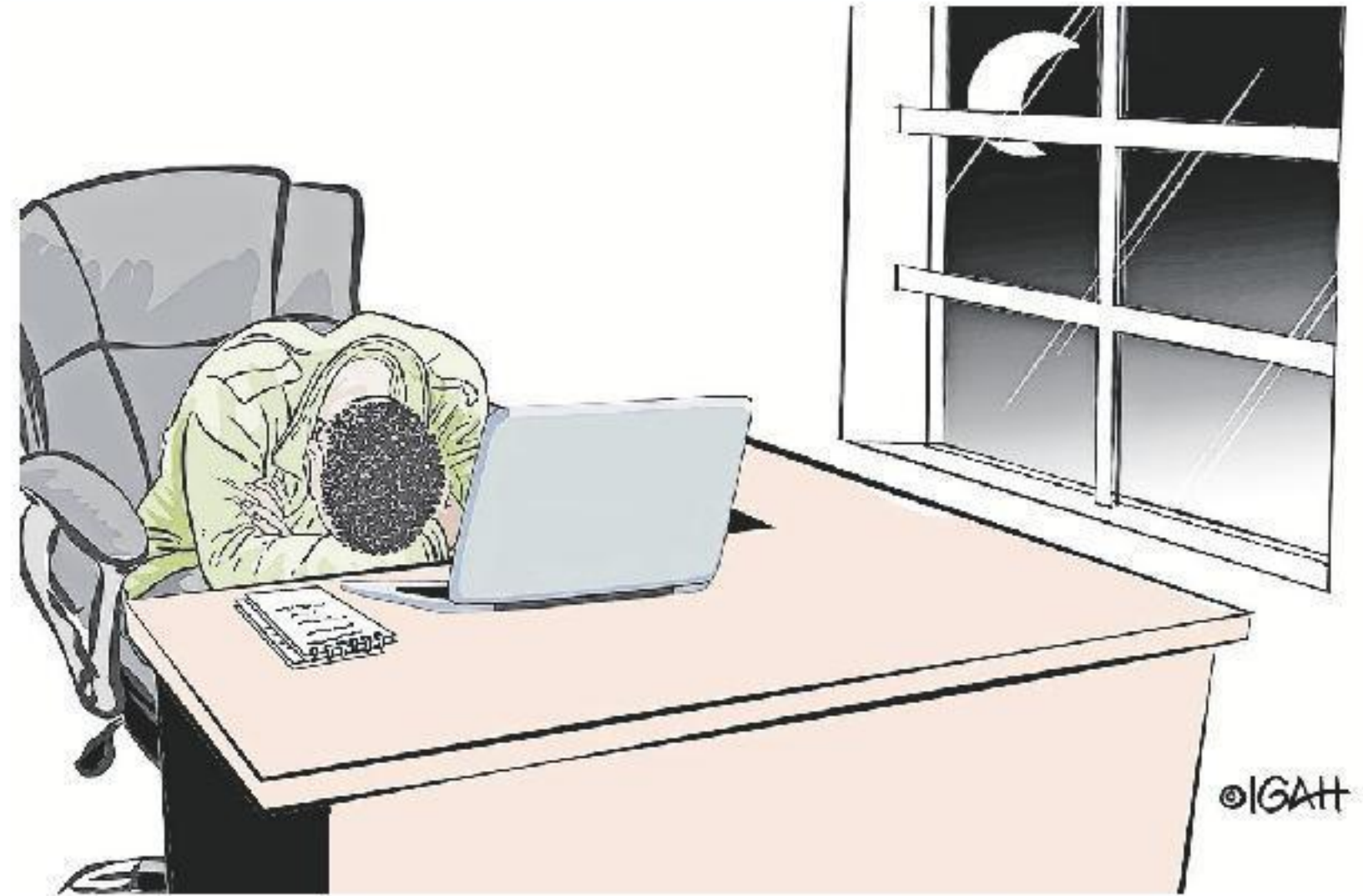
"Uhhh... around lunch?"

Thirty precious minutes later, I asked to speak to the manager. Out stepped a woman who looked me up and down like I was the reason her cat died. Granted, I was in tights and an oversized T-shirt, but come on, does perfume require formal wear now?

Then, with the warmth of an iceberg, she said, "Perfumes should be stored away from light. The light affects efficacy."

Did you need to put me through all this DCI-level interrogation to teach me one sentence about storage?

Just when I thought customer service had already reached rock bottom, I encountered another experience from a bank after I requested back-dated account statements. They said five working days. Three weeks later? Nothing. I follow up, and they email me two pages of blank space,



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# The work-life balance of Simon Makonde

Simon Makonde is an ordinary middle-aged Kenyan man. And like all ordinary folks in this bracket, work-life balance is a concept that's alien to this mwananchi wa kawaida.

It's not that Simon Makonde doesn't know the importance of balancing his focus and time between working, family and leisure pursuits; it's just that life and societal pressures pushed his bent back against a wall eons ago. He lost his balance a long time ago. And, by the looks of things, he won't regain it.

This brother's got it twisted. He thinks he's living for his family, but he's working himself to death.

Simon Makonde forces himself to go to work every January, forfeiting his annual leave month. This has been his routine since he joined the job market.

Simon Makonde doesn't take annual leave. He can't afford to. "My family's pleasure is my leisure," Simon Makonde tells his boss, pawning his leave - and life - to his employer so he can bring in extra income to foot January bills.

Simon Makonde does double shifts every February. His wife wants to feel like other women in the month of love. And he must be the man.

With money from Feb's double shifts, Simon Makonde gives his wife a Valentine's Day to remember. "My wife's pleasure is my leisure," he posts on social media.

Simon Makonde crawls into March. He feels his body isn't right, but he can't tell his family. Nope. He doesn't want to distress them. "My stress isn't their problem," he



**Just A Man**  
**Josaya Wasonga**

sighs.

Simon Makonde knows his body is telling him to rest. His body is imploring him to indulge in leisure pursuits. But he says, "My leisure comes last. A real man puts his family first."

Come April, Simon Makonde starts a side hustle. Bills are long, and money is short. Besides, there's that 50-by-100 in Kamulu he'd promised his wife he'll buy this year.

Simon Makonde's birthday falls in May. But he has never celebrated his big day. It has passed unnoticed for so long that it resembles an unmarked grave in a cemetery, which has been turned into a downtrodden footpath.

"My birthday isn't a big deal," Simon Makonde says, "but I'll give my children anything they want for their birthdays."

Come June, Simon Makonde is operating on fumes, but he doesn't know. He hasn't been trained to know when his tank

is empty. Which is why he keeps pushing the pedal to the metal. And ignoring the obvious signs that he needs help. "Our fathers never needed Men's Mental Health Month, and neither do I," he boasts. "And why would a man need a whole month to take care of his mental health? That's some massive overtime that will go to waste."

Simon Makonde has been invited to a July nyama choma get-together by his boys. He wants to attend, but he believes he will be doing his family a great injustice.

"I'll take a rain check," he excuses himself. "I can't eat nyama choma and have a good time while my family is eating sukuma wiki."

Every year, for the past 20 years, Simon Makonde dies in August, yet he doesn't know it. Why, because he has the thing which lies to many men that they are living; a pulse. A pulse denotes that a man's alive, whereas purpose shows that a man's living.

Simon Makonde falls in that category of men of whom Benjamin Franklin said "die at 25 and aren't buried until they are 75".

"I will enjoy my stupendous mansion when I go to heaven," Simon Makonde retorts whenever that still, small voice counsels him to love himself and live in the moment.

"But it's not a sin to have heaven on earth," the still, small voice says.

And for the next four months, Simon Makonde is buried. Buried under mounds of bills and debt, whereas he's only a leisure pursuit away from living - really and fully living - as his Creator intended him to.