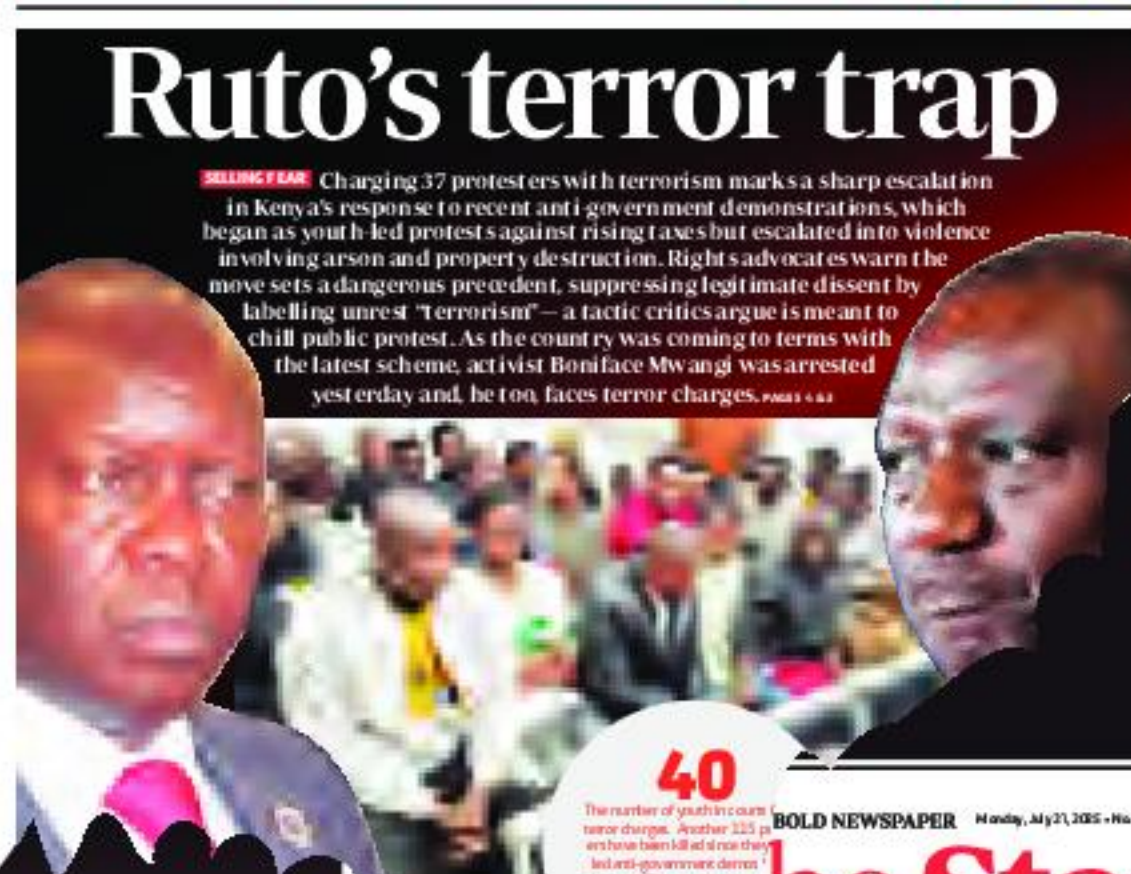
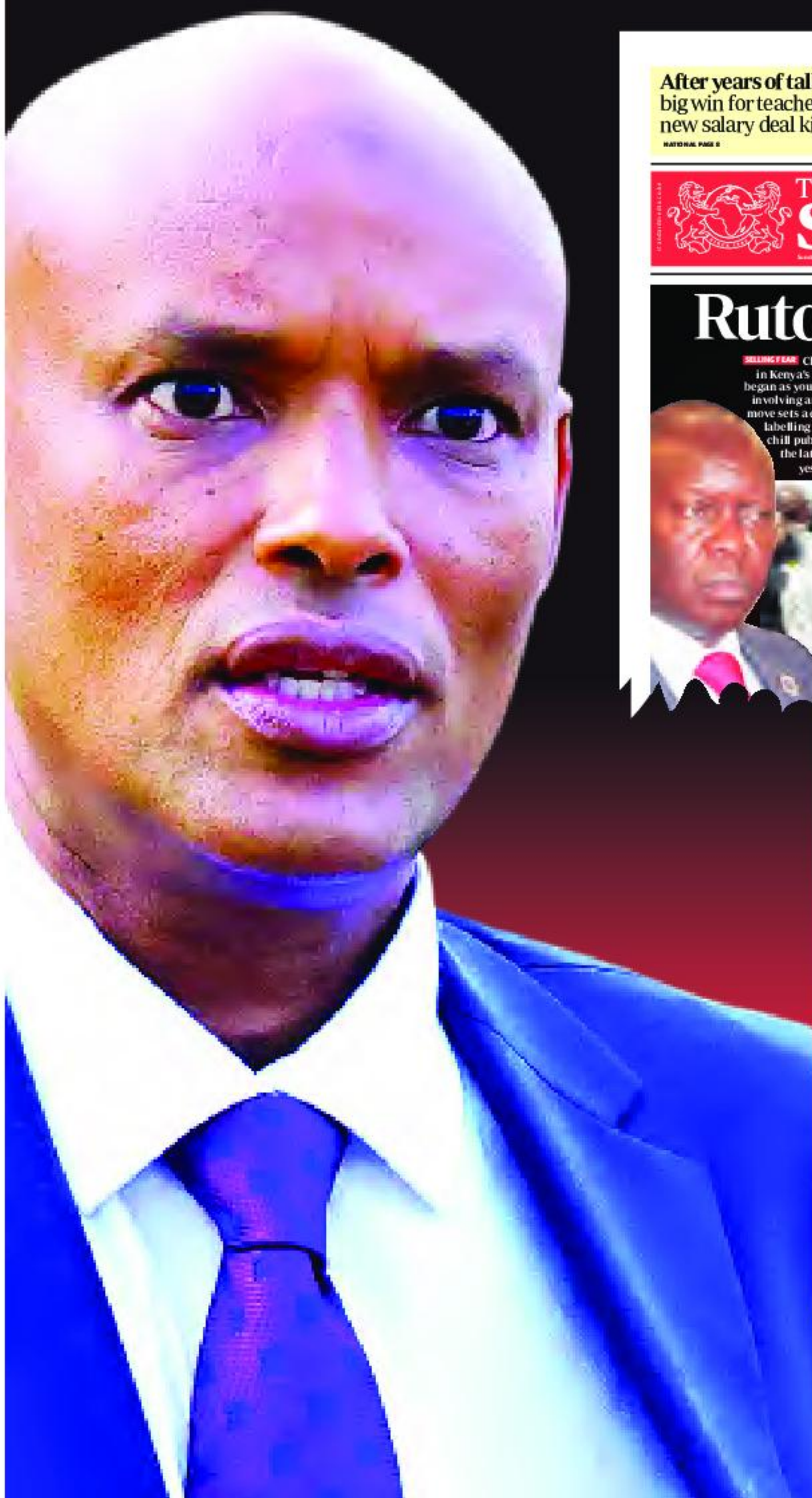




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## Cornered by public

**INCORRIGIBLE** A flood of disapproval from an increasingly frustrated citizenry yesterday pushed the struggling Director of Public Prosecutions to drop the far-fetched terrorism charge against rights activist Boniface Mwangi. The DPP later issued a press statement defending the decision to level such bizarre charges against activists, critics of the Ruto administration, and protesters. After the DCI's terrorism claims against Mwangi failed the test and were dropped from the charge sheet, Kenyans now want the outrageous charges against 37 others withdrawn as well. **PAGES 4&5**



“It's ridiculous to charge Boniface Mwangi and our children, who have demonstrated a high level of political consciousness, with terrorism. Protected speech and political action should never be criminalised.”

**James Orengo,**  
Siaya Governor



# Murder in Ward 7B: Mysterious Kalombotole and KNH horror

► For three years, a man with no ID, no relatives, and no known history lived inside Kenya's largest referral hospital.

► Now, he stands accused in two murders, each involving a slit throat, the same ward and chilling silence from authorities.

JACINTA MUTURA AND NANCY GITONGA, NAIROBI

In the corridors of Kenyatta National Hospital (KNH), where saving lives is a daily ritual, a chilling mystery has been quietly unfolding—more psychological thriller than routine clinical affair.

At the centre of it is a man known only by a name no one can verify: Kennedy Kalombotole.

He has no known relatives, no confirmed identity, and no documented origin. Yet, over the past three years, he has lived within Kenya's largest referral hospital—admitted, discharged, readmitted, and, seemingly tolerated.

Twice now, within a span of five months, two patients have been brutally murdered in the same hospital block occupied by Kalombotole.

Both victims were found with their throats slit. Both killings occurred in Ward 7B. Kalombotole is the prime suspect in each case.

The latest killing took place on July 17, 2025. Edward Maingi Ndegwa, a patient in Ward 7B, Level C, had been visited by a relative around midday. Less than an hour later, a cleaner noticed a pool of blood beneath his bed—his throat had been slashed.

Detectives followed a trail of blood from the body to a nearby room, where they discovered Kalombotole's blue slippers and a bedsheet, both stained with blood. A knife, wrapped in gloves, was later found outside the building directly beneath the ward's window.

Ndegwa had been admitted to KNH on July 12. He was attacked and killed five days later under circumstances police say remain suspicious and unresolved.

## No identity

Even as detectives gather a trail to the gruesome murder, nothing seems straightforward when it comes to the suspect, Kalombotole.

Despite his lengthy stay, Kalombotole officially remains a 'ghost'. He has no identification documents. Multiple fingerprint scans have yielded

nothing in government records and social media appeals by the hospital to find relatives went unanswered.

According to KNH, Kalombotole was first admitted to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) in November 2022, before being transferred to a general ward.

"Being a homeless person with no known relatives nor proven identity, he stayed on in the hospital," said the hospital's Chief Executive Officer Dr William Sigilai in a statement.

In June 2024, the hospital was able to secure a home for him and he was discharged. However, he fell ill again in December 2024 and was readmitted to KNH, later discharged in January 2025. But the home refused to take him back for unspecified reasons.

Thus, a man with no known past continued to live in a public hospital—not because he was sick, but because no one knew what to do with him.

Even after the first murder—of 40-year-old Gilbert Kinyua, killed on the night of February 7, 2025 in Ward 7C—the hospital continued to house Kalombotole. In that case, too, a knife was found on the ground below the window of the deceased's ward.

He was flagged by the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) as a person of interest. But months passed. No arraignment. No charges. No progress. Just silence—and a man with a shadowy past sharing space with vulnerable patients.

According to Dr Sigilai, the DCI advised the hospital to retain him pending further investigations. KNH, he said, is still awaiting an outcome from the earlier probe.

Why, if Kalombotole was a suspect in the February murder, was he never charged? The DCI claims the case file was submitted to the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP), but returned for additional evidence.

What remains deeply troubling is how and under what legal authority a civilian hospital 'detained' a suspected murderer in shared wards.

"We emphasise that the suspect had been discharged, and the hospital had no intention of hosting him indefinitely. However, in the absence of viable alternatives and pending further direction from investigative agencies, we had no choice but to continue accommodating him," said Dr Sigilai.

That "no choice", as described by the hospital CEO, may have cost Edward Ndegwa his life.

Following Ndegwa's murder, Kalombotole was presented before Kibera Magistrate Daisy Mutai. The court directed that he be held at Kilimani Police Station for four more days until



Kennedy Kalombotole, a suspect in the murder of Edward Maingi Ndegwa, who was a patient at Kenyatta National Hospital, arrives at Kilimani Police Station after undergoing mental and health assessment tests at KNH. [Elvis Ogina, Standard]

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## 2024 YEAR

**WHEN** Kennedy Kalombotole was re-admitted at KNH. With no known relatives nor verified identity, he continued to stay at the hospital.

July 24, as investigators await medical records from KNH and Nairobi Women's Hospital.

The magistrate ordered the two hospitals to submit detailed medical records, noting that the reports will assist the court in determining whether the suspect, said to be unwell, had indeed been discharged or was still under treatment and is fit for continued detention.

## No charges

Despite his appearance in court, Kalombotole has not yet been formally charged with murder. The DCI and ODPP are seeking a 21-day custodial extension to complete investigations.

While KNH reported both incidents to the authorities, it now finds itself in the murky overlap between healthcare and criminal justice.

According to a sworn affidavit by Corporal Benard Muange of the DCI Homicide Bureau, police have yet to establish the true identity of the 28-year-old suspect.

"We are seeking more time to verify his identity. He had no documents and identified himself only as Kennedy Kalombotole," said Muange, noting

that KNH Records also indicate that no one has visited him since his admission.

"We are yet to obtain DNA samples from Kalombotole for comparison with evidence collected from the scene and the deceased's body," said Muange in a sworn affidavit.

DCI confirms that Kalombotole had been admitted since November 2024 and was only discharged on July 18 2025—the day he was arrested.

"He has no fixed place of abode, making him a flight risk. If released, he could interfere with investigations or abscond altogether," said Muange.

The DCI is seeking to conduct further forensic analysis, collect fingerprint impressions, perform a full autopsy, obtain witness statements, and conduct a mental health evaluation to assess Kalombotole's fitness to stand trial for murder charges.

"The body of the deceased, Ndegwa, is yet to undergo a post-mortem by a government pathologist. This is a crucial step in determining the cause of death and any possible links to the suspect," Muange stated.

State Prosecutor Gikui Gichuhi cited public outrage over the hospital killings, arguing that releasing the suspect would pose a security threat and erode public confidence in the justice system.

"This case has elicited widespread public concern. Releasing the suspect now could endanger him and compromise trust in our institutions," she said.

The court was told that Kalombotole requires a 10am daily injection. The prosecution noted that he had already missed one scheduled dose.

Though the ailment was not disclosed, the court was informed that he is still undergoing treatment at the

referral hospital.

However, the defense team, led by lawyers Joshua Ombengi and Zephaniah Chapa, opposed the custodial extension, insisting their client was unwell and should not be detained further. They argued that Kalombotole had already been discharged on Friday and put in custody while still undergoing treatment.

"Although the suspect is an orphan with no known relatives, that should not be a basis to deny him bail," Ombengi told the court.

After hearing both sides, Magistrate Mutai ordered Kalombotole to remain at Kilimani Police Station and to continue receiving medical care.

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## Correction and apology



Kenneth Ngunjiri. [Courtesy Meshia]

In yesterday's edition of *The Standard*, we mistakenly published a photograph of the late journalist Gatonye Gathura in place of Professor Kenneth Ngunjiri. We sincerely regret the error and apologise to Prof Ngunjiri, the family of Mr Gathura, and our readers for the mix-up. The oversight is deeply regretted.



# Breastfeeding rate stagnates, putting infants in harm's way

► Health experts warn that the stagnation is a major contributor to the country's high child mortality rates.

► Barriers include aggressive marketing of substitutes, stigma, lack of breastfeeding spaces at work and harmful myths.

MERCY KAHENDA, NAIROBI

At least 500,000 babies miss out on exclusive breastfeeding in Kenya annually, exposing them to life-threatening diseases such as pneumonia and diarrhoea.

Only 61 per cent of newborns in Kenya are exclusively breastfed for the first six months of life, falling short of the global target of 70 per cent by 2030.

According to Ministry of Health data, the national rate of exclusive breastfeeding has dropped from 62 to 60 per cent in the last 10 years.

"We have stagnated on exclusive breastfeeding. This means we need to do something," said Ministry of Health Deputy Director General of Health Dr Sultani Matendechero.

He added: "It is worrying that only 60 per cent of infants are exclusively breastfed. This demands urgent interventions to address inequalities, social barriers and misinformation."

Health experts warn that the stagnation in breastfeeding indicators is a major contributor to the country's high child mortality rates.

Kilifi County leads with the highest exclusive breastfeeding rate, with at least 9 out of 10 (90 per cent) of babies breastfed. Other high-performing counties include Nyeri, Kiambu and Taita Taveta. By contrast, Nakuru, Kisii and Baringo lag behind.

Barriers to exclusive breastfeeding include stigma, aggressive marketing of substitutes, lack of breastfeeding spaces at workplaces, and harmful myths. Other challenges include the absence of robust social protection programmes to support lactating mothers.

Dr Matendechero made these remarks during a media sensitisation forum ahead of the 2025 World Breastfeeding Week. The upcoming campaign, themed "Prioritise Breastfeeding: Create Sustainable Support Systems", urges sectors such as health, education, labour and communities to collaborate in supporting breastfeeding.

He said challenges of breastfeeding cannot be tackled by the Ministry of Health alone, but require multi-sectoral collaboration.

"Every child has the right to basic nutrition. Let us unite across all sectors to make breastfeeding a national priority. We must challenge myths and promote breastfeeding across Kenya," he said.

Use of breastmilk substitutes has surged, particularly among working mothers. Data shows that bottle feeding increased from 22 per cent in 2014 to 34 per cent in 2022.

"There is no problem with substitute, but the problem is we are starting to overuse them. We have aggressive advertisement that is swaying mothers away from breastfeeding," Dr Matendechero said.

## Bottle feeding

He also expressed concern over stigma, citing cases where mothers refuse to breastfeed for fear of being rejected by their husbands due to perceived odour. "We cannot let such beliefs compromise a child's health," he added.

The Ministry has launched awareness campaigns and community advocacy to promote breastfeeding. Kenya has also developed supportive



Breastfeeding should begin immediately after birth to reduce neonatal deaths. (File, Standard)

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## AT A GLANCE

- 500,000 babies are exclusively breastfed in Kenya, annually
- 61 per cent infants are exclusively breastfed in Kenya, below the global target of 70 per cent by 2030
- 13 per cent deaths are preventable through breastfeeding among children

- under five years
- Initiating breastfeeding within the first hour can save up to 33 per cent of newborns.
- Bottle feeding has increased sharply, from 22 per cent to 34 per cent, between 2014 and 2022.

policies and guidelines to encourage early and continued breastfeeding for up to two years and beyond.

Some 1,500 community health units are currently implementing baby-friendly initiatives.

Prof Grace Irimu, a paediatrician and professor of health systems and quality improvement, emphasised the importance of early initiation and exclusive breastfeeding in saving newborn lives. She said breastfeeding should begin immediately after birth—within the first hour—to significantly reduce neonatal deaths.

"Initiating breastfeeding within the first hour can save up to 33 per cent of newborns. If the baby does not need resuscitation, they should be breastfed on the delivery bed within five minutes," she said.

Vihiga leads in timely breastfeeding initiation, followed by Elgeyo Marakwet, Kisii, Busia and Tana River. Counties such as Kisumu, Lamu, Taita Taveta, Kirinyaga, Kajiado, Kiambu, Nyeri, Nairobi and Mombasa are performing poorly.

Brenda Ahoya, a nutritionist, noted that women in urban areas tend to delay breastfeeding after birth compared to their rural counterparts, despite its importance.

Kenya loses about 12 per cent of its newborns to preventable causes, with poor breastfeeding practices being a significant contributor.

"Breastfeeding is both a learned and thoughtful procedure. It should be introduced during antenatal visits so mothers are empowered before delivery," said Prof Irimu.

She outlined the benefits of breastfeeding: it protects infants from infections and improves intelligence by up to 3.5 per cent, with even greater benefits for preterm babies. For mothers, it aids post-delivery recovery and supports long-term health.


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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### MANDATORY STATUTORY RESOLUTIONS

- 1. THE NATIONAL RATING ACT, 2024**  
In exercise of powers conferred by provisions of section 30 of the National Rating Act, 2024 of the Laws of Kenya, and the approval by the County Executive Committee vide County Executive minutes, the County Government of Nyandarua gives notice that the preparation of Nyandarua County Valuation Roll is underway.
- 2. THE NATIONAL RATING ACT, 2024 (APPOINTMENT OF VALUERS)**  
In exercise of powers conferred by provisions of section 22 of the National Rating Act, 2024 of the Laws of Kenya, The County Government of Nyandarua appoints valuers listed here below as the valuers to prepare the Nyandarua County Valuation Roll, 2025

  - I. Herbert Were, B.A (LAND ECONOMICS) Hons, M.I.S.K (VS), and REGISTERED VALUER, as the valuer to prepare the Nyandarua County Valuation Roll, 2025**
  - II. Jane Ciamwari Kairanya, B.A (LAND ECONOMICS) Hons, M.I.S.K (VS), and REGISTERED VALUER, as the valuer to prepare the Nyandarua County Valuation Roll, 2025**
  - III. Joseph Mwaniki Wamugi, B.A (REAL ESTATE) Hons, M.I.S.K (VS), and REGISTERED VALUER, as the valuer to prepare the Nyandarua County Valuation Roll, 2025**
- 3. THE NATIONAL RATING ACT, 2024 (DECLARATION)**  
In exercise of powers conferred by provisions of section 27 of the National Rating Act, 2024 of the Laws of Kenya, The County Government of Nyandarua declares that the valuers in preparing the Nyandarua County Draft Valuation Roll, 2026 or any Supplementary Valuation Roll, need neither value nor include in the Roll the value of the land or the assessment for improvement rate. The Draft Valuation Roll will therefore include only the unimproved site value of every rateable property.
- 4. THE NATIONAL RATING ACT, 2024 (TIME OF VALUATION)**  
In exercise of powers conferred by provisions of section 27 of the National Rating Act, 2024 of the Laws of Kenya, and approval by the County Executive Committee Resolution, the County Government of Nyandarua adopts the Time of Valuation for the purposes of preparing the Draft Valuation Roll 2026 as at 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2025.

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► He was charged with unlawful possession of ammunition and released on Sh1 million bond.

► The move follows sustained domestic and international condemnation of State overreach.

FRANCIS ONTOMWA, NAIROBI

In a disgraceful and revealing climbdown that has utterly laid bare the abuse of Kenya's anti-terror laws, the State has dropped terrorism charges against activist Boniface Mwangi, charges many Kenyans saw as both absurd and politically motivated.

Instead, in a move that reeks of face-saving desperation, the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP), under Renson Ingonga, has opted to charge Mwangi with unlawful possession of ammunition under the Firearms Act, releasing him on a personal bond of Sh1 million.

The dramatic U-turn comes amid growing public outrage and accusations of State overreach that has exposed a State in fear of its own citizens and seemingly hell-bent on punishing its critics by all means even if it means weaponising the same laws meant to protect the public.

Donned in a white hoodie labelled "Team Courage," a defiant Mwangi yesterday shouted from confinement: "This is a government of goons. We shall jail them all in due time. You cannot kill everyone."

But even without flinching, moments after the public disgrace, the ODPP went ahead and immediately issued a statement. "Charges under the Prevention of Terrorism Act should be understood within the framework of established legal thresholds... The attacks on public offices, courts, police stations, and government personnel were not spontaneous demonstrations, but calculated and coordinated acts of violence."

#### Grasping at straws

In solidarity and in one accord, activists and several Kenyans wearing national flags packed the Kahawa Law Courts to the brim, one of Kenya's two designated counter-terrorism magistrate courts to witness the case.

The new charge, the ODPP maintains, stems from protests held last month in which scores of people were killed. Critics argue the State is simply grasping at straws to save face after international and domestic condemnation that threaten to sully Kenya's human rights records.

"The misuse of anti-terror laws to target activists is not only unlawful but dangerous," stated activist and Busia Senator Okiya Omtatah after Mwangi's release from custody.

"This must stop. Parliament did not enact those statutes to be used as weapons against citizens seeking accountability," he added.

Curiously, Mwangi's arrest came a few days after he and Ugandan activist Agather Atuhaire filed a petition at the East African Court of Justice, seeking redress over what they claim was unlawful abduction, torture, and deportation by Tanzanian authori-

# Government eats humble pie after absurd charges against Mwangi collapse



Human rights activists celebrate outside the Kahawa Law Courts after Boniface Mwangi was released on bond yesterday. [Benard Orwongo, Standard]

ties in May 2025 while monitoring the treason trial of opposition figure Tundu Lissu.

Today, under Kenyan law, the threshold for charging someone with terrorism is exceptionally high and rightly so according to some legal experts. Experts warn that this law is designed to deter and punish acts that genuinely threaten national security, not to silence dissent or punish street-level demonstrators.

According to Section 2 of the Prevention of Terrorism Act, 2012, the law explicitly provides that an act is considered terrorism if it carries these elements: "If an act is intended to cause death or serious cause bodily harm, if it endangers life, or causes serious damage to property."

Additionally, beyond doubt, it must also be proven that such an act is "carried out with the aim of advancing a political, religious, or ideological cause." Activist and lawyer Hussein Khalid of Vocal Africa sees a laughable and unfortunate scheme that was only meant to intimidate activism in Kenya.

"They had nothing, nothing at all. Their goal was to intimidate and indignify Boniface. This is a government desperate to silence critics. Boniface is not a terrorist!" he said.

Mwangi was arrested on July 19 by detectives from the DCI at his residence in Lukenya, Machakos. The officers, who also stormed his Mageuzi Hub office located on Rose Avenue in Nairobi's Hurlingham, claimed he was linked to the facilitation of

#### IN THE DOCK

- Peter Kinyanjui Wanjiru (Kawanjiru): Terrorism & arson Kikuyu coordinated destruction, June 25
- Serah Wanjiku Thiga: Terrorism and arson Kikuyu coordinated destruction, June 25

#### Suspects charged with torching Mawego Police Station

- Kennedy Oluoch Oluoch
- Nicholas Otieno
- Tofiq Owiti Mohamed
- Michael Omondi Opiyo
- David Bill Clinton Otieno
- Robert Ouko Abala
- Samuel Ouma Odhiambo
- Erick Obunga Osumba

terrorist activities during the June 25 anti-government protests, meant to honour those killed in last year's skirmishes.

#### Teargas canisters

In what they announced to the world, investigators reportedly recovered a number of items, including two unused tear gas canisters, one 7.62mm blank round, nine external hard drives, two laptops, and multiple documents, company seals, stamp duty documents, cheque books, and other office paraphernalia.

Siaya Governor and lawyer James Orengo has observed: "It's ridiculous to charge Boniface and our children, who have demonstrated a high level of political consciousness, with terrorism. Protected speech and political action should never be criminal-

ized." In a country still reeling from perceived State-sanctioned killings and broad daylight abductions, the raging debate has angered ordinary Kenyans.

"According to this regime, a Westgate attacker and Boniface are the same. They are both terrorists," wrote Levi Munyeri on X.

#### Dictatorship handbook

Musician and social activist Henry Ohanga, popularly known as Octopizzo, wondered: "Labeling activists as terrorists is the oldest trick in the dictatorship handbook. But we are not stupid. We see through the smoke."

Mohammed Hersi, a hotelier and former chairperson of the Kenya Tourism Federation, did not mince his words: "Boniface is not a terrorist, unless the word acquired a new meaning. He is a strong advocate for domestic travel and environmental issues."

City lawyer Julius Miiri, on his part sees an ulterior motive in the scheme of things: "The State is trying to use terrorism charges against dissenters to curtail rights. They are just selling fear and they know it. For you to prove that charge, the standard of proof is very high. You cannot slap it on an ordinary activist or protestor and defend it in court," stated Miiri.

Increasingly, DPP Ingonga who many now view as an extension of the State's political machinery has come under fire for what is seen as aiding the weaponisation of the criminal jus-

tice system.

The Law Society of Kenya (LSK) has stated plans to file a case in the High Court to stop all charges relating to the destruction of property slapped on protestors and now hinged on terrorism.

LSK President Faith Odhiambo says the charges are framed to ensure those arrested remain behind bars for the longest time possible by denying them bail or imposing unreasonable bail terms.

"It is quite unfortunate that some courts are being forum-shopped for purposes of giving very high bail and bond terms. Some of the charges being brought to court are just to ensure that the terms are kept sky-high to seemingly punish dissent," stated Odhiambo.

Lawyer Edward Muriu sees a warped scheme that could easily backfire on the nation.

"When you charge people with terrorism, you are simply sending a message to the whole world that Kenya is a country of terrorists. Investors will shy away, and even tourists will stay away. It's just counterproductive, to say the least," said Muriu.

LSK Deputy President Mwaura Kabata avers that terrorism is a crime recognised internationally, though there is no universally agreed definition of what it exactly is. Locally, he said, terrorism is a specialized crime that is codified in a separate law.

#### Held and tortured

"All the other offences those related to activities such as insurgency, protests, or violent upheavals are captured in the Penal Code," he says.

For example, Mwaura said, if one burns a police station, and is arrested, one should be charged with destruction of government property under Section 339 of the Penal Code.

He adds that the State has the option of charging one with arson, which is a felony offense defined in Section 332 of the Penal Code.

Lawyer Gitobu Imanyara on the other hand said that the DPP's move is not new. Imanyara was arrested, jailed for five years at Kamiti Prison without a fine, kept in block E at Kamiti Maximum Prison which then housed insane prisoners, and subsequently tortured after his release on or about July 4, 1990, at Nyayo House for deciding to represent the Air Force personnel who had been accused of plotting the 1982 coup.

Judiciary Chief Registrar, Wilfridah Mokaya, claimed that there is a growing wave of personal attacks against judicial officers over bail and bond rulings. According to her, the amount handed by the magistrates were guided by the law and legal frameworks put in place for the same.

"Bail and bond rulings are guided by legal frameworks, including the Constitution, the Criminal Procedure Code, and the Judiciary's Bail and Bond Policy Guidelines," she said.

Former Chief Justice David Maraga has accused the government of "weaponising the criminal justice system to terrorise arrested youth and their families."

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# Activist Mwangi freed, terror charges dropped

► According to a DCI post on X, the arrest was linked to alleged ‘facilitation of terrorist activities’ during June 25 demos.

► Mwangi was instead charged with unlawful possession of ammunition and tear-gas canisters. He was set free on a bond of Sh1m.

EMMANUEL KIPCHUMBA AND RAY-VON KIPNG'ENO, NAIROBI

Rights activist Bonface Mwangi was yesterday released by the Kahawa Law Courts on a Sh1 million personal bond after spending two nights in custody.

The State dropped terrorism charges previously implied by the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), instead the Directorate of Public Prosecutions (ODPP), preferred two counts against him. Both charges relate to unlawful possession of ammunition and tear-gas canisters; charges to which he pleaded not guilty.

Mwangi was arrested on Saturday, at his residence in Lukenya, Machakos County, by detectives who later searched his office at the Mageuzi Hub, Nairobi. According to a post by the DCI on X, the arrest was linked to alleged ‘facilitation of terrorist activities’ during the June 25 protests. But by the time he was arraigned in court, no terrorism charges were filed.

The post was criticised in court, with Mwangi’s legal team vowing to summon the DCI Director Mohamed Amin to account for what they described as a malicious and false publication. Despite the DCI’s public claims, the charges presented in court were narrow in scope and did not include terrorism.

The first count accused Mwangi of being in possession of three tear gas canisters without a valid firearm certificate, while the second count involved the possession of one blank round of 7.62x51mm ammunition, also allegedly without lawful authority.

Senior Principal Magistrate Gideon Kiage, while granting Mwangi his freedom, observed that the court had taken into account the nature of the offence and all the circumstances presented.

“This court orders that the accused be set at liberty upon securing a personal bond of one million shillings with one surety,” said Kiage.

The matter is scheduled for men-



Boniface Mwangi at the Kahawa Law Courts yesterday. [Benard Orwongo, Standard]

tion on August 21, 2025.

Kiage also directed the prosecution to review the gadgets and documents seized from Mwangi.

Items recovered included a laptop, external hard drives, company seals, cheque books, stamp duty papers, and the tear gas canisters and blank ammunition.


“Let the prosecution, in consultation with the investigating officer, conduct an analysis and determine which items do not form part of the evidence. Any such items shall be returned to the accused no later than August 21,” stated Kiage.

Ndegwa Njiru, who represented Mwangi alongside other lawyers, castigated the ODPP, blaming it for what he called trumped-up charges.


“What surprises us most is the ineptness, the inefficiency of the office of the Director of Public Prosecutions. That office ought to be called out,” Njiru said outside the courtroom.

Senior counsel Martha Karua, who led Mwangi’s legal team, asked the court to consider relocating the case from Kahawa Law Courts to Milimani Law Courts, because the charges were not under the Terrorism Act, thus should not be handled at the Kahawa Law Courts.

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**INVITATION TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON PREPARATION OF 2025 FINANCE BILL**

The County Government of Nyandarua is in process of preparing 2025 Finance Bill in line with the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, The Constitution of Kenya 2010, Article 201, which requires public participation in financial matters. The County Government therefore invites county residents and other stakeholders to take part in preparation of the Bill through one or both of the following activities:

1. Draw a memorandum/proposal on rates, fees and charges for consideration in the Bill.
2. Attend and make oral presentation at the public meetings to be held at the venues and dates as indicated in the detailed program below.

Any correspondences should be sent through [www.nyandarua.go.ke](http://www.nyandarua.go.ke) and/or P.O.Box 701 Olkalou. County Government of Nyandarua 2025 draft Finance Bill can be obtained from County website [www.nyandarua.go.ke](http://www.nyandarua.go.ke) or at Sub-County Offices.

SUB-COUNTY	VENUE	TOWN	TIME	DATE
Engineer	A.I.C. Hall	Engineer	10:00am	29/07/2025
Njabini	Education Hall DCC Office	Njabini	10:00am	29/07/2025
Kipipiri	A.I.C. Hall	Miharati	10:00am	29/07/2025
Ndaragwa Central	P.C.E.A Hall	Ndaragwa	10:00am	29/07/2025
Ol Kalou	P.C.E.A Hall	Ol Kalou	10:00am	29/07/2025
Milangine	P.C.E.A Hall	Milangine	10:00am	29/07/2025
Ol Jororok	P.C.E.A Hall	Ol Jororok	10:00am	29/07/2025

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**COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER-FINANCE, ECONOMIC PLANNING AND ICT**

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**APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AVIATION AND AEROSPACE DEVELOPMENT, MS. TERESIA MBAIKA, CBS, AS A NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

This announcement is made pursuant to the Capital Markets (Securities) (Public Offers, Listing and Disclosures) Regulations 2023, promulgated under the Capital Markets Act.

The Board of Directors of Kenya Airways Plc (“KQ”) hereby announces the appointment of the Principal Secretary, State Department for Aviation and Aerospace Development, Ms. Teresia Mbaika, CBS, as a director of the Company (being the representative of the Ministry of Roads and Transport, on the Board) with effect from 18th July 2025. This appointment is an institutional / corporate directorship replacing the position on the board currently being held by the Principal Secretary State Department for Transport, Mr. Mohamed Daghar.



**PS TERESIA MBAIKA, CBS**

Ms. Mbaika previously served as the Principal Secretary, State Department for Devolution. She brings to the Board over a decade of experience in corporate governance, resource mobilization, strategic management, leadership, and public finance management. In her distinguished career, she has served as a director at the Nuclear Power and Energy Agency (NuPEA), and the National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA). She has also served as the Secretary to the National Government Constituency Development Fund Board (NG-CDF), Kaiti Constituency, where she provided strategic leadership in financial management and governance oversight of the Fund.

PS Mbaika holds a Master of Science Degree in Health Economics and Policy from The University of Nairobi, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Health from Kenyatta University. The Board, Management and Staff of Kenya Airways Plc congratulates PS Mbaika on her appointment, and sincerely thanks PS. Mohamed Daghar, who now exits the Board for his invaluable contributions, professionalism and dedication, shown during his tenure.

By order of the Board



**Habil A. Waswani**  
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► Wetang'ula and Mudavadi are facing a backlash on the ground from disgruntled residents.

► Natembeya and Wamalwa are leading a campaign to move the region in a different direction.

BIKETI KIKECHI, NAIROBI

**T**he realignments currently unfolding in Western region's politics should be a cause for concern for President William Ruto and his key allies Raila Odinga, National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetang'ula, and Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi.

The intensity with which both Kenya Kwanza and opposition leaders from the region are criticising President Ruto's administration does not bode well for the ruling coalition's prospects in the region as the 2027 General Election approaches.

Political analysts suggest that Ruto's support in the region has declined sharply in recent months. In the last election, he secured a majority of votes in Bungoma and Trans Nzoia counties and performed reasonably well in Kakamega.

However, his key regional lieutenants, Wetang'ula and Mudavadi, are facing increasing hostility at the grassroots—particularly after Raila and his ODM party joined the government following last year's youth-led protests.

"The Musalia-Wetang'ula-Raila axis will struggle to deliver even 10 per cent of the Luhya vote to Ruto in the former Western Province. Their support has taken a severe hit and continues to diminish," says political commentator Martin Andati.

As the political ground shifts beneath them, it appears Mudavadi and Wetang'ula are not simply sitting on their hands. Wetang'ula is rumoured to have used proxies to register a new political party less than a year after folding his Amani National Congress (ANC) into Ruto's United Democratic Alliance (UDA), while Mudavadi is reportedly engaged in a damage-control campaign.

Several ODM and Kenya Kwanza MPs from the region — who are expected to support the so-called broad-based government — are increasingly aligning with Trans Nzoia Governor George Natembeya's call for a political reset in the region.

#### Tawe Movement

The traditional political establishment appears to be crumbling, with the likely casualties being leaders allied to Raila's ODM, Wetang'ula's Ford-Kenya, and Ruto's UDA.

Already, some UDA legislators have all but severed ties with the party, though their next political homes remain unclear. Others, such as Kakamega Senator Bonny Khalwale (UDA), have hinted at the formation of a new party.

Meanwhile, Natembeya's supporters are urging him to quit Eugene Wamalwa's Democratic Action Party-Kenya (DAP-K) and establish his own party to consolidate his fast-growing



President William Ruto at the installation of Bishop Benjamin Kalanzo at AIC Bomani, Machakos County on Sunday. [PCS]

## Ground shifting beneath Ruto, Raila feet in Western

"Tawe Movement."

"Natembeya came in with an unconventional approach and dismantled the old order built around Wetang'ula, Raila and Mudavadi. He speaks the language of the people, he's charismatic and courageous—qualities the electorate is looking for," adds Andati.

According to him, Natembeya is being targeted by a deliberate government-sponsored campaign, using politicians to attack him at rallies and on social media platforms.

#### Nzoia Sugar deal

Aside from Natembeya, another political axis is forming, led by Nairobi Senator Edwin Sifuna. Members of this group include MPs Jack Wamboka (Bumula), Majimbo Kalasinga (Kabuchai), Godfrey Osotsi (Vihiga), and Caleb Amisi (Saboti).

Busia Senator Okiya Omtatah is also pursuing his own political agenda, with a potential presidential run.

Key issues fuelling tensions between the region's leaders and Ruto's administration include the controversial leasing of Nzoia Sugar Company to tycoon Jaswant Rai and the soaring cost of living, which triggered last year's anti-Finance Bill protests.

Nairobi politician and former Town Clerk Philip Kisia argues that the Luhya community deserves a more influential role in shaping the country's political future, especially given its numerical strength.

"The Luhya are officially the second-largest ethnic group, but in reality, they may be the largest voting bloc," says Kisia.

He accuses local leaders of prioritising personal interests over the community's socio-economic and

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*I have rejected the notion that Luhyas don't matter. In 2027, the Abaluhya will be counted. I respected my elders-Mudavadi and Wetang'ula-but now they must give way,"*

Bonny Khalwale, Kakamega Senator

political advancement. He warns that divide-and-rule tactics will no longer work, and that any leader attempting to use outdated strategies will be swept aside by the new political tide.

Kisia also laments that the community has been marginalised in terms of development and job opportunities, despite being well represented at the highest levels of government.

"We are told Musalia is the third most powerful figure in the Executive and Wetang'ula heads the Legislature. Yet in private, they admit that the region has been shortchanged. It's time they allowed new leadership to emerge," says Kisia.

Mudavadi has denied being behind the newly registered Democratic National Alliance (DNA), dismissing such claims as baseless and reaffirming his commitment to the UDA merger.

#### Wetang'ula plot

DNA's registered officials include columnist and former ANC secretary-general Barack Muluka, who now serves as DNA's secretary-general. Godfrey Kanoti is listed as the party leader.

In his supremacy battle with Natembeya, Wetang'ula is said to be deploying Kenya Kwanza-affiliated leaders in Trans Nzoia, such as Woman Representative Lillian Siyoi, Senator Allan Chesang, and Kiminini MP Kakai Bisau. In Bungoma, he has mobilised County Assembly members to counter his critics.

The Speaker is reportedly grooming a Bungoma MCA to challenge Kabuchai MP Majimbo Kalasinga in 2027.

During a recent fundraiser presided over by Sifuna in Kabuchai, Kalas-

inga accused Wetang'ula of scheming against him.

"The people of Kabuchai are my bosses and their voice is supreme. No party—however powerful—can override the will of the people. Wetang'ula's wicked scheme is doomed to fail," Kalasinga declared.

Sifuna, meanwhile, has publicly opposed ODM's collaboration with the government and has been vocal in rejecting Ruto's re-election bid. Politically, he seems to be leaning towards the anti-Wetang'ula and anti-Mudavadi camp in Western Kenya.

Andati predicts that Sifuna could win the Nairobi governor race in 2027 or senate re-election—even without ODM's backing.

"Every step he and other outspoken Luhya leaders take is drawing national attention. Watch Sifuna closely—he may either go for the governor's seat or retain the Senate seat and later resign to join government," Andati adds.

Bonny Khalwale, another unsettled figure in the political landscape, says he was warned by a senior figure in government to stop criticising the administration, reminding him of his status as Majority Chief Whip.

"I've rejected the notion that Luhyas don't matter. In 2027, the Abaluhya will be counted. I respected my elders—Mudavadi and Wetang'ula—but now they must give way," said Khalwale last week.

#### Wamalwa seniority

Sources say Khalwale had considered joining Wamalwa's DAP-K but had second thoughts. He is now reportedly exploring an alliance with Natembeya, though he also has links to the little-known United Patriots Movement (UPM), which he co-owns with former Machakos Senator Johnson Muthama.

Tensions are also simmering between Wamalwa and Natembeya, with the former asserting seniority, having served as a Cabinet Minister and MP for over a decade.

However, Andati argues that Wamalwa lacks grassroots support, unlike Natembeya, who has rapidly built a strong presence in the region since entering politics.

Raila, too, appears to have considerable work to do if he still intends to contest the presidency. His dwindling influence in the region is increasingly discussed in local political gatherings.

"Mimi nimejipanga mtu asikudanganye. Chama ya ODM kwa miaka 20 imekuwa mzuri. (I'm ready—don't be deceived. ODM served us well for 20 years). The problem is, after getting our votes, Baba runs to the winner, collects goodies and takes them to Nyanza," Khalwale told a cheering crowd in Butere.

The outspoken MP also accused the government of sidelining the region in development and dismissed corruption allegations against Natembeya as politically motivated.

"When they arrested him, I expected headlines about millions looted. Instead, they claimed he failed to account for only Sh1.2 million, which the governor explained was his impress," said Khalwale.

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# Man held for SIM swap swindle using ex-OCS Talaam’s cell phone

▶ The former Central Police boss is in custody over Albert Ojwang’s murder probe; his phone was seized by Ipoa detectives on June 15 as an exhibit.

▶ A day after its seizure, it was allegedly used to solicit money through distress messages claiming the officer was in urgent need of help.

NANCY GITONGA, NAIROBI

A troubling case of cybercrime and institutional negligence is unfolding at the Milimani Law Courts, where the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) is probing a man accused of hacking the phone number of former Central Police Station OCS Samson Talaam, while the device is still in the custody of investigators, and using it to con unsuspecting Kenyans.

Kiprotich Ronoh Brian, who appeared before Magistrate Caroline Mugo yesterday, is said to be the prime suspect at the centre of a SIM swap scheme using a phone belonging to Talaam, currently under investigation by the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (Ipoa).

According to an application filed by DCI in court seeking to continue holding the suspect for more days, the phone, a TECNO CL5 with a SIM card, had been seized by Ipoa detectives from the OCS on June 15, 2025, as an exhibit in a separate ongoing probe over the murder of blogger Albert Ojwang’ in police cells.

But just a day after its seizure, it was allegedly used by unknown persons to solicit money from Talaam’s lawyers, including Cliff Ombeta and his close family members, through distress messages claiming the officer was in need of help.

What’s shocking is that the phone was supposedly in Ipoa’s secure custody the entire time.

Following the fraudulent messages, Talaam’s lawyer Danstan Omari told the court that the impersonation went far enough to trick even senior advocates into believing Talaam was in danger.

“Your honour, the number belonging to Chief Inspector Talaam was used to contact several people, including my colleague Cliff Ombeta, asking for Sh80,000. The caller claimed that Talaam was in trouble and needed money urgently,” Omari testified.

He added: “This is no ordinary fraud. The phone was supposed to be under IPOA lock and key. If it was used to swindle innocent Kenyans, then IPOA must answer for that breach.”

The court was told Talaam’s family members also received similar distressing messages, warning of a wider scheme to defraud unsuspecting Kenyans.

According to a filed affidavit by Inspector Nickson Kiunga, an investigator with the DCI’s General Investigations Unit, Kiprotich was arrested on July 20, 2025, in the Pipeline area of Nairobi following extensive digital surveillance.

“This is a case of unauthorised interception, computer fraud, identity theft, and engaging in organised criminal activity,” Kiunga stated in his affidavit, citing sections of the Computer



Kiprotich Ronoh Brian, the main suspect behind a SIM swap scam involving a phone belonging to former Central Police Station OCS Samson Talaam. [Collins Kweyu, Standard]

Misuse and Cybercrimes Act No. 5 of 2018 and the Prevention of Organised Crimes Act.

The court heard DCI detectives launched investigations into the fraudulent scheme after Omari, appearing on behalf of Talaam, told the court that the phone number had been used inappropriately while under Ipoa custody.

The DCI said that Kiprotich’s arrest followed a formal complaint by IPOA, and a subsequent report lodged by Talaam at Lang’ata Police Station under OB No. 31/18/06/2025.

Recovered during the arrest were multiple mobile phones, used and unused SIM cards, and electronic storage devices, all of which investigators say are vital to the ongoing digital forensic analysis.

“There is a high likelihood that the suspect has associates. If released, he could interfere with evidence, witnesses, or evade justice,” the DCI submitted.

Kiunga noted that the investigation team is awaiting call data records and subscriber information tied to the swapped SIM card to establish the extent of the scam.

The court was told that due to the bulkiness and sensitivity of digital evidence, more time is needed for experts from the DCI Cyber Forensics Unit to fully analyse the data and prepare appropriate charges.

“The mobile number was actively being used even after its seizure. We have credible intelligence that the respondent used the number to send distress messages and request funds,” Kiunga said in a sworn affidavit.


He further noted that Ronoh’s release would jeopardise ongoing operations to arrest co-conspirators whom police are still pursuing.

“We are dealing with an organised fraud syndicate. The suspect has not acted alone,” added Kiunga.

Magistrate Mugo ruled that Ronoh be detained for seven days at Muthaiga Police Station to assist with ongoing investigations before formal charges can be preferred against him.

The court directed the DCI to conduct forensic analysis of all electronic devices recovered from the suspect and file an investigative report by August 4, 2025.

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**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON AN ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED APARTMENTS ON PLOT L.R. NO. NAIROBI/BLOCK 21/28, KILELESHA, NAIROBI COUNTY.**

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

The proponent, **Nidaam Star Limited**, proposes to build apartments on plot L.R. NO. NAIROBI/BLOCK 21/28 along Mander Road, Kileleshwa, Nairobi County. The proposed apartments will be 20-story and 3 basements, comprising 260 units; 1, 2, and 4 bedrooms with some having a DSQ. Other amenities include a borehole, gym, swimming pool, garden and kids' playground.

The following are the anticipated impacts and proposed mitigation measures:

Impact	Mitigation
Clearance of vegetation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Only clear what is within the construction area</li><li>Tree planting</li></ul>
Introduction of invasive species	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Develop an invasive species management framework and protocol to reduce the risk of introducing invasive species</li></ul>
Water contamination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Proper waste management</li><li>Use of well-maintained construction vehicles and equipment</li><li>No servicing of equipment on site</li><li>Storing excavated soil and construction materials away from waterways</li><li>Proper maintenance of the sewerage system</li></ul>
Solid waste generation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Provision of bins where waste will be disposed of on-site</li><li>Contracting a NEMA licensed waste collection company to collect waste from the site weekly</li><li>Preparation of site waste management plan which outlines expected waste streams and modes of disposal</li><li>Reduction in the amount of solid waste generated by reducing the packaging of materials</li><li>Workers' sensitization on waste management</li></ul>
Excessive noise and vibration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Reduce the idling time of vehicles.</li><li>Construction vehicle drivers should be advised not to hoot unnecessarily.</li><li>Construction vehicles, equipment and machinery should be well maintained to reduce their noise levels. Sound-dampening mats may be installed in extremely noisy machinery/equipment.</li><li>Working hours should be restricted to day time and a notice served to the neighbours indicating the working hours.</li><li>Workers should be provided with earmuffs.</li></ul>
Reduced air quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ensure that construction vehicles and machinery are well-maintained to reduce the volume of exhaust fumes</li><li>Encouraging the use of unleaded fuel</li><li>Vehicles transporting sand and/or soil/earth spoils should be covered to prevent them from being blown into the air</li><li>During construction, dust nets should be placed around the building to trap fugitive dust.</li><li>Workers should be issued with dust masks or respirator masks.</li></ul>
Traffic congestion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Deliver materials during off-peak hours, i.e. between 10 am and 3 pm</li><li>Hire a traffic marshal to manage traffic flow</li><li>Consider relocation of the gate for easy flow of traffic.</li><li>Strategic positioning of the apartment entrance to avoid traffic snarl up into Mander Road</li></ul>
Spread of diseases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Train and sensitise employees and the community on HIV and AIDS.</li><li>Have HIV and AIDS educational posters around the site</li><li>The Contractor shall, through a qualified and approved HIV/AIDS service provider, undertake measures to reduce the risk of the transfer of the HIV between and among the Contractor's Personnel and the local community;</li><li>Programmes should be developed and integrated into the project implementation for sensitizing the local community and project workers on HIV/AIDS and/or other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).</li><li>Provision of Male or Female Condoms for all Site staff and labour as appropriate.</li><li>Integrate monitoring of HIV/AIDS preventive activities as part of the construction supervision.</li></ul>
Occupational Health and Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Prepare and implement an Occupational Health and Safety Management Plan</li><li>Train workers on safe work procedures and basics of health and safety in the workplace</li><li>Ensure relevant safety signs are erected at the required places</li><li>High-risk activities should only be conducted by persons well trained and experienced in the field</li><li>Provide the right tools for the right task</li><li>Ensure machinery is inspected and maintained regularly</li><li>Provide workers with relevant PPE for the different tasks being conducted</li><li>Have relevant professionals to assist at the site, such as a health and safety officer, first aider and fire fighters.</li></ul>
Emission of greenhouse gases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Use materials with lower embodied carbon, such as recycled steel, concrete aggregates, etc</li><li>Source materials locally to reduce transportation emissions</li><li>Optimize structural design to reduce the overall quantity of materials needed</li><li>Install rooftop solar photovoltaic (PV) panels to generate on-site renewable electricity.</li><li>Install energy-efficient elevator systems.</li><li>Specify high-efficiency lighting (LEDs) and appliances.</li><li>Provide facilities and encourage residents to sort and recycle waste</li></ul>
Increased population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Create awareness on the proper use of resources.</li><li>Installation of automatic taps</li><li>Consider the use of renewable energy, such as solar</li></ul>
Increased surface runoff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Stormwater drains should be placed to facilitate stormwater channeling and prevent soil erosion or flooding.</li><li>Roof water harvesting should be practiced to reduce stormwater and also as a water conservation technique.</li></ul>

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

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A copy of the EIA report can be downloaded at [www.nema.go.ke](http://www.nema.go.ke)

NEMA invites members of the public to submit oral or written comments **within thirty (30) days** from the date of publication of this notice to the Director General, NEMA, to assist the Authority in the decision-making process for this project. Kindly quote ref.No. NEMA/EIA/5/2/2353.

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# Wave of unrest shakes schools as learners protest abuse and neglect

► At Kaplong Girls, students protested over claims sexual harassment by a male teacher.

► At Mbale Boys, students set a dormitory on fire in protest of alleged harsh treatment.

MIKE KIHAKI, NAIROBI

Long-simmering tensions are boiling over in Kenya's secondary schools, with students staging protests, setting fire to facilities, and walking out over grievances they say have been ignored for too long.

From allegations of sexual abuse and exam pressure to corruption and harsh disciplinary measures, learners across the country say they are tired of being silenced. With just one week remaining in the second term, numerous schools are facing disruptions due to student unrest.

National Parents Association chairman Silas Obuhatsa has called for urgent intervention to address the crisis.

"The government cannot wait for more schools to burn. We need urgent reforms, counselling, and clear grievance-resolution initiatives before we lose a generation to frustration and fire," said Obuhatsa.

Moi Tea Girls Secondary School in Kericho was closed indefinitely after students set a classroom ablaze. Other institutions recently affected by unrest include Tambach High School in Elgeyo Marakwet, Kaplong Girls in Bomet and Mbale High School in Vihiga.

In Lari sub-county, 10 schools have shut down in just one week. These include Lari Boys, Kijabe Boys, Kijabe Girls, Nyamweru Secondary, Magina Mixed, Utugi Secondary, and Bathi Secondary.

"The situation is alarming. We are seeing student protests coordinated in real time across schools, some-



Olivia Rugut, a parent at Simat High School in Uasin Gishu County, reacts following student protests yesterday. The parents blamed the principal for the strike. [Peter Ochieng, Standard]

times with no stated reason other than a desire to go home. It suggests deeper, systemic issues," said Lari Sub-county Education Director Patrick Mwangi.

Lari Boys was closed indefinitely after students allegedly set school buildings on fire following a dispute involving musical instruments.

However, education officials believe the incident reflects broader frustrations related to pressure from national exams, dissatisfaction with school meals, and mental health challenges.

"We are not just burning buildings. We're burning down the walls that have kept our complaints unheard for years," said a Form Three student of Lari Boys who did not want to be named.

At Mbale Boys, students torched a dormitory in protest at what they described as "harsh treatment by teachers."

Despite having paid Sh12,000 in damages following a previous protest, parents reported that their children were sent home again just a week later.

Sabatia MP Clement Sloya, an alumnus of the school, voiced concern over the challenges facing students and called for reforms.

"The infrastructure we built with our sweat is being destroyed because schools lack systems to address student issues early. We need grievance-resolution boards in every school," said Sloya.

At Kaplong Girls in Bomet, students staged a protest over allegations of sexual harassment by a male teacher. According to staff,

complaints had gone unaddressed for weeks until unrest broke out, resulting in property damage and injuries during a stampede.

A similar complaint was raised at Alliance High School, where alumni have spoken out about the silent struggles faced by students.

At Ngara Girls in Nairobi, parents and students recently made allegations ranging from sexual abuse and corruption to environmental hazards.

A show-cause letter seen by The Standard accuses a teacher of emotional abuse and tribal profiling.

A 2023 report by the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD) warned that students in boarding schools often feel isolated, overwhelmed, and unheard. Coupled with inadequate counselling and rigid discipline, this creates a volatile learning environment.

Research by Dr Isaac Muasya of the University of Nairobi found that many protests in schools are rooted in psychological distress, repressive policies, and poor infrastructure.

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OF secondary schools that have been shut down in Lari Sub-County, Kiambu County, in just one week.

MOMBASA

## Governors: Pre-primary pupils will get free meals

Pre-primary school learners in the country will enjoy free meals under the Food for Education programme that will be implemented by counties.

Yesterday, Council of Governors (CoG) chairman Ahmed Abdullahi said they have developed a harmonized policy which will see all pre-primary learners fed by counties.

Currently, over 575,000 children receive daily school meals through the Food4Education's initiative in collaboration with partners.

Abdullahi said counties are expected to domesticate the policy to improve nutrition and school attendance, and promote inclusive development.

"This policy has been developed through a col-

laborative process between the Council of Governors, the Senate, County governments, and key partners including the national government and Food for Education (F4E), to provide a harmonised, sustainable and scalable framework for delivering school meals to learners in Early Childhood Development Education centres," said Abdullahi.

He said COG is currently deliberating on the proposed model policy on pre-primary school feeding, which is scheduled for official launch during the Devolution Conference in Homa Bay on August 12.

Food for Education director Shalom Ndiku said they provide meals to over 575,000 children across the country. He said more than 54 per cent of the

meals are subsidized by government.

"The initiative is transforming access to education, nutrition and economic growth," he said.

Meanwhile, the CoG has opposed the decision of the Auditor General to audit six counties. Abdullahi said the plan to conduct a performance audit was illegal because it is being conducted outside the constitutional and statutory timelines.

"The criteria for selection of the counties under review remains unexplained. County Governments have already been audited for the said financial years and any repeat exercise risks being prejudicial and duplicative," said Abdullahi

[Willis Oketch and Joachim Bwana]

Briefing

### KILIFI. MCAS IGNORE COURT, ELECT SPEAKER

MCAs have elected Catherine Kenga as the Kilifi County Assembly Speaker, replacing Teddy Mwambire, who was impeached last month. Mwambire was replaced despite a court order stopping the election of a new Speaker. Kenga was elected by 41 MCAs in a session presided over by Deputy Speaker Naftal Kombo. Faith Zawadi, another candidate, got six votes. Kenga was sworn in immediately by Assembly Clerk Bidii Ngala. Kenga is the immediate former County Executive Committee Member for Public Works, Roads and Transport. [Marion Kithi]

### NYANDARUA. SCHOOL TO BE REPLACED BY VARSITY

Salient Secondary School in Ol Kalou will be closed to pave way for the planned Nyandarua University following approval by residents through public participation. At least 400 learners at the school will be transferred to other institutions. Yesterday, Governor Kiarie Badilisha said the university's first intake will take place in September with the first batch of 300 students. "Residents have agreed that we close down the school to pave the way for university," he said. [James Munyeki]

### MIGORI. MBADI: DON'T SCARE AWAY INVESTORS

Treasury Cabinet Secretary John Mbadi has warned young people against actions that could scare away investors. The CS said acts of destruction and looting during protests are not expressions of democracy. He said such actions can discourage investment and have a negative impact the economy. "When I was in London, we signed contracts with companies that were going to invest here and employ our youth. But what our youths are doing will make those people not take us seriously," Mbadi said. [Anne Atieno]

### NYERI. FARMERS URGED TO EMBRACE TECHNOLOGY

Farmers in the Mt Kenya region have been encouraged to adopt new farming methods to increase productivity. Wambugu Agricultural Training Centre Principal David Kariuki said improved farming methods and machinery make agriculture economical and sustainable. "I urge farmers to embrace new technology in farming to increase productivity within a smaller area." The institution will hold its annual exhibition on July 25 and 26. He said new technology in farming is in line with this year's theme, "Promoting Climate-Smart Agriculture and Trade Initiative for Sustainable Economic Growth." [Purity Mwangi]



# How China firm got prime city land for free

► Judge ruled that the company had occupied the property for 12 years, hence had acquired it through adverse possession.

► The one acre piece of land was previously owned by another Chinese firm that gradually ceased operations.

KAMAU MUTHONI, NAIROBI

A Chinese firm acquired a prime property in Nairobi free of charge after its owner failed to claim it for 12 years.

Environment and Land Court Judge Christine Atieno Ochieng stated that China Jiangsu International Economic-Technical Cooperation Corporation East African Company (CJIETCCEA) had occupied the property for 12 years without interruption, hence, had acquired it through adverse possession.

Consequently, according to the Judge, the firm should be deemed and registered as the owner of the land.

"I find that the plaintiff has proved that it has occupied land reference number 3734/428 openly, uninterruptedly, notoriously and without

permission from the owner for more than twelve years. I find that the plaintiff should hence be declared to have acquired proprietary and ownership rights over the parcel of land reference number 3734/428, through adverse possession," said Justice Atieno.

A government gazette notice indicates that the property is 0.4609 hectares, which is approximately one acre and in Nairobi.

The company (CJIETCCEA) sued China Jiangsu International Economic Technical Co-Operation Corporation Limited (CJIETCCL) arguing that it occupied the land in 2009 after finding it abandoned and unoccupied.

In his affidavit, Guo Haudong, told the court that the company had been running a hardware shop and a construction materials yard.

He stated that the firm that owned the land, promoted by Chinese nationals residing in Kenya at the time, had gradually ceased operations, abandoned the suit land, and had never challenged his company's occupation.

Haudong asserted that CJIETCCEA also used land for on-site residential premises for its staff.

The court heard that the company had obtained water, electricity, and an internet connection for the land,



A Chinese firm has acquired a prime property in Nairobi free of charge after its owner failed to claim it for 12 years. [File, Standard]

hence, the occupation is open to the public eye.

To support his case, Haudong filed affidavits sworn by Peter Nguni, Mary Njeri Wambugu and James Makori Nyamau, all of whom aver that they successfully applied for jobs in CJIETCCEA and were appointed in 2012.

He admitted that his company entered the land without the authority of CJIETCCL. To demonstrate that the land has been developed, he produced photos taken over the years since occupation in 2009.

The court heard that despite the other company being invited to participate in the case, it never appeared or replied. It emerged that the case had been advertised at a local newspaper.

Justice Atieno said that the clock started running from 2009. She observed that the grace period given to the land owner to flush out the occupant lapsed in 2021.

"From the photographs presented as annexures, it is clear the plaintiff is on the suit land. Further, from the affidavits from the plaintiffs employees who have been working on the suit land from 2012, which are not controverted, I have no reason to doubt the plaintiff's averments," she ruled.

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NAKURU

## Witness testifies how he helped retrieve Osinde's body in river

A witness has told the Nakuru High Court how he tied the body of former Treasury official Tom Osinde to a tree floating on River Kuja to prevent it from drifting away.

Augustine Odoyo testified before Justice Julius Nangea that Osinde's body was found floating on the river, which borders his family's land in Migori County.

Odoyo was testifying against Julius Ogao, who is accused of murdering Osinde on the night of June 17 and 18, 2023 at his Ngata Farm in Rongai, Nakuru County.

Osinde had allegedly disappeared on the night of June 17. His decomposing body was discovered 13 days later and later identified at a morgue in Migori. "On June 22, 2023, at 9 am, I received a call from my mother about the body of a man found floating in the River Kuja. My brothers and I rushed to the said river and found the said body floating on the river held by a stone two to three metres from the bank of the river," he said.

Odoyo said according to their cultural practices, a body seen floating in a river should be tied to prevent it from being carried away, while awaiting the arrival of the authorities.

One of his brothers had a rope. Odoyo stepped into the water and tied the body's hand.

"We pulled the body near the bank of the river with the help of villagers and tied the rope on a small tree; the body remained submerged in the river," he said.

Odoyo said the local chief was informed, and at around noon, police officers from Kamagambo Police Station arrived and assisted in recovering the body. "It was a body of a tall male wearing



Julius Ogao is accused of murdering ex-Treasury official Tom Osinde. [Yvonne Chepkwony, Standard]

a short-sleeved polo T-shirt and a black vest; his shorts were missing. The left back of his head appeared to have a deep cut," he added.

Sammy Makokha, a mortician at Migori Referral Hospital, told the court that the body had deep cuts when it was brought to the morgue by the police. "The head had a deep cut going around the back of the head and neck. The body was in an advanced state of decomposition and had an injury on the mouth as the flesh was missing," he said.

The body was booked as unknown.

On June 29, the body was identified by Osinde's family and transferred to Kisii County morgue for preservation. [Yvonne Chepkwony]



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# Rangers charged with fisherman's abduction still on duty, court told

- The rangers have pleaded not guilty to the charge of abducting Brian Odhiambo.
- Official said the rangers could not be interdicted because they are yet to be found guilty.

DANIEL CHEGE AND ANN NJERI, NAKURU

Six Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) officers charged with abducting a fisherman in Nakuru remain in active service.

The Assistant Director in charge of Lake Nakuru National Park, Emmanuel Koech, yesterday confirmed in court that the six officers accused of abducting Brian Odhiambo have not been interdicted.

Koech told the court that both senior and junior officers had been transferred following the incident, including his predecessor, David Oyugi.

"I can confirm that all the transfers were done after the incidents. However, the six suspects are still working within the park," Koech testified before Principal Magistrate Kipkurui Kibelion.

When asked why the six officers — Senior Sergeant Francis Wachira and rangers Alexander Lorogoi, Isaac Ochieng, Michael Wabukala, Evans Kimaiyo, and Abdulrahman Sudi — had not been interdicted, Koech explained that they had not yet been convicted.

He added that disciplinary proceedings had been initiated against the six, and the outcome of that process would determine the next course of action.

"The disciplinary process is not yet concluded, and that is why the rangers are still working with us," he said.



Some of the KWS officers accused of abducting Brian Odhiambo are escorted at the Nakuru Law Courts on May 12, 2025 after the bond ruling. The officers were released on a bond of Sh300,000 or a cash bail of Sh100,000. [Kipsang Joseph]

Koech was unable to explain why the process had taken so long, given that the officers were formally charged with abduction on 5 May.

In his defence, Koech argued that interdicting the officers prematurely could have serious consequences should they ultimately be acquitted.

## Restrain the suspect

He confirmed that the six rangers were on duty at the time of the incident and had been assigned to arrest individuals suspected of committing offences within the park. He also testified that although they were armed, officers sometimes use ropes to restrain suspects in the absence of handcuffs.

While Koech presented records indicating that the rangers were on an assignment that day, he admitted that there were no records showing

## AT A GLANCE

- 11 witnesses including four KWS officers have testified
- Testimonies and phone data have placed four rangers in the same location as Odhiambo
- Prosecution intends to call four other witnesses to testify in the case
- The six rangers who are still working are out on Sh300,000 surety bond
- Odhiambo has been missing since January 18, 2025.

any arrests had been made.

This was despite previous testimony by five rangers who said they had arrested a man believed to be Odhiambo, along with at least nine others. These arrests were reportedly documented at KWS offices before the suspects were transferred to a police station.

"It is not proper for arrests to be made and not recorded. The proper procedure is for the arrest to be documented," Koech told the court.

Curiously, he added that incidents involving suspects escaping from custody within the park may or may not be documented, depending on the circumstances.

"Rangers are not held responsible for such escapes. They are only required to provide an explanation, and if it is satisfactory, the matter is not pursued further," he testified.

Although Koech insisted he had been adequately briefed about the incident, he struggled to answer basic questions regarding arrest records.

The hearing continues on 1 September.

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## BARINGO

## Don't harm my husband, woman pleads with police

A woman in Baringo County is living in fear following the disappearance of her husband who was allegedly abducted by police on Sunday evening.

Angela Chesang told The Standard that her husband, Vincent Otieno Odhiambo, was abducted by officers from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations attached to Nairobi.

Chesang, a mother of two, said Odhiambo was first taken to DCI offices in Kabarnet before he was transferred to Muthaiga Police Station in Nairobi.

She said that her husband, a businessman at Kabarnet Town, was in his shop when he was ordered to board a car. She said two Subaru vehicles and one Toyota Land Cruiser escorted him to the DCI county headquarters in Kabarnet.

"Children who were playing near the shop screamed that my husband had been arrested by armed people. When I checked, I found him gone and the shop left unattended," she said.

Shortly after, he husband called asking her to bring him his national ID.

"I arrived 10 minutes after his arrest. At the police station. Officers tried to intimidate me but eventually allowed me in to see him," she added.

Chesang said she is yet to know the reason for her husband's arrest.

She said the officers told her to go to Muthaiga and wait for her husband.

Since then, she hasn't been in touch with him as his two mobile phone lines cannot be reached.

Her prayers is for her husband's safety. "Don't kill him, his children are still young and they need their father. We ask for forgiveness if he has caused pain to anyone," she pleaded.

County DCI officer Kiama Gichimi said some officers had contacted the Director of Criminal Investigations, Baringo Central, over the arrest.

Michael Muchiri, the Police spokesperson said he wasn't aware of the arrest.

[Yvonne Chepkwony]

## TURKANA

## Kenya, S. Sudan leaders commit to foster peace among communities

Kenya and South Sudan have renewed their commitment to strengthening diplomatic relations to foster cross-border collaboration and accelerate peacebuilding efforts among the Ateker communities straddling the two countries.

A delegation from South Sudan's Eastern Equatoria State, led by Kapoeta Commissioner Stephen Lowosio, met with Kenya's Special Envoy for Peace in the Ateker region John Munyes, in Kakuma, Turkana County.

The Sunday meeting, which also brought together the Mayor of

Kapoeta municipality, Abraham Lotede, and other local leaders, focused on deepening bilateral ties and laying the groundwork for the upcoming Nadapal Peace Accord Commemoration, scheduled for July 26, 2026.

"Our mission is to ensure peaceful and coexistence among the warring Ateker communities. As leaders, we are committed to uniting our people to share resources and live in harmony," said Lowosio.

He emphasized the shared cultural and historical heritage of the Ateker-speaking ethnic groups that

span the Kenya-South Sudan border.

Munyes welcomed the delegation's commitment to peace and development, reaffirming the Kenyan government's support regional stability.

"The Ateker people share history, culture, and destiny. It is time we harness that unity for peace and transformation," he said.

Toposa community chairperson Charles Lokonoi Ambrose reiterated the strategic role of Lodwar as the de facto headquarters of the Ateker community. [Lucas Ngasike]

## MERU

## Mwangaza's new party to field candidate for Mbeere North seat, other by-elections

Former Meru Governor Kawira Mwangaza has said her Umoja na Maendeleo Party (UMP) will sponsor a candidate in the Mbeere North MP by-election.

The seat fell vacant after President William Ruto appointed Geoffrey Ruku Public Service Cabinet Secretary.

## Impeachment

Mwangaza made the announcement at the launch of the party at her Ntumburi ranch in Buuri Constituency, an event attended by her allies and supporters from Meru, Rift Valley, Nairobi and other parts of the country.

Mwangaza said the party was plan-

ning to sponsor candidates in the over 20 by-elections in various counties, once the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) releases details of the polls.

"The UMP is going to sponsor its candidates for all seats, starting with Mbeere. We will be there. We will have fair nominations, so that the people get the candidates they want in the by-elections," she said.

"We want to elect leaders who will be strong defenders of our constitution. Had they been defenders of the constitution they would not have participated in my impeachment," she argued. [Phares Mutembel]



# Former MD seeks Sh79m from Ramco firms

► Kevin Gicheru accuses the company of pushing him out through salary cuts and prolonged separation talks.

► The company filed a counterclaim seeking Sh3.1 million, citing absenteeism, unpaid premiums and lack of notice.

KAMAU MUTHONI, NAIROBI

Two subsidiaries of the Ramco Group are embroiled in a legal dispute with their former Managing Director, Kevin Gicheru, who is demanding Sh79 million for what he alleges was a case of constructive dismissal.

Gicheru has sued Kenya National Spelling Bee Limited and Sai Office Supplies Limited, claiming his salary was unilaterally slashed by 40 per cent and that he was eventually forced out of employment.

Initially earning Sh713,000 a month, Gicheru alleges that while all staff took pay cuts during the Covid-19 period, only he continued to receive a reduced salary after operations resumed. He says the other employees had their pay reinstated.

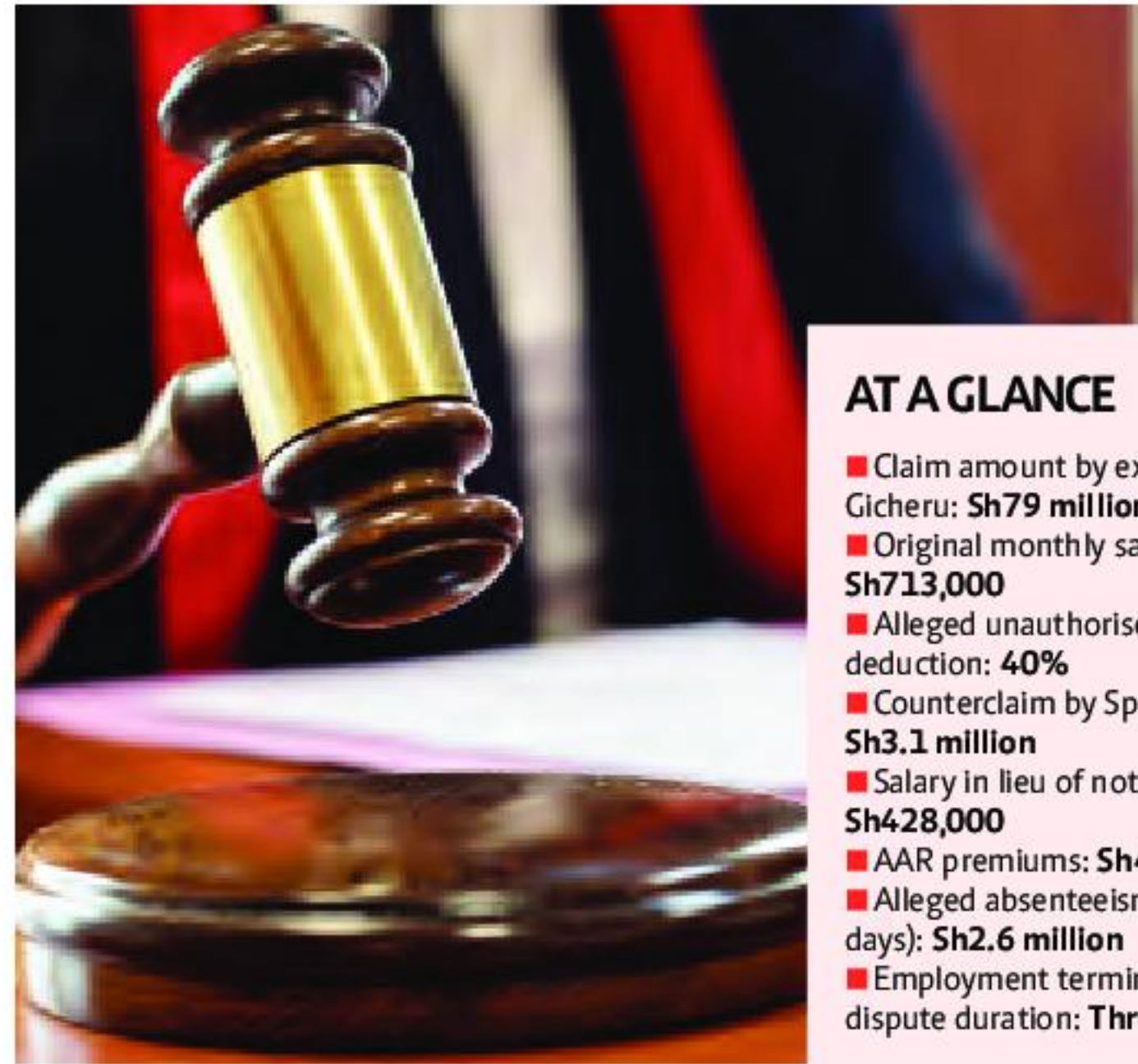
According to Gicheru, the company's director, Anand Dave, contacted him via WhatsApp and informed him that he and another employee, Eric Mosoti, would be subject to salary reductions.

Gicheru told the Employment and Labour Relations Court that he accepted the cut under duress, fearing dismissal—similar to what allegedly happened to a colleague who refused a similar directive.

"No justifiable reasons were adduced on why it was necessary to deduct their salaries. The claimant states that he was bullied into proposing and accepting an unlawful salary deduction," claimed Gicheru in his case filed before Employment and Labour Relations Court Judge Byrum Ongaya.

He further argued that, despite the firm citing financial constraints, he appeared to be the only one being edged out. During separation negotiations, Human Resource Manager Grace Wanjiru issued him with a show-cause notice, and the separation process dragged on for three months.

"Claimant avers that the respondents had a responsibility to ensure that the employment decisions do not unduly cause emotional and psychological harm to its employees through



## AT A GLANCE

- Claim amount by ex-MD Kevin Gicheru: **Sh79 million**
- Original monthly salary: **Sh713,000**
- Alleged unauthorised salary deduction: **40%**
- Counterclaim by Spelling Bee: **Sh3.1 million**
- Salary in lieu of notice: **Sh428,000**
- AAR premiums: **Sh44,597**
- Alleged absenteeism (279 days): **Sh2.6 million**
- Employment termination dispute duration: **Three months**

unwarranted actions. The separation process dragged on for three months without any meaningful attempt by the employer to resolve matters," argued Gicheru.

## Counterclaim

But the Kenya National Spelling Bee has denied the claims and filed a counterclaim seeking Sh3.1 million from Gicheru. It alleges he failed

to serve a proper notice period upon exiting and is therefore liable for Sh428,000 in lieu of notice. Additionally, the firm is demanding Sh44,597 in unpaid AAR insurance premiums and Sh2.6 million for allegedly being absent from work for 279 days.

"Clause 11 of the respondent's employment contract provided that the employment contract may be terminated by either party giving the

other one months notice in writing or the similar period's salary in lieu of notice. Having failed to give and serve the required notice period, the respondent is required to pay the claimant one month salary in lieu of notice," the counter claim filed before the same judge reads in part.

In its defence, the company claims that, as of September 23 2021, Gicheru had not delivered sufficient business to make the Spelling Bee self-sustaining. Director Anand Dave stated that the payroll obligations of the Spelling Bee team exceeded its revenue and that questions were raised over whether the firm could become independent by January 2022.

Anand also asserts that it was Gicheru himself who suggested a pay cut—but only for himself, not for Mosoti. He further clarified that Gicheru was employed solely by Spelling Bee, not Sai, and that the firm could not continue to afford his salary.

In his rejoinder, Gicheru questioned how the company arrived at the Sh2.79 million absenteeism claim, arguing that he had been allowed to work remotely under a hybrid arrangement.

He insists he did not need to give notice as he was effectively constructively dismissed.

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# Broken promise: Inside collapse of UNOPS Habitat Heights project

► Ambition, opacity and greed buried a nation's housing dream beneath the Lukenya dust.

► Not a single brick was laid for Kenya's working poor.

MAURICE ONIANGO, NAIROBI

In December 2019, the dusty plains of Lukenya played host to an elaborate ceremony. President Uhuru Kenyatta, flanked by United Nations dignitaries and private developers, launched Habitat Heights — an ambitious housing development promising 8,888 modern units. It was to be the first step in building 100,000 affordable homes under the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) Sustainable Infrastructure Investments and Innovation (S3i) initiative.

The \$647 million (Sh83.6 billion) project was touted as a model public-private partnership, a milestone in Kenya's affordable housing drive.

Nearly six years later, the site lies deserted. Not a single unit has been completed. A sales gallery, with weeds sprouting through cracked paving, is all that remains. The once-celebrated plaque commemorating the 2019 launch is now corroded, part of its lettering missing. Nearby, herders graze their livestock. "It has remained the same for years," a herder remarked.

Satellite imagery confirms the project never progressed beyond the gallery and two show units. Despite UNOPS announcing "the first homes in Kenya are ready" during the 2019 launch, the agency later admitted none were built for habitation. The claim, UNOPS now says, was made under former S3i CEO Vitaly Vanshelboim and referred only to demonstration homes.

The original press statements have since been scrubbed from UNOPS websites. Only archived copies, captured by the Wayback Machine, offer a glimpse into the promises made.

What was billed as a flagship affordable housing project has unravelled into one of the most brazen financial scandals in the UN's history—one rooted in institutional failure, poor oversight, and deliberate manipulation.

## A broken vision

The story began in September 2018 in New York, when UNOPS signed an agreement with the Kenyan government to support President Kenyatta's Big Four Agenda through S3i. In May 2019, a tripartite agreement was signed between UNOPS, Kenya's State Department for Housing and Urban Development, and Sustainable Housing

Solutions (SHS), a private firm led by businessman David Kendrick.

SHS Chairman Dr Allan Zimbler called the deal "a critical step" in addressing Kenya's housing deficit. UNOPS Executive Director Grete Faremo declared, "We will do everything we can to ensure the project is a success."

Those lofty promises now read like fiction. Today, SHS Holdings' website is defunct. The company is under investigation for receiving millions in UNOPS funds with little to show in return.

Under Faremo and her deputy, Vanshelboim, UNOPS began quietly amassing reserves by overcharging UN clients, using these funds for high-risk investments via the S3i initiative.

Professor Mukesh Kapila, a former UN official, says the agency was never intended to act as a development bank. "UNOPS was created to provide logistics and project management to other UN agencies," he said. "But they transformed it into a quasi-investment vehicle—and it failed catastrophically."

A KPMG audit found that from 2016 to 2021, S3i operated as a "special project," exempt from normal legal, procurement, and oversight protocols. This structure allowed Vanshelboim to channel money to favoured entities—including those tied to Kendrick—without scrutiny.

"The checks and balances were not bypassed; they were dismantled," Kapila said. "This wasn't negligence. It was a deliberate scheme."

Kapila added that member-state diplomats on the UNOPS Executive Board routinely rubber-stamped reports without demanding financial disclosures. "There was no serious oversight," he said. "It was a system designed to fail."

Kenya became the face of the S3i initiative, used in UNOPS marketing materials to showcase its commitment to UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Yet a close look reveals that basic due diligence was ignored. SHS had no track record in delivering mass housing. Still, it was entrusted with a \$647 million development, allegedly without competitive bidding. Kenyan authorities failed to vet the firm's capacity.

Former senator and architect Sylvia Kasanga criticised the lack of scrutiny.

"Even small public projects require bidders to demonstrate their capability. How was a 100,000-unit project handed out without a proper background check?"

UNOPS now says it disbursed \$11.2 million (Sh1,450,400,000) to the Kenya housing project between 2019 and 2020. However, it no longer confirms whether Habitat Heights received any of this funding—despite financial statements listing the Lukenya project as its only



HF Group CEO Robert Kibaara (right) and Habitat Heights Chairman Maheshwari Suresh Kumar (left) sign a memorandum of understanding on November 22, 2019. The deal was expected to see HF Group provide end-user financing as well as sales and marketing for 8,888 affordable housing units under development in Lukenya, Athi River. [File, Standard]

## WHAT WENT WRONG AT HABITAT HEIGHTS?

- **Project Name:** Habitat Heights
- **Launch:** December 11, 2019, Lukenya. Presided over by President Uhuru Kenyatta and UNOPS officials
- **Developer:** Habitat Heights Ltd — a joint venture between Habitat Housing Co-operative Society Ltd and Singapura Developers Ltd
- **Target:** 8,888 housing units (first phase). Part of UNOPS S3i programme to deliver 100,000 homes in Kenya
- **Total Projected Value:** \$647 million (approximately Sh66 billion at the time)
- **Actual output:** Only two show units built. No habitable homes completed
- **Current status:** Site abandoned; overgrown and inactive since 2021

### Key players

- **UNOPS (United Nations Office for Project Services):** Mandated to implement S3i projects. Later admitted no homes were built.
- **Sustainable Housing Solutions (SHS):** Private company contracted without

competitive bidding. Now defunct.

- **Vitaly Vanshelboim:** Then-Deputy Executive Director at UNOPS and head of S3i. Found guilty of misconduct by UN tribunal; indicted in U.S. on fraud charges
- **Grete Faremo:** Then-UNOPS Executive Director. Resigned in 2022 amid scandal.

### Money trail

- Sh1.2 billion disbursed to social housing in Kenya (2019–2020)
- UNOPS now says financial records are unreliable
- No clear accounting for how or where money was spent

### In numbers

- **Housing units built:** 0
- **UN staff implicated:** 2 (Faremo, Vanshelboim)
- **Repayments made:** \$6.1 million returned by Kendrick-linked firms
- **Pending recovery:** \$52.7 million (plus interest)

S3i-backed housing development in Kenya. "They say they don't know where the money went," said Kapila. "That's laughable."

## A web of companies

Several companies with ties to Kendrick were involved in the Habitat Heights rollout.

Bau Lifestyle International Design Ltd, which fitted the show units, was marketed as SHS Holdings' exclusive design partner. Records from the UK show Kendrick served as a director. Another company, Baupanel Systems, listed as a construction partner, was directed by Bernard Sumner, who is linked to over 200 companies in UK filings.

UN records and tribunal findings allege that Vanshelboim channelled nearly \$59 million (Sh7,623,951,739) to companies tied to Kendrick. In return, he received personal benefits, including a Mercedes-Benz for his wife and a home renovation.

A UN Dispute Tribunal found Vanshelboim guilty of serious misconduct. He was dismissed, fined, and ordered to repay \$58.8 million (Sh7,587,552,000) to UNOPS.

Despite the findings, neither Vanshelboim nor Kendrick has been criminally prosecuted by the UN. In March 2024, Vanshelboim was arrested in Spain pending extradition to the United States, where a grand jury has indicted him for bribery, wire fraud, and money laundering.

UNOPS, in a statement, said it has undertaken "wide-ranging reforms" and ceased all S3i-style investment activity. However, it declined to disclose whether funds recovered from Kendrick-linked firms covered even a fraction of the losses.

For Kenyan families dreaming of home ownership, Habitat Heights was more than a development—it was a promise. A promise broken.

The project targeted working-class families, yet prices ranged from Sh2 million to Sh7 million, far above government housing schemes starting at Sh640,000.

George Muli, a boda boda rider in Athi River, earns Sh1,500 daily and pays Sh2,000 monthly rent. "A house costing over a million? That's not for us," he said. "Unless you know someone, you won't get it."

Muli lives in a mabati house with

his wife and two children. He cannot save for a mortgage, let alone afford monthly repayments of Sh5,000. "These houses were for the rich," he said. "Not for people like me."

Habitat Heights' failure fits a pattern. Kenya's Affordable Housing Programme (AHP) launched in 2017 with a goal of 500,000 homes by 2022. According to a Cytonn report, fewer than 14,000 units were completed.

President William Ruto, elected in 2022, pledged to build 200,000 homes annually. As of April 2025, the State Department for Housing reported 1,189 completed units, with 140,000 under construction.

Project documents show the 103-acre plot in Lukenya was originally owned by Habitat Housing Co-operative Society Ltd (HHCSL), a group of UN staff and affiliates. They formed a joint venture with Singapura Developers Ltd to create Habitat Heights Ltd, a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) that acquired the land.

Neither Singapura Developers Ltd nor HHCSL responded to requests for comment. Attempts to reach Habitat Heights Ltd were also unsuccessful.

Despite marketing itself as a self-contained mini-city, Habitat Heights collapsed before it began. And while UNOPS has moved on, the land sits idle—a stark reminder of what went wrong. UNOPS insists it will not engage in such projects again. "We acknowledge the serious and significant management failures that resulted in challenges to the government of Kenya's efforts," the agency said in a statement.

But no Kenyan government official has been investigated or held accountable.

PS Charles Hinga, who signed the 2018 MOU and 2019 tripartite agreement, continues to serve as the State Department's principal secretary.

For Professor Kapila, the lesson is clear. "The poorest people in Kenya were used to legitimise a scam," he said. "Habitat Heights was never about homes. It was about money. And that's the tragedy."

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# Fury in barracks over KDF lunch allowance cuts

► Beginning August, the National Treasury will deduct the stipend from soldiers' salaries.

► Military bosses say the move is meant to curb loan commitments on allowances and instil financial discipline.

**BENJAMIN IMENDE, NAIROBI**

A storm is brewing within the Kenya Defence Forces (KDF) after the government moved to deduct lunch allowances directly from soldiers' payslips in a forced rollout of the Pay-As-You-Eat (PAYE) meal policy.

The policy, communicated in late June and effective from August 1, scraps the long-standing tradition of subsidised mess meals and introduces a digital booking system that many in uniform have resisted.

Starting August, the Treasury will forcibly deduct lunch money from

soldiers' salaries, locking a portion of it in a military-managed app.

"It's no longer a choice," said an officer based in Eldoret, who requested anonymity. "They've decided to force-feed us through deductions."

Military bosses say the change aims to curb loan commitments on allowances and instil personal finance discipline. However, many junior officers argue that the move amounts to daylight robbery, robbing them of autonomy over their salaries.

For years, subsidised mess meals were seen as a non-negotiable right for KDF personnel. "When not deployed, the monthly allowance is Sh2,260, rising to Sh2,760 in the field," an officer told *The Standard*.

Soldiers, especially those in lower ranks, had depended on mess meals as a lifeline.

The Ministry of Defence announced in a June 23 letter that meal allowances would now be paid through DESACCO (Defence Savings and Credit Co-operatives Society), with half locked into a mobile app



A commissioning parade of specialists and General Service Officer cadets at the Kenya Military Academy, Lanet, Nakuru County. [Ken Gachuhi, Standard]

and released only at month-end. The policy aimed to create a revolving fund for the PAYE committees, but the outcome has been a widespread boycott. At several barracks, mess halls now sit empty.

"People skip lunch or carry food from home. Others squeeze into *vibandas* near camps," said a private from Lang'ata Barracks. "We train from 5am. How do you march or go to the range on an empty stomach?"

Despite soldier resistance, the government has opted to tighten control. From next month, lunch deductions

will be automatic and partially inaccessible for use until month-end.

To many KDF personnel, the lunch row is just the latest in a string of salary deductions squeezing public servants across the country. Since 2023, President William Ruto's administration has introduced tax and levy measures that have significantly reduced take-home pay.

These include the controversial Housing Levy (1.5 per cent of gross salary), revised NSSF contributions (of up to Sh2,160), the new Social Health Insurance Fund (2.75 per cent), and a

steep 35 per cent income tax for those earning above Sh800,000 monthly.

Now, with plans to introduce the Unemployment Insurance Fund and continued pressure from Higher Education Loans Board and Sacco deductions, workers say they are left with less each month to meet rising living costs.

Former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua has sharply criticised the policy environment. "We want to rescue the payslip. The payslip *iliguzwa na iko shida mingi sana* (has many problems)," he said.

Observers warn that the morale of uniformed officers is at risk. "This is a welfare issue with national security implications," a retired officer said. "You cannot expect fatigued and underfed men and women to defend the republic."

The Ministry of Defence maintains the PAYE system will streamline costs and improve efficiency. "The decision to transition from the exchequer-funded lunch programme to PAYE was driven by the need to streamline budget allocations," the ministry said.

But officers say that behind the fiscal speak lies a deeper crisis. "The mess is nearly empty. Those still eating there are mostly officers. The rest of us are choosing between food and sending money home," said a soldier from Laikipia.

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**BUSIA**

## Calls to expand Busia-Malaba road as student accidents rise

Busia residents and education stakeholders are urging the government to expand the Busia-Malaba road following several cases of accidents and deaths involving students.

In less than a month, three students have been killed in gruesome road accidents involving trucks transporting goods from Busia to Malaba and Uganda.

Last Thursday morning, a Form Three student from Father Okudoi Secondary School was killed in a grisly road accident at Lukolis Market, Teso South Constituency, along the highway.

The fatal accident occurred at around 5.30 am as students rushed to school.

A truck driver is reported to have lost control of the vehicle, ramming into two students walking by the roadside.

Lavender Amoit died on the spot, while a student was left critically injured.

According to eyewitnesses, the truck, which was speeding, hit a bump and veered off the road before hitting the girl from behind.

The driver and co-driver were quickly whisked away from the angry crowd by police, but that did not stop residents from setting the truck ablaze.

"This is not just an accident. It's a pattern. Students are being killed by reckless drivers, and the authorities are silent.

"Not only students but also other people are victims," said Lawrence Musumba.

Busia County Director of Education, James Ekalyo, condemned the incident, stating that residents are mourning lives lost to preventable accidents.

"We urge all motorists to exercise maximum caution, especially when driving near schools. Overspeeding, carelessness and negligence are costing innocent young lives," Ekalyo said.

He added that school-going children, especially those in day schools, often walk long distances along highways to reach school, putting them at increased risk due to poor road design and lack of pedestrian walkways.

Angry locals now want the national government to expand the road and the Kenya National Highways Authority to urgently erect speed bumps, warning signs, and repaint road markings to alert motorists, especially in populated areas.

"From Busia to Malaba, the road is narrow and yet it is busy, and it has many trucks. There are barely any visible signs on the road. The bumps are too low, and most are not even painted. That's why cars just speed through. We are tired of burying our children," said another resident.

Musumba called on the Roads Cabinet Secretary, Davis Chirchir, to save lives by expanding the road and marking bumps.

"This road has claimed enough lives. What we need now is not sympathy but action. We are appealing to the government to respond immediately before more lives are lost," he said.

"This is the third student we've lost along this highway in just a matter of weeks. How many more must die before something is done?" posed Moffat Okisai, Busia executive secretary of the Kenya Union of Post-Primary Education Teachers.

[Benard Lusigi and Mary Imenza]

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## EDITORIAL

### We can do without NCIC; it's a drain on Exchequer

Inability by the National Cohesion and Integration Commission (NCIC) to take decisive action against inciters and hate-speech mongers casts it firmly in the public limelight.

NCIC was formed after the 2007/2008 post-election violence purposely to foster national cohesion amid serious tribal divisions, but has failed to acquit itself. Instead, in the few instances it has been goaded into action, it has applied double-standards.

This has become more apparent in the face of heightened political rhetoric on both sides of the political divide. Politicians allied to the Kenya Kwanza government have been emboldened to make utterances that are either inciteful or tribal without fear of consequences. NCIC has neither cautioned nor summoned majority of them.

Members of Parliament Nelson Koech (Belgut), Oscar Sudi (Kapsaret), Samson Cherargei (Nandi Senator) have developed an entitlement to the presidency and have publicly warned those speaking about William Ruto "wantam" that they will defend the President at whatever cost.

Wilson Kamket, MP of Tiati constituency threatened to bring Pokot youth to Nairobi to confront Gen Z protesters last month while Wajir Woman Representative Fatuma Jehow bragged recently that Ruto will be rigged in should he fail to get an outright win in 2027. Neither the Directorate of Criminal Investigations nor NCIC has deemed it fit to summon them.

Contrarywise, opposition leaders who make rejoinders to such utterances are quickly summoned by NCIC and the DCI to record statements. Notable among them are former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua, Mumias East Member of Parliament Peter Salasya and Juja Member of Parliament George Koim-buri.

NCIC has denied it is biased and attempts to fix blame on the media for its coverage of news, budget shortfalls and, curiously, the claim that it cannot call inciters to account because the system shields them. In effect, NCIC admits it's the Executive's lapdog that has been defanged, all bark and no bite.

Granted, NCIC says, without providing any evidence to the public, that it has brokered peace in far-flung places like Turkana, Baringo, Mandera, Pokot and Mandera counties.

If anything, it is not lost on Kenyans that the Kenya Kwanza government has weaponised the DCI against the Opposition and citizens who question it, and rendered NCIC useless to the point it cannot promote peaceful coexistence between Kenyans, or create unity.

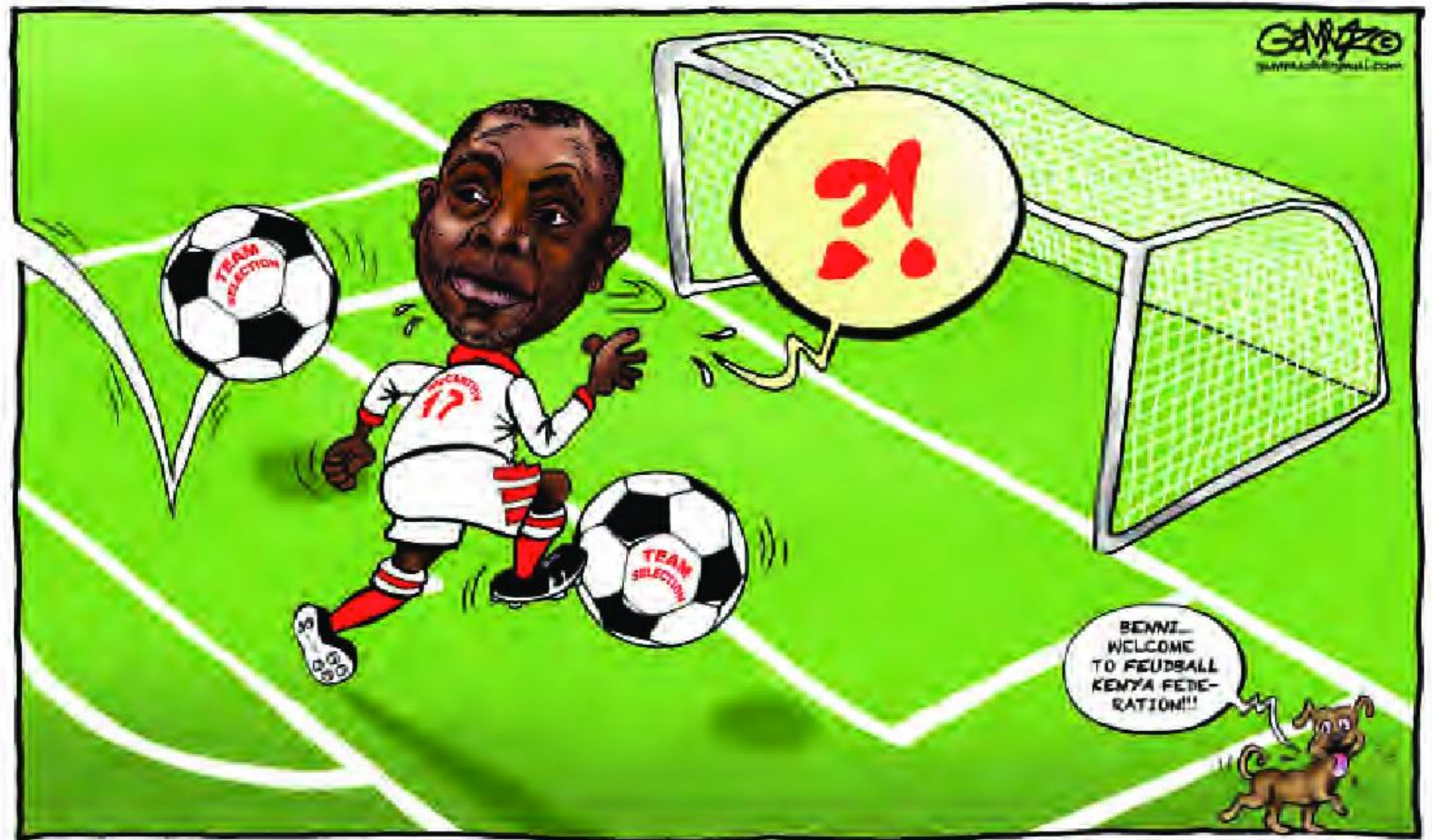
By its own admission, NCIC is bogged down by legal loopholes it cannot seal, it is crippled by political interference, a slow justice system and the high burden of proof that makes it impossible for the commission to be effective. What purpose, then, does NCIC serve? Shouldn't it be disbanded to stop it from being an unnecessary drain on taxpayers because it cannot deliver? But it is unlikely it will be disbanded as governments never have a problem with toothless bulldogs.

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## UPFRONT

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# States become terrorists under the guise of fighting terrorism



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**T**errorism, despite governments of the world attempting to convince us otherwise, has always been a political concept, leveraged against those that the government of the day does not like. Anti-terrorism laws have been written and rewritten over the past two decades. But the fact that the concept of terrorism is codified does not make it legal at all. If anything, anti-terrorism exists as a tool of repression, with the State being the true terrorists in denial, as the history of terrorism legislation exposes.

The very birth of Kenya as an independent nation is couched in accusations of terrorism. During the independence struggle, the British government, its reign of terror under threat, was quick to label the Mau Mau as terrorists. This label, as we see in the present-day, is usually the precursor to mass arrests and detention. The Mau Mau were hunted from their hiding places, and those sympathetic to them were put in concentration camps, denied life and liberty for wanting an end to colonial rule.

But none of us can forget when the real

terror of terrorism began, with the bombing of the US Twin Towers on the September 11, 2001 by Osama bin Laden and Al-Qaeda. Al-Qaeda was originally formed as an Islamist movement to remove the Russian colonial presence from Afghanistan during the Cold War, and when this was accomplished, the outfit rebranded itself to deal with all forms of Western interference, including from the US.

Kenya, that darling of the West, was not spared by Al-Qaeda, and had its American embassy bombed in 1998. In the aftermath of 2001, having witnessed America come up with legislation against terror, Kenya wrote its own Suppression of Terrorism Bill in 2003. This Bill faced criticism from civil society for its deviation from international human rights principles, with its definitions of terrorism and terrorist being both vague and too broad.

This breadth and vagueness was, of course, intentional, as the government aimed to use this legislation to capture and detain any person or group that it felt spoke ill of it. In the decade following the American obsession with terror, Kenya proceeded to arrest and detain hundreds on suspicion of terrorism. This new age of terrorism came in the form of hidden Islamophobia, both in Kenya and in the West. Those arrested on terrorism charges were usually Muslim, Al-Qaeda was an Islamist outfit and believed to birth the new age of terrorism. Muslim communities faced years of terror at the hands of governments as purportedly dissenting voices were rooted out to ensure blanket compliance.

This reality has continued to play out to date, with the recent arrests of over 100 youths on terrorism charges in the aftermath of the anti-Finance Bill protests of 2024 and 2025.

The government is no longer accepting that the people have a right to be upset and to speak out their anger through their constitutional right to protest. Instead, it has chosen to put an end to this anger, not by addressing the concerns raised, but by quashing protest through branding the youth as terrorists.

These arrests fall under the Prevention of Terrorism Act of 2023, which defines terrorist acts in terms so broad as to capture virtually anyone for anything. Concurrently, in the United Kingdom, police are threatening protestors with arrest under the Terrorism Act for holding up Palestinian flags and chanting slogans in favour of Palestine. The global reign of State terror is universal.

Who amongst us is truly terrified? Can it possibly be the government, which has for the past year wielded force and murdered hundreds for speaking up? Or is it the people, who sit in their homes in fear of abduction or a stray bullet, in fear that their loved ones may be arrested and die in custody under mysterious circumstances? Even beyond the fear of State violence, should Kenyans be afraid that they may not know where their next meal will come from, or how they will support their families, and so ask the government to act? Only time will tell.

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## PALAVER

What, wonders Githuku Mungai [[githukumungai@gmail.com](mailto:githukumungai@gmail.com)], could be the pressing issue that led President William Ruto to appoint Prof Makau Mutua as his senior legal adviser on constitutional affairs? "We are not certain about the nature of recommendations the legal scholar provides to the President nor are we privy to what the Attorney-General may lack in offering similar advice to the Head of State. Is theirs a duplication of duties?"



Kenya's middle class, once seen as the engine of economic growth, is now under immense strain, says Eric Chimwani [[ericchimwani619@gmail.com](mailto:ericchimwani619@gmail.com)]. "Rising costs of living, stagnant wages, heavy taxation and job losses have pushed many households back into survival mode. Families that could once afford basic comforts are now tightening their belts, prioritising food and rent over savings, healthcare or education. This shrinkage isn't just an economic statistic, it's a social crisis. Empowering the middle class is key to long-term stability."

The government's promise of affordable housing, says Erick Chimwani [[erickchimwani619@gmail.com](mailto:erickchimwani619@gmail.com)] was welcomed with hope by millions of Kenyans struggling to secure decent shelter. "It was marketed as a transformative solution to the housing crisis, one that would uplift low-income earners and create jobs. However, the reality on the ground paints a different picture. What was meant to be affordable now feels far beyond the reach of the common mwananchi. The structures are rising, yes, but the question lingers, affordable for who? Many Kenyans feel left out of the project they were taxed for"



Who, asks David Okello [[okellodg@yahoo.com](mailto:okellodg@yahoo.com)], can explain why the 2010 Constitution has not been implemented fully? "Why is the national government clinging to constitutionally devolved functions? Do we want to use dialogue to exonerate those who should face the law? Are we having one too many with no impact/results? Do we need dialogue to obey court orders?"

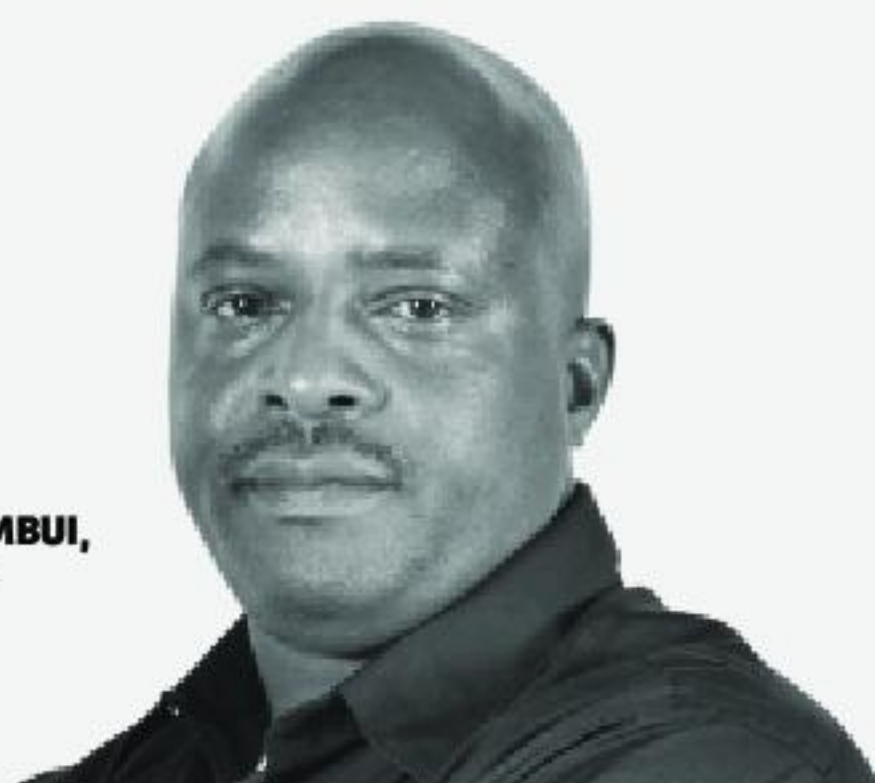
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## Do we need a mobile app to track civil servants?



YES

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### It will help to boost delivery of services

I fully welcome the plan by Public Service Cabinet Secretary Geoffrey Ruku to introduce a mobile app to monitor civil servants. Doing so will be a move in the right direction because it will help to eliminate absenteeism and lateness by public servants. Public service is about accountability to citizens and fidelity to nationhood. For many years, Kenyans have raised concerns over poor service delivery in public service arising from lazy or absent civil

servants. It is important that public service be taken seriously because it impacts socio-economic progress. When public servants stay away from duty to attend their personal engagements, the public suffers. Worse, citizens find themselves in difficult situations where emergency incidents deteriorate to loss of time, opportunities, and sometimes lives due to lethargy and absenteeism. The tracking app for civil servants, if deployed accurately and fairly, will help a great deal in improving public service. It will also ensure taxpayers' money is spent well. It is not right when Kenyans continue to suffer from poor government services.

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### Such policing won't change anything

I do not think the idea of introducing a mobile app to sniff absenteeism among public servants will be of much help. While I strongly advocate for efficiency in the public service, I can't be convinced that extreme supervision by the government will translate to better services. It will not lead to better performance. It is like a teacher confining students in a classroom and ordering them to study. Some

may study while the majority may just remain there to avoid punishment. It is unfortunate that we have resorted to excessive policing in order to improve service delivery. If chronic absenteeism or lateness has been noted in the public sector, the first step would have been to be to establish the reason behind it. Rushed decisions, backed by threats and intimidation, won't succeed. There could be underlying issues in public service that undermine efficiency. I advice the government to first establish what the problem is and try to address it. The government should also borrow a leaf from the private sector.

Text and photos: Erastus Mulwa

## CIVIC EDGE

## Gen Z should consider taking up President's offer for round-table talks

A Johnny-come-lately, latter-day political analyst had this to say last week: "It was Raila who wanted dialogue. But who is Raila? He is just an individual. Why should we treat one person's opinion as if it reflects the will of the entire nation, as though it's the most important issue to discuss right now? What we should be focusing on is how to strengthen and make our protests more effective and how to reduce or eliminate deaths during our demonstrations."

This retort was in response to the ODM leader's call for a conclave over the standoff between the State and a belligerent Gen Z. Truth is, Kenya's history cannot be complete without a few chapters being dedicated to Raila. He has been a permanent fixture, a beacon on Kenya's political landscape since the August 2, 1982 coup by Kenya Airforce soldiers.

To wit, Australian Chancellor Klemens von Metternich once said that "when France sneezes, the whole of Europe catches a cold". The same can be said of Raila, "when he sneezes, the whole of Kenya catches a cold".

Raila's collaboration with Kenya Kwanza might have cost him support, but to write him off or try to disparage his contribution in embedding the freedoms and rights we enjoy today in the Constitution is balderdash.

Without belabouring the point, Raila was instrumental in making Kenya a multi-party democracy in 1991. He contributed immensely to the Constitution 2010 and loosened Kanu's stranglehold on Kenyans through wit. Over the years, his political acumen has put the brakes on executive excesses.

We need not look beyond June 25, 2024 to gauge Raila's cunning. Gen Z caught a govern-



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ment that thought they were juvenile delinquents seeking attention unawares, and did the unimaginable: They breached Parliament security and set part of it on fire.

With this pyrrhic victory, they wanted more, but Raila saw the perilous path they had taken and made a decision to team up with the beleaguered government, taking the sting out of their strike. To contextualise, imagine a situation where irate passengers viciously clobber the driver on the head while the bus is speeding down a slope.

The impetuosity of youth blinds them to this reality. Gen Z should take time off their high perch and read our history for perspective. What they have going for them is their deep understanding of, and ability to maximise use of technology. They have demonstrated this on social media platforms where they mobilise.

However, no amount of invective, memes or negativity on X can eject a government. That can

only be achieved through the ballot or, in extreme cases, through sustained armed struggle or well coordinated passive resistance. To Gen Z, and indeed many Kenyans who can barely meet their daily needs, the 2027 ballot option seems too far.

However, protest outcomes demonstrate that violence begets violence and, by virtue of its monopoly over the instruments of State violence, the government has an advantage.

The youth mobilised well days before the Saba Saba demonstrations, but were so constrained they couldn't do much on the D-day because police officers cordoned off the city, taking total control of the situation. Gen Z must change tack or be like putty in the hands of the government.

Our current situation mirrors that of Egypt in 2011 when youth laid siege to President Hosni Mubarak over police brutality, corruption, unemployment, high cost of living and lack of freedom of speech. They demonstrated for days, and even burnt more than 90 police stations.

Borrowing from Henry David Thoreau's advocacy for non-violent resistance through civil disobedience and refusal to pay taxes, they made Mubarak to throw in the towel and hand power to the military.

We can't afford that, which is why Gen Z should consider taking up President William Ruto's earlier offer for round-table talks. Non-violent civil disobedience can force the government to the negotiating table.

It might surprise them that structured dialogue could make the government cede some ground. If Dr Ruto acceded to their demands last year and shelved the Finance Bill 2024, and also disbanded the Cabinet, he can listen to them today.





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# What organisations can do to survive after Trump's aid freeze

It was April, 2025 in Nakuru. From the faces of dozens of Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) workers converged from the entire Rift Valley region, one could read raw panic, though varnished with nervous smiles and feeble efforts at exuberance.

A few months prior, US President Donald Trump had issued the infamous executive order which imposed a sudden 90-day worldwide suspension of practically all US foreign aid disbursed through United States Aid for International Development (USAID). This meant more than 90 per cent of related contracts and \$60 billion in overall US assistance around the world were suspended.

What may look like a trivial matter from the towers of Washington has resulted in a huge cut in foreign assistance to developing countries and possibly, complete devastation for civil societies, many quite overtly reliant on it. At the time of writing this article, the US government has dissolved USAID altogether.

USAID was established in 1961 by President John F Kennedy as an independent government tool for disbursing humanitarian assistance and as a counterweight to the increasing Soviet influence overseas. In 2023, it had a budget of US\$40 billion and employed 10,000 personnel and was providing aid in 177 countries worldwide. The US has been responsible for about US\$8 in every US\$100 that flowed from the rich world to developing countries. In 24 years, Kenya has received about Sh1 trillion aid from the United States through USAID.

We were privileged - as invited key resource persons - to join the CSO through, denizens of the trenches who tirelessly advocate for democratic values and principles, uphold the principles of justice and democracy, amplify the voices of vulnerable communities, promote transparency and accountability, and ensure the rights of all Kenyans are respected, to search for a way out of the clearly building storm.

Consequently, many CSOs have had to tweak their internal structures and make their workforce lean by laying off staff. According to one authoritative source, approximately 40,000 healthcare workers in Kenya partly financed by USAID are likely to lose their jobs. Families reliant on NGO incomes could be left extremely vulnerable.

No doubt, financial strangulation of CSOs greatly delights authoritarian regimes which are at best of times hostile to human rights agencies. These will not only be emboldened, but also actively connive to accelerate the demise of weakened CSOs that demand governance accountability from them.

Besides the invigoration of tyrannical governments, many other categories of casualties are lined up. There may be rejuvenation of retrogressive practices (think FGM) hitherto nearly vanquished by vibrant NGOs, increased drought and reduced healthcare, especially against the backdrop of Trump's earlier withdrawal from the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the Paris Climate Agreement.

The list is endless, but will invariably



include negative impact on farming, closure of refugee camps, reduction of Diaspora remittances, inability to handle future pandemics and other global crises, and the danger of European donors following America's example.

Of particular gravity is the suspension of the normal functions of President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief without any contingency plans, which portends possible deaths of people living with HIV/Aids who have otherwise managed their conditions with relative comfort so far. One study has predicted 2.9 million HIV-related deaths by 2030 if Europe and the US withdraw bilateral aid. In Myanmar, over a million people lost access to malaria treatment overnight.

Overall consensus was that local CSOs must diversify their revenue streams by adopting sustainable financial models such

as converting to social enterprises, charging membership fees, developing training programmes in area of expertise and engaging corporates for sponsorship. Further, collaborations and partnerships with other entities can provide access to additional resources, expertise and mutually beneficial networks.

CSOs must therefore invest in capacity building and training for their staff and volunteers on effective fundraising and resource mobilisation strategies such as grant writing, donor relations, marketing strategies, and social media engagement for long-term sustainability.

Advocacy and public awareness is another helpful strategy for circumventing sabotage by irrational donor actions. By engaging the community and influencing policy decisions, CSOs can create an environment that supports their mission while also attracting potential donors who resonate with their cause. This can be buttressed by a strong public presence through storytelling, social media engagement, and community events can help raise awareness about the issues at hand and mobilise support.

As an example, NGOs focused on environmental conservation might launch a campaign highlighting local environmental challenges while showcasing their efforts to address them. By engaging community members in discussions about these issues and encouraging them to take action—whether through volunteering or donating—NGOs can cultivate a loyal base of supporters who are invested in their mission.

Last but not least, advocating for policy changes that align with their goals can lead to increased funding opportunities from government sources or foundations interested in supporting systemic change.

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## Human resource function changing in tandem with technology

FRED AGUTU



As Kenyan businesses navigate an era of unprecedented transformation, the Human Resource (HR) function is undergoing a fundamental shift—from an administrative support role to a strategic partner at the core of organisational success.

Disruption driven by digital innovation, shifting employee expectations, and economic uncertainties is challenging HR to rethink how it attracts, develops, and retains talent. In this evolving landscape, agility, resilience, and innovation are becoming critical pillars of HR practice.

One of the most profound changes is the integration of digital technologies into HR operations. Automation tools, artificial intelligence, and advanced HR analytics are redefining how companies manage their workforce. Talent acquisition processes are increasingly data-driven, with predictive analytics helping organisations identify the best-fit candidates and reduce hiring risks.

Performance management is also evolving, with digital platforms enabling real-time feedback, goal tracking, and employee recognition. Remote and hybrid work models are no longer temporary solutions but permanent features of the modern workplace.

As a result, HR is now tasked with fostering productivity, collaboration, and engagement across distributed teams. This requires a fresh focus on redefining workplace culture—one that emphasises trust, autonomy, and accountability, while maintaining strong communication and alignment with business objectives.

Employee wellbeing is taking centre-stage. Millennial and Gen Z employees, who now make up a significant portion of the workforce, are vocal about their need for mental health support, work-life balance, and holistic wellness initiatives. Organisations that invest in these areas are witnessing increased employee satisfaction, reduced turnover, and a stronger employer brand in a competitive talent market.

Progressive HR leaders are embedding Diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) into recruitment, training, leadership development, and policymaking. Beyond compliance, DEI is now recognised as a driver of innovation and performance.

Companies that create safe, inclusive environments for women, people with disabilities, and other underrepresented groups are reaping the benefits of broader perspectives and deeper employee engagement.

Another significant trend is the move toward skills-based hiring and continuous learning. The traditional reliance on academic qualifications is giving way to a more dynamic evaluation of a candidate's capabilities, adaptability, and growth potential.

Learning and development programmes are being tailored to encourage up-skilling, cross-functional competencies, and digital fluency—ensuring that the workforce remains competitive and future-ready.

To effectively respond to these changes, HR professionals must cultivate a new set of capabilities. Proficiency in HR tech platforms and data analytics is becoming essential for making informed decisions and anticipating future trends. Strategic alignment of people practices with broader business objectives ensures HR's relevance in boardroom conversations.

HR must also be skilled in change management, guiding organisations through periods of transformation with clarity, confidence, and compassion.

— Mr Agutu is a human resource and talent strategist



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### HOT ON X

## No dam finished under Ruto's reign

**@moneyacademyKE:** A new report reveals that not a single dam has been completed under Ruto's 1,000-dam pledge three years into his term. CS Water says the projects stalled due to lack of funding and poor investor interest.

**@Clemoh\_Pr:** Poor investor interest means that the environment is toxic or the government is very foxy on the contracts. Ruto should now explain to us his plan on this.



**@MoGAbdi:** The only thing this government has successfully constructed is a PR machine-built on empty promises, flashy launches, and zero delivery.

**@BreakTheKnown:** Politicians promise in gigabytes but deliver in kilobytes. 1,000 dams was never a plan. It was a slogan.

**@zack\_kihara:** What's new with this regime though? Nothing is working with them.

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### FROM THE WEB

## 'Kenya might go the Somalia way'

**Standard Digital:** Kenya might go the Somalia way if the President is forcefully removed: Benedict Toroitich.

**Kodero Jandhiwa:** Nobody is forcefully removing our God-chosen president.

**Styvo Lunjan:** Wantam means Kasongo will finish his term so, no cause for alarm.

**Gilbert Wa Musavini:** Why go that way? Kenya for us and the only way is the constitutionally determined route.

**Muturia Denis:** The slogan is "wantam", he will finish his 5 years. Once they expire, he goes, no one is forcing him out before 5 years are over.

**Samwel Mc Gregs:** On the Ballot, not anywhere else.

**Thufu Wa Thenge:** I've never heard anyone advocate for his removal illegally. Or does 'wantam' to you mean overthrowing him before his constitutional term ends?

**Heim Kuria:** Who is forcefully removing him?

**Bisector Man:** Fordibly removed by who?

### EDUCATION

## Education Cabinet Secretary should help to establish what's ailing Mbale Boys High School

Education remains the greatest pillar of society but it does not come cheap. There has been a problem with the release of capitation funds in recent years, which has put principals in a tight corner. Understandably, they would grab any opportunity to raise money to finance operations.

However, there are instances when school heads take advantage of situations to exploit parents. On May 25, 2025 students at Mbale Boys High School, Vihiga County, went on strike and set a section of a dormitory on fire, leading to early closure.

The school's board of management and the County Education Board sat and resolved to charge each student Sh12,500 for the damage. This decision was communicated to parents through their class WhatsApp groups. Many felt this charge was unrealistic and sought to know the extent of the damage, and how the penalty was arrived at.

The school management reacted by blocking communication in all WhatsApp groups. Parents don't understand why the school failed to call a meeting to show them the extent of the damage before repairs, and the cause of the disturbance. Even when students reported back on July 8 and 9, there was no explanation.

Last Sunday, students in Form 2 Maroon, Form 2 Green and Form 3 Yellow were again sent home and this time, with their boxes and mattresses without explanation or advance warning. Which head teacher expels more than 200 students at a go?

It is this type of impunity and arrogance by head teachers that breeds discontent in schools. The management at Mbale High School has not bothered to let parents know what the problem is. How then can a solution be found when parents are kept in the dark and treated as if they are an inconvenience?

What's happening at Mbale is alarming and cannot be ignored. While student behaviour plays a role, the root of the crisis lies squarely with the



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school management and some teachers.

The Cabinet Secretary of Education should intervene in this matter. Parents don't have faith in the County and Regional Education offices because their experience has shown that they always take sides with head teachers.

Parents go through a lot to pay school fees, and teachers have no right to subject them to mental torture and the imposition of charges, like remedial or tuition fees, that was outlawed by the Ministry of Education.

**Concerned parent**

### KUCCPS

## Simplify process to apply for university slots

A good percentage of students missed the opportunity to apply for university programmes. While it may seem like negligence, the real reasons go deep and are even more personal. Lack of awareness remains the elephant in the room. Some students, especially from rural areas, did not know when or how to apply. Information did not reach everyone equally, and in fact, not every school offered proper guidance on how to apply. The Internet also created a gap.

The Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service (KUCCPS) application process is fully online. For students without smartphones, laptops or money to visit a cyber cafe, this process becomes a real obstacle. Sadly some even relied on neighbours or teachers who were also unwilling or unsure on how to help.

Then there's the emotional and mental pressure. Students who scored below C+ felt discouraged and unsure about their future. Without encouragement and proper guidance many gave up before they even tried.

In the end it's not just about missed deadlines, but the real stories about students who felt hopeless, who lacked access, support, and someone to walk the journey with them. **Collins Kibet Bii, Kabarak University**

### MUSIC

## Rhumba is becoming popular among youths

Not too long ago, rhumba belonged to our parents and uncles. It played from old radios during quiet evenings or spilled from roadside bars on weekends. Back then we thought it was slow, old fashioned. We were caught up in trap beats, Afrobeats and whatever was trending online. But something has shifted.

Today rhumba is quietly making a comeback, this time in the hearts of young people. From campus hostels to house parties. We're dancing to Lingala beats, sharing lyrics on our statuses and even learning to dress

with that clean elegant rhumba drip. For many young people rhumba feels like coming home to something we didn't know we missed. It's emotional. It's nostalgic even if we weren't there the first time.

It's a rhythm that doesn't fade with age. And now we're embracing it openly, proudly, rhythmically. So when you hear young voices singing along to an old rhumba tune, don't be surprised. We've found beauty in the guitars, poetry in the lyrics and comfort in the calm. **Japheth Okelo, Nakuru**



### FRAUD

## Take firm action to end age cheating in school games

Competitiveness in school games, especially football, has been marred by age-cheating. The unethical act of fielding older players in games prescribed for certain age groups jeopardises the integrity of school sports, creates an unfair playing field and poses physical and psychological harm to young competitors. The perennial cheating is a serious concern that requires preventive steps. This year, Kenya Secondary Schools Sports Association attempted to introduce strict measures to curb the vice, including a requirement that competing students must have

school identity cards that display their full names, admission, class, date of birth and KCPE year, among other measures.

Age categories are designed to promote fair play. Older players posing as younger ones usually have physical and mental advantages and this undermines secondary schools sports' core values. Beyond competition, age cheating presents a serious unethical issue and breeds moral decadence. School games' organisers, coaches, parents and stakeholders must cultivate a culture of honesty. **Michael Kasilon, Chepareria, West Pokot**



# The new gaslit republic: When the State blames everyone but itself



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On the ground, the “operationally independent” police now have three different instructions in three weeks – shoot to kill, shoot the legs (and “shoot and kill”) and shoot in self-defence.

The gaslighting continues. After the opposition, the church, the international community and dark forces from the other world, now it's parents to blame for public protests. It is parents who “take their children to the police” who deal with “criminals, not parenting”. Meanwhile, terrorism charges are the latest weapon in this administration's anti-protest arsenal of “lawfare”.

On the ground, the “operationally independent” police now have three different instructions in three weeks – shoot to kill, shoot the legs (and “shoot and kill”) and shoot in self-defence. In our deliberately dystopian State, the hierarchy of public order reads politicians – police – people.

Why do you think we have a police to politician ratio up to 2,000 times greater than the police to population one? Are our political VIPs and VVIPs lives worth 2,000 times the everyday Kenyan? What does this say about a colonised mindset where police ring-fence politicians from the people?

There are places where the police are viewed as a justice, even human rights, institution; as a critical link, even partner, in the chain of justice. Here it's all guns and goons as law and order.

If you want a baseline for police reform, start there. It isn't police as a noun that needs fixing, it's policing as a verb. Apply the verb to preventing, combating, investigating and detecting crime in public places and private spaces, and you tease out the police profile we need for real policing. Apply it more hopefully to safety and security and you have a society freed of danger and fear.

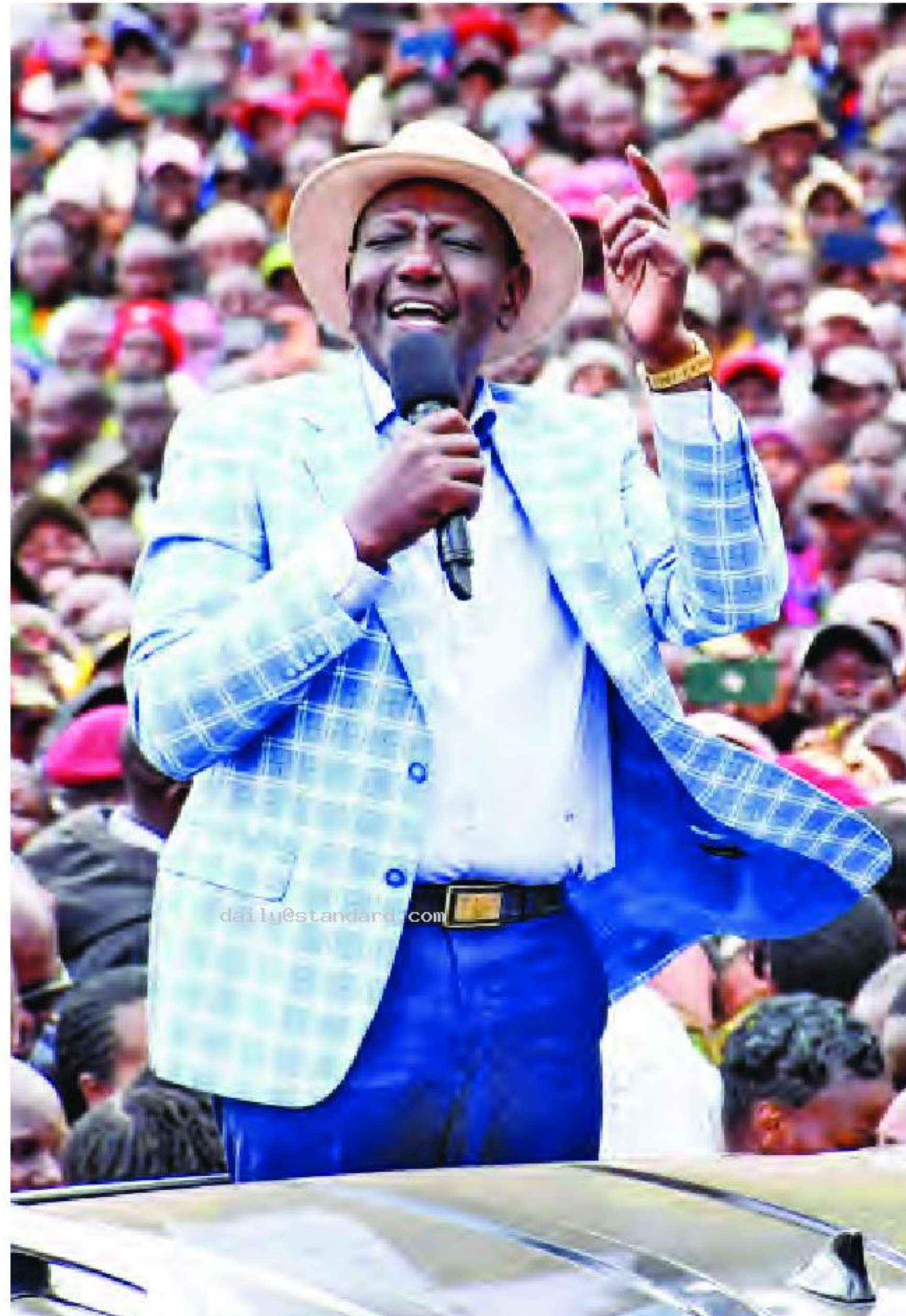
When will we see that the state of policing is the state of the nation – politics, economy, society? That a violent approach to public order management reflects our official problem solving psyche?

The pattern is eerily familiar. Mostly peaceful protests. Violent goon infestations sponsored by politicians as the police watch. Injury to persons and damage to property with a dose of police shootings. Deaths. Arrests. Blame games all round. Zero accountability. Rinse and repeat.

When the Article 37 book is written about public protests in 2023, 2024 and 2025, as well as protests in earlier years, the underlying storyline will not be politics or policies, but policing. With stray bullets flying all over, we are gaslit that “the police are protecting us from ourselves”, before we get to arbitrary arrests, forceful abductions, deaths in custody and extra-judicial killings.

Policing is one place to start when we look at the state of the nation with 2027 in mind. But it's part of a wider point as we finally admit that campaigns have already begun. As candidates declare their interest in challenging the incumbent administration, the emerging question two years to the election is if it is about “the next leader as a politician” or “a new Kenya for a statesman”.

In a country which “does evolution, not revolution” as the NARC administration stated unequivocally in its early days, most current politicians will not



President William Ruto addresses residents after the launch of the Sogoo-Melelo-Olulung'a Road in Narok County on May 7, 2025. [Kipsang Joseph, Standard]

Unbalanced

2,000  
RATIO

**POLICE-TO-POLITICIAN** ratio is up to 2,000, which is greater than the police-to-population one

admit to this “Project Kenya” moment. In that sense, former Prime Minister Raila Odinga's proposal for dialogue through an “Intergenerational Conclave” is probably more interesting than many might think at the moment.

Initial response to this conclave has been mixed, but it is decidedly more unpopular than popular. Going by Odinga's televised interview on Sunday, this proposal has lukewarm support at the top levels of the regime, despite positive noises from politicians and party func-

tionaries when they are not blaming everyone and everything under the sun for the loud state of our current politics.

## Just a “band aid”

The non-broad-based side of the political divide is far more skeptical, drawing on past lessons. It is easy to see this dialogue as a “band aid” to get the ruling regime to the end of its term. Among Kenyans at large, especially young Kenyans, the feeling is it's now time for action, not more talk.

Remember, in the coming two years, we also have electoral preparations and maybe a boundaries review before we think about a referendum that seems to be one objective of this dialogue. We could also mix it up with the fact that there's the National Dialogue Committee (Nadco) report and UDA-ODM MoU to implement as well. Before we get to the regime's mad rush to deliver as much as it can on Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

In that interview, Odinga laid out a “bottom-up” process to the dialogue – polling stations, wards, constituencies

and sub-counties, then counties culminating in a (Bomas-style?) national dialogue. It is difficult to see how this process would align with the other political-governance timelines mentioned above, as well as actual election campaigns. But it is easy to see how, as mentioned last week, there is an opportunity here to create and institutionalise our national dialogue process around, say, a review of constitutional implementation, a review of Vision 2030 and a social vision.

It is also easy to see how either side of the political divide could piggy-back this process to engage with the public and secure buy-in to their 2027 campaign agendas. The ruling administration can use this for direct public feedback on BETA successes, challenges and lessons. Prospective candidates can test their alternative views with the self-same public. In the long-run, institutionalised dialogue could even improve the national conversation around Project Kenya.

Even without this dialogue, we are pretty much already into electoral mode. With the growing feeling that this will not be a “business as usual” election – reforms, projects among others – there is as much interest in candidates’ “why” (ideology, interests) as there is in their “what” (issues, ideas) and “whom” (identity, individuals).

So here is a final thought that might link the dialogue with the campaign. Governance, rule of law and accountability will be on the table, but at the end it's the economy that will likely matter most in a county struggling with high levels of poverty and inequality. Consider ongoing BETA and four levels around the badly-needed “new Kenya” economic model beginning from the bottom-up.

At the individual (“nano”) level of 52 million Kenyans where dignity and justice matters – jobs, food, cost of living, shelter and security. At the household (“micro”) level of 13 million families – food, basic rights (education, healthcare, shelter, water), jobs, income opportunities and access to assets, civic participation between and during elections and safety, security and accessible justice. At the inequality (“meso”) level across Kenya – the four opportunity inequalities (gender, geography, intergenerational and social exclusion) as they apply to individuals and households. At the resources/capital (“macro”) level – the resources (land, physical, economic, financial, human, social, knowledge/innovation) we translate into wealth. What if this was our dialogue into 2027?

Not a gross domestic product or macro prices dialogue, but one about poverty and inequality, about resources and wealth creation. Because, back to our police at the beginning, “poverty is the mother of revolution and crime” as Aristotle told us. No amount of official gaslighting will change this truth.



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## Doctor jailed over terror plot may walk free due to missing court file

► The DPP wants to appeal the 12-year sentence handed down by a magistrate's court.

► Mohamed Abdi Ali was found guilty of plotting a terrorist attack in the country.

KAMAU MUTHONI, NAIROBI

A doctor jailed over links to the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) and for plotting a bio-chemical attack in Kenya may be counting days to freedom due to a magistrate's court staff withholding his file for over a year.

According to the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), Renson Ingonga, it became impossible to appeal the magistrate's court verdict before the High Court, as the appeal could not proceed without the crucial trial documents.

It has emerged that despite repeated reminders by the High Court Registrar since May 2024, the lower court failed to submit the required case record.

Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions Duncan Ondimu, in an application filed before the High Court, stated there is a risk that Mohamed Abdi Ali—alias Abu Fidaa, alias Abu Shuhadaa, alias Abu Ramzi—could walk free after completing his 12-year sentence, owing to the delay in submitting the file.

"Despite repeated follow-ups, the certified lower court record, essential for the expeditious determination of the appeal, was not availed until 11 July 2025 at 4.30pm—over one year since the appeal was lodged," Ondimu argued.

He noted that to date, the lower court has not remitted the certified documents and judgment necessary to facilitate the hearing of the appeal.

"There is a high probability that the first respondent will be released before the hearing of the appeal, thereby rendering the appeal nugatory, occasioning grave injustice to the victims, compromising public confidence in the justice system, and undermining national security," he said.

At the same time, he revealed that Salah Mohamed Khalif, who was charged alongside the doctor but



Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions Duncan Ondimu. [File, Standard]

later acquitted, has been seeking to leave the country.

Chief Magistrate Martha Mutuku sentenced Ali after finding him guilty, stating that his sentence would run from the date of his arrest on 29 April 2016.

The doctor, who was based in Makueni County, was found guilty of recruiting members for ISIS and of possessing materials related to terror activities.

He was also convicted of planning to carry out a terrorist attack on Kenyan soil using a biological agent—specifically anthrax bacteria.

In her sentencing, Mutuku stated that the prosecution had proved its

case against the medic.

Ali's wife, Nuseiba Mohammed Haji Osman, alias Ummu Fidaa, who was a medical student on attachment at Mubende Hospital in Uganda, was acquitted on April 12, 2024.

The magistrate acquitted her on all counts, citing lack of evidence in the charges she faced alongside her husband.

Ali was arrested on April 29, 2016 at his residence in Wote Town, while his wife was apprehended at Entebbe International Airport in Uganda, following investigations into their alleged efforts to establish an ISIS caliphate in Kenya and East Africa.

The magistrate noted that the doctor aimed to establish an ISIS cell in Kenya with the help of ISIS returnees from Libya.

"There was overwhelming evidence that Ali was in constant communication with other terrorists outside the country through the use of his social media accounts—Twitter, Gmail, WhatsApp, Kik, Threema and Telegram, among others," ruled Mutuku.

The court stated that evidence from 26 witnesses demonstrated that Ali was actively linked to the terrorist organisation, disseminating information via social media and providing logistical support to ISIS through his Twitter account.

"Even if the accounts were closed, he would open others and share the information or material with the terrorist group followers," Mutuku added.

In the case, the DPP had sought a custodial sentence of up to 90 years, arguing that the charges were grave and could have had severe consequences had they been executed.

"Ali's terror network was wide, extending to the Western, North Rift and Coast regions, as well as to countries such as Somalia, Libya and Syria," Ondimu submitted.

At the High Court, he argued that if the doctor were released, he might fail to appear for the hearing given the seriousness of the case.

"The leniency of the sentence, coupled with the serious nature of the crimes, creates a significant risk that the respondents may abscond if released—particularly in anticipation of the likely outcome of the appeal," he added.

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Duncan Ondimu, Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions

### KAKAMEGA. STUDENT DIES WHILE PLAYING FOOTBALL

■ A Form Three student at Kakamega High School collapsed and died on Sunday afternoon. David Oduor fell unconscious after scoring with a header during a football match at the school grounds. He was rushed to Kakamega Teaching and Referral Hospital where he was pronounced dead on arrival. According to the Principal Julius Mambili, the student had not shown any signs of illness. "He is the class striker in the team," he said. **[Mary Imenza and Benard Lusigi]**

### MIGORI. SCHOOL CLOSED AFTER PROTEST, ARSON

■ Kodero Bara Secondary School has been closed indefinitely after student unrest and a fire that reduced the school's dormitories to ashes. Migori Education Director Jacob Onyiego said some learners destroyed property during the protest. "We cannot estimate the extent of the damage at the moment and have invited a qualified assessor to determine the cost," Onyiego said. **[Anne Atieno]**

### NAKURU. MISSING TEEN'S BODY FOUND IN MORGUE

■ A Nakuru family is devastated after the body of 15-year-old Alvin Wambaya, who went missing three weeks ago, was found at the Nakuru County Hospital Mortuary. According to morgue records, the body has been lying there for at least two weeks. His father Maurice Wambaya said Alvin left home on June 29 after eating lunch. "We reported him missing and circulated his photos online," he said. **[Ken Gachuhi]**

### NAKURU. POLICE TEARGAS EX-DP GACHAGUA ALLIES

■ There was drama when police attempted to prevent officials of former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua's Democracy for Citizens Party from addressing residents Subukia. The police barricaded the Nakuru-Nyahururu Road and lobbed tear gas canisters to disperse the officials, who were led by deputy leader Cleophas Malala, Nyandarua Senator John Methu and Naivasha MP Jayne Kihara. **[Ben Ahenda]**



## NAIVASHA

## Principals warn of crisis in transition to Grade 10

Heads of secondary schools in Nakuru County have warned of a looming crisis in the education sector come January when students transition from junior to senior secondary schools (Grade 10).

According to the principals, little has been done to accommodate the thousands of students joining public secondary schools.

The situation has been worsened by the government's failure to remit the second term's capitation, a move that has affected the payment of salaries and suppliers.

Last week, Basic Education PS Julius Bitok revealed that out of 9,750 schools listed for transition from junior to senior secondary school, 5,000 have been ignored by learners.

Speaking during a closed-door meeting, the principals noted that public schools were not ready financially and academically to receive the students. The principals, who declined to be named for fear of victimisation, said that most of the promises made by the government were on paper.

"We fear for students who will be joining senior secondary next year, as schools are ill-prepared, poorly equipped, and there is an acute short-

age of teachers," said one of the teachers.

This was echoed by another principal, who said that the process of acquiring learning materials for the students had not started a couple of months before they report to class.

"The move to categorise schools into three clusters has not been fully embraced, and many of the schools do not have the required learning materials," said the principal.

Eskimos Kobia, the secretary-general of the National Parents Association, noted that the government had failed to keep its promise of constructing more classes and laboratories for schools, despite the Treasury allocating Sh1 billion for the exercise.

"Students have continued to suffer as the government failed to employ the 20,000 intern teachers," he said.

On capitation, Kobia said there were fears that school operations could be grounded if the funds were not released on time.

He said schools had not received funds for the second term.

The law stipulates that schools get 50 per cent of the funds in the first term, 30 percent in the second term, and the rest in the third term.

**[Antony Gitonga]**



From left, Gilgil MP Martha Wangari, Nyeri Woman Rep Rahab Mukami and her Baringo counterpart Florence Jematiah. The MPs have called for investigations into allegations of fraud in the distributing of capitation funds to junior secondary schools. [Antony Gitonga, Standard]

## TRANS NZOIA

## Natembeya returns to office after court order lapses amid corruption charges

Governor George Natembeya has officially resumed duty after a 60-day court order barring him from accessing his office lapsed, pledging to forge ahead with development plans despite an ongoing corruption case against him.

He had been barred from office by orders issued by Milimani magistrate, Charles Ondieki.

The directive stemmed from a suit filed by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), which accused the governor of involvement in a Sh1.46 billion graft scandal.

In his first address after resuming

duty, he dismissed the allegations as politically motivated and maintained his innocence. He challenged EACC to declare the outcome of its investigations publicly.

"I was out of office for 60 days, yet no single EACC officer came here to collect any evidence. Why was I barred? These are political games meant to distract our focus."

"We have about two years to the next General Election. Let's focus on the big projects. These are the hurdles that come with public office. But we will deliver," said Natembeya.

**[Martin Ndiema]**

## FIRE GUTS WORKSHOP, GARAGE



A dawn fire in Kahawa Wendani estate in Kiambu County destroyed a furniture workshop and a garage yesterday. Three cars and furniture of unknown value were destroyed. Firefighters from Ruiru and the Kenya Defence Forces extinguished the inferno before it could spread to nearby residential flats. The cause of the fire was not immediately established. No one was injured. [Kennedy Mureithi, Standard]

## Trader ordered to refund Sh17m in botched land deal

► It emerged the property belonged to the government and could not be allocated.

► The buyer cleared an outstanding loan and assumed ownership of the land.

**JULIUS CHEPKWONY, NAKURU**

A businessman has been ordered to pay a doctor more than Sh17 million as a refund for a land purchase deal in Nakuru's posh Milimani Estate.

Justice Millicent Odeny ordered Boniface Munyinyi to refund Sh17,440,911 plus interest to Amos Otara within 90 days after it emerged that the property was government land and was not available for allocation.

Dr Otara said that in 2013 he sought to purchase a property in the Milimani area in Nakuru Municipality and approached Munyinyi, who had a property he was disposing of.

Otara said that upon viewing the property they agreed on a purchase price of Sh16.1 million and that the property had been charged to a bank for Sh6.5 million at the time.

The doctor said he engaged the firm of Amingá Opiyo and Masese to help him with the transaction, which confirmed that the title deed was with a bank, and they agreed he would pay a deposit to Munyinyi upon execution of the agreement, which he did.

Otara said he cleared the outstanding loan at the bank and subsequently took possession of the property.

The property, he said, was regis-

tered in his name in 2015 after he cleared with the bank, and he had been in peaceful occupation of the parcel until 2020, when some people were seen taking photographs of it.

On March 18, 2022, a group of people came and forcibly entered the property on the pretext that it was government land.

He said he later established that the team was sent by the Ministry of Devolution, the Ministry of Lands, the County Government of Nakuru and the District Land Registrar, Nakuru. Following the incident, he filed a case.

### Registered owner

He told the court that he purchased the property from Munyinyi, whom he said was the registered owner.

Munyinyi stated that he was not the first registered owner of the suit property, as he had bought it from Gilbert Kitur, with whom he entered into a sale agreement.

Christopher Auma, a veterinary doctor who testified on behalf of

the County Government of Nakuru, said the property had a government house and that, before devolution in 2013, the property belonged to the Regional Veterinary Investigations Laboratories, Nakuru.

The court, in determining the case, noted that there was no evidence to show how the suit property was allocated to Munyinyi or to the person who purportedly sold it to him.

The court found that the evidence on record, including the documents produced, showed that Munyinyi did not have good title to pass to Otara, as the property was public land that was not available for allocation.

"The property had a government house reserved for use by senior veterinary officers as per the quarterly reports to the Permanent Secretary and ministry building register," ruled the court.

The court noted that the acquisition of the property by Otara was an unfortunate case in which the remedy lies with Munyinyi, who sold him land that belonged to the government. The court further ordered that the land revert to the Ministry of Agriculture.

The Land Registrar, Nakuru County, was also directed to cancel Otara's name as the registered owner of the suit property.

"The plaintiff (Otara) has sought an alternative prayer that the first defendant (Munyinyi) refunds the full purchase price and all attendant costs of the purchase of the property in the sum of Sh17,440,911.10 plus interest. This is the most appropriate remedy for the plaintiff," the judge ordered.

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## *Trump missteps* pushing Kenya towards China

**REPORT:** Washington's withdrawal from international engagement creates a vacuum Beijing is eager to fill.

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## AGRICULTURE

## State's Sh2b fertiliser insurance programme to cushion over 250,000 farmers

At least 250,000 smallholder crop farmers are set to benefit from a fertiliser insurance programme aimed at cushioning them from climate-related risks.

The National Cereals and Produce Board (NCPB) Managing Director Samuel Karogo, yesterday said the initiative, which integrates climate-smart insurance into the national fertiliser subsidy programme, will be piloted across 11 counties.

It is expected to reach about 250,000 crop farmers before being expanded nationwide.

The pilot phase rollout will cover Mak-

ueni, Machakos, Kisii, Migori, Meru, Nyeri, Trans-Nzoia, Kakamega, Kericho, Nakuru, and Uasin Gishu counties, ahead of a national scale-up next year.

The climate change mitigative cover is worth about Sh2 billion, which is placed on the subsidised fertiliser. "This marks a major milestone in the country's strategy to build resilience among smallholder farmers," said Karogo, as he launched the programme.

The Ministry will work in partnership with Pula, Bayer Foundation, Lemonade Foundation, SOMPO Digital Lab, and Etherisc to

implement a climate-risk resilience initiative that integrates climate-smart insurance into Kenya's national fertiliser subsidy programme.

"Agricultural insurance is a step in the right direction, especially now that climate-related risks are not a distant threat to our livelihoods. This partnership is critical as it will not only protect farmers from risks such as drought and floods but will also promote a sustainable safety net for our farmers, mainly those in Arid and Semi-Arid areas," said Karogo. He explained that the project will im-

prove uptake and confidence in the fertiliser subsidy programme by offering value-added services.

Each farmer registered on the Kenya Integrated Agriculture Management Information System in the beneficiary counties will be offered insurance coverage for Sh7,000, which is equivalent to the investment needed for two bags of subsidised fertiliser, which they procure from the government.

In the subsequent seasons, the coverage amount and number of beneficiary counties will be increased. **[Irene Githinji]**

## FINANCING

## Queries over formation of African credit rating agency

Mo Ibrahim says reforming the existing global financial architecture is much easier than putting up a new institution.

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Entrepreneur and philanthropist billionaire Mo Ibrahim says the formation of a continental credit rating agency, as envisioned by President William Ruto, may leave the continent in a worse situation.

In a new report, he proposes other quick wins amid these reforms.

Through the Mo Ibrahim Foundation, he says an African credit rating agency (AfCRA) may work to the disadvantage of the countries that set it up, as lenders may find the ratings biased.

The report says big economic blocs like the European Union (EU), which attempted to restructure the global financial architecture, failed to overthrow the big agencies that still rule the market.

Reforming the existing global financial architecture, the report notes, is much easier than putting up a new institution to guide the credit rating of African economies.



The report says big economic blocs like the European Union attempted to restructure the global finance architecture but failed. **[File]**

The report dubbed, Financing the Africa We want, published in July 2025, cites potential areas for quick wins in the rating process, among them de-stigmatising the debt restricting process.

"Countries that choose to engage in debt restructuring, such as the G20 Common Framework or Debt Service Suspension Initiative, need a supportive and understanding approach that inspires confidence and coordination between creditors and debtors," the report says.

The report adds that this process will avoid the vicious cycles, with governments avoiding restructuring to escape a rating downgrade. The other option is that African countries can have a common position on credit rating agency reforms, which South Africa should lead under its G21 Presidency.

"The continent can collectively push for methodological reform, such as the reform carried out by the European Tax Observatory (EUTO) reduce the influence of credit

“Reforming the methodologies of existing agencies might be more impactful and will not come up against credibility obstacles and challenges in influencing global capital markets.”

Report

rating agencies, which could be commenced under South Africa's G21 Presidency," the report says.

When President Ruto took over the man-

tle of championing African Union reforms in February from his Rwandan counterpart, Paul Kagame, he spoke strongly of the global financial architecture, which he said is not responsive to African needs. He emphasised the need for a continental credit rating agency, saying the continent's natural capital is not factored in when interest rates are being calculated.

In June 2024, at the 59th African Development Bank (AfDB) Annual Meeting held in Nairobi, President Ruto described the global financial architecture as rigid, misaligned and a barrier to the continent's development aspirations.

"These rates are said to factor in something arbitrary called risk profile that is not applied when considering mineral extractions, even in areas of active conflict. It is safe, we are told, to mine in places where there is conflict, but risky to lend to African economies. What a contradiction," he said.

AfDB President Dr Akinwumi Adesina

SH9.75

TRILLION

**AMOUNT** that African countries would save every year in debt service if rating was done properly, according to AfDB President Akinwumi Adesina.

said there is a need for an AfCRA that understands the market, financial and political risks of the continent.

"If the rating for Africa was done properly, then we will save Sh9.75 trillion (\$75 billion) every year in debt service," he said. "In an environment of green financing and climate change, Africa's gross domestic product (GDP) is undervalued."

The report by Mo Ibrahim Foundation notes of this plan saying since the AfCRA may be able to acquire better information from African countries, some may consider its ratings more accurate.

## Local expertise

It states that whether its ratings lower Africa's borrowing costs or not, the new agency could at least boost local expertise and capacity and help governments learn how to manage the process of being rated.

"However, lenders may be reluctant to act based solely on ratings from an agency they may consider conflicted, as it would be assessing the same institutions that created it," the report says.

For this to be resolved, the report says the AfCRA would have to be established outside of the AU. "Reforming the methodologies of existing agencies might be more impactful and will not come up against credibility obstacles and challenges in influencing global capital markets," the report opines.

Mo Ibrahim Foundation sees the AfCRA more as a 'domestic supercharger', boosting local expertise and helping governments manage the rating process.

"It could follow and incorporate the example of African CRAs such as August & Co, which includes 40 per cent of qualitative data based on local knowledge," the report says.



RELATIONS

# US senators: Trump's new policies pushing Kenya towards China

Say sweeping and non-strategic cuts to US diplomatic tools, international standing and trade war against allies have undermined America's competitiveness.

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**T**he US Senate Foreign Relations Committee warns that the Trump administration's aggressive trade policies and deep cuts to diplomatic and foreign aid programmes are eroding America's global standing while creating openings for China to expand its influence in key partner nations like Kenya.

According to a new report by Democratic members of the Foreign Relations Committee, President Donald Trump's administration's

"sweeping and non-strategic cuts to US diplomatic tools and international standing, his trade war against allies and partners, and the gutting of the US Agency for International Development (USAID) and the US Agency for Global Media (USAGM)—among many other actions—have deeply undermined US competitiveness vis-a-vis China."

The 23-page report, titled "The Price of Retreat: America Cedes Global Leadership to China," provides a comprehensive assessment of how Washington's withdrawal from international engagement is reshaping global alliances.

It highlights how Washington's withdrawal from international engagement creates a vacuum Beijing is eager to fill.

It states: "As America retreats from global leadership under the Trump Administration, China is well-positioned and eager to exploit this moment of American disengagement." Its release comes at a critical moment for US-Kenya relations, with punishing tariffs set to take effect on August 1 that could slash \$100 million (Sh13 billion) from Kenya's export earnings to the United States.

Kenyan manufacturers are bracing for severe economic consequences as the Trump administration prepares to reinstate 10 per cent tariffs on key exports. The move comes after failed negotiations during a 90-day grace period that was granted in April.

Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent made the Trump administration's position clear in a recent CNN interview, stating bluntly: "The President has been clear—no more extensions. If you don't move things along, you boomerang back to your April 2 tariff level."

The timing couldn't be worse for Ken-

ya's economy. The African Growth and Opportunity Act (Agoa), which provides duty-free access for many Kenyan goods to the US market, is set to expire in September 2025. The combination of new tariffs and Agoa's potential expiration has created what industry leaders describe as an existential threat to Kenya's manufacturing sector, particularly its burgeoning apparel industry.

"We built entire factories, hired thousands of workers, and established supply chains based on Agoa access," said one Nairobi-based factory owner.

"Now we're being told the rules have changed overnight. We're not just facing lost profits—we're looking at complete business collapse."

The Kenya Association of Manufacturers estimates the tariffs could wipe out \$72 million (Sh9.3 billion) in annual exports and put 600,000 jobs at risk.

Particularly vulnerable are the textile factories in Export Processing Zones around Nairobi, where workers—many of them young women—earn wages that support entire families.

## Agricultural exports

The new US Senate report documents how US policy shifts are accelerating Kenya's economic realignment toward China. During President William Ruto's April 2025 state visit to Beijing, the two nations signed 22 new agreements covering infrastructure, trade, and agricultural exports.

While Kenyan officials prefer balanced relations with both powers, the practical realities of US trade policies are forcing difficult choices, the US Senators suggest. Their report highlights several areas where the US retreat has created space for Chinese advancement.

The report was compiled by US Senators on the US Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. They include Jeanne Shaheen (Ranking Member), Chris Coons, Chris Murphy, Tim Kaine, Jeff Merkley and Brian Schatz. Others are Cory Booker, Chris Van Hollen, Tammy Duckworth and Jacky Rosen.

They point out that a \$60 million (Sh7.8 billion) Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) programme to develop Nairobi's Bus Rapid Transit system remains frozen amid the administration's broader review of foreign assistance. They point out that Chinese firms have moved aggressively to finance and build major



President William Ruto, accompanied by his Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping inspect a guard of honour at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, China. Ruto said Kenya will strengthen co-operation with China to confront challenges in infrastructure and trade. [PCS]

SH13  
BILLION

VALUE of export earnings to the US that could be hurt when the 10 per cent tariffs take effect on August 1.

SH7.8  
BILLION

COST OF the Millennium Challenge Corporation programme to develop Nairobi's Bus Rapid Transit system, which remains frozen.

**“**As America retreats from global leadership under the Trump Administration, China is well-positioned and eager to exploit this moment of American disengagement.”

Report

transportation projects across Kenya, including the extension of the \$3.2 billion (Sh416 billion) Nairobi-Mombasa standard gauge railway completed in 2017.

Plans to upgrade the Manda Bay runway near Camp Simba—a key facility for US counterterrorism operations in East Africa—have stalled due to funding delays. The report notes that over the past decade, China's share of Kenya's military imports has grown from nearly zero to 50 per cent, with Beijing now providing annual training for hundreds of Kenyan security personnel.

## Aviation advisory

The US reportedly terminated a \$2.5 million (Sh325 million) aviation advisory programme for Kenyan peacekeepers in March 2025, even as China expands its participation in UN peacekeeping missions across Africa.

The US Senate report frames these Kenya-specific developments as part of a dangerous global trend. "The administration's sweeping and non-strategic cuts to our diplomatic tools, its trade war against allies and partners, and the gutting of USAID and USAGM have deeply undermined US competitiveness vis-a-vis China," the report states.

Particular concern is focused on proposed cuts to the MCC, which the report describes as "a highly transparent US development agency and proven effective tool for countering China's Belt and Road Initiative." Secretary of State Marco Rubio has defended the Trump administration's approach, arguing the tariffs are necessary to correct decades of trade imbalances.

"This isn't about one country or one region," Rubio said at a recent press briefing. "We're finally putting America first after years of bad deals."

The report, however, outlines an alternative detailed strategy to rebuild US influence, including Emergency funding to restore critical foreign assistance programmes, legislation to block proposed cuts to the MCC and USAID and new exchange programmes to counter Chinese soft power.

They also advocate for congressional reassertion of authority over trade policy and enhanced security cooperation with key partners like Kenya. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, the committee member emphasised the urgency of action.

As the August 1, Trump tariff deadline approaches, Kenyan business owners are making contingency plans. Some are exploring new markets in Europe and Asia, while others are considering relocating operations to countries that still enjoy preferential US trade access.

"The irony is painful," said a senior Kenyan foreign affairs ministry official who sought anonymity to speak freely.

"America says it wants to counter China in Africa, but its policies are practically handing opportunities to Beijing on a silver platter." The Senate Foreign Relations Committee Minority Report emphasises that "while serious damage has been inflicted on US credibility, diplomatic tools and international leadership over the last six months, it is not too late for the executive and legislative branches to reestablish and robustly fund the tools America needs to compete effectively with China."



## SPECIAL REPORT

# Firms to wait longer for payment as pending bills verification drags on

While it is impossible to clear all the pending bills this financial year, Treasury has only allocated Sh2.75 billion to pay suppliers.

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Last week, National Cabinet Secretary John Mbadi said the government had started paying businesses pending bills, starting with the players in the roads sector.

He, however, dampened the news that would have been welcomed with cheers by the business community when he said companies, many of them SMEs, would have to wait longer as the government verifies their pending bills.

The exercise that started in September 2023 was expected to end last year. However, it has received several extensions, the latest being the end of June this year. Mbadi however said the Pending Bills Verification Committee chaired by former Auditor General Edward Ouko has not handed in the final report and when it does, this will be subjected to Cabinet approval before it can start paying.

And even with cabinet approval, analysts note that while it is impossible to clear all the pending bills this financial year, Treasury has not allocated funds to clear any significant fraction of the funds owed to businesses.

This points to further delays in the payment despite the impact on businesses and the economy.

Different people have tried to demonstrate this impact. In May this year, Irungu Nyakera, a former Principal Secretary and recent chair of the Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (Kemsu) termed doing business with the 47 county governments and the national government as 48 ways to die in Kenya financially.

This is on account of pending bills, with the money that the State and counties owe running in the hundreds of billions.

The government's repeated promises to pay, including Mbadi's word earlier this year that Treasury would allocate some funds in the third supplementary budget for the 2024/25 financial year, have amounted to nought.

Nyakera told Kenyans, especially youth in business, to stay away from doing business with the government.

"Youth of Kenya, hear me out: Avoid government tenders unless you have a death wish, or unless you have a rich uncle in State House," he said in a post on social media. "You will deliver, they won't pay. You'll drown in debt. You'll be auctioned. You'll get depressed and even contemplate suicide! Avoid."

Doing business with the government, users reacting to his posted notes, has two sides to it. On the one hand, the richest people and families in Kenya acquired their wealth as a result of working with the government. On the other hand, it is characterised by weeping and gnashing of teeth as young people and other smaller business owners suffer from doing business with the government.

One story that perhaps captures the impact of pending bills on people's lives and livelihoods is that of Hannah Ndugire, the granny roads contractor from Nyandarua County, who died in February 2023.

## Fighting off auctioneers

Her death was attributed to the toll that her long fight with the county government over pending bills had on her health, resulting in bouts of depression and eventually claiming her life.

It was only after her death that the county said it would pay the money owed to the granny. Two and a half years after her death, many businesses – a majority of them small and mid-sized small business owners – are still waiting for the government to make meaningful efforts in payment of their pending bills.

Behind the firms, many of them little-known brands, are people who have to go without salaries while the owners of the entities keep digging themselves deeper in debt and fighting off auctioneers.

Patrick Muinde, an economist, noted that SMEs rarely have working capital and have to borrow to execute the contracts. When the government delays their payments, they suffer double tragedy when lenders come after them.

"Businesses end up defaulting and are then auctioned. These are people's lives. The situation is that when you get a government contract, it could very well end

## IN NUMBERS

# 65,627

PENDING bill claims valued at over Sh571.6 billion that the Pending Bills Verification Committee received.

# SH229

## BILLION

WHAT has been recommended for settlement by the Pending Bills Verification Committee

THE committee's recommendation for the government to settle Sh229 billion, which is less than half of the Sh522.9 billion pending bills analysed.



# SH684

## BILLION

MONEY owed to businesses by the State and counties, according to the Controller of Budget, as of March this year.

THE bulk of this is owed by the State at Sh511.75 billion, while counties' pending bills stood at Sh172.51 billion.

# 95%

PENDING bills claims reviewed by the Committee which are below Sh10 million, mostly owed to SMEs according to Mbadi.



National Treasury Building. Treasury has allocated Sh2.75 billion for pending bills for the 2024/25 financial year, a reduction from Sh10 billion it had allocated in the budget for the current financial year. [File, Standard]

up becoming a death warrant," he told *The Standard* in a past interview.

Mbadi said last week that the government had started paying pending bills owed to contractors in the road sector. This followed the government's borrowing of loans using the Road Maintenance Levy as collateral, a move that has kicked up a storm, with a section of Kenya protesting the move.

In Securitising a portion of the road levy, the government plans to borrow Sh175 billion that would go towards the road sector, including payment bills. Questions, however, abound about the payment of pending bills to players in other sectors.

"We have started the process of settling pending bills that have been validated, particularly those related to road construction, which has resulted in the resumption of road construction projects across the country, which had been completed for about two years," said Mbadi.

He added that "the pending bills are currently being verified". "The committee is yet to give me the final report. Once completed, recommendations shall be tabled in cabinet for approval, after which, we shall embark on the process of clearing the legible bills, starting with those related to individuals and the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, the majority of whom have borne the brunt of non-payment," said Mbadi.

Mbadi, when he delivered this year's budget statement in Parliament on June 12, said the Committee's time had been extended to June 30, explaining to Parliament that he now expected the final report by the end of June.

"The government remains committed to resolving the longstanding issues

of pending bills dating back to 2005 as part of broader efforts to strengthen public financial management and restore confidence in the government process," said Mbadi.

"The pending bills verification committee appointed in September 2023 is finalising its report for submission by the end of this month (June). Since the inauguration, the committee received a total of 65,627 pending bill claims valued at over Sh571.6 billion," said Mbadi.

"The Committee has analysed 57 per cent of the bills received, valued at Sh522.9 billion. Out of this, a total of Sh229 billion has been recommended for settlement. Once the Committee submits its report, we shall submit the recommendations to Cabinet for approval to settle the pending bills."

The committee's recommendation for the government to settle Sh229 billion, which is less than half of the Sh522.9 billion pending bills analysed, could be an indication of the level of fraudulent claims or the firms owed money by the government, including other charges like interest and penalties.

According to the Controller of Budget, the State and counties owe businesses a combined Sh684.26 billion as of March this year. The bulk of this is owed by the national government at Sh511.75 billion, while counties' pending bills stood at Sh172.51, with Nairobi County accounting for the largest Share of Sh115.69 billion or 67 per cent of the counties' pending bills.

## Liquidity constraint

CS Mbadi has in the past said more than 95 per cent of the pending bills that the Committee had reviewed are claims of amounts below Sh10 million,





which are mostly owed to small and medium-sized enterprises.

“Accumulation of pending bills restrains cash flows to businesses, resulting in liquidity constraints, especially for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises, as they have to endure the long wait for settlement of overdue payments,” said the office of COB in its latest report.

“This forces such businesses to either scale back operations, lay off workers, or even shut down operations. It also leads to high government costs of doing business due to the accumulation of inter-



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John Mbadi, National Treasury Cabinet Secretary



est charges and penalties on unpaid invoices, and it erodes trust between the government and the private sector.”

It urged the National Treasury should fast-track the verification of all pending bills and implement the pending bills verification report, including hastened settlement of all bills assessed and cleared for payment.

Over the 2025/26 financial year, Treasury allocated Sh2.75 billion for pending bills for the 2024/25 financial year, a reduction from Sh10 billion it had allocated in the budget for the current financial year.

“The government has allocated Sh2.747 billion to clear arrears, including pending bills. This is a reduction from the FY2024/25 budget allocation of Sh10 billion (73 per cent reduction),” said analysts from PwC in a recent report analysing the budget.

“The paltry allocation to clear pending bills raises uncertainty regarding the Government’s commitment and timelines to clear pending bills.” Muinde said the government cannot be “verifying pending billions in perpetuity”. He noted that this could open room for unscrupulous businesses, which have no qualms about unethical and even illegal practices of paying bribes to get their payments processed, to do business with the government.

Such businesses also tend to overprice goods and services, and the government ends up paying high prices for what they are supplying.

“Right now, there are few business people who want to do business with the government. Because of the uncertainty and lack of payment, you find that people who are willing to do it are the people who are able to get their way around the bureaucracy, people who are able to corrupt and get paid. Even when we are saying that people are not being paid, there are people who are getting paid,” said Muinde.

“What happens is that if somebody in such deals factors in the cost of kickbacks, the government ends up paying for an item even up to 100 times more than the market price. You find that the only people who will increasingly do business with the government are the crooked ones, and the result is that the government cannot buy anything at market price.”

CYBER SECURITY

Weak password allowed hackers to sink a 158-year-old company



One password is believed to have been all it took for a ransomware gang to destroy a 158-year-old company and put 700 people out of work. KNP - a Northamptonshire transport company - is just one of tens of thousands of UK businesses that have been hit by such attacks.

Big names such as M&S, Co-op and Harrods have all been attacked in recent months. The chief executive of Co-op confirmed last week that all 6.5 million of its members had had their data stolen.

In KNP’s case, it’s thought the hackers managed to gain entry to the computer system by guessing an employee’s password, after which they encrypted the company’s data and locked its internal systems. KNP director Paul Abbott says he hasn’t told the employee that their compromised password most likely led to the destruction of the company. “Would you want to know if it was you?” he asks.

“We need organisations to take steps to secure their systems, to secure their businesses,” says Richard Horne CEO of the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) - where Panorama has been given exclusive access to the team battling international ransomware gangs.

One small mistake

In 2023, KNP was running 500 lorries - most under the brand name Knights of Old.

The company said its IT complied with industry standards, and it had taken out insurance against cyber-attacks. But a gang of hackers, known as Akira, got into the system leaving staff unable to access any of the data needed to run the business. The only way to get the data back, said the hackers, was to pay.

Paul Abbott’s company KNP was attacked by ransomware hackers.

“If you’re reading this it means the internal infrastructure of your company is fully or partially dead...Let’s keep all the tears and resentment to ourselves and try to build a constructive dialogue,” read the ransom note.

The hackers didn’t name a price, but a specialist ransomware negotiation firm estimated the sum could be as much as £5m. KNP didn’t have that kind of money. In the end all the data was lost, and the company went under.

When KNP went under, 700 people lost their jobs. The National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) says its goal is “to make the UK the safest place to live and work online”. It says it deals with a

major attack every day.

The NCSC is part of GCHQ, one of the UK’s three main security services alongside MI5 and MI6. The hackers are not doing anything new, says “Sam” (not his real name), who runs an NCSC team dealing with day-to-day attacks.

They are just looking for a weak link, he tells Panorama.

“They’re just constantly finding organisations on a bad day and then taking advantage of them.” Using intelligence sources, NCSC operatives try to spot attacks and eject hackers from computer systems before they can deploy ransom software. “Jake” (not his real name) was the night duty officer during a recent incident when hackers were stopped.

“You understand the scale of what’s going on and you want to reduce the harm,” he says. “It can be thrilling, especially if we’re successful.”

But the NCSC can only provide one layer of protection, and ransomware is a growing and lucrative crime. “Part of the problem is there’s a lot of attackers,” says Sam. “There’s not that many of us.”

Statistics are hard to come by because companies don’t have to report attacks or if they have paid ransoms. However, there were an estimated 19,000 ransomware attacks on UK businesses last year, according to the government’s cybersecurity survey.

Industry research suggests the typical UK ransom demand is about £4 million (Sh520 million) and that about a third of companies simply pay up.

Richard Horne, CEO, National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC), says companies need to step up and improve their cybersecurity.

“We’ve seen a wave of criminal cyber-attacks over the last few years,” says Richard Horne, the NCSC’s CEO. He denies the criminals are winning, but says that companies need to improve their cyber-security.

If prevention doesn’t work, another team of officers at the National Crime Agency (NCA) has the job of catching the offenders.

Hacking is on the rise because it’s such a lucrative crime, says Suzanne Grimmer, who heads a team NCA. Her unit carried out the initial assessment into the M&S hack. Suzanne Grimmer, National Crime Agency, says hacking attacks have almost doubled.

Incidents have almost doubled to about 35-40 a week since she took over the unit two years ago. [BBC]



## COMMENTARY

# Time to smell soccer money fast like the Americans



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**T**he presence of President Donald Trump in the closing ceremony of the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) Club World Cup that pitted Chelsea FC against PSG St Germain was not a random event. It was more than the United States (US) hosting the FIFA World Cup next year.

Most Kenyans watched the match.

The presence of an English Premier League team Chelsea must have attracted lots of Kenyans.

We have a cultic obsession with English Premier League teams. Every Kenyan, including women now “own” a Premier League team. Who owns Gor Mahia, AFC Leopards, and Sofapaka, among others? That is not surprising.

We have no such teams or facilities to nurture them. But let us not beat ourselves too hard.

The English teams have been there for a long time; Chelsea was founded in 1905, Liverpool in 1992 and Arsenal in 1882. Check the birthday of your favourite



US President Donald Trump celebrates the trophy raise with FIFA Club World Cup final winners, Chelsea. [File, Standard]

team. The presence of President Trump is perhaps the best indicator that Americans can smell money in soccer. It's a different game compared with American football, itself a variant of rugby.

Americans took great efforts to differentiate themselves from the English.

They keep right on the road, switch up, first floor is ground floor, use miles, and gallons. Use different plugs and even English.

Was it a backlash against colonialism or just a way to protect the home market? Why should the US smell the money in soccer? Because it's there! In the 2024/5 season, Liverpool, the Premier League winner, earned \$234 million, a cool Sh30 billion. That's one team!

Before we get mesmerised by money, let's remember that the majority of English Premier League teams have some American ownership. Donald Trump's presence was just confirming that. Forget Middle Easterners for now.



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One key source is broadcasting rights, often sold in an auction. As you watch that match in a sports bar, someone is making more money from the rights to broadcast these matches!

It gets more interesting, Manchester United is listed on the London Stock Exchange. Any Kenyan who owns its shares? When are we floating Kenyan teams in an initial public offering (IPO)? Where does the money in soccer come from? One key source is broadcasting rights, often sold in an auction.

As you watch that match in a sports bar, someone is making more money from the rights to broadcast these matches! Should I add from the drink you are taking, unlikely to be uji.

The match day ticket sales are another source, with drinks, food and merchandise on sale, we still want to watch matches live. And it's not cheap, with prices dependent on demand.

Popular matches are more costly. I checked online; a Man U vs Man City ticket on January 17, 2026, costs £249 (Sh43,000) - a small cow. Another game against Sunderland on October 4, 2025, is only £169 (Sh29,000).

You are smelling money or coffee? The more successful a team is, the more fans want to watch it online and live, and the more money the team and its owners make. Success begets success in football.

A curious source of money in soccer is selling players! If a club can spot talents and develop it, it can make huge profits. Remember Neymar's €222 million transfer from Barcelona to PSG (2017)? That was Sh33.3 billion, still unmatched.

There is lots of money in selling branded team merchandise like caps and R-shirts. I once visited the ManU store, but not as a fan. Any lessons for Kenya?

The French World Cup team has lots of players who look like me.

The English Premier League has many players who look like me. That is clear evidence that we can develop and nurture our football to global standards.

And we have the key raw material in football, the youth. In fact, we have an oversupply of talent. The percentage of Kenyans under 35 years is 80 per cent of the population! Compare that with European countries. We are very good at running, because there is money. Why are we not chasing the money in football?

## Foreign investors

It's not just football; we can't smell the money in golf with our 365 days of sunshine. Why do we complain of poverty, yet we can't pursue the money where it is? It's a real paradox. Think of foreign investors who flock here to make money?

In fact, we beg them to come and make money! I will ask, like late Njeri Riunge, the cofounder of Wananchi Online Ltd, one of Kenya's pioneer internet providers, “why can't we make that money ourselves?”

Maybe learning to smell money is not easy. How long does it take to train a police dog to sniff cocaine? Curiously, we smell dirty money very quickly through corruption and deals. Why can't we make money in unusual places like football and other sports?

Smelling money may be tacit knowledge. We can copy the US Constitution, but not their money-smelling or entrepreneurial skills. After 60 years as a nation, we should be focusing on generating more wealth, not sharing it. Food for thought: Why do we guard money on transit with guns and not babies going home from maternity wards?

## ENERGY

# China begins building world's largest dam, fuelling fears in India

Chinese authorities have begun constructing what will be the world's largest hydropower dam in Tibetan territory, in a project that has sparked concerns from India and Bangladesh.

Chinese Premier Li Qiang presided over a ceremony marking the start of construction on the Yarlung Tsangpo River on Saturday, according to local media.

The river flows through the Tibetan plateau as well as multiple South Asian nations.

The project has attracted criticism for its potential impact on millions of Indians and Bangladeshis living downriver, as well as the surrounding environment and local Tibetans.

Beijing has said the development will prioritise ecological protection and boost

local prosperity. When completed, the \$12 billion (\$1.67 billion or Sh217 billion) project - also known as the Motuo Hydropower Station - will overtake the Three Gorges dam as the world's largest, and could generate three times more energy.

Experts and officials have flagged concerns that the new dam would empower China to control or divert the trans-border Yarlung Tsangpo, which flows south into India's Arunachal Pradesh and Assam states as well as Bangladesh, where it feeds into the Siang, Brahmaputra and Jamuna rivers.

A 2020 report published by the Lowy Institute, an Australian-based think tank, noted that “control over these rivers [in the Tibetan Plateau] effectively gives China a choke-

hold on India's economy”. In an interview with news agency PTI earlier this month, Arunachal Pradesh chief minister Pema Khandu expressed concern that the Siang and Brahmaputra could “dry up considerably” once the dam was completed.

He added that the dam was “going to cause an existential threat to our tribes and our livelihoods. It is quite serious because China could even use this as a sort of ‘water bomb’”.

“Suppose the dam is built and they suddenly release water, our entire Siang belt would be destroyed,” he said. “In particular, the Adi tribe and similar groups... would see all their property, land, and especially human life, suffer devastating effects.”

India's federal government has in the past

expressed concerns to China about the impact of the dam on communities downriver. It also plans to build a hydropower dam on the Siang River, which would act as a buffer against sudden water releases from China's dam and prevent flooding in their areas.

China's foreign ministry has previously responded to India, saying in 2020 that China has a “legitimate right” to dam the river and has considered downstream impacts.

Bangladesh also expressed concerns to China about the project, with officials in February sending a letter to Beijing requesting more information on the dam.

Chinese authorities have long eyed the hydropower potential of the dam's location in the Tibet Autonomous Region. [BBC]





## Fathers of Nations by Paul B. Vitta

**Question 2: Compulsory question:** Manipulation of Africans by foreign interests occurs in ways that are hidden, with the result of ensuring Africa does not attain its desires. In reference to Fathers of Nations, justify the truth of this statement. (20 marks)



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### Introduction:

Taking advantage of African people by non-natives of Africa is concealed but with the outcome of frustrating Africa from realising its pursuits.

**Mi.** Professor Kimani just out jail, having served six month term for fighting Newborn Walomu who 'stole' his wife and a demotion from his employer-the University of Nairobi as well as a broken family-having lost his wife who left him to marry Newborn Walomu, is a vulnerable recruit of **Path Alpha**. Professor Karanja Kimani has just come out jail, having served six month term for fighting Newborn Walomu who 'stole' his wife and a demotion from his employer-the University of Nairobi from professorship back to starting rank as senior lecturer, as well as a broken family-having lost his wife who left him to marry Newborn Walomu, a politician; as well as a daughter-Tuni, who perished in a fatal road accident. As he walked back to his house, dejectedly putting foot ahead of foot, his career was all he could see. And it was doomed beyond revival. (Pg.38, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph). Professor Karanja Kimani's background makes him almost an obvious recruit of Tad into Path Alpha.

**Mii** Comrade Ngobile Melusi suffered tribal injustice, being Ndebele- Zimbabwe's minority tribe. Despite having been among liberators of Zimbabwe from colonialist-Smith, alongside the new ruler, earning the coveted title '**Comrade**', he is by-passed for ministerial appointment, **Gukurahundi**- a Fifth Brigade, descend on Ndebele, Comrade Melusi's wife Ziliza is murdered. When Comrade Melusi relocates into the poor slum in Harare to continue his business, he is unlucky: **Murambatsvina** expelled us, the trash, all right. (Pg.97 2<sup>nd</sup> last paragraph).

**Murambatsvina's** real aim, according to 'the bomber': **to prevent disease and curb crime**. (Pg.98 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph). Its true aim: **to punish us, the urban poor, for supporting opposition parties**. (Pg.98 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph). This was after Comrade Melusi's attempt to run for president was unsuccessful- partly due to rigging. Comrade Melusi thus is battered and exposed. In his own confession to Tad, Comrade Melusi admits **Murambatsvina** chewed me up then spat me out. (Pg.98 2<sup>nd</sup> last paragraph). When Tad finally hands him a stack of dollars, he also hands him **Path Alpha** and it is obvious he has been conveniently lured into a foreign mission.

**Miii** The state of things inside Nigeria makes Pastor Chineke Chiamaka seek alternative and relevance elsewhere. 'Our president has made public a memo he has written to his staff about an ongoing problem'. 'But you know what? When there is a problem, Nigeria expects its president to find a solution, not write a memo'. (Pg.114, 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph). Pulling out a photocopy of the president's memo leaked out to him by a news reporter then read from it. "Quote, *my government advises its officers to treat recent events with caution, unquote*. As his fist pounded the pulpit, 'But, again, brothers and sisters, a government is supposed to take action, not advise itself.' (Pg.115 at the top) 'Not long ago, 'riots broke out and brought havoc to a region of our land. 'Wholly to blame in that chaos was a neighbouring region. 'And what has our president done to stop the fires that have been consuming our cities?' 'The president has called the fires '**recent events**'. Merely writing a memo about a problem doesn't solve the problem, does it? Only our man thinks it does!" (Pg.115 last paragraph to Pg.116 at the top) Subjected to arrest by police at dawn the following morning and incarceration for the next two weeks in a filthy police cell-rat infested with smelly inmates and slapped with a ban on preaching, **Path Alpha** is an alternative relief for him. (Pg.116, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph).

**Miv** Engineer Seif Tahir suffers disappointment due to dismantling of '**Fist of Allah**'-a unilateral decision undertaken by the leader of Libya, without being mindful of dedicated professionals like himself- passionate and dedicated. Even if dismantling '**Fist of Allah**' was necessary, an alternative would have been provided to cater for professionals. Engineer Tahir's dedication began with trailblazing academic record which sees him graduate from Abdelaziz Academy, in Tripoli, proceeding to study weapons development at the University of Paris. His returns to Libya coincides with the

leader of Libya celebrating his twentieth year in power. His desire was to build **real** (nuclear) weapons for Libya. (Pg.117, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph). Engineer Tahir's passion sees him dismissing opponents of the leader of Libya as 'crackpots left alone and ignored'. (Pg.117, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph). Engineer Tahir praises the leader's efforts in closing down foreign military bases, nationalising foreign businesses, recent discovery of petroleum reserves. Nuclear weapons are the ultimate weapons as they deter offence and the leader of Libya had launched a programme to make them, naming the programme the '**Fist of Allah**'-itself a warning to all that might have thought it just another human effort. (Pg.117, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph to Pg. 118 at the top). When Al-Qaeda struck on American soil, the leader scrambled to his bases to shield Libya from America's revenge in the process dismantling the '**Fist of Allah**' itself, an act considered *shirk*, or sacrilege. (Pg.118, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph). Engineer Tahir is angry beyond words, now hates the leader he now considers a villain. Engineer Tahir's destruction is rapid: he falls in love with a female colleague-Ms Mahmoud, first to cross his field of view the next day. (Pg.119, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph). This move ends almost fatally. (Pg.121 last paragraph to Pg.122 at the top). Restlessness overwhelm Engineer Tahir. He screams and shouts, sinks into a deep gloom. He left Tripoli to Benghazi. (Pg.123 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph). Engineer Tahir runs into Tad at a street-side café. (Pg.124, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph). He enlisted on the spot. (Pg.125, 1<sup>st</sup> to last paragraph). Tad is sly and scheming. He manipulates Engineer Tahir into thinking that Path Alpha offers an alternative.

**Mv** Dr Afolabi, is a typical case of manipulation-Despite being a globe-trotting scholar-studied at Harvard University, teaching at Ibadan University; also invited by **The Foundation for Democratic Rule** in Washington America to give a keynote address at an annual conference. (Pg.66 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph). Nevertheless he, compromises his earlier allegiance to **Way Omega** and shifts to **Path Alpha**, having been compromised by Tad on the flight back to Nigeria. Tad Longway is scheming for the upcoming summit to defeat adoption of **Way Omega**.

**Mvi** Africa is manipulated by aids dangled by foreigners. When Africa was affected by a global economic recession making jobs and incomes vanish, donors forced Africa to make changes. (Pg.22, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph). Aid was pegged on Africa doing what donors wanted. 'Look here, you Africa,' 'You will get no more aid from us unless you change this, that and the other, understand?' (Pg.22, 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph). 'Africa did as told'. (Pg.22 last paragraph to Pg.23). This is both in the case of Kenya and Zimbabwe.

**In conclusion** manipulation by foreign interests bring down the summit of African heads of state and governments intended to adopt way omega.

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### Eco-friendly money habits: Tips to re-use water at home

One evening, 14-year-old Otieno was sitting at the kitchen table, trying to concentrate on his homework. But all he could hear was a drip! drip! drip! sound coming from the bathroom. She tried several times to ignore that sound but at some point, he got annoyed, got up and went to check.

It was the bathroom tap that had just a tiny drip with nothing big. Something reminded him of a lesson from his science teacher which had stuck in his mind. One leaky tap can waste over 300 gallons of water in a year. That sounded like a lot. Otieno got curious. He grabbed a measuring cup and a stopwatch. He timed the drip for one minute and it amounted to almost a quarter cup of water. He did the math in an hour, which amounted to almost 15 cups of water. In a 24 hours day, it was nearly 22 gallons of water going down the drain.

Shocked, he told his parents. Together, they fixed the leak in 10 minutes with a new tap and a new washer that costed less than what a bottle of soda costs.

Inspired, Otieno started checking around the house. They put a bucket in the shower to collect water while it heated up. They used this water to water the plants. He convinced his sister to turn off the tap while brushing her teeth. His dad even got a water-efficient showerhead.

At school, Otieno shared his "Drip Detective" story in the science class. Soon, his friends were doing the same at home. Sometimes, big change starts with a tiny drip.

### Lesson:

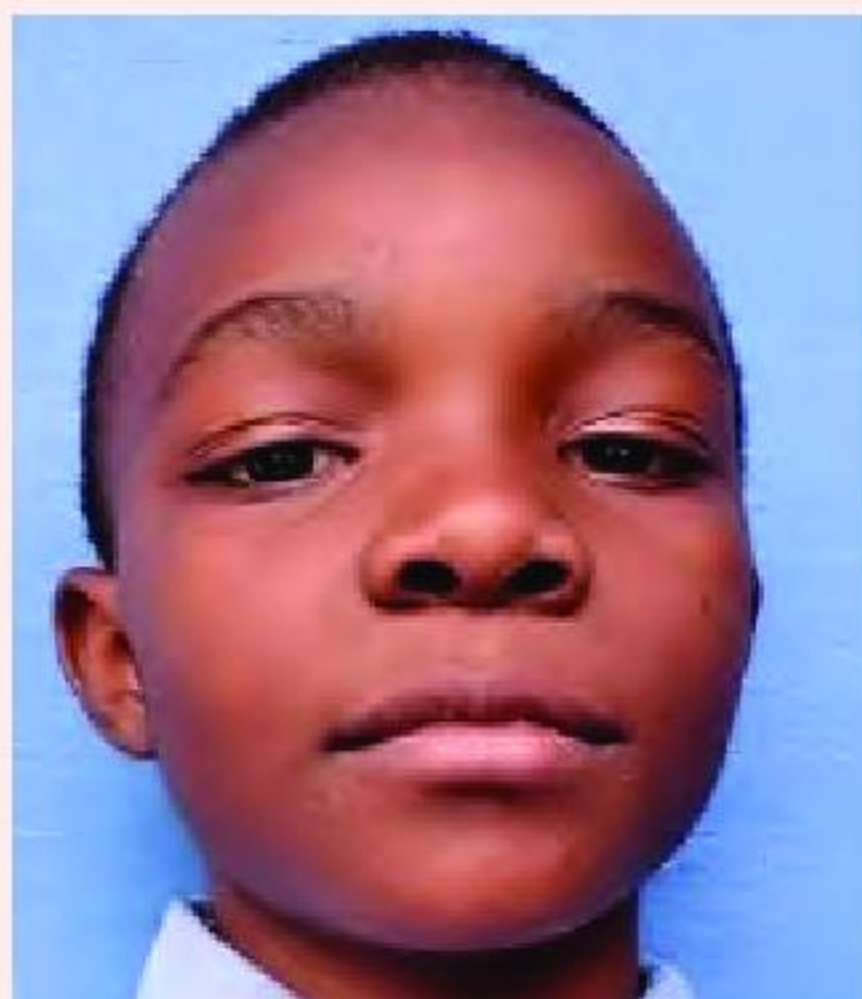
Be a water-saving detective in your own home. Place a bucket under the shower. Divert rain water. Save water from washing fruits and vegetables. Re-use water from washing rice and pasta to water flowers and other plants. Carry re-usable water bottles. Water your flowers and other plants at sunrise or sunset to avoid losing water to evaporation. Check for leaks on taps. A leak of one drop per second can waste up to 3,000 gallons of water in a year. Grey water is relatively clean water from the bathroom sink or washing machine. It can be used to flush the toilet. Do not use too much water for laundry or washing dishes to reduce on soap waste. Use a bucket to wash windows and the car, and lastly, use a watering can where possible.

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## Composition



### An adventure with a fairy

It all begun on a quiet winter evening in the woods, behind my grandparent's cottage. The sun had just set below the horizon, casting a golden ray over the treetops. I was following a rabbit's trail, hoping to find wild berries, when I stumbled upon a glowing orb hovering above a patch of wildflowers. Curious I reached out and the orb moved away, laughing softly. Startled I realized it wasn't an orb, at all but a tiny creature with wings; a fairy. She introduced herself as Mary, guardian of the forest. Her voice sounded like wind chimes, and she glowed in the twilight. Sensing no fear in me, she invited me on an adventure. "The forests are in danger", she said, "and I need your help".

Without hesitation, I agreed. She sprinkled glowing dust over me, and suddenly I felt weightless, as if gravity had lost its grip. We flew off into the trees, flying just above the forest floor. Everything looked magical from up, there - the leaves rustled, animals watched in silent curiosity, and air shimmered with enchantment.

We soon reached a hollow tree, ancient and cracked. "This is the Heart Tree", Mary whispered. "It's monk keeps the forest alive, but a dark spirit is trying to poison it". Inside the trees base was a small swirling shadow, pulsing with dark energy. Mary handed me a crystal vial filled with pure spring water blessed by the forest spirits.

"Pour this into the heartwood", she instructed. And I did, the dark spirit shrieked and vanished into a puff of dark smoke. Lights surged through the entire tree, and the forest sighed in relief - a deep, calming sound like wind through pine leaves.

Our mission is complete. Mary guided me back to the edge of the forest. Before leaving she pressed a tiny oak leaf, into my palm. "if you every need me, hold this and call my name," she said with a smile. Then, with a swirl of glowing light, she vanished into the night.

After she vanished I obtained my human form back. I picked the wild berries and headed home. Ever since that day, I made sure to protect the forest - because I knew fairies are real and adventures could happen when you least expect them.

**By: Augustine Marita, Grade 6, Aloys FP Academy, Embakasi South, Nairobi County.**

## Insha



### Kiburi ki karibu na kaburi

Kiburi alizaliwa na kulelewa kwa tunu na tamasha. Wavyele wake walimwonea fahari kubwa malaika huyu waliompata, akawa tiba ya taabu za ugumba na utasa. Walichachatika kwa kwa furaha ghaya kwani aliye na mwana haeleki jiwe.

Wavyele wake walikuwa matajiri

kupindukia. Waliyamiliki mashangingi aina ya piado, majumba madal basara, migunda mikubwa kama uwanja wa ahera. Hata hivyo Kiburi alikuwa kufuambele masomoni.

Pindi tu alivyojiunga na darasa la nane akaanza kupotoka kwa kuwatupia wanafunzi wenzake cheze za matusi, kupigana shuleni na kadhalika. Kaumu moja, kiburi alipotoka shuleni alifahamishwa kuwa wazazi wake walikuwa wamefarakana na sayari ya tatu katika ajali mbi ya barasteni.

Mtima wake ulidunda dududu kama ishara ya jinsi alivyostuka. Kadri siku zilivyozi kusonga ndivyo alivyozi kudidimia dididi katika silka yake benibeni yaonyesha mgongo masomo yake na kujiunga na kundi la vijana waliotumia dawa za kulevya. Kiburi alizidi kukonda na kuonekana akiwa kifyefye cha mtu yeyote yule.

Kaumu moja kiburi alikuwa amelewa chakari akakumbana na bibi mmoja na kumtukana, wakaazi waliokuwa karibu walitaka kumpiga kichapo cha mbwa msikitini, kwa bahati nzuri wanaaskari walifika kwa haraka na kumuokoa

Alipopelekwa gerezani alianza kujutia aushi yake ya awali lakini ilimgharimu miaka tandatu. Hapo ndipo nilipodhukuru kwamba kiburi ki karibu na kaburi.

**By: Joseph Weru, Grade 9, Aloys FP Academy, Embakasi South, Nairobi County.**

## Children's Corner

### IF YOU COULD WRITE A MOTTO OR QUOTE ON YOUR STUDY DESK TO KEEP YOU GOING, WHAT WOULD IT BE?



**Ethan Kimani, Grade 9, Sunrise Children's Garden School, Nairobi County.**

Tough times won't last, because I believe every cloud has a silver lining. We should always be optimistic. I also remember what my teacher says: 'My attitude determines my direction.'



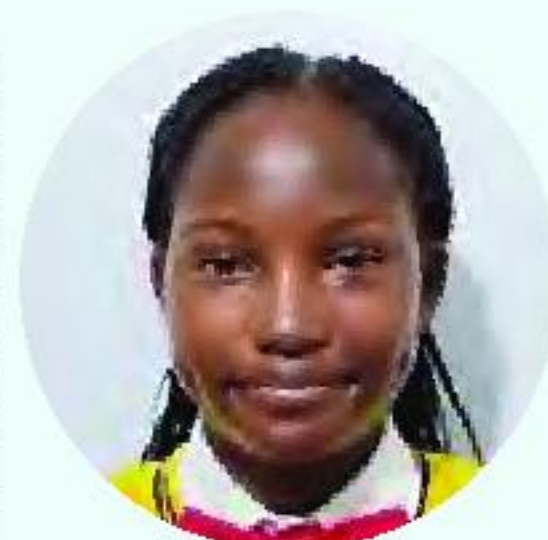
**Tolani Kanari, Grade 9, Sunrise Children's Garden School, Nairobi County.**

If you want to be the best, you have to make a few mistakes along the way. Success doesn't just come naturally; you have to work hard for it. There will be many obstacles and sometimes you might beat them or not but you shouldn't give up. It takes determination and you have to be willing to admit your mistakes so you can reach your goals.



**George Kimani, Grade 9, Sunrise Children's Garden School, Nairobi County.**

Motivation only lasts one day but consistency lasts a lifetime. If you're consistent and precise in what you do, it can be stronger than motivation itself. Being consistent makes you a weapon in your profession and an asset in any group.



**Emma Njoki, Grade 9, Sunrise Children's Garden School, Nairobi County.**

At the end of the day, when I sit and think, do I feel I've really achieved something? Did I do what I needed to do? Am I closer to my goal? Was my goal right according to my values? And did I remember that I shouldn't go against my values just to get more done?



**Yusra Abdiwali, Grade 9, Sunrise Children's Garden School, Nairobi County.**

Giving up is never a solution. Even when learning is hard, we should do our best and work to reach our dreams. We must make our bed so we can lie on it and never lose hope of becoming better. Always dream big and enjoy life through success.



**Hansel Kena, Grade 9, Sunrise Children's Garden School, Nairobi County.**

I have what it takes to become the best I can be. I should be ready to tackle any challenges that come my way and accomplish whatever I set my mind to.



## ENGLISH QUESTIONS

CBC GRADE 6 KPSEA

### Read the following conversations and then answer questions 1 - 5

**Cow:** Hallo everyone. The other day our discussion did not come to an end as there fell a heavy rain. Let us discuss our importance to our master, man.  
**Dog:** You all know how important I am to man. I make sure that you, the farmer and his family are safe. For that reason, I am the most important animal in the farm.  
**Sheep:** But dog, you don't give our master any food product. I give him mutton which is good for his health. I also give him wool as well. This way, he's safe from cold weather. So, I am the most important animal here.  
**Donkey:** Who carries our master's luggage to the market? I am the strongest animal of all of u Are we together?  
**Chicken:** I believe you all know that my meat is the most delicious. Whenever our master has special visitors, he depends on my meat and eggs to make them and his family happy.  
**Cow:** You all know that the farmer uses my milk to make his children healthy. That aside, I provide skin and manure to the farmer. Since I provide more than all of you, I am the most important animal. (Enters the farmer)  
**Man:** Hey! Hey! I have been following in your argument keenly. Though some of you provide food products, some provide services. This means that each one of you is equally important to me. For that reason, you are all my friends.

- According to this conversation, which of the following animals provide services only?
  - Cow and donkey.
  - Dog and donkey.
  - Sheep and dog.
  - Sheep and cow
- The conversation puts it clear that man gets duvets from
  - Sheep.
  - cow:
  - Chicken.
  - Donkey
- "Who boasted to be the strongest animal?
  - Dog
  - Chicken.
  - Cow
  - Donkey
- According to this conversation, for his children's health, which animal did the farmer depend on?
  - Chicken.
  - Dog.
  - Cow.
  - Sheep.
- Finally, what is man's conclusion?
  - Food product providers were more important.
  - Service providing animals were liked most
  - None of the animals was of any importance.
  - All the animals were equally important.

**Read the passage and then answer questions 6 to 9**In a warm summer afternoon in a park or garden, bees are buzzing around the flowers. You might be sitting in the sun and feeling kind of lazy. But the bees are busy doing work that is important to you. Bees work very hard day and night. They are also very organized.

Bees are insects. They have three pairs of legs and four wings. Like all insects, they have a head, thorax and abdomen. They have mouth parts and a tongue for collecting nectar. Bees live in groups called colonies. They can also live in hives. They like flowers and you can see them from one flower to another. They collect nectar and pollen as food. They also make wax which is used to make candles.

Bees have a queen. There is only one queen in the hive. The queen lays eggs in the hive. There are other bees called workers. They make the hive and collect nectar. They also protect the hive. They sting anyone or anything that disturbs them.

- When bees work hard day and night, they
  - Sting any intruder.
  - Make honey.
  - Protect the colony.
  - Lay eggs.
- Bees are not different from other insects because they.
  - Have three pairs of wings.
  - Sting anybody or anything that disturbs them.
  - Have a thorax.
  - Make honey using nectar.
- To humans, bees are useful in that they
  - make wax for candles
  - Protect their colonies.
  - Feed on honey and nectar.
  - Sting whatever disturbs them.
- The work of the queen bee is to
  - Collect nectar.
  - Protect the hive.
  - Lay eggs.
  - Make the hive.

**Read the passage and then answer questions 10 to 12.**

There are many species of wild cats ranging in size. Some of the wild cats are leopard, lions and tigers. Which of these did our domestic cats come from? Cats are more difficult to tame than other members of the dog family like wolf cubs or jackal cubs.

Like people, wolves, jackals and dogs live and work together naturally in packs. They are social animals. Cats are not at all like this. As wild animals, they live and hunt alone. They are naturally unsociable animals. This makes them difficult to tame. Even the kittens of domestic cats, if born in a different corner of the garden, can be difficult to tame unless brought into the house very young.

If you have both a cat and a dog in your house, you will notice the difference in their characters. The dog wants to take part in everything that is going on as a full member of the family. He sometimes barks at strangers to keep them away and has a much sense of responsibility to the house and family. But your cat simply lives with you because it suits him and takes no real part in things. Nobody ever heard of a cat yowling at a stranger or bitter at a burglar.

- According to the first paragraph, which statement is true?
  - Cats and dogs are easier to tame than wolves and jackals.
  - Cats, leopards, lions and tigers belong to the same family.
  - Tigers, lions, dogs and jackals belong to the same family.
  - Wolves and jackals are members of wild cats.
- Why are cats not easy to tame? They
  - Hunt alone and are not social
  - Are very fearful and very dangerous.
  - Don't like to live with people.
  - Have funny characters.
- According to the passage, why do cats live with people?
  - Because they were tamed.
  - Because of the benefits they get from people.
  - To show responsibility as the owner of the house.
  - They don't like living as wild animals.

**Read the passage and then answer questions 13 to 15.**

Jack and I examined the bread-fruit. We were much struck with its broad leaves which were twelve or eighteen inches long, deeply indented and of a glossy smoothness like laurel. The tree bears two or three crops of fruits in a year-much like wheaten bread in appearance. It is found in shape, about six inches in diameter with a rough outer skin. It forms the principal food of many south sea islanders. The fruit of the tree we inspected hung in clusters of twos and threes on the branches and were of various colours from light pea-green to brown and rich yellow. Jack said the yellow fruits were ripe. The trunk was twenty feet high, being quite destitute of the branches up to that height, where it branched off into a beautiful head. The wood which is durable, and of a good colour is used to build native houses. The barks of the young branches are made into cloth. Another product of this wonderful tree is the gum which serves the natives for pitching their canoes.

- What is the fruit like in appearance?
  - Deeply indented and of a glossy smoothness.
  - Broad leaves and of a glossy
  - It is twelve or eighteen inches long.
  - It is like whitened bread in appearance and round in shape.
- Why is the tree very important to the natives?
  - It bears fruits that form the principal food for many islanders.
  - Because it bears fruits six inches long and have a rough outer skin.
  - Because of its broad leaves.
  - Because it has a glossy smoothness.
- How could you recognize a ripe fruit? By its
  - Leaves which are 12 or 18 inches long.
  - Rough outer skin.
  - Rich yellow colour.
  - Round shape.





# NIE Launch in Schools

## Lily of the Valley School



Jael Atega of ActionAid joins Lily of the Valley learners in reading *The Standard* during the NIE launch. [Photos: Wilberforce Okwiri, Standard]



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Standard Group NIE Manager Gisiri Christopher (left) hands over copies of *The Standard* newspaper to the ActionAid team during the NIE launch at Lily of the Valley School.



Teacher Dennis Anasi guides learners through *The Standard* newspaper during the NIE launch at Lily of the Valley School.



Learners from Lily of the Valley School showcase *The Standard* newspaper during the NIE launch.



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## Auditor-General flags Kenya Railways for SGR loan default

► Failure to pay Exim Bank on time has incurred Sh34.1b in avoidable costs, comprising Sh5.3b in penalties and Sh28.85b in interest.

► The Auditor-General also raised audit queries on the old metre gauge railway, specifically regarding the Nairobi Commuter Train.

IRENE GITHINJI, NAIROBI

**T**he Kenya Railways Corporation is on the spot over failure to settle an avoidable amount of Sh34 billion, covering interest and penalties accumulated from an Exim bank loan, which financed the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) project.

Auditor-General, Nancy Gathungu, said in her report for the year ended June 2024 that failure to meet obligations when due has attracted avoidable expenditure of Sh34.1 billion in the form of penalties amounting to Sh5.3 billion and interest of Sh28.85 billion, which could have otherwise been avoided.

Gathungu explained that the financial statements reflect a balance of Sh646 billion in respect of the Exim bank loan.

"Included in the amount is Sh28.85 billion being interest on loan capitalised due to the Corporation's failure to settle payments when due. Further, as disclosed in the financial statements, is an amount of Sh5.3 billion being default penalties payable that has accrued from the Corporation's failure to settle on-lent loan due," Gathungu said.

### Comprehensive income

She has also flagged weaknesses in revenue collection for the old Metre Gauge Railway (MGR). The report shows that the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income reflects the main income amount of Sh21.5 billion.

Included in the amount is Sh2.2 billion in respect of MGR revenue, out of which an amount of Sh133.8 million related to revenue from Nairobi Commuter Railway.

She, however, flagged anomalies, saying that despite the Corporation having employed revenue inspectors, commuter service trains are usually congested, making it difficult for inspectors to confirm that all passengers were receipted.

"This may result in passengers not paying, hence potential loss of revenue. Payment through M-Pesa was not well managed and coordinated. It was noted that cashiers prioritise receipting cash customers and then M-Pesa customers," she said.

And considering that the train has differ-



Auditor-General Nancy Gathungu has raised a red flag over Kenya Railways' debt repayment for the Standard Gauge Railway. [Elvis Ogina, Standard]

### AVOIDABLE EXPENDITURE

- An amount of **Sh28.85 billion**, being interest on loan due to the Kenya Railways Corporation failure to settle payments when due
- **Sh5.3 billion** identified as default penalties payable that has accrued from the Corporation's failure to settle on-lent loan due.
- Failure to meet obligations when due has attracted avoidable expenditure of **Sh34.1 billion** in form of penalties
- The audit was conducted in accordance with ISSAI 3000 and ISSAI 4000
- Internal controls on handling issued receipts at the main railway station exit noted as weak

ent boarding and alighting stations along the route, the Auditor-General said it was likely that M-Pesa customers may alight before they were receipted.

Similarly, internal controls on handling issued receipts at the main railway station exit were noted to be weak, with the receipts being dropped in an open tray.

To this end, Gathungu said it was likely that the same used receipts could be used later, either in the evening or the next day, since used receipts are not being safeguarded or de-

stroyed. "In some instances, M-Pesa customers only displayed the message to the cashier, and the cashier requested the customer to read out for him/her the M-Pesa reference number. Considering that there are instances where dishonest people tamper with numbers, chances of the cashier recording doctored messages could not be ruled out," she explained.

She also said the cashiers who gave out tickets were the same people who walked around to check the tickets, and lack of segregation of duties could easily lead to collusion and loss of cash.

According to the Gathungu, the inspectors/supervisors are mostly not on the train to check the tickets, and in the circumstances, the effectiveness of internal controls on revenue collections in the commuter service trains could not be confirmed.

On contingent liabilities, Gathungu said that the financial statement showed a balance of Sh28.1 billion.

"I draw your attention to the fact that the Corporation is at risk of operations interruption should the contingent liabilities crystallise. My opinion is not modified in respect of these matters," she said.

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### TAXATION

## KeNHA wins Sh670m tax row against KRA

Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) has won a Sh670 million tax battle against Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA).

In his judgment, Commercial Court Judge Julius Ng'arnga'r upheld Tax Appeals Tribunal's verdict that KRA cannot demand Withholding Income Tax from the Authority for works done by foreign companies.

"I find that the pronouncements of the tribunal were lawful to the extent that the respondents were not supposed to settle the contested taxes. I will therefore not interfere with those findings. Accordingly, the appeal lacks merit and it is dismissed. I however direct each party to bear its own costs of the appeal," ruled Justice Ng'arnga'r.

According to the judge, it was unfair and irrational for KRA to push KeNHA to deduct the tax from a non-resident development partner and a foreign contractor while the money was being paid directly to those companies.

KRA went after KeNHA following the construction of two road projects; the Kapchorwa-Saum-Kitale road and Eldoret Bypass which was a project under the Department of Infrastructure, and implemented by China State Construction Engineering Corporation, China Wu Yi Ltd, Abdul Mullick Associates and Sari Consulting.

### Late payment

The other one was implemented by Zhongmei Engineering Group and Abuljebain Engineering Consulting Office.

KRA was seeking Sh532 million as Withholding Income Tax on foreign consultant, Sh56 million interest of late payment and a reverse Value Added Tax worth Sh68 million.

It argued that on January 12, 2016, the National Treasury advised it that the construction of the Nuno-Modogashe-Road was an official aid funded project financed by the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa, the Kuwait Fund for Arab Development, SFD and ADFD.

In its view, that letter did not exempt Withholding Income Tax or Income Tax. According to KRA, KeNHA ought to have advised the National Treasury to deduct the tax and remit the same on its behalf. On the other hand, KeNHA stated that the projects were officially declared aid funded by the Treasury. It asserted that the contested tax was to be deducted at the source emanating from payments made to the supervising consultant.

KeNHA argued that a reading of the Income Tax together with the National Treasury's circular no. 15/2019 exempted Withholding Tax under the Income Tax having been expressly provided for under the financing agreement between government of Kenya and Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development. [Kamau Muthoni]





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CIC Fixed Income Fund	9.26%	9.66%		
CIC Wealth Fund	6.25%	6.25%		
CIC Dollar Fund	4.47%	4.57%		
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KCB MMF-USD	5.12%	5.24%		
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Sanlam US Dollar Fund	5.25%	5.39%		
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Jubilee Money Market Fund (USD)	5.30%	5.43%		
Jubilee Fixed Income Fund (KES)	10.94%	11.51%		
African Alliance Money Market Fund	7.68 %	7.96 %		
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Mali Fund Kenya Shillings	9.36%	9.36%		
Equity Money Market Fund Ksh	4.97%	5.09%		
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Britam Money Market Fund Ksh	10.59 %	1.16%		
Britam Fixed Income Fund USD	5.62%	5.78%		
Britam Money Market Fund USD	4.63%	4.74%		
Kuza Money Market Fund KES	11.82%	12.55%		
Kuza Money Market Fund USD	5.58%	5.74%		
Kuza Fixed Income Fund KES	12.05%	12.81%		

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FIXED INCOME SECURITIES MARKET SEGMENT (FISMS).

The Bond Market registered bonds worth Sh8.5 billion, down from Sh12.5 billion registered previously.

Nairobi Securities Exchange | Main Investment Market

52WK HIGH	52WK LOW		VWAP	PREVIOUS PRICE	VOLUME
AGRICULTURAL					
14.50	10.00	Eaagads Ltd Ord 1.25 AIMS	11.95	11.50	900
440.00	240.00	Kakuzi Plc Ord.5.00		400.00	-
350.00	81.00	Kapchorua Tea Kenya Plc Ord 5.00AIMS	325.25	321.75	3,700
430.00	320.00	The Limuru Tea Co. Plc Ord 10.00AIMS		310.00	-
32.60	13.60	Sasinl Plc Ord 1.00	15.45	15.55	6,300
289.00	120.00	Williamson Tea Kenya Plc Ord 5.00AIMS	239.75	235.25	41,500
AUTOMOBILES & ACCESSORIES					
49.00	18.50	Car & General (K) Ltd Ord 5.00	23.50	23.35	1,600
BANKING					
20.00	10.00	ABSA Bank Kenya Plc Ord 0.50	19.60	19.55	75,100
38.00	26.50	BK Group Plc Ord 0.80	35.05	35.05	2,400
83.25	43.05	Diamond Trust Bank Kenya Ltd Ord 4.00	78.00	78.25	38,600
52.50	33.70	Equity Group Holdings Plc Ord 0.50	49.80	49.50	28,700
9.74	2.80	HF Group Plc Ord 5.00	7.68	7.72	47,200
39.00	15.80	I&M Group Plc Ord 1.00	36.15	36.50	3,600
48.00	15.00	KCB Group Plc Ord 1.00	46.90	46.20	4,056,300
65.00	28.50	NCBA Group Plc Ord 5.00	63.00	63.00	9,700
180.00	90.00	Stanbic Holdings Plc ord.5.00	176.25	173.50	4,600
319.00	134.00	Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ltd Ord 5.00	305.75	304.50	4,900
18.35	10.10	The Co-operative Bank of Kenya Ltd Ord 1.00	16.45	16.75	448,800
COMMERCIAL AND SERVICES					
0.45	0.45	Deacons (East Africa) Plc Ord 2.50AIMS		0.45	-
1.88	0.59	Eveready East Africa Ltd Ord.1.00	0.87	0.93	265,400
5.40	2.70	Express Kenya Plc Ord 5.00AIMS	4.35	4.52	400
4.66	4.66	Homeboyz Entertainment Plc 0.50GEMS		4.66	-
9.18	3.83	Kenya Airways Ltd Ord 1.00	5.22	5.30	408,300
3.46	2.00	Longhorn Publishers Plc Ord 1.00AIMS	2.60	2.53	6,000
5.00	1.76	Nairobi Business Ventures Plc Ord. 0.50GEMS	1.83	1.81	11,000
22.40	10.60	Nation Media Group Plc Ord. 2.50	13.65	13.80	18,700
7.28	1.80	Sameer Africa Plc Ord 5.00	5.00	5.00	231,000
10.80	4.50	Standard Group Plc Ord 5.00	6.16	6.46	600
18.70	10.85	TPS Eastern Africa Ltd Ord 1.00	14.30	15.00	8,000
0.41	0.16	Uchumi Supermarket Plc Ord 5.00	0.31	0.32	99,300
3.95	1.80	WPP Scangroup Plc Ord 1.00	2.52	2.58	42,600
CONSTRUCTION & ALLIED					
5.55	5.55	ARM Cement Plc Ord 1.00		5.55	-
84.00	21.30	Bamburi Cement Plc Ord 5.00		54.00	-
47.00	29.00	Crown Palnts Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	41.00	41.00	800
3.27	0.72	E.A.Cables Ltd Ord 0.50		1.71	-
55.75	4.38	E.A.Portland Cement Co. Ltd Ord 5.00	48.40	47.15	900
ENERGY & PETROLEUM					
7.52	1.94	KenGen Co. Plc Ord. 2.50	7.08	7.16	711,100
12.40	1.30	Kenya Power & Lighting Co Plc Ord 2.50	10.80	10.70	443,100
4.20	4.00	Kenya Power & Lighting Plc 4% Pref 20.00		4.10	-
6.00	6.00	Kenya Power & Lighting Plc 7% Pref 20.00		6.00	-
26.00	14.55	TotalEnergies Marketing Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	24.10	24.00	12,300
24.75	6.30	Umeme Ltd Ord 0.50	13.35	13.65	60,300
INSURANCE					
8.70	4.01	Britam Holdings Plc Ord 0.10	8.42	8.28	307,200
3.69	1.60	CIC Insurance Group Plc Ord.1.00	3.30	3.33	171,600
247.00	142.00	Jubilee Holdings Ltd Ord 5.00	235.25	235.00	5,000
2.97	1.05	Kenya Re Insurance Corporation Ltd Ord 2.50	2.24	2.21	1,101,600
12.20	3.30	Liberty Kenya Holdings Ltd Ord. 1.00	10.65	10.85	4,700
11.00	4.00	Sanlam Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	7.76	8.16	63,700
INVESTMENT					
16.50	7.60	Centum Investment Co Plc Ord 0.50	12.00	11.85	16,700
1.12	0.27	Home Afrika Ltd Ord 1.00GEMS	0.66	0.68	96,200
1500.00	1,500.00	Kurwitu Ventures Ltd Ord 100.00GEMS		1,500.00	-
5.60	1.91	Olympia Capital Holdings Ltd Ord 5.00	4.00	4.01	500
1.78	0.29	Trans-Century Plc Ord 0.50AIMS		1.12	-
INVESTMENT SERVICES					
10.00	5.22	Nairobi Securities Exchange Plc Ord 4.00	9.34	9.52	128,600
MANUFACTURING & ALLIED					
95.00	65.00	B.O.C Kenya Plc Ord 5.00	90.00	90.75	100
495.00	325.00	British American Tobacco Kenya Plc Ord 10.00	380.00	381.00	28,700
23.90	11.00	Carbacid Investments Plc Ord 1.00	21.95	21.90	5,700
215.00	100.00	East African Breweries Plc Ord 2.00	196.00	194.25	13,100
2.33	0.86	Flame Tree Group Holdings Ltd Ord 0.825GEMS	1.27	1.27	24,800
77.00	10.40	Africa Mega Agricorp Plc Ord 5.00AIMS		56.00	-
0.27	0.27	Mumias Sugar Co. Ltd Ord 2.00		0.27	-
31.00	12.00	Unga Group Ltd Ord 5.00	19.55	19.55	9,100
TELECOMMUNICATION					
27.50	11.50	Safaricom Plc Ord 0.05	26.45	26.25	1,020,000
REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST					
20.00	20.00	LAPTRUST IMARA I-REIT Ord.20.00		20.00	-
EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS					
3330.00	1880.00	ABSA New Gold ETF	40751	3900.00	-
761.00	761.00	Satrix MSCI World Feeder ETF		761.00	-
NSE ALL SHARE INDEX Up 0.69 pointS   NSE 20-SHARE INDEX Up 6.65 points to close at 2507.43					

REVENUE

KRA's Sh47.3b tax shortfall, fiscal strain hurt Treasury's plan

Kenya's fiscal stability faces fresh challenges after the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) fell Sh47.3 billion short of its tax collection target for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

The shortfall, revealed in new National Treasury documents published in the Kenya Gazette, comes despite aggressive collection efforts by the taxman and threatens to derail President William Ruto's economic reform agenda.

Official figures show the KRA collected Sh2.257 trillion in tax revenue against a revised target of Sh2.305 trillion. The Treasury initially hoped that KRA would collect Sh2.745 trillion but revised this downwards.

This marks the third consecutive year of revenue underperformance, exacerbating pressure on a government already grappling with a public debt reaching a record Sh11.51 trillion by May 2025. Between 2025 and 2027, the National Treasury must repay over Sh1.5 trillion to foreign creditors, data shows.

The missed targets' timing is particularly problematic; just three weeks ago, President Ruto signed the controversial Finance Bill 2025 into law, introducing new tax measures intended to bolster state revenues.

With domestic revenues falling short, Kenya's budget calculations are becoming increasingly precarious.

This is because, if the trend continues, Treasury officials now face difficult choices: implementing deeper austerity measures, increasing borrowing, or risking the omission of critical budget allocations. The financial year 2025/26 budget projects a total expenditure of Sh4.292 trillion, equivalent to 22.3 per cent of GDP. The resulting fiscal deficit, including grants, is projected at Sh923.2 billion (4.8 per cent of GDP), which is intended to be financed primarily by a mix of 60 per cent external borrowing and 40 per cent domestic debt.

National Treasury Cabinet Secretary John Mbadi acknowledged these constraints in his budget speech, highlighting "rising demands for public spending, public debt accumulation, and the challenge of mobilising higher tax revenues while maintaining a low cost of doing business."

The KRA statement noted that the recruitment drive "covers a wide range of roles from leadership to operational positions" and explicitly mentioned the re-advertisement of "Deputy Commissioner positions as well as one Commissioner position" to "enhance inclusivity and broaden participation."

The restructuring, according to KRA, aims to "address both current and future institutional needs by enhancing workforce flexibility, operational efficiency, and fostering a culture of continuous learning and innovation."

[Brian Ngugi]



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## Top UN court to deliver landmark climate ruling

- ▶ Small island nations take on major emitters at the ICJ.
- ▶ But critics fear the biggest polluters could ignore the advisory.

AFP, THE HAGUE

The top United Nations court will on Wednesday hand down a landmark global legal blueprint for tackling climate change that also sets out top polluters' responsibilities towards the countries suffering most.

The International Court of Justice (ICJ) has been tasked with crafting a so-called advisory opinion on countries' obligations to prevent climate change and the consequences for polluters whose emissions have harmed the planet.

Experts say this is the most significant in a string of recent rulings on climate change in international law, with major potential repercussions for states and firms around the world.

Climate-vulnerable countries and campaign groups hope it will have far-reaching legal consequences in the fight against climate change, unifying existing law, shaping national and international legislation, and impacting current court cases.

"It will be the compass the world needs to course correct," said Vishal Prasad, director of the Pacific Islands

Students Fighting Climate Change.

"It will give new strength to climate litigation, inspire more ambitious national policies and guide states toward decisions that uphold their legal duties to protect both people and planet," said Prasad.

But some critics argue the ruling will be toothless, as ICJ advisory opinions are not binding and major polluters can choose simply to ignore it.

The UN, pushed by tiny island state Vanuatu, asked the court to answer two questions. First, what obligations do states have under international law to protect the Earth's climate from polluting greenhouse gas emissions?

Second, what are the legal consequences for states which "by their acts and omissions have caused significant harm to the climate system and other parts of the environment?"

The second question was explicitly linked to the damage that climate change is causing to small, more vulnerable, countries and their populations.

This applies to countries facing increasingly damaging weather disasters and especially to island nations under threat from rising sea levels like those in the Pacific Ocean.

In what was termed a "David versus Goliath" battle, advanced economies and developing nations clashed at the ICJ during December hearings on the case.

The iconic Peace Palace in the Hague,



Climate activists protest outside the door of the International Court of Justice, where judges will consider the obligations countries have in the fight against climate change. [Lina Selg / ANP MAG / ANP via AFP]

the seat of the ICJ, played host to more than 100 oral submissions -- the largest number ever, many from tiny states making their first appearance.

"This may well be the most consequential case in the history of humanity," said Vanuatu's representative Ralph Regenvanu, opening the two weeks of hearings.

"The outcome of these proceedings will reverberate across generations, determining the fate of

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It will be the compass the world needs to course correct,”

Vishal Prasad, director of the Pacific Islands Students Fighting Climate Change

nations like mine and the future of our planet," he told the 15-judge panel.

Major polluters argued the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) was sufficient and new guidelines on countries' obligations were not necessary.

US representative Margaret Taylor said this framework was "the most current expression of states' consent to be bound by international law in respect of climate change".

Taylor urged the court "to ensure its opinion preserves and promotes the centrality of this regime".

Meanwhile, the speaker from India was even more explicit.

"The court should avoid the creation of any new or additional obligations beyond those already existing under the climate change regime," said Luther Rangreji.

### Briefing

#### LONDON. CALLS FOR DRIVE TO ARM UKRAINE

The UK government on Monday called for a 50-day drive to arm Ukraine to take advantage of a recent ultimatum put to Russia by US President Donald Trump. Earlier this month, Trump gave Russian President Vladimir Putin 50 days to strike a peace deal with Kyiv in the three-year war or face sanctions. UK Defence Secretary John Healey told a meeting of the Ukraine Defence Contact Group (UDCG) that Kyiv's backers stand at a moment of "maximum opportunity". "As members of this UDCG, we need to step up, in turn, a 50-day drive to arm Ukraine on the battlefield and to help push Putin to the negotiating table," Healey told the virtual meeting of 52 nations. Trump also pledged to supply Kyiv with new military aid, sponsored by NATO allies. [AFP]

#### PAKISTAN. OUTCRY OVER 'HONOUR KILLING'

More than a dozen men have been arrested in southwestern Pakistan for alleged involvement in the so-called "honour killing" of a couple after a video of the murders went viral on social media, a police official said Monday. A police report seen by AFP identifies the woman as Bano Bibi and the man as Ehsan Ullah, and says they were killed last month in Margat, near Quetta in Balochistan, after eloping. A woman is ordered to stand facing away from the group before a man pulls out a gun and shoots her in the back. He then turns the weapon on a man and shoots him dead. [AFP]

#### KOSOVO. MPS FAIL TO ELECT SPEAKER, AGAIN

Kosovo MPs failed Monday to elect a speaker and constitute a new parliament for the fiftieth consecutive time, continuing a political stalemate months after they were voted into office. The deadlock stems from the fact that outgoing Prime Minister Albin Kurti's party Vetevendosje, which topped February polls, it did not win enough seats to have its choice for speaker installed. "The session is adjourned; we resume on Wednesday," said Avni Dehari, who is chairing the parliament temporarily as the oldest MP. Several MPs attempted to take the floor but Dehari turned off their microphones. [AFP]

TOKYO

## Japanese premier hangs on after election debacle

Japanese Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba clung on Monday even after an election debacle left his coalition without a majority in the upper house, as painful new US tariffs loom.

In Sunday's election Ishiba's Liberal Democratic Party (LDP), which has governed almost continuously since 1955, and its partner Komeito fell a projected three seats short of retaining a majority in the upper house.

Voters angry at inflation turned to other parties, notably the "Japanese first" Sanseito, which made strong

gains with its "anti-globalist" drive echoing the agenda of populist parties elsewhere.

"I even think (the LDP) should have lost more," 25-year-old Kazuyo Nanasawa, who voted for a small ultra-conservative party, told AFP, adding that Ishiba should quit.

### Minority government

The debacle comes only months after Ishiba's coalition was forced into a minority government in the more powerful lower house, in the LDP's worst result in 15 years.

But asked late Sunday if he intended to remain in office, Ishiba told local media: "That's right."

"Although I'm acutely aware of our grave responsibility for the election results, in order to not let politics become stagnant, I believe I must fulfil my responsibility as the party with the most votes and to the people of the country, while listening carefully and sincerely to the voices of the local people," Ishiba told a news conference on Monday.

He called the election result "extremely regrettable".

It was unclear in any case who might step up to replace Ishiba given the LDP's frequent changes of leader in recent years.

LDP supporter Takeshi Nemoto, 80, told AFP that a new leadership contest "would be a losing battle" for the party, further complicating tariff talks with US President Donald Trump's administration.

"Diplomacy is under pressure at the moment," agreed Shuhei Aono, 67. "Who is going to take care of it? I think (Ishiba) cannot easily withdraw." [AFP]



## BANGLADESH

## At least 19 killed after jet crashes into school

A Bangladeshi training fighter jet crashed into a school in the capital Dhaka on Monday, killing at least 19 people and injuring dozens more in the country's deadliest aviation accident in decades.

An AFP photographer at the scene saw fire and rescue officials taking away the injured students on stretchers, while military personnel helped clear the wreckage.

A military statement said 19 people were killed, including the pilot, and 20 others were critically wounded.

At least 51 people, mostly students, were undergoing treatment at Dhaka's National Burn and Plastic Surgery Institute, its director Mohammad Nasir Uddin told AFP.

The Chinese-made F-7 BJI aircraft crashed moments after students were let out of class at 1:00 pm (0700 GMT) at the Milestone School and College.

A witness said he heard a huge blast that felt like an earthquake.

"We have two playgrounds, one for the senior students and one for the juniors," said Shafiur Rahman Shafi, 18, who is enrolled at the school.

"We were on the playground for the seniors. There were two fighter planes... Suddenly one of the two planes crashed here (in the junior playground)," he told AFP.

"It created a boom, and it felt like a

quake. Then it caught fire, and the army reached the spot later."

The interim government of Muhammad Yunus announced a day of national mourning on Tuesday.

Grieving parents and relatives of the victims thronged the National Burn and Plastic Surgery Institute.

Tofazzal Hossain, 30, broke down in tears on learning that his young cousin had been killed.

"We frantically searched for my cousin in different hospitals," Hossain told AFP.

"He was an eighth grader at the school. Finally, we found his body."

Yunus expressed "deep grief and sorrow" over the incident in a post on X.

"The loss suffered by the Air Force, the students, parents, teachers, and staff of Milestone School and College, as well as others affected by this accident, is irreparable," he said.

"This is a moment of profound pain for the nation."

The crash was the worst aviation accident in the country in several decades. The deadliest ever disaster happened in 1984 when a plane flying from Chattogram to Dhaka crashed, killing all 49 on board.

Last month, a commercial aircraft crashed in neighbouring India, killing 260 people. [AFP]



Bangladesh's fire service and security personnel conduct a search and rescue operation after an Air Force training jet crashed into a school in Dhaka on July 21, 2025. [AFP]

## MOSCOW

## Russia strikes Ukraine after Kyiv offers fresh talks, at least 15 people wounded

Russia fired a volley of drones and missiles at Ukraine early on Monday, hitting apartment blocks and a nursery in Kyiv, days after Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky proposed holding a fresh round of peace talks.

Moscow has not responded to Zelensky's call for new negotiations this week or an ultimatum by US President Donald Trump to make progress on a peace deal or face massive sanctions.

Two people were killed across the country, Zelensky said.

French Foreign Minister Jean-Noel Barrot arrived in the capital, Kyiv,

while rescuers were still sifting through the rubble.

Zelensky condemned the strikes as an "assault on humanity" and said at least 15 other people had been wounded in the attacks, including a 12-year-old boy.

Efforts to reach a diplomatic solution to the three-year war have stalled in recent weeks.

The two sides last met for direct negotiations more than a month ago in Istanbul. They did not make any progress towards a ceasefire, instead agreeing to a series of prisoner exchanges. [AFP]



Cameroon President Paul Biya and his wife Chantal Biya react during the May 20 parade marking the 52nd celebration of Unity Day in Yaounde on May 20, 2024. [AFP]

## At 92, aging Biya fails to click with youth online

▶ Cameroon's population is overwhelmingly young.

▶ Over 60pc of the population is under 25.

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BBC

Even before the world's oldest president confirmed that he would run for an eighth term in power, his social media accounts left experts in no doubt.

By the time 92-year-old Paul Biya officially confirmed he would seek re-election as Cameroon's president last week, he had already been ramping up his online presence for several months.

Daily posts on Facebook and X (formerly Twitter) mark a striking departure from his previous, occasional presence.

But Biya's attempts to win over young people ahead of October's election may be falling flat, analysts tell the BBC.

"Cameroon has over 5.4 million social media users, but 95% of young people rely on WhatsApp - a platform where presidential communication is nearly non-existent," says Rostant Tane, the director of Media Intelligence Sarl and author of the Cameroon 2024 Multimedia Audience Study.

"There's no regional segmentation, no interactivity, and very little effort to speak the digital language of young people," he adds.

Another stumbling block is authenticity.

"Many know that it is not Paul Biya himself who is writing - which creates distance and limits trust," says Hervé Tiwa, a lecturer in communication sciences.

"Their communication remains very top-down without any real interaction - comments ignored or

deleted, a lack of personalised responses... This gives the impression of a strategy that is more cosmetic than participatory."

Why does this matter?

Cameroon's population is overwhelmingly young. Over 60% of the population is under 25, with more than half the electorate being under the age of 30, meaning they could potentially decide the outcome of the election.

"Political communication must serve democracy and transparency, and not just be used as a marketing tool," says 27-year-old communications specialist Ulrich Donfack.

Young people want to see concrete action on issues that affect them, agrees Falone Ngu, who is also 27.

### High unemployment

"Cameroon's youth are not just looking for flashy graphics or slogans on the media! They want opportunities, change and hope," says the social enterprise founder, who did reserve some praise for the president's social media team for realising that "leadership and digitalisation go hand in hand".

Unemployment is high in Cameroon, with even the most qualified young people in possession of multiple university degrees struggling to find work. Corruption and security are also key concerns.

But instead of focusing on those issues, many posts on Biya's social media accounts emphasise his track record during 43 years in power - a time before much of the population was even born.

According to communication strategist Aristide Mabatto, Biya's team is now publishing excerpts in French and English from more than 300 speeches the president has delivered over the decades.

One recent, pointed example drew on a speech from 2000, chiding

people who lecture others but fail to preach by example. That was posted just two days after one of Biya's longest-standing allies criticised his rule and abandoned him.

This somewhat staid approach does not appear to have ignited much enthusiasm, but is still an improvement on what went before.

"His communication used to be limited to official decrees and state addresses. The shift to frequent digital messaging shows a deliberate effort to reclaim the narrative and appear more present," argues Tiwa.

Biya's absence from the public for more than six weeks last year had led to speculation about his wellbeing and unfounded rumours that he had died.

Supporters have praised these latest efforts, with state media like Cameroon Tribune highlighting Biya's digital outreach as a sign of vitality and leadership.

But scepticism and sarcasm are in greater evidence online. Comments below recent posts on Paul Biya's X and Facebook accounts include:

"It looks like he's discovering the internet in 2025, but it's primarily an electoral market test," says a user called Cynthia.

"Finally he's talking to young people!", comments Jean-Pierre.

"Cameroonians want roads, not hashtags," writes a user called Mireille.

"Personally, I'm not at all convinced," 32-year-old entrepreneur Che Arnold tells the BBC of the Biya camp's strategy to appeal to young voters.

"It needs to go beyond tweets, Facebook messages and a simple online presence to promote political reforms but also solve real social problems."

Biya will have to wait until the election in October to see if these efforts will translate into more young people voting for him.



TV GUIDE



KTN TV

- 5:30 AM COMMAND YOUR MORNING
- 6:00 AM THE SITUATION ROOM
- 10:00 AM VOA
- 10:30 AM CULTURE QUEST
- 11:00 AM YANAYOJIRI
- 1:00 PM NEWSDESK
- 2:30 PM THE BROKEN MARRIAGE VOW
- 3:00 PM FARM KENYA
- 4:00 PM MBIU
- 4:30 PM KIDS
- 5:00 PM BASELINE
- 6:00 PM LOVE IN 40 DAYS
- 7:00 PM KTN LEO
- 8:00 PM TRADING BELL
- 8:30 PM THE ENTREPRENEUR
- 9:00 PM KTN PRIME
- 11:00 PM MOVIE
- 12:30 AM BASELINE
- 1:30 AM MANSPEQ TIVE AFRICA
- 2:30 AM ALJAZEERA

7:00PM KTN LEO | 9:00PM KTN PRIME



CITIZEN TV

- 5:00 AM PAMBAZUKA
- 5:30 AM PE@HOME RPT
- 6:00 AM DAY BREAK
- 8:00 AM SEMANA CITIZEN
- 1:00 PM NEWS@1
- 2:00 PM MSETO AFRICA
- 3:00 PM CITIZEN JUNIOR
- 4:00 PM NEWS BRIEFS
- 4:15 PM KALINI KALI
- 5:30 PM TAHIDI HIGH
- 6:00 PM KENYA'S GOLD
- 7:00 PM NIPASHE
- 7:30 PM NEEMA
- 8:00 PM THE STORY OF JUANA (LA HISTORIA DE JUANA)
- 9:00 PM THE EXPLAINER
- 10:00 PM THE EXPLAINER
- 11:00 PM FUGITIVES, SEEKING JUSTICE
- 12:00 AM AFROSINEMA
- 1:00 AM THE EXPLAINER RPT
- 4:00 AM PAMBAZUKA



TV47

- 5:00 AM MORNING DECREE
- 5:30 AM TV47 FITNESS
- 6:00 AM MORNING CAFE
- 10:00 AM THE GRIND RPT
- 10:30 AM BEAT BREAK
- 11:00 AM TV47 MATUKIO
- 2:00 PM BAZE 47
- 3:00 PM UBONGO KIDS
- 3:30 PM NUZO AND NAMIA (SWAHILI)
- 4:00 PM TV47 NEWS NOW
- 4:15 PM SPORTSLIFE - RPT
- 4:30 PM KIKI AND NUNA
- 5:00 PM BEAT PLUG
- 7:00 PM UPEOWA TV47
- 7:30 PM UKUMBI
- 8:00 PM DW DOCU FILM
- 8:30 PM ECO AFRICA
- 9:00 PM THE DAILY REPORT WITH LINDA ALELA & VICTOR MUYAKANE
- 11:00 PM DW DOCU FILM
- 12:00 AM BEAT PLUG MIX



NTV

- 4:00 AM ALJAZEERA
- 5:00 AM OFF THE HOOK
- 6:00 AM FIXING THE NATION
- 10:00 AM YOUR WORLD
- 12:00 PM FLAQO
- 12:30 PM MIKOBAYA DEMOKRASIA
- 1:00 PM NTV ADHUHURI
- 1:30 PM SPORT ON
- 2:30 PM KWETU MIXX
- 3:30 PM I GOT A ROCKET
- 4:00 PM BEATZ AND BUZZ
- 6:30 PM NTV MASHINANI
- 7:00 PM NTV JIONI
- 7:30 PM BUSINESS REDEFINED
- 8:00 PM NOMA
- 8:30 PM YOU ARE THE ONE
- 9:00 PM NTV TONIGHT
- 9:30 PM THE LAST WORD
- 10:00 PM FIXING THE NATION - RPT
- 12:00 AM ALJAZEERA



BERUR FM

- 4:00 AM BERUR TAB KARON
- 6:00 AM TAAITAB BERUR
- 10:00 AM TINY TINY BOISIET
- 2:00 PM KOITAMA
- 7:00 PM KABUREITO



SPICE FM

- 6:00 AM THE SITUATION ROOM
- 11:00 AM SUGAR & SPICE
- 3:00 PM SPICE DRIVE
- 7:00 PM AFTER HOURS



RADIO MAISHA

- 4:00 AM SAFARI
- 6:00 AM MAISHA ASUBUHI
- 10:00 AM STAARABIKA
- 12:00 PM KONNECT
- 3:00 PM MAISHA JIONI
- 7:00 PM RHUMBA REPUBLIK
- 11:00 PM MAISHA COCKTAIL



K24 TV

- 5:00 AM INUKA
- 6:00 AM NEW DAWN
- 8:00 AM MORNING VIBE
- 9:55 AM WISDOM MOMENTS
- 10:00 AM NEW DAWN - RPT
- 11:00 AM MCHIPUKO
- 1:00 PM K24 NEWS CUT
- 1:30 PM JUNGULA SPOTI
- 2:00 PM AAPKE AA JAANESE
- 3:00 PM AKILI KIDS
- 3:30 PM UBONGO KIDS
- 4:00 PM K24 MASHINANI
- 4:30 PM MCHIPUKO EXTRA
- 5:00 PM BEAT BOX
- 6:00 PM FALLING INTO YOUR SMILE
- 7:00 PM K24 SAAMOJA
- 7:30 PM GEN Z MANIFESTO
- 9:00 PM K24 EVENING EDITION
- 10:00 PM BBC - DIRAYA DUNIA
- 10:30 PM BEAT BOX - RPT
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**HOROSCOPE**  
**Virgo – Aug 23 - Sep 22**  
You're feeling positive and open to new approaches that can be truly valuable. There can be workarounds to problems that save you time or lead to other developments. Something may awaken within you, changing your perspective on life.

♏

**Libra – Sep 23 - Oct 22**  
Today, you're more in touch with your unique qualities and talents than usual, and it's far easier to rise above worries. A Sun-Uranus transit stirs your inner inventor. You have emotional fuel for enjoying and pursuing your interests, and you're likely to thoroughly enjoy trying new things, branching out, improvising, and experimenting.

♏

**Scorpio – Oct 23 - Nov 21**  
You may reach a high point of the year in your career or reputation. Today, there can be some fantastic moments of inspiration and a sense of advancement. A nice change in your routine can pull up the need to improvise, which can be fun or lead to interesting detours.

♐

**Sagittarius Nov 22-Dec 21**  
Today, workarounds or life hacks can be inventive as the Sun and Uranus head into harmony. You may notice an opportunity you previously overlooked, particularly in a relationship. You need to free your mind to enjoy this energy, so slight deviations from plans may produce interesting detours.

♑

**Capricorn – Dec 22-Jan 19**  
You could feel a strong desire to express yourself in new and different ways. There is enthusiasm and a better ability to access your creativity. For the best results, dig deep, conduct thorough research, and maintain an open mind. Discoveries can be breakthroughs.

♒

**Aquarius – Jan 20-Feb 18**  
There is a better spirit of freedom and acceptance in love and friendship with this transit, as well as a sense that you can be yourself and feel good about doing so. Your inhibitions drop enough to allow you to enjoy yourself more fully, making it easier to express yourself creatively and spontaneously.

♓

**Pisces – Feb 19 - Mar 20**  
Today, you're in especially good shape for new ideas, technology, methods, and approaches related to your work and health routines. There can be a sweet release from recent stresses or concerns through your domestic or work activities or through a better approach to healing.

♈

**Aries – Mar 21 - Apr 19**  
Others notice you and reinforce you, and possibly encourage you to open up. Today is perfect for innovative approaches. The tempo of your life accelerates a little, or at least enough for you to dismiss some of your recent problems and frustrations.

♉

**Taurus – Apr 20 - May 20**  
Drawing up new techniques or using different and inspired methods to approach your family life, finances, or daily routines can be successful and even enjoyable. Your interactions are likely to be fresh, invigorating, or inspiring.

♊

**Gemini – May 21 - Jun 21**  
It's an excellent time for acquiring new skills, learning about the people around you, and attending to everyday affairs. You're likely to run more errands than usual and communicate with people more frequently in the weeks ahead, until August 22nd.


♋

**Cancer – Jun 22-Jul 22**  
It's a favorable time to take stock, attend to your valuables, and get a better sense of what you can accomplish. Your view of your capabilities is marked and realistic during this stabilizing cycle that lasts until August 22nd.


♌

**Leo – Jul 23 - Aug 22**  
You could be on the same page as a significant someone or feel strongly about a group endeavor and teamwork. It's an active time for positivity, hopefulness, and enjoying friends, networks, and different, unusual ideas. **Cafeastrology.com**

**CHESS**  
**Easy puzzle**  
White mates in 2 moves.



**Intermediate puzzle**  
White mates in 3 moves.



**SOLVIT**

E	C	H	A	28
J	G	F	G	17
F	B	D	J	13
C	A	D	E	25
23	18	19	23	

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

**Today's Clues**

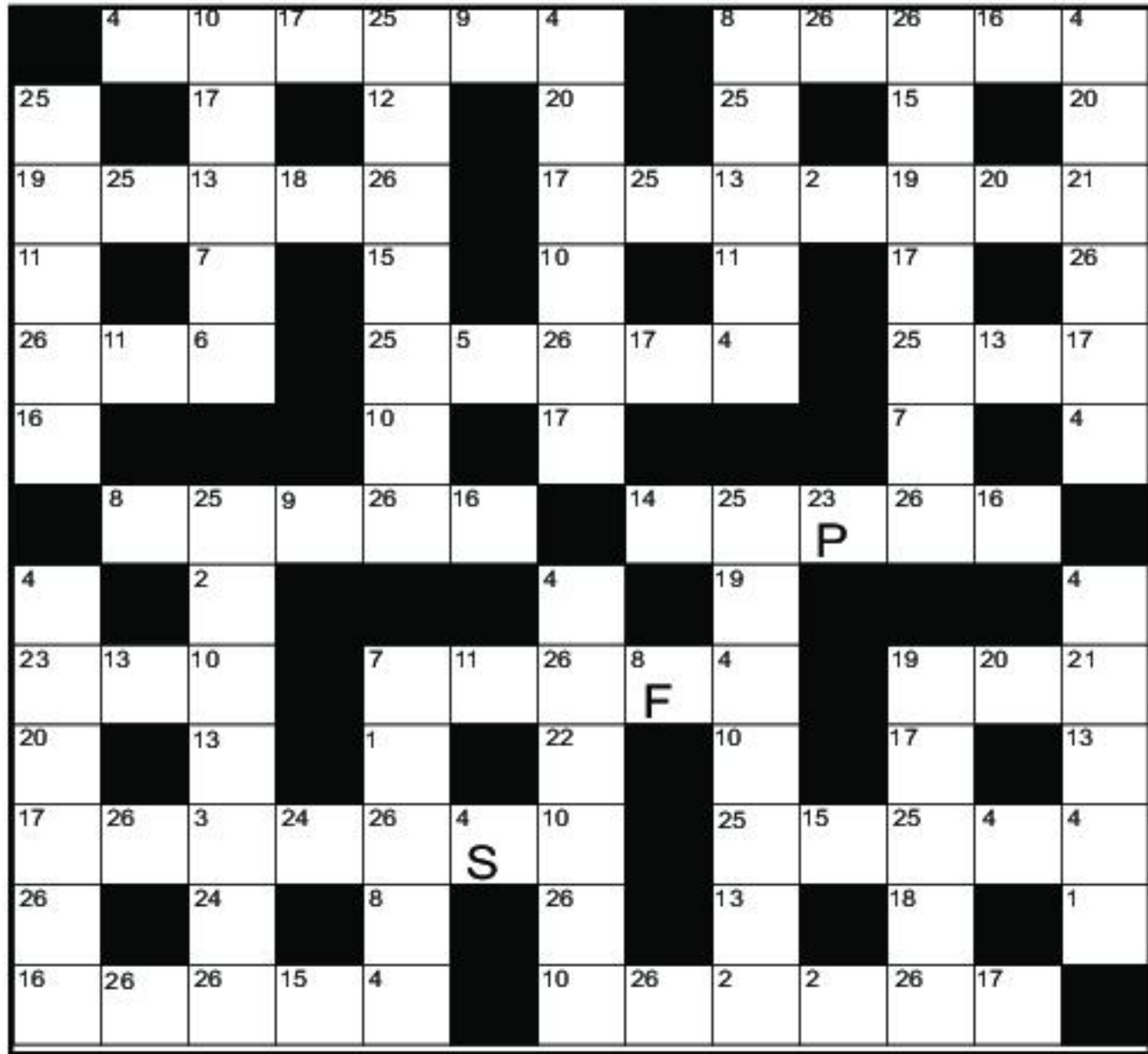
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J
	1						6	

**Monday's solution**

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J
1	3	7	2	6	8	9	5	4

**CODEWORD**

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



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

**Three letters are already in place to get you started.**

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

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

**Monday's solution**

M	S	L	X	K	W	G	A	Z	J	P	R	Q	E
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	

**KAKURO**

		4	28	36	
	3	38			13
32					
16					
	23				17
35					
26					
	8				

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

**Monday's solution**

	2	9	4	2	1
	1	5	3	4	2
30		8	9	7	6
	1	2	4	1	
20	9	7	8	6	10
4	3	1	14	5	9
11	8	3	4	3	1


**SUDOKU**

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

**Monday's solution**

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

**By Kham**



**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

**"Isn't it nice to think that tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet?"**

**L.M. Montgomery**





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### PERSONAL NOTICES

#### A9/LOST

**LOST** Title Rongai/Lengenet blk 3/188 (Kiplombe)

**LOST** title Nyandarua/Kiriita/ Mairo-Inya block 2 (Ndemi)/2354. For Peter Ruhii Ngure (Deceased).

**LOST** Title Lkp/mutitu ngoru blk1/948(leshau pondo)

**LOSS** of title deed kampi ya moto/ kampi ya moto block 4/232( Sarambei B) Elijah Kiprop Komen

**LOST** Title N/wanga/kholera/ 1266

**LOST** title Kisumu Municipality block 8/75

**LOST** title No: Kisumu/ Chiga/ 3426. Peter Okumu Ayoro.

**LOST** Title - Suna East/Wasweta 1/7715 Osman Ahmed Osman

**LOSS** titles NYANDARUA / NJABINI/ 4701, 4702, 4704, 4705, 4706, 4707, 4708, 4709, 4710, 4711, 2528, 9664, 9666

**LOST** title deed No. Githunguri/ 514

**LOSS** of title Deed Sambirir/ Sambirir/186 Cheserek .A.Kitum

**LOST** title deed Kajiado/Kaputiei-North/17190

**LOST** title deed Kajiado/Kaputiei-North/17191

**LOST** title deed Kajiado/Kaputiei-North/17182

**LOST** title deed Mavoko Town Block 3/24027

**TITLE** Thika Municipality block30/5343

**LOST** title deed Loc 2 Mariira 2636

**LOSS** title Kjd/Olcho Onyore/5414

**LOSS** of title Malindi Fundi-SSA plot no 188 Ngumbao Nyanje Masha

**LOST** title: Kapkoi/Mabonde/ Block 1/ Mokolywet/20 of Eunice Makokha.

**LOST** title deed Aguthi/Gaki/1592 of Eliud Wanjohi Maina

**LOST** title deed Thegeenge/ Karangia/ 865 of Peter Mbauni Mathenge

### LOSS OF TITLES

**RE: TITLE NO. CHANIA/KAIRI LR NO 1131 AND T.161 LOCATED IN KAIRI GATUNDU NORTH-KIambu COUNTY**

**WE PAUL GACHERU CHEGE, STEPHEN NGIGI CHEGE and STEPHEN WANYORO CHEGE** of Post Office Box Number 65812-00607 Nairobi being the administrators of the estate of **Chago Kahuta (Deceased)** the registered owner of the above properties hereby confirm that the original title deeds for both properties are lost and our efforts to trace the same have been unsuccessful. We therefore intend to apply for issuance of new titles. **Dated at Nairobi this.....22.....day of...July...2025**

**DRAWN BY: STEPHEN NGIGI CHEGE, PAUL GACHERU CHEGE and STEPHEN WANYORO CHEGE**

**P.O. BOX 65812- 00607 NAIROBI**

### A22/NOTICES

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

**PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No.13 of 2019) NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED RENEWAL OF LEASE**

The owner of parcel **LOC.20/ KAMBIRWA/1577/20** proposes to **RENEW THE LEASE** of this parcel from subject to approval by Murang'a County. Individuals, institutions, organizations etc. with objections/ comments to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of this notice to:

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER LAND, PHYSICAL PLANNING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT MURANG'A COUNTY. P.O BOX 52-10200, MURANG'A DR. PETER K. KAMAU R.P.P 0184**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

**PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT, 2019 CHANGE OF USER.**

The owner of land parcel number **Kisau/ Nduluku/823** located in Ngukuni market along Ngoluni-Tewa road, Makeni county proposes to change use of the parcel from **Agricultural to commercial** subject to approval by county government of Makeni. Individuals, institutions or organizations etc. with objections or comments to the proposal are requested to forward the same in writing within 14 days of publications of this notice to:-

**THE CECM-Lands, Urban Planning and Development, Environment & Climate change. County Government of Makeni P.O. Box 78 - 90300, Makeni**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

**PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT, 2019 CHANGE OF USER.**

The owner of land parcel number **174/makindu** located in Makindu town along Wote-Makindu road, Makeni county proposes to change use of the parcel from **Agricultural to commercial** subject to approval by county government of Makeni. Individuals, institutions or organizations etc. with objections or comments to the proposal are requested to forward the same in writing within 14 days of publications of this notice to:-

**THE CECM-Lands, Urban Planning and Development, Environment & Climate change. County Government of Makeni P.O. Box 78 - 90300 Makeni**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The registered owner of parcel No. **KAJIADO/ KAPUTIEI NORTH/120297** located in Kitegela, off Nairobi-Namanga Highway is proposing to change the use of the property from **Agricultural to Residential** (multi-dwellings) subject to approval by the County Government of Kajiado. Individuals, institutions and organizations with any objections/ comments are required to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days from the date of this notice to:

**CECM LANDS, PHYSICAL PLANNING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KAJIADO P.O BOX 11-01100, KAJIADO.**

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT 2019 CHANGE OF USE**

The registered owner(s) of parcel number **Kisumu/Kassia/4427** located off Kilbas Road in Ogango Area; Kasulu within the City of Kisumu proposes to change the use from **Agricultural User to Commercial (Shops)** subject to approval by the County Government of Kisumu. Individuals, institutions or organizations etc. with objections, concerns or comments on the proposed development are called upon to forward the same in writing within **14 (fourteen) days** of publication of this notice to:

**The CECM, Lands, Physical Planning, Housing & Urban Development County Government of Kisumu, P.O. Box 2738-40100, KISUMU.**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The registered owner(s) of the property plot **No. NAIROBI/BLOCK 181/79** Located off Seasons Road, Kasarani proposes to change use from **Agricultural to Residential (Apartments)** Subject to approval by Nairobi City County. Any individuals, organizations, institutions etc with comments or objections are requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice to:

**The CECM Built Environment and Urban Planning, Nairobi City County Government, P.O. Box 30075 - 00100, NAIROBI**

**Registered Physical Planner: Gitonga Kelvin Ritho, Reg. No 0270**

#### FORM PLUPA/DC/3 PUBLIC NOTICE

**THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019) NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED EXTENSION OF USE**

The registered owner of **Nairobi/ Block 47/ 2104** located along Windy Ridge road in Karen, Langata Sub-County, Nairobi City County proposes to: **extend its use from residential use (single-dwelling unit) to include a guest house.**

Subject to approval by the County government of Nairobi. Individuals, institutions or members of the public with comments and/or objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

**The County Executive Committee Member, County Government of Nairobi. P.O Box 30075-00100, NAIROBI.**

**Name of the Registered Planner Newton G. Karuri Reg. No.0145**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

**THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT NO 13 OF 2019 CHANGE OF USE**

The owner of parcel **NO: NYANDARUA / KARAGIINI BLK 2 /769** within environs of Leshau, Ndaragwa Sub County, Nyandarua County, proposes to change its use from **agricultural to residential use cum commercial (shop)** subject to consideration and approval by the county government of Nyandarua. Any individual (s), institution (s) or organization (s) with any comments or objections to the proposal should forward them in writing within 14 days of this notice to:

**THE CECM LANDS, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NYANDARUA P.O. BOX 701-20303 OLKALOU**

#### FORM PLUPA/DC/3 (r.3(3)(x)) PUBLIC NOTICE

**THE PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019) NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE**

The registered owners of plot **L.R No. Thegeenge/Karia/6165** located in Ciaraia area, propose to change its use from **Agricultural to Residential (Multi dwelling)**, subject to approval by the County Government of Nyeri. Individuals, institutions, members of the public etc. with comments and/or objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

**The CECM- Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development County Government of Nyeri, P.O. BOX 1112-10100, Nyeri.**

**Name of the Registered Planner: Martin Wanyamu Muriuki Reg. No. 0227**

**REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S COURT AT NAIROBI CIVIL SUIT NO. E1519 OF 2025**

**MKONDO WA AFRIKA.....PLAINTIFF -VERSUS- ALLAN KIRAWA OGOLA.....1<sup>ST</sup> DEFENDANT VICTOR ODHIAMBO ORUKO..... 2<sup>ND</sup> DEFENDANT FREDRICK MALABA.....3<sup>RD</sup> DEFENDANT**

**BY SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY ADVERTISEMENT (Order 5 Rule 17 of the Civil Procedure Rule, 2010)**

**TO: FREDRICK MALABA.**

**TAKE NOTICE** that a suit has been filed in the Chief Magistrate Court in Civil Case No.E1519 of 2025 in which you are named as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Defendant. Service of the Summons to Enter Appearance on you had been ordered by means of this advertisement. Copies of the Plaintiff may be obtained from the Milimani Chief Magistrate's Court Registry, or from the Plaintiff's Advocates offices at 4<sup>th</sup> Ngong Avenue Towers, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, Suite #3, 4<sup>th</sup> Ngong Avenue, NAIROBI.

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** that, unless you enter appearance, judgement will be entered against you in default.

**DATED at NAIROBI this 21<sup>st</sup> day of JULY 2025 LUMUMBA & LUMUMBA ADVOCATES ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFF**

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The registered owner(s) of Land Parcel No. **Gilgil/ Karunga Block 1/2381 (Kasambara)** situated at Kasambara neighborhood within Gilgil Sub-County, Nakuru County proposes to: **Change its use from Agricultural to Commercial (Hotel & Resort).** Subject to approval by the County Government of Nakuru. Individuals, institutions or members of the public with comments and/or objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

**The CECM: Lands, Physical Planning, Housing & Urban Development County Government of Nakuru. P.O Box 2870 - 20100, NAKURU.**

**Registered Physical Planner: Newton G. Karuri REG NO: 0145**

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT NO. 13 OF 2019 EXTENSION OF LEASE**

The Registered Owner(s) of parcel Plot L.R. No. **1870/1/79** Located along Ring Road within Parklands area in Westlands Sub-County proposes to **Extend the Lease** of the parcel subject to approval by the Nairobi City County Government. Individuals, Institutions, members of the public etc with comments, and or objections to the development proposal are requested to forward them in writing, within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

**The CECM; Built Environment & Urban Planning, County Government of Nairobi, P.O. Box 30075-00100, NAIROBI.**

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT, 2019 EXTENSION OF USE**

The owner(s) of Plot **L.R. No.4953/1774** located on Garissa Road in Makongeni area in Thika Sub-County propose to **Extend its Use from Private Service Station and Restaurant to include Commercial (Supermarket)** subject to approval by County Government of Kiambu. Individuals, Institutions, Organizations e.t.c with comments or concerns are requested to forward them in writing within 14 days from the date of this notice to:

**The County Executive Committee Member Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Management Kiambu County Government P.O.Box 2344-00900, Kiambu PLANNER J.N.GACHANIA REG. No. 0173**

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The registered owner (s) of Plot Land Reference No. **KIRI/ Mwapula/Maggoni/1071, KIRI/Mwapula/Maggoni /673, Mwapula/Maggoni/668 and KIRI/Mwapula Maggoni/684** LOCATED IN KAUUMA, KIRI KIRI County South Sub County, proposes to change the use of their (its) land from Agricultural to Industrial (Limestone Mining) subject to approval by the Government of Kilifi. Individuals, Institutions, Members of the public e.t.c with comments and objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

**THE CECM LANDS, PHYSICAL PLANNING, MINING, ENERGY AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KILIFI P.O BOX 491-80108 KILIFI**

**NAME OF THE REGISTERED PLANNER. ONESIMUS MUSTORI REG NO.02291**

**IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S COURT OF KENYA MILIMANI COMMERCIAL LAW COURTS MCCC/E4269/2024**

**DAVJON GROUP LIMITED.....1<sup>ST</sup> PLAINTIFF JONATHAN MAINGI MUTUKU.....2<sup>ND</sup> PLAINTIFF DAVID MURIUKI MAMBO.....3<sup>RD</sup> PLAINTIFF VERSUS STANDARD GROUP LTD.....1<sup>ST</sup> DEFENDANT H.E. SAKAJA JOHNSON.....2<sup>ND</sup> DEFENDANT**

**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED SERVICE (Order 5 Rule 17 of the Civil Procedure Rules, 2010)**

**TO: 1. STANDARD GROUP LTD 2. H.E. SAKAJA ARTHUR JOHNSON** TAKE NOTICE that the above-referenced suit came up for Mention on 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2025. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT pursuant to an order by Honorable Thomas Nyakundi on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025, substituted service has been authorized by publication of this notice in The Daily Nation and The Standard Newspaper.

A copy of the Plaintiff, Verifying Affidavit Supporting Documents and Summons to Enter Appearance may be obtained from the Chief Magistrate's Court at Milimani, Nairobi or the chambers of the undersigned advocate through [jaluokadadvocate@gmail.com](mailto:jaluokadadvocate@gmail.com) / +254 706 248 279.

The matter comes up on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2025 for Pre-Trial Conference.

**TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that should you not enter appearance in the matter, the Plaintiffs may proceed to apply for judgment in default against you without further notice.

**DATED at NAIROBI this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2025**

**OKADIA & CO. ADVOCATES FOR THE PLAINTIFFS** Cell-phone: +254 706 248 279 E-mail: [jaluokadadvocate@gmail.com](mailto:jaluokadadvocate@gmail.com)

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**THE PHYSICAL & LAND USE PLANNING ACT (No. 13 of 2019) CHANGE OF USE**

The registered owner of Land Title No. **JUJA/KALIMONI BLOCK 22/574** located off Thika superhighway, near mobicare phone clinic, within Juja Sub-County proposes to change its Use from **Residential single dwelling to Residential Multidwelling Units (Flats)**, subject to approval by Kiambu County Government. Individuals, institutions, members of the public etc. with comments and/or objections to the proposal are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

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

**Physical Planner: Kelvin Ritho Reg No: 0270**

### FORM PLUPA/DC/3 PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The owner of the Parcel Title Number. **Kabete/Gathiga/T.115** Located off **Gathiga road**, in **Gathiga area, Kabete Sub-County**, Kiambu County wishes to **Change the use** of the parcel currently under **Agricultural to Business Cum Residential** subject to approval by the County Government of Kiambu. Individual(s), Organization(s) and Institution(s) etc. with objections or comments to the proposal should submit them in writing within fourteen (14) days from the date of this advert addressed to:

**The CECM Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development County Government of Kiambu, P.O. Box 2344-00900, Kiambu.**

**PHYSICAL PLANNER: John Thomas Ngugi Mbau.**

**REG No. RPP 0284.**

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

R.3(3)(X)

**Physical and Land Use Planning Act (No 13 of 2019) Notification For Proposed Change of User.**

Notice is hereby given that the owner of **Ruiru West Block 1(Githunguri)/2378** has applied for permission to change the use from **Residential Single dwelling to Commercial cum Residential Multi Dwelling (Flats)**. The land is situated in **Gitambaya Area off Eastern bypass** Ruiru sub-county, Kiambu County Any person who wishes to make any representations or objections to the proposal should serve notice of such in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to.

**THE CECM - LANDS, HOUSING AND PHYSICAL PLANNING COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KIAMBU P.O BOX 2344-00900 KIAMBU.**

**PHYSICAL PLANNER: KELVIN RITHO RPP NO. 0270**

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The registered owner of Land Parcel No. **Karai/Gikambura/3945** located at Kikuyu Subcounty in Kiambu County, intends to apply for Change of Use from **Agricultural to Residential Multidwelling (Flat)** subject to approval by Kiambu County Government. Individuals, institutions or members of the public with comments or objections to the proposals are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

**The County Executive Committee Member Lands ,Housing ,Physical planning and Municipal Administration: County Government of Kiambu P.O BOX 2344-00900, Kiambu**

**Pin. Marvin Mugambi Reg. 0323**

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R.3(3)(X)

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**THE REGISTERED OWNER OF LAND PARCEL NO. RUIRU/RUIRU EAST BLOCK 2/7933, LOCATED IN MATANGI AREA, JUJA SUB-COUNTY, PROPOSES TO CHANGE THE USE FROM AGRICULTURAL TO RESIDENTIAL MULTI-DWELLING (APARTMENTS) UNITS, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KIAMBU. INDIVIDUALS, INSTITUTIONS, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ETC. WITH COMMENTS AND/OR OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL ARE REQUESTED TO FORWARD THEM IN WRITING WITHIN FOURTEEN (14) DAYS OF THIS NOTICE TO:**

**THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MEMBER (CECM), LAND, HOUSING, PHYSICAL PLANNING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT, KIAMBU COUNTY GOVERNMENT, P.O BOX 2344-00900, KIAMBU.**

**REGISTERED PHYSICAL PLANNER: ...REG. NO. 0284**



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

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

The registered owner(s) of land Parcel no. Kabarnet Township/112 located in Kabarnet Municipality, Baringo County, intends to apply for **Extension of use to include Light Industry (Petrol Station)** subject to approval by County Government of Baringo. Institution(s) or individual(s) members of public etc. with comments and or objections are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen 14 days of this notice to:

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COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF BARINGO  
P.O BOX 53-30400, KABARNET  
Plan. Felix Kipkemboi Swai, Reg. No. 0319**

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

The registered owner of Land Parcel **Nos. Ruiru Kiu Block 4/169** located at Githurai Subcounty in Kiambu County, intends to apply for Change of Use from **Residential Single Dwelling to Business cum Residential Multidwelling (Flat)** subject to approval by Kiambu County Government. Individuals, institutions or members of the public with comments or objections to the proposals are requested to forward them in writing within fourteen (14) days of this notice to:

**The County Executive Committee Member Lands, Housing, Physical planning  
and Municipal Administration:  
County Government of Kiambu  
P.O BOX 2344-00900,  
Kiambu  
Pin. Marvin Mugambi Reg. 0323**

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

The owner of land parcel: **Ruiru East Block 1/3814** situated in Kamakis, Ruiru Sub-County proposes to Change the use to Residential Multi-Dwelling (**Commercial cum Residential**) subject to approval by the County Government of Kiambu.

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

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

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**REPUBLIC OF KENYA  
COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF ISIOLO  
THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING  
ACT (No. 13 of 2019)**

**NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF PART  
DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

**Title of Development plan: Regularization of existing site for Presbyterian Church of East Africa (PCEA)**

PDP REF. NO. ISL/117/2025/045

Pursuant to the provisions of section 49(1) of the Physical and Land use Planning Use Act, 2019, read together with Legal Notice 248 of 2021

**NOTICE:** is hereby given that, the preparation of the above plan was on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025 Completed.

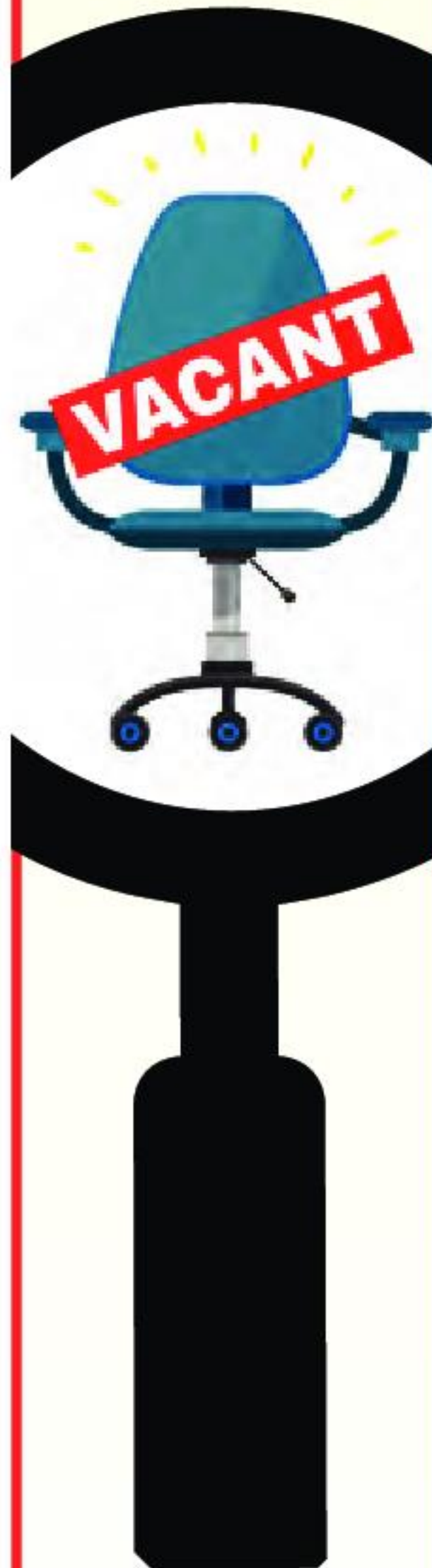
The Part Development Plan relates to land situated within Isiolo Town in Isiolo County. Copies of the plan as prepared have been deposited for public inspection free of charge at the offices of CECM in charge of lands and Physical Planning Isiolo County 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Ardhi House Building between hours of 8.00 am and 5.00p.m, Monday to Friday.

Any interested person who wishes to make any representation in connection with or objection to the above Part Development Plan may send such representation in writing to be received by CECM in charge of lands and Physical Planning Isiolo County not later than 60 days from the publication of this notice and such representation or objection shall state the grounds on which it is made.

Dated 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2025.

Yussuf Dahir,  
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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED  
INTRODUCTION FOR CULTIVATION OF POTATO (solanum tuberosum L.) WITH RESISTANCE TO  
LATE BLIGHT (phytophthora infestans) DEVELOPED THROUGH MODERN BIOTECHNOLOGY.**

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

The proponent, **Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization** proposes to introduce production of a variety of potato that has been developed through modern biotechnology by introducing three Late Blight (LB) resistance genes derived from wild relatives of the potato (RB, Rpi-blb2 genes from *Solanum bulbocastanum* and Rpi-vnt 1.1 gene from *S. venturii*) into the farmer and consumer preferred variety shangi. After Commissioning, the late blight resistant variety will be grown in the potato growing areas of Kenya including the Counties of Bomet, Bungoma, Elgeyo-Marakwet, Kiambu, Meru, Embu, Kirinyaga, Nakuru, Narok, Bomet, Nyandarua, Nyeri, Taita Taveta, Trans-Nzoia, Uasin Gishu and West Pokot.

The following are the anticipated impacts and proposed mitigation measures:-

Impacts	Proposed mitigation measures
<b>Soil Erosion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Install drainage structures properly</li> <li>Ensure management of excavation activities</li> </ul>
<b>Loss of Vegetation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restore/re-establish vegetation in some parts of the disturbed areas through implementation landscaping program.</li> </ul>
<b>Air pollution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All trucks and any other mode of hauling soil sand and other loose materials to and from the site should be covered.</li> <li>Sprinkling of water on dry soils in excavated areas, pavements</li> <li>Use of clean fuels for machines and equipment</li> <li>Stockpiles of earth should be sprayed with water or covered during dry seasons</li> <li>Provide dust masks for the personnel in dust generation areas</li> <li>Sensitize construction workers on pollution control measures</li> </ul>
<b>Emission of greenhouse gas emission</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Less use of agrochemicals</li> <li>Implementing energy efficiency mechanisms to reduce energy consumption.</li> <li>Undertaking annual energy audits to monitor progress and exploit opportunities for energy efficiency</li> </ul>
<b>Traffic disruption</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Properly plan for transportation of materials to ensure that vehicles are optimally filled to reduce the number of trips done or the number of vehicles on the access roads</li> <li>Employment of formal flagmen/women to ensure the public safety</li> <li>Place clear signage's at the gate to alert drivers to be cautious about the construction and to look out for entering and/or exiting vehicles</li> </ul>
<b>Public health, occupational health and safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Train staff/workers on occupational health and safety.</li> <li>Provide full protective gear &amp; workmen's compensation cover in addition to the right tools and operational instructions</li> <li>Design of sewerage system should be as provided in the plans and should be constructed to approved size and design, standard and of approved materials.</li> <li>Avoid undesirable, substandard, hazardous or unauthorized materials during farming activities</li> </ul>
<b>Contribution to Climate Change</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water management; The project should invest in water management strategies like rainwater harvesting, storage facilities, and efficient water use practices. These measures aim to mitigate water scarcity during dry periods and reduce flood risks during heavy rainfall events.</li> <li>Infrastructure Design: Incorporate resilient features to withstand extreme weather like flooding, storms, and high temperatures. Energy Efficiency: Implement technologies and practices to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and dependency on fossil fuels.</li> <li>Biodiversity Conservation: Protect and enhance natural ecosystems to preserve biodiversity and ecosystem services, including reforestation, habitat restoration, and sustainable land management practices.</li> </ul>
<b>Insecurity and social impacts</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provision of security guards, CCTV cameras, security lights and other security apparatus during the entire project cycle.</li> <li>Adhere to work timings in line with the NEMA licensing conditions.</li> </ul>
<b>Increased Water Usage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A motion sensor tap would cut up to 85% of annual water compared to conventional taps.</li> <li>Rainwater harvesting: The harvested water would be used for cleaning, flushing toilets, watering plants, etc.</li> <li>Avail storage tanks.</li> </ul>
<b>Increased generation of waste</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Build farm workers capacity on sanitation and hygiene practices</li> <li>Segregation of waste at the source during the project cycle.</li> <li>Special attention shall be paid to the sanitary facilities on site</li> <li>Garbage shall be disposed periodically.</li> <li>Contract a NEMA licensed waste handler</li> </ul>

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

- Principal Secretary,  
State Department of Environment and Climate Change,  
Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Forestry,  
NHIF Building, 12th Floor  
Ragati Road, Upper Hill,  
P.O. BOX 30126-00100  
**NAIROBI**
- Director General.  
National Environment and Management Authority (NEMA)  
Popo Road, off Mombasa Road  
P. O. Box 67839-00200,

A copy or the EIA report can be downloaded at [www.nema.go.ke](http://www.nema.go.ke).

NEMA invites members of the public to submit oral or written comments within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice to the Director General, NEMA to assist the Authority in the decision making process for this project. Kindly quote ref. No. **NEMA/EIA/5/2/2272**

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KMEV 707W	Tvs Hlx 100 Plus Es	2019	Kisumu - Branch - Fire Station (Bodas)	45000
KMEW 590G	Boxer Bm X125	2019	Kisumu - Branch - Fire Station (Bodas)	65000
KMEW 944Z	Boxer Ct 125	2019	Kericho - Branch - Ratan (Bodas / Cars)	40000
KMEZ 353A	Tvs 125 Cc 2019	2019	Nakuru - Branch - Solai Rd (Bodas)	25000
KMFA 956N	Boxer Bm 100	2019	Nairobi - Branch - Suburu (Bodas)	40000
KMFB 493H	Honda Ace 110 Ks	2018	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	30000
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KMFC 459L	Tvs 125 Cc	2019	Nairobi - Branch - Ruiru (Bodas)	50000
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KMFF 249M	Tvs Hlx 150x	2019	Embu - Branch - MKU (Bodas / Cars)	60000
KMFF 670E	Honda Ace 125 Ks	2020	Meru - Branch - CBK (Bodas)	40000
KMFG 520X	Boxer Bm 100	2020	Kisumu - Branch - Fire Station (Bodas)	55000
KMFG 557Z	Honda Ace 125 Es	2020	Nakuru - Branch - Solai Rd (Bodas)	20000
KMFG 983V	Tvs Hlx 150 4g	2020	Meru - Branch - CBK (Bodas)	60000
KMFH 278T	Tvs Hlx 150x	2020	Embu - Branch - MKU (Bodas / Cars)	10000
KMFJ 901E	Haojin HJ 150-11a	2020	Nairobi - Branch - Ruiru (Bodas)	40000
KMFJ 969K	Tvs Hlx 150x	2020	Bomet - Branch - CBD (Bodas / Cars)	50000
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KMFP 701E	Haojin HJ 125-a	2021	Meru - Branch - CBK (Bodas)	55000
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KMFR 208A	Honda Ace 125 Ks	2021	Kisumu - Branch - Fire Station (Bodas)	55000
KMFR 748S	Haojin HJ 125-a	2021	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	40000
KMFR 846R	Boxer Bm X125	2021	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	50000
KMFS 257B	Boxer Bm 100	2021	Kisii - Branch - B3 Rd (Bodas / Cars)	70000
KMFT 080N	Captain Max 150-x	2021	Meru - Branch - CBK (Bodas)	40000
KMFT 248J	Boxer Bm 100	2021	Malindi - Branch - CBD (Bodas / Cars)	55000
KMFT 947F	Honda Ace 125 Es	2021	Nairobi - Branch - Ruiru (Bodas)	70000
KMFT974L	Haojin HJ 125-a	2021	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	43000
KMFU 024Q	Tvs Hlx 150 4g	2021	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	50000
KMFU 025M	Honda Ace 125 Es	2021	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	60000
KMFU 754B	Boxer Bm 100	2021	Kericho - Branch - Ratan (Bodas / Cars)	45000
KMFU 828J	Skygo Sg 125-3	2021	Kitui - Branch - Kalundu Town (Bodas / Cars)	50000
KMFV 155P	Captain Max 150a	2021	Meru - Branch - CBK (Bodas)	40000
KMFV 408C	Captain Max 150-x	2021	Meru - Branch - CBK (Bodas)	50000
KMFV 448R	Tvs 100 plus Es	2021	Eldoret - Branch - Riverside Hotel (Bodas)	40000
KMFV 908H	Tvs Hlx 150 4g	2021	Kisumu - Branch - Fire Station (Bodas)	70000
KMFV 492U	Boxer 150 Ug	2021	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	70000
KMFX 218M	Boxer Bm 125 Ug	2022	Kisii - Branch - B3 Rd (Bodas / Cars)	80000
KMFX 254G	Tvs Hlx 125 Ref	2021	Kisii - Branch - B3 Rd (Bodas / Cars)	67000
KMFX 658H	Sonlink SI 150-KDX	2021	Nakuru - Branch - Solai Rd (Bodas)	20000
KMFX 739V	Boxer Bm 125 Ug	2021	Nakuru - Branch - Solai Rd (Bodas)	35000
KMFX 870F	Boxer Bm 100	2021	Nakuru - Branch - Solai Rd (Bodas)	30000
KMFZ 553R	Boxer 150 Ug	2021	Eldoret - Branch - Riverside Hotel (Bodas)	50000
KMFZ 685Y	Boxer Bm 100	2021	Kericho - Branch - Ratan (Bodas / Cars)	35000
KMGA 710S	Sonlink SI 100b	2021	Eldoret - Branch - Riverside Hotel (Bodas)	30000
KMGB 185L	Boxer 150 Ug	2022	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	70000
KMGB 243V	Tvs Hlx 150 4g	2021	Nairobi - Branch - Ruiru (Bodas)	60000
KMGB 793E	Tvs Hlx 150x	2022	Nakuru - Branch - Solai Rd (Bodas)	25000
KMGC 064T	Honda Ace 125 Es	2021	Nairobi - Branch - Suburu (Bodas)	40000
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KMGF 683R	Boxer Bm 100	2022	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	50000
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KMGK 893Q	Boxer Bm 125 Ug	2023	Nairobi - Branch - Langata (Bodas)	30000
KMGL 015F	Ranger Sanya Ry 150-18	2023	Embu - Branch - MKU (Bodas / Cars)	73000
KMGL 647R	Boxer Bm 125 Ug	2023	Embu - Branch - MKU (Bodas / Cars)	90000
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NO.	REG. NO.	MAKE/ MODEL	VIEWED AT
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2.	KDD 650Y	NISSAN SERENA	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS INVESTMENTS YARD, KIAMBU ROAD.
3.	KCQ 256S	TOYOTA FIELDER	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS INVESTMENTS YARD, THIKA.
4.	KDB 897R	CANTER	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS INVESTMENTS YARD, MERU.

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**NAKURU CM E.L.C. CASE NO. E048 OF 2021**

#### JOSEPH NTUBIRI NARANGWI =VERSUS= JOSHUA KIPTOO TOROITICH

All that piece or parcel of land known as **TITLE NO. NAKURU MUNICIPALITY BLOCK 4/377 - NAKURU COUNTY "FORMERLY VILLAGE PARK RESORT"** situated on Court Lane about 100m off Kenyatta Avenue and adjacent to Woolmart Supermarket within Nakuru City CBD and lies within GPS Coordinates: 0°17'11.64"S 36°04'01.21"E in Nakuru City County. It measures 0.0639 Hectares or 0.1579 of an Acre approximately and is developed with a Lodging Block with accommodation as follows: - **Ground Floor** - Lodging reception, Eight (8No.) self-contained rooms staircase to landing, **First Floor** - Staircase landing area, Corridor, Eight (8No.) self-contained rooms, **Second Floor** - Staircase landing area, Corridor, Three (3No.) Double self-contained rooms and Two (2No.) self-contained rooms built on a total plinth area of 3705sq.m. approximately and an underground water tank with a capacity of 30,000litres. Mains water, electricity and sewer are connected to the property. Immediate access road is murrum-surfaced. The Title is held on a Leasehold interest for a term of 99 years w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> December 1934 at a reversible annual ground rent of Kshs. 3,080/= and is registered in the name of **JOSHUA KIPTOO TOROITICH**.

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. All Intending Purchaser(s) are requested to view and verify the details for these are not warranted by the Auctioneer or our Clients.
2. Interested bidders are required to deposit KES.1,000,000/= by way of CASH or Banker's Cheque to the Auctioneer before the auction date in order to obtain a bidding number.
3. The Declared Purchaser MUST pay a DEPOSIT of 10% by CASH or BANKERS' CHEQUE before close of business of the auction day and the balance be paid within a Period of Ninety (90) Days from the date of sale.
4. The Sale is subject to a Reserve Price and Land Control Board Consent (where applicable).
5. Conditions of Sale are available on request at our offices and viewing of the property is possible during normal working hours by prior arrangements with ourselves.

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals we shall sale the following Motor Vehicle by Public Auction on **Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup> July 2025** at **Pangani storage yard NBI** starting from **10:30 am**.

### 1. MILIMANI SCCC E5114 OF 2024.

**LYNDA CHEPKOSKEI MAKKA KETANY=VRS=ANDREW KARIMI THIRIKU**

Reg. No.	Make/Model	Condition
KCN 019T	NQR ISUZU MATATU	Running

#### TERMS:

- (i) Motor vehicles are sold subject to the reserved Price.
- (ii) Cash/Bankers cheque at the fall of hammer.



## EXPRESS AGENCY AUCTIONEERS

Auctioneers, Repossessors, Commission Agents, investigators & Debt Collection.  
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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principal, the financiers, we shall sell the undermentioned motor vehicles by public Auction on **31st JULY 2025 from 10.30am AT KIZINGO YARD MOMBASA.**

NO	MAKE	REG NO	DEBTOR NAME	YARD
1	HIACE	KDN-633Z	NICHOLAS KIBET BII	KIZINGO YARD MOMBASA
2	AXIO	KDQ-596B	JACKSON KHAGULI GALAVA	KIZINGO YARD MOMBASA
3	FIELDER	KDK-599D	EDWIN NDALO WADORE	KIZINGO YARD MOMBASA
4	AD	KDJ-720Y	TIMOTHY KILONZO NZIOKA	KIZINGO YARD MOMBASA
5	FIELDER	KDN-876Y	TONY GITHONGO KANYARI	KIZINGO YARD MOMBASA
6	PROBOX	KDK-516M	UBAH MOHAMMED GADI	KIZINGO YARD MOMBASA

#### Cash at the fall of the hammer.

1. Bidders to view and verify details on normal working hours with prior arrangements.

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### PROPERTIES AVAILABLE FOR SALE

**1.** A double storey block of flats comprising of 2 No. Two Bedroom Units on each of the Ground and First Floor developed on a plot measuring 0.045 Ha and located approximately 230 Meters South-East of Marigad Center and about 200M off Magadi road, in Mashuria area within Close proximity to Kiserian Town, Kajiado County.

**2.** A vacant 0.748 Ha or 1.848 Acres situated about 1.3 Kilometers off and to the left of Kiserian – Magadi tarmac (Magadi Road) deviating onto Mwalimu Road at Mora Hill Houses Signboard approximately 1 Km South of St. Patrick School, Kiserian in Ole Moiko area, approximately 5 Kilometers South-West of Kiserian Township, Kajiado County.

**3.** A single storey residential Block having Four (4 No.) rooms, a permanent built – poultry house and an external ablution block developed on a plot measuring 0.043 Ha or 0.1063 Acres and situated along an earth – surfaced service road off the tar – surfaced Mlolongo – Katani road off the main Mombasa Road within Katani Area, Machakos County.

**4.** A double – storey 4 bedrooomed maisonette (master ensuite) and an incomplete bungalow developed on a plot measuring 0.2535 Ha or 0.626 Acres and situated along an earth – surfaced service road off a murrum – surfaced Estate in-road which in turn branches about 2.7 Kilometers off the main tar surfaced Nairobi – Mombasa Highway within Kyumvi Area, Machakos County

**5.** A 3 bedrooomed apartment (master ensuite) easily identified as Apt. No. D25 located on the 2nd Floor of Block D, Wing B situated within Greatwall Apartments Phase II, Beijing Road, right opposite Bluebells Gardens Estate within Syokimau Area of Machakos County. Leasehold Interest for a term of 99 years w.e.f 1/11/1993

**6.** A four (4 No.) bedrooomed bungalow and an ablution block developed on two plots each measuring 0.03 Ha or 0.0741 Acres located within Daima Estate opposite Missionary Sisters of Precious Blood Convent along Kenyatta Road in Juja Municipality, Kiambu County.

**7.** A four (4 No.) bedrooomed three storey residential house (master ensuite) with a DSQ easily identified as House No. S240 developed on a plot measuring 0.0438 Ha or 0.10823 Acres and situated approximately 100M from Northern Bypass Road along Mara Lane in Membley Park Estate, Serengeti Court, Ruiru Constituency, Kiambu County.

**8.** A 3 No. Bungalows (2 No. two – bedrooomed bungalows and 1 No. four bedrooomed bungalow), Single Room Block & 2 No. Semi – permanent bungalows developed on a plot measuring 0.0637 Ha or 0.1574 Acres and situated 15 Kilometers North West of Nairobi CBD in Muguga Area, Kiambu County

**9.** A 3 bedrooomed (master ensuite) apartment easily identified as Apt. No. D4 located on the 1st Floor of Block D within White Oak Apartments, Kilimani along Lenana Road, diagonally opposite Nigeria High Commission, approximately 6 Kilometers to the West of Nairobi City Center, Nairobi City County.

**10.** An office suite identifiable as Office No. 7C (Seventh Floor), Commodoore Office Suites, Kindaruma Road at the junction of Wood Avenue and about 5 Kilometers from Nairobi CBD within Kilimani Business District, Nairobi County. Accommodation details; Entrance reception, Boardroom, Working Space, Classroom, Office I, Office II, Director's Office with exit to Verandah, Passage way with high shelves, Office III, Kitchen, Cloakroom with WC, WHB and wall mirror and Cloakroom with WC, Urinal, WHB and wall mirror

**11.** 6 vacant plots each measuring 0.3400 Ha or 0.8401 Acres and are situated approximately 2.5 Kilometers off Mombasa – Malindi highway turning West at the Northern end of Shariani Village about 800 Meters North of Gapco Petrol Station in Vipingo Area, Kilifi County.

**12.** A three bedrooomed (master ensuite) bungalow developed on a plot measuring 0.0400 Ha or 0.0988 Acres and is situated within Nyali Annex Estate, Maweni Area off Beach road – Nyali, Mombasa County.

**13.** A 3 bedrooomed (master ensuite) apartment locally known as Unit No. P situated on 3rd Floor of Block 3 within Mtwapa Luxury Apartments, situated approximately 0.7 Kilometers off Mombasa – Malindi road at Mtwapa area within Kilifi County.

**14.** A vacant plot measuring 0.08 Ha or 0.1977 Acres located about 140 Meters due SouthEast of Friend's School Lusila Secondary School and about 200 Meters due North-West of Chanduma Shopping Center, within Chandumba Area along Chavakali – Eregi road, Vihiga County.

**15.** An incomplete dilapidated stalled building developed on a plot measuring 0.09 Ha or 0.222 Acres situated in Mabera Town, off Migori Town – Isebania Town highway to the Southeast of Makutano Bar and restaurant behind first row Mabera Town Shops within Mabera Town, Kuria West Sub – County, Migori County

**16.** Three permanent tenement residential buildings developed on a plot measuring 0.05 Ha or 0.124 Acres and situated in Mabera Town, about 120 Meters off Migori Town – Isibania Town highway to the South-East of Makutano Bar and Restaurant near PEFA Church within Mabera Town, Kuria West Sub – County, Migori County. Accommodation details consist of:- 4No. 1 – Bedrooomed semi – detached units for Building I; 2 No. 2 – Bedrooomed unit with store, two bedroom units without a store & a single room for Building II & Double storey whose accommodation consist of single room, washrooms & stairs to first floor on the Ground Floor and verandah, sitting room, kitchen with ceramic worktop and stainless steel sink, passage, laundry and one bedroom on the First Floor for Building III

**17.** A two bedroom apartment in 360 Apartments in Syokimau.

## BRA Beta Recovery Auctioneers

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions received from the Chief Magistrate's court at Murang'a we shall sell the following undermentioned motor vehicle on **29<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Valuers yard from 10 am**

**Cmc's no. E075 of 2023 at Murang'a.  
Client Vs Jadel G. Maina & another  
M/V registration number KCC 660M  
Isuzu D-max.**

**Terms of sale  
Cash at the fall of the hammer.**

**All are welcome.**

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Under Instructions received from our principals, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned property at **BLEGIF YARD KITENGELA** on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025** starting at **10.30 a.m.**

**1. IN THE MATTER OF DISTRESS FOR RENT AT ISINYA (CAP 293 LAWS OF KENYA)  
LANDLORD VRS Emily Karanja and Another**

No.	Reg. No	Make
1	KAZ 289U	Pick up Nissan
2	KBU 889U	Nissan saloon

**CONDITIONS FOR SALE  
Cash at the fall of the Hammer**

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

**Under instructions from our principals, the chargees, in exercise of their statutory power of sale, we shall sell by Public Auction the under mentioned property and all the improvements erected thereon.**

### 1. SALE ON THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2025 AS FROM 11:00A.M OUTSIDE BUSIA POST OFFICE.

All that property known as **L.R. NO. BUKHAYO/BUGENGI/12176, BUSIA COUNTY** registered in the name of **GEOFFREY OUMA LWAMIRE**. It is a freehold interest measuring 0.049 Ha or 0.1211 Acres situated approximately 120 Meters off Busia Kisumu road branching at Busia Highway Tyres & Autocenter and 570 Meters North of Mundika School of The Deaf and Mundika Boys High School and approximately 7.4 Kilometers South-East of Busia Town off Busia – Kisumu road in Mundika Area of Busia County. The plot is vacant. Mains electricity and water services are connected to the property. Drainage is to pit latrine.

### CONDITIONS OF SALE.

- All interested bidders are requested to view the property and verify the details for themselves as the auctioneers or the chargees do not warrant these.
- Interested bidders must deposit **Kshs. 100,000.00** for the Property in **CASH OR BANKERS CHEQUE** with the auctioneer before being allowed to bid.
- Sale is subject to a reserve price, and the auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid without giving any reasons for doing so.
- Interested bidders are requested to view the property between 10.00 am and 5.00pm and our office will assist the bidders to point out the property subject to prior arrangement.
- 25%** of the purchase price must be paid to the auctioneer at the fall of the hammer and the balance to be paid in **90 days** to the chargees.

## MUMU AUCTIONEERS

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals **THE FINANCIERS**, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned motor vehicles; on **TUESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2025, AT, MATRIZ MOVES KENYA LTD**, starting at **10:30 am**

REG NO.	MAKE	MODEL	TO BE VIEWED
1.KCZ 967X	MITSUBISHI-FUSO	CANTER	MATRIZ MOVES KENYA LTD

#### CONDITION OF SALE

- Viewing of the motor vehicle can be done during normal working hours with pre-arrangement with the auctioneer to verify the details as these are not warranted by the auctioneer nor our principle.
- Cash or Bankers cheques at the fall of the hammer.
- Sales are subject to a reasonable reserve price.
- The Auctioneer reserve the right to reject any bid without giving any reason whatsoever.

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our Principals, we shall sell by Public Auction below mentioned properties.

**ON WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025 AT 11:00 AM OUTSIDE OUR EMBU OFFICE.**

**1. RUNYENYES SPAC NO E129 OF 2023**

**JOSEPHINE JAMATI NYAGA VERSUS JOHN KURIA KINUTHIA, SIMON MWANIKI HESBON**

All that parcel of land known as No KAGAARI/KANJA/12947 measuring approximately 0.46HA registered in the name of **SIMON MWANIKI HESBON** situated at Mbururu sublocation near Kathukiri tea buying Centre, with 4 bedrooomed permanent house and tea bushes, water and electricity are connected to the property, within Embu County.

**ON FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025 AT 11:00AM AT KERUGOYA CENTRAL PARK (JEEVANJEE GARDENS).**

**2. FINANCIER VERSUS REUBEN NJAGI NGARI**

All that parcel of land known as INOI/KAMOHOD/3582 measuring approximately 0.202 Ha and registered in the name of **REUBEN NJAGI NGARI** situated off Kerugoya-Kutus road within Gitwe village, about 1.9 kilometres from Kirinyaga university .water is connected to the property, within Kirinyaga County. GPS -0.568674, 37.312675.

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- Interested bidders are requested to verify details for themselves as these are not warranted by the principals nor the Auctioneer and sale is subject to reserve price.
- Deposit of 25% be paid in cash or bankers cheque by the highest declared bidder and balance within 15 days for lot no 1 and 30 days for lot no 2.

## INTERCOUNTY AUCTIONEERS

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

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

S/NO.	M/V REG. NO.	MAKE	STORAGE YARD/PLACE	AUCTION DATE	TIME
1	KDB 202S	Range Rover	Bosan Storage Yard	31 <sup>st</sup> July 2025	10.00AM
2	KDL 951Y	Toyota Hilux	Bosan Storage Yard	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	10.00AM
3	KBV 981P	Toyota Noah	Joyland Storage Yard	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	10.00AM
4	KCF 299F	Toyota Vitz	Tessia Storage Yard	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	10.00AM
5	KCA 382Y	Isuzu Hino	Absolute Storage Yard	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	10.00AM
6	KBP 389U	Toyota Townace	Marajal Oasis Hurlingham	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	10.00AM
7	KBH 446J	Mitsubishi Lancer	Absolute Storage Yard	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	10.00AM
8	KDH 643K	Volkswagen Golf	Grey Post Storage Yard	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	10.00AM
9	KBT 481X	Toyota Noah	Absolute Storage Yard	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	10.00AM

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- Strictly cash at the fall of the hammer.
- Bidders to view and verify asset on normal working hours with prior arrangement.
- Sale subject to reasonable reserve price.

## MAMALO AUCTIONEERS

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

- (A) Duly instructed by the Decree Holder we shall sell the under mentioned Motor Vehicle by public auction on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 10.30AM at Bwesa Storage Area along Eastern bypass, off Kangundo road.**  
**UNDER WARRANTS OF ATTACHMENT AND SALE**  
**MILIMANI CMCC E065 OF 2023**  
**ABDUL WAHEED SHEIKH-VS-PRUDENT CONSTRUCTION LTD, JACKSON KYENDO & MARY NJUGU NYALO**  
**Motor Vehicle Registration Number KCV 845F TOYOTA VANGUARD.**
- (B) Duly instructed by the Decree Holder we shall sell the under mentioned Motor vehicle by public auction on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 10.30AM at Bwesa Storage Area along Eastern bypass, off Kangundo road.**  
**UNDER WARRANTS OF ATTACHMENT AND SALE**  
**THIKA SCCCOMI E475 OF 2025**  
**NETRO CHEMICALS LTD-VS-WESTBOLD GENERAL CONSTRUCTION LTD.**  
**Motor Vehicle Registration Number KCH 3221 NISSAN X-TRA OFFROAD.**
- (C) Duly instructed by the Decree Holder we shall sell the under mentioned Motor vehicle by public auction on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 10.30AM at Bwesa Storage Area along Eastern bypass, off Kangundo road.**  
**UNDER WARRANTS OF ATTACHMENT AND SALE**  
**MILIMANI SCCC E447 OF 2024**  
**RONALD MUTITHI MWANGI-VS-NEWTON NOIRANGU & ATHI WATER SERVICES BOARD**  
**Motor Vehicle Registration Number KDA 541P ISUZU FTR.**
- (D) Duly instructed by the Decree Holder we shall sell the under mentioned Motor vehicle by public auction on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 10.30AM at Bwesa Storage Area along Eastern bypass, off Kangundo road.**  
**UNDER WARRANTS OF ATTACHMENT AND SALE**  
**RUIRU SCCCOMI E317 OF 2025**
- (E) Duly instructed by the Decree Holder we shall sell the under mentioned Motor vehicle by public auction on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 10.30AM at Kutsu Vanz.**  
**UNDER WARRANTS OF ATTACHMENT AND SALE**  
**MILIMANI CMCC E78 OF 2023**  
**STEPHEN NYAMU NGUGI-VS-PANNU AGENCIES CO. LTD & BRAVIN KIBET.**  
**Motor Vehicle Registration Number KEM 4850 MITSUBISHI CANTER.**
- (F) Duly instructed by the Decree Holder we shall sell the under mentioned Motor vehicles by public auction on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 10.30AM at Bwesa Auction & Storage Yard, Gattitu, Thika Town.**  
**UNDER WARRANTS OF ATTACHMENT AND SALE**  
**MILIMANI CMCC E74 OF 2019**  
**KENNEDY GICHARA ORANGI-VS-CITY GENERAL STORES LTD & GEORGE NYAMUGA**  
**Motor Vehicle Registration Number RIL 330A TOYOTA HILUX.**  
**Motor Vehicle Registration Number KCM 4828 TOYOTA HILUX.**
- (G) Duly instructed by the Landlord we shall sell the under mentioned Motor vehicle by public auction on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 10.30AM at Bwesa Storage Area along Eastern bypass, off Kangundo road.**  
**UNDER DISTRESS FOR RENT**  
**LANDLORD-VS-YYONE MUNYUA MUTISA**  
**Motor Vehicle Registration Number KDE 527S SUBARU EXIGA.**

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All intending purchasers are requested to verify details themselves.
- Viewing can be done through arrangements with ourselves.
- Cash at the fall of the hammer.
- Sale is subject to the reserve price.

## Kentrack Auctioneers

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

DULY INSTRUCTED BY OUR PRINCIPAL THE FINANCIERS WE SHALL SELL THE UNDER MENTIONED PROPERTIES AND OTHER ITEMS BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

- ON MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025 FROM 11.00 A.M AT MURANG'A MOTORS**  
**CIVIL SUIT NO.E135 OF 2022**  
**DECREE HOLDER – MARY WAMBUI (JUDGEMENT DEBTOR)**  
**SOME OLD SCRAP METAL**
- AGRICULTURE/ RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY FOR SALE ON THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025 AT 11.00A.M. OUTSIDE KAGIO POST OFFICE, KIRINYAGA COUNTY**  
a) All that parcel of land known as **TITLE NO: MWERUA/KAGIO/4480 & MWERUA/KAGIO/7670** measuring **0.10 HA & 0.05 HA** approximately. Both are freehold interests. Situated via Sagana-Kagio-Kutus road towards Seventh Day Adventist Church Kagio. Take a left turn for approximately 0.29km followed by a right for approximately 0.17km the subject is located on your left hand side and Kagio-Kandongu-Mutithi new tarmac road approximately 4kms from Kagio CBD and at a walking distance east of ACK Kiamachiri Church respectively. Both registered in the name of **MARY WAMBUI NDEGWA. GRS CO-ORDINATES 0°37'56.4"S 37°16'05.6"E & 0°38'18.0"S 37°16'08.5"E** RESPECTIVELY

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All interested buyers are requested to view the properties and notify the details for these are not warranted by the auctioneers or our clients.
- A deposit of 25% of the purchase price must be paid in cash, RTGS or banker's cheque at the fall of the hammer and balance paid within 90 days to the charge for the properties.
- The sale is subject to a reserve price and Land Control Board Consent (where applicable)
- The sale is subject to a reserve price.
- SALE WILL BE -AS -IS-WHERE-IS-BASIS.**

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

THE FOLLOWING MOTOR VEHICLE WILL BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION AT **MUAZ SHOWROOM** ON THE **29<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025, AT 11:00 AM.**

REG. NO.	CHASIS No.	MODEL
KDP 951E	DK5AW-113039	MAZDA CX3

**TERMS OF SALE**  
CASH AT THE FALL OF HAMMER

## MAMUKA AUCTIONEER

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions from our principals, we shall sell the under-mentioned motor vehicles by public auction on **31<sup>st</sup> July 2025** at **Valuers Yard** between **11:00 AM**.

REG NO.	MODEL	YOM	VIEWING PLACE
KCU104Q	TOYOTA PROBOX	2012	VALUERS YARD
KBY 064Q	TOYOTA CALDINA	2007	VALUERS YARD

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All interested buyers are requested to verify the details for themselves.
- The auctioneer has the right to reject the bid without giving any reason.
- Cash at the fall of the hammer.
- Sale is subject to reserve price.

## SWIFTWAY AUCTIONEERS

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### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals, we shall sell by public Auction the below mentioned goods on **TUESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> July 2025** starting from **10:30 am** at our yard in Bamburi

**THE LANDLORD -VS- DAVID OMORE AYEKHA**  
GAS COOKER & CYLINDER, FRIDGE, 2 PLASTIC CHAIRS,  
2 PLASTIC STOOL,  
SMALL WATER DISPENSER, 3 MATTRESSES.

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE.

- Sale is subject to a reasonable reserve price
- Interested bidders are requested to verify details for themselves as these are not warranted by the Auctioneers nor the instructing parties
- Cash at the fall of the hammer.

## NCA

NAIROBI CHANNELS  
AUCTIONEERS

Kiambu Road, opp. Evergreen Square  
P.O. Box 598 - 00100, G.P.O Nairobi,  
Tel. 0722 584 483/ 0756 685 757  
Email: nairobichannels@gmail.com.

### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals the financiers, under Matter of Repossession we shall sell the under-mentioned motor vehicles on **30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 11.00 a.m.** at our above mentioned offices.

REG. NO.	MAKE	YOM	STORAGE YARD
KCH 041N	RENAULT TRUCK		GREYPOST YARD
KBT 710P	TOYOTA SURF	2005	GREYPOST YARD
KCZ 912V	MITSUBISHI RVR	2013	GREYPOST YARD
KBW 989S	TOYOTA PRADO	2005	GREYPOST YARD
KCH 387E	MAZDA BONGO		GREYPOST YARD
KDN 296V	NISSAN XTRAIL	2016	GREYPOST YARD
KCL 759A	FAW TIPPER	2016	MT KENYA STORAGE YARD
KCY 206N	M/BENZ BUS	2019	MOCO YARD -KISII

#### TERMS

- Purchasers to view and verify details themselves; as these are not warranted by the Auctioneer or the Principals.
- Sale is on AS-IS-WHERE-IS-BASIS and subject to reserve price.
- Payment via Banker's cheque or RTGS before close of business.
- A refundable deposit of 50,000/= to obtain bidding number prior to the auction.
- The auctioneer has the right to reject any bid without giving any reason.

**ALL ARE WELCOME**



## MOGO AUTO LTD

P.O. Box Number 29107-00100  
Pine Tree, Kaburu Drive, Nairobi, Kenya

### MOTOR VEHICLES FOR SALE

We are inviting offers from interested parties for the purchase of motor vehicles in our car yards countrywide, as listed below:

NO.	REG NO.	MODEL/MAKE	YOM	YARD/LOCATION	FORCED VALUE
1	KBM349N	Volkswagen Golf	2003	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	180000
2	KCM183K	Toyota Axio	2010	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	570000
3	KDG741V	Toyota iela	2014	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	855000
4	KAT638V	Toyota Corolla	1998	Meru - Car Yard - Kathita (Cars)	287500
5	KCS979E	Mazda Bongo	2012	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	585000
6	KCA858L	Toyota Harrier	2007	Kisumu - Car Yard - Kanyamedha (Cars)	785000
7	KBG995M	Toyota Corolla	2002	Meru - Car Yard - Kathita (Cars)	144000
8	KDD605K	Toyota Passat	2014	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	483000
9	KCC672X	Toyota Hiace	2009	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	585000
10	KDB266G	Toyota Spacia	2013	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	722500
11	KCA724G	Subaru Legacy	2007	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	637500
12	KCG152X	Toyota Premio	2008	Mombasa - Car Yard - Ferry (Cars)	785000
13	KBE114U	Mazda Familia	2001	Kisumu - Car Yard - Kanyamedha (Cars)	170000
14	KBE320B	Nissan Sunny	2001	Kisumu - Car Yard - Kanyamedha (Cars)	105000
15	KDE552J	Mazda Demio	2014	Mombasa - Car Yard - Ferry (Cars)	485000
16	KDM316U	Nissan Dayz	2018	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	531000
17	KBT921X	Toyota Harrier	2005	Kisumu - Car Yard - Kanyamedha (Cars)	722500
18	KCH881E	Toyota Belta	2009	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	405000
19	KAZ110J	Mercedes-Benz C200	1999	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	432000
20	KAT752L	Mercedes-Benz E200	1987	Kisumu - Car Yard - Kanyamedha (Cars)	0
21	KDG208J	Proton Saga	2020	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	675000
22	KDA742F	Suzuki Wagon R	2013	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	360000
23	KDG443J	Suzuki Alto	2014	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	342000
24	KCU081E	Suzuki Alto	2014	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	255000
25	KBV652A	Nissan Bluebird	2003	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	200000
26	KBJ490Z	Nissan Advan	2002	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	700000
27	KBF613D	Toyota Townace	2001	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	280000
28	KCB592X	Mazda Bongo	2006	Kisumu - Car Yard - Kanyamedha (Cars)	297500
29	KBZ581J	Mazda Demio	2007	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	280000
30	KBY737P	Toyota Caldina	2007	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	425000
31	KDG428U	Nissan Note	2014	Mombasa - Car Yard - Ferry (Cars)	484500
32	KBY459W	Toyota Vitz	2007	Kisumu - Car Yard - Kanyamedha (Cars)	315000
33	KCJ861C	Mazda Demio	2009	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	468000
34	KCS972H	Suzuki Alto	2013	Nairobi - Car Yard - Kiambu (Cars)	70000

Viewing of MOTOR VEHICLES to be done at MOGO Car Yards, (call 0114823694) for directions) as SALE IS 'ON-AS-IS-WHERE-IS-BASIS'. Bids should be submitted through email: cars.sales@mogo.co.ke (as well put down your mobile number on the mail) or drop in a sealed envelope and clearly marked "Tender for Motor Vehicle" addressed to:

Mogo Auto Ltd, Pinetree, Kaburu Drive  
P.O. Box 29107 - 00100  
NAIROBI.

[daily@standard.com](mailto:daily@standard.com)

## ONYX AUCTIONEERS

AUCTIONEERS, REPOSESSORS, DEBT COLLECTORS, PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS & GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

Head Office, Norfolk Towers, Kijabe Street, Off Harry Thuku Road. P.O. Box 14857-00100 Nairobi.  
Cell- 0711 768169/0720 894188 Email: info@onyxauctions.co.ke/onyxauctioneers20@gmail.com

### PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instruction received from our principles the Financiers and pursuant to the powers conferred upon them by section 96 of Land Act 2012 and other enabling laws of the Republic of Kenya we shall sell the undermentioned properties through Public Auction as indicated below.

- On **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2025** starting from **11:00 A.M** we shall sell the under mentioned motor vehicles through public auction.

REG NO	MAKE & MODEL	VIEWING
KCE 574C	TOYOTA NOAH	RIGID MOTORS
KDG 225N	TOYOTA PROBOX	FORESIGHT STORAGE YARD KAMAKIS

- On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025** at **11:00 AM** at our offices located at Norfolk Towers 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Kijabe Street Nairobi. All that piece or parcel of land known as **L.R.NO.MAVOKO TOWN BLOCK 3/15190** measuring **0.045 Hectares** or **0.1112 Acres** registered in the name **ERIC OUMA ARINGO P.O. Box 282-40600** all improvements and developments there on. The plot is currently vacant and ripe for developments. It is situated on unnamed accessroad, off Kangundoroad, Joska, Machakos County. Whose coordinates are **1° 18' 27.5" S 37° 05' 43.5" E**

- On **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2025** at **11:00 AM** at our offices located at Norfolk Towers 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Kijabe Street Nairobi. All that piece or parcel of land known as **RUIRU EAST BLOCK 1/1158** measuring **0.042 Hectares** or **0.1038 Acres** registered in the name **TONY KINYUA MWANGI OF P.O. Box 403-10300 KERUGOYA** and all improvements and developments there on. The plot is developed with an incomplete Five Storey Block of flats comprising of Eighteen (18 No) Two- bedrooms units and Nine (9 No) One-Bedroom units. The property is located 500 metres off Thika Super highway within Ebenezer Area of Ruiru Sub-county, in Kiambu County. The GPS coordinates are **1° 09' 35.8" S** and **38° 57' 42.1" E**.

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All interested purchasers are requested to view the property and verify the details as these are not guaranteed by the Auctioneers.
- The sale shall be on "AS-IS-WHERE-IS BASIS".
- The declared purchaser MUST deposit of 25% of the purchase price by close of business on the Auction day and the balance paid within NINETY (90) days from the date of auction, failure to which the money received including the deposit will be forfeited.
- Cash at the fall of the hammer on any motor vehicle
- The sale is subject to a reasonable reserve price.



KENYA POST BANK PENSION TOWERS, 2ND FLOOR  
OFFICE SUIT NO.10, MURANG'A ROAD, NAIROBI.  
P. O. Box 75185-00200, NAIROBI, KENYA  
Office Line: 0792824685  
Email: immediateauctioneers@gmail.com  
Repossession & Realization or Charged Securities

### PUBLIC AUCTION

DULY INSTRUCTED BY OUR CLIENT, WE SHALL SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION BELOW MOTOR VEHICLES ON **30<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025 AT 11:30 AM** AT OUR OFFICES, KENYA POST BANK PENSION TOWERS, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR, SUITE NO. 17.

KISUMU ELICA REG. NO. OF 2024

JOHN OGANGO SEWE & 15 OTHERS VS. PATRIOTIC GROUP OF COMPANIES LTD

REGISTRATION NO.	MAKE/MODEL	LOCATION/PARKED
KCE 359U	TOYOTA PROBOX	PANGANI AUCTION CENTRE
KBP 989N	NISSAN VAN	PANGANI AUCTION CENTRE

**CONDITION OF SALE**  
CASH AT THE FALL OF THE HAMMER

## REGENT AUCTIONEERS

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New Kireita Building, Kirinyaga Road, P.O. Box 22826 00490 Nairobi.  
Tel: 281177, 228441 Fax: 251049, Mobile: 0722 607332 Email: [regent.auctioneers@gmail.com](mailto:regent.auctioneers@gmail.com)

### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our clients, charges we shall sell the under mentioned Motor Vehicle by Public Auction on **TUESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> JULY 2025** AT OUR AUCTION MART NEW KIREITA BUILDING, KIRINYAGA ROAD AT 11:00 AM.

LOT No.	REG. No.	TYPE/ MODEL	LOCATION
1.	KCL 585N	MAZDA CX5	STARTRUCK AUCTIONEERS INVESTMENT YARD LTD

- TERMS**
- A refundable deposit of Kshs 100,000/= must be paid to obtain a bidding number. Please note that NO bidding without a bidding number.
  - Cash at the fall of the hammer

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TEL: 0739 945 006/0727 188 973.  
Email: [tradewideauctioneers@gmail.com](mailto:tradewideauctioneers@gmail.com)

### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals we shall sell the following goods on **30/07/2025** at **11:00 am** at **Auto Gallery, Westlands- Waiyaki Way.**

#### LANDLORD VS BENJAMIN KARARI

6KG MEKO GAS, SMALL COFFEE TABLE, SAMSUNG WASHING MACHINE, MIKA WATER DISPENSER, LG 4 DOOR FRIDGE, PHILIP ELECTRIC KETTLE, COFFEE TABLE, TV CABINET, 3 SEATER SOFAS, TETAL IRON BOX, CANON OFFICE PRINTER, UBL SOUND BAR, SPEAKERS SAMSUNG 35" TV, SAMSUNG 25" TV SET AND OTHERS.

#### DULY INSTRUCTED BY OUR CLIENTS - ISAIYA LTD

RM. 213 - 110SPITAL ASSORTED (WARE) CLOTHES, METAL STAND, NET CURTAINS, RM. 218 - PLASTIC CHAIRS, LARGE DESK, RECEPTION DESKS, CPU, FILING CABINET, PHOTOCOPIER, BATH TAD, BLINDERS, CITY PARK-42 - METAL BED, DRESSING TABLE, SEATER, SHOES, MATTRESS, LAVINGTON- CLOTHES, DRAWER, HODDER, CAR SEAT, ELECTRIC COOKER, SONY TV, OFFICE CHAIR, COUCHES, PANUAME- OFFICE DESK, TABLE WALL CABINET, BATH TAD, METAL WINDOWS, SCRAP WATER PUMP AND OTHERS.

#### LANDLORD VS SPANMED HEALTH CARE

PHOTOCOPIER MACHINE, COMPUTER, CPU, TWO SEATER, OFFICE CHAIRS, OFFICE DESK, OFFICE DESK WITH DRAWERS.

#### LANDLORD VS JOSEPH MWANGI

RECEPTION DESK, COMPUTER, PRINTER, OFFICE DESK, BENCH, OFFICE CHAIRS AND CATRIDGES.

#### LANDLORD VS BETTY NJOKI WANGARI

OFFICE CHAIRS, OFFICE DESK, COMPUTER, COPIER, MONITOR, OFFICE CABINET

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- Strictly cash at the fall of the hammer

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Branch offices:-

Burgome: Former N.S.T Bldg. 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.

Next to Equity Bank Cpa. Co-op Bank, Moi Avenue.

P.O. Box 2862-00200, NUNGUMA

Former Plutus Bldg, 1st Floor, Rm No.4, P.O. Box 12120-20100 Nakuru, Cell No. 0722339105

Nairobi office: Highway 1, Near Kamri, P.O. Box 46832 - 00100, Nairobi

Email: [agunjauctioneers@yahoo.com](mailto:agunjauctioneers@yahoo.com)

### PUBLIC AUCTION

Duly instructed by our principals, we shall sell by Public Auction the under mentioned Properties.

ON FRIDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2025 AT 11.00 AM AT YAMUKO AUCTIONEERS YARD -MITO JURA ROAD TOM MBOYA ESTATE.

- All that parcel of land TITLE NUMBER: UYOMIA/KWATEWA/306. The Plot measuring approximately 181m or 4.70 Acres. The property is Registered in the names of **DAVID STEPHEN OYUNU UMALLAH & LINDA BETTY UMALLAH**. The property is situated about 180m off Mituri-Madiny Rd. 800m due East of Madiny shopping Centre and 1.9Km to the North West of Mituri Pr. Sch. In Agege Area of Madiny location in Siaya County approx. 22km south-east of Bondo Town.
- All that parcel of land TITLE NUMBER: KISUMU/404/07/0534. The Plot measuring approximately 0.89HA or 1.556Acres. The Property is Registered in the names of **PATRICK OTHMAN ODUMBE**. It is situated about 450m South East of Lake View Heights by Home Africa and approx. 4kms North of Kisumu International Airport situated within Ahenyau Area, Kisumu Est Sub County, Kisumu County.
- All that parcel of land TITLE NUMBER: KISUMU/PANPICH/2796. The Plot measuring approximately 0.03HA or 0.074 Acres. The Property is Registered in the names of **MELUJAN M DANDORO RAN DIO** - Charge/Guarantor to **COMBINED AUTO SERVICES LIMITED - Borrower**. It is situated about 450m off Hyalence Ring Rd. 130m South of Pandipier Sec. Sch. within Ka Malawa Area, Nyalenda Estate, Kisumu County, Kisumu Est Sub County, Kisumu County.

ON TUESDAY, 19<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2025 AT 11.00AM - OUTSIDE KITALA POSTAL OFFICES.

- All that parcel of land TITLE NUMBER: KITALA MUNICIPALITY BLOCK 2/TUMAM/0818. The Plot measuring approximately 0.0154HA or 0.247Acres. The Property is Registered in the names of **EDDIE MURUGA MWANGI**. It is located within Tumam estate, Tumam Ward, Saboti Sub-County in Kitala Town, Trans Nzoia County. ON FRIDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2025 AT 11.00AM - AT OUR NAKURU OFFICE - SUFFIELD BLDG. ROOM NO. PLUTOS BLDG 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR ROOM 101.

- All that parcel of land TITLE NUMBER: DUNDOR/LANET BLK 4/2506. The Plot measuring approximately 0.0154HA or 0.247Acres. The Property is developed and Registered in the names of **VINCENT MURUGA MUTHOKA TWA BRAISY INVESTMENT**. It is situated approx. 1.5km off La net-Dundor Rd with a Ranges View Estate, Ithom area, Lanet ward, Bahati Sub County, Nakuru County. Access to the property from Lanet-Dundor Rd after the National Defense University's main entrance gate, towards Mt Forces Academy for about 830m, before a left-hand turn for approx. 570m, followed by another left-hand turn towards Ranges View Estate entrance gate for 85m to the property.

ON WEDNESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2025 11.00AM - AT FRONTIER VENTURES INTERNATIONAL LTD (PARKING YARD) NAIWASHA.

6. MAJARA NA 2ND FLOOR RELEASE OF 2025.

LEONARD KIPINGETICH CHEMUREN -VS- JOSEPH MAINA KURIA & SILAS BARASA MURIUNGI

MOTOR/ VEHICLE TOYOTA COROLLA REG. NO. KAY 232N (GREY) 1994-2000 cash at the fall of the hammer

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- All intending buyers are requested to view the property and verify details as these are not warranted by auctioneers. (2) A deposited of 25% must be paid in cash or bankers cheque at the fall of the hammer and a balance to be paid within 90 days from the date of auction. (3) The sale is subject to reserve price. (4) The Auctioneers has or reserve the right to reject any bid without giving any reason.

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## VALLEY AUCTIONEERS

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Email: valleyauctioneers@yahoo.com, Agip House Entrance A, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Room 301,  
Halle Selassie Avenue

### PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions received from the charge, we shall sell the following properties.

#### VACANT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY WITHIN KIAMUNYI ESTATE, NAKURU COUNTY.

1. ON 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025 AT 10.30 A.M THE OFFICES OF J.K WANDERU AUCTIONEERS SITUATED AT PLUTOS BUILDING 2ND FLR, RM 118 KENYATTA AVENUE NAKURU.

All that piece or parcel of land known as TITLE NO. NJORO/NGATA BLOCK 1/7658 measuring 0.10 Hectares or 0.25 Acres approximately. The property is situated in Mti Moja area, within the upper part of Kiamunyi residential estate, Ngata Division, Rongai Sub-County and registered in the name JAMES DANFORD OMBURO OBINO The property is vacant.

#### VACANT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY SITUATED OFF MACHAKOS KAGUNDO ROAD, WITHIN KASINA AREA, MACHAKOS TOWN, MACHAKOS COUNTY.

2. ON 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025 AT 10.30AM AT OUR OFFICES, AGIP HOUSE ENTRANCE "A" 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR, ROOM 301 HAIL SELASSIE AVENUE.

All that piece or parcel of land known as TITLE NO. IVETI/MUNGALA/2115 measuring 0.105 Hectares or 0.259 Acres approximately. The property is situated in the neighborhood of Kitisa Hope center school and Porini Inn Hotel, within Kasina area Machakos County and registered in the name NGAYA HARRISON KAIMUNTIA. Gps Coordinates: 1°29'14.71"S 37°15'23.61"E

#### FOUR BEDROOMED BUNGALOW WITHIN KITENGELA KAJIADO COUNTY

3. 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025 AT 10.30 A.M AT OUR OFFICE AGIP HOUSE, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR HAIL SELASSIE AVENUE, NAIROBI

All that piece or parcel of land known as TITLE NO. KAJIADO/KAPUTIEI NORTH/5090 measuring 0.05 hectares approximately. The property is situated in Kitengela, in the neighborhood of Faith Victory Churches and G.E.C.K Kitengela Calvary Church Kajado County, and registered in the name of MARTHA NJOKI NGIGI. The property is developed with a part single, part double storey residential houses having two bedrooms and one bathroom. GPS Coordinates 1°29'03.8"S 36°57'09.8"E



#### OTHER PROPERTIES FOR SALE AT REASONABLE PRICES

2.13 ACRES COMMERCIAL PROPERTY SITUATED ALONG HOSPITAL ROAD IN BROTHERHOOD AREA WITHIN MERU COUNTY.

VACANT PROPERTIES SITUATED OFF THIKA SUPERHIGHWAY, AT THE GWA KAIRU JUNCTION MUGUTHA AREA

#### CONDITIONS FOR SALE

All interested purchasers are requested to view and verify the details as the financiers/chargees or the Auctioneers do not warrant these. A 25% Deposit must be paid in Banker's Cheque or RTGS during the day of the auction and the balance within 90 days. Viewing of the property can be done between 10.00 am to 4.00 pm and conditions of sale can be obtained from our offices. Sale is subject to a reserve price. Cash at the fall of the hammer for the movable items.

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## RIFT VALLEY TECHNICAL TRAINING INSTITUTE



### DEATH AND FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we announce the untimely passing on of Charles Kipronoh Koech that occurred on 12/7/2025 following a tragic road accident. Until his demise, Mr. Koech was the Senior Procurement Officer At Rift Valley Technical Training Institute-Eldoret.

He was son of the Late Tuingor and the late Alice Barsumei.  
Beloved husband to Christine Koech –County Government of Uasin Gishu.

Father to Koech Charity Chepkemoi, Collins Kiplangat Ronoh –JKUAT and Tashney Cherutoh Koech -Greenvale. Brother to Daniel, Joshua, Eveline, Joel, Annah, David, Recho and Nancy.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, 22/7/2025 at Rift Valley Technical Training Institute-Eldoret starting at 2 pm and thereafter fund raiser. The cortege leaves Lazarus Funeral Home (Siloam) -Kericho on Thursday 24/7/2025 for a night vigil. Burial will take place on Friday, 25/7/2025 at his home - Kericho County, Bureti sub County, Litein Ward, Ng'esumin Village

*"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith"*

*(2nd Timothy 4:7)*

*Gone from our sight, but never from our hearts. Rest in eternal peace*

**CHARLES KIPRONOH KOECH**  
SUNRISE: 12.12.1970 - SUNSET 12.07.2025

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Kisumu: Mega Plaza, 1st Floor along Oginga Odinga Road Mombasa: Kilindini Plaza, 3rd Floor Moi Avenue  
Nyeri: Sun Guest House & Hotel, 1st Floor Opp Central Hotel, Along Kanies Road.  
Eldoret: Singol House, 2nd Floor next to JKUAT and Opp. Juma Hajee Arcade on Odinga Odinga Street.  
Kakamega: Ambewera Plaza, 2nd Floor, Kenyatta Street Kisumu: Ouru Twin Towers, 4th Floor



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# Sports

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Kenya Simbas Samuel Asati clears the ball against South Africa's Leopards. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

## Asati: Scrum-half who traded military for the oval ball

- ▶ Asati is a scrum half for both Kenya Simbas and Kenya Sevens.
- ▶ The KCB star seeks more success with Shujaa.

WASHINGTON ONYANGO, KISUMU

In a family lined with military boots and salutes, Samwel Asati chose studs and sidesteps instead. At 26, Kenya's scrum-half general is not just commanding attention on the rugby pitch — he's rewriting his own story, one pass and sprint at a time. Asati was born into a disciplined home. The youngest brother in a family of four boys, he grew up watching his father, a military officer, and two elder brothers take up ranks in Kenya's armed forces. For many, the path would have been obvious. But not for Asati. "There was some pressure, yes,"

he admits with a chuckle. "But I guess there is no difference between being a soldier and a sportsman. We are all addicted to adrenaline." His adrenaline, however, comes from split-second decisions during high-stakes matches. It's what he does best — turn moments into magic. No matter the team he's playing for, Asati's speed, agility, and clever

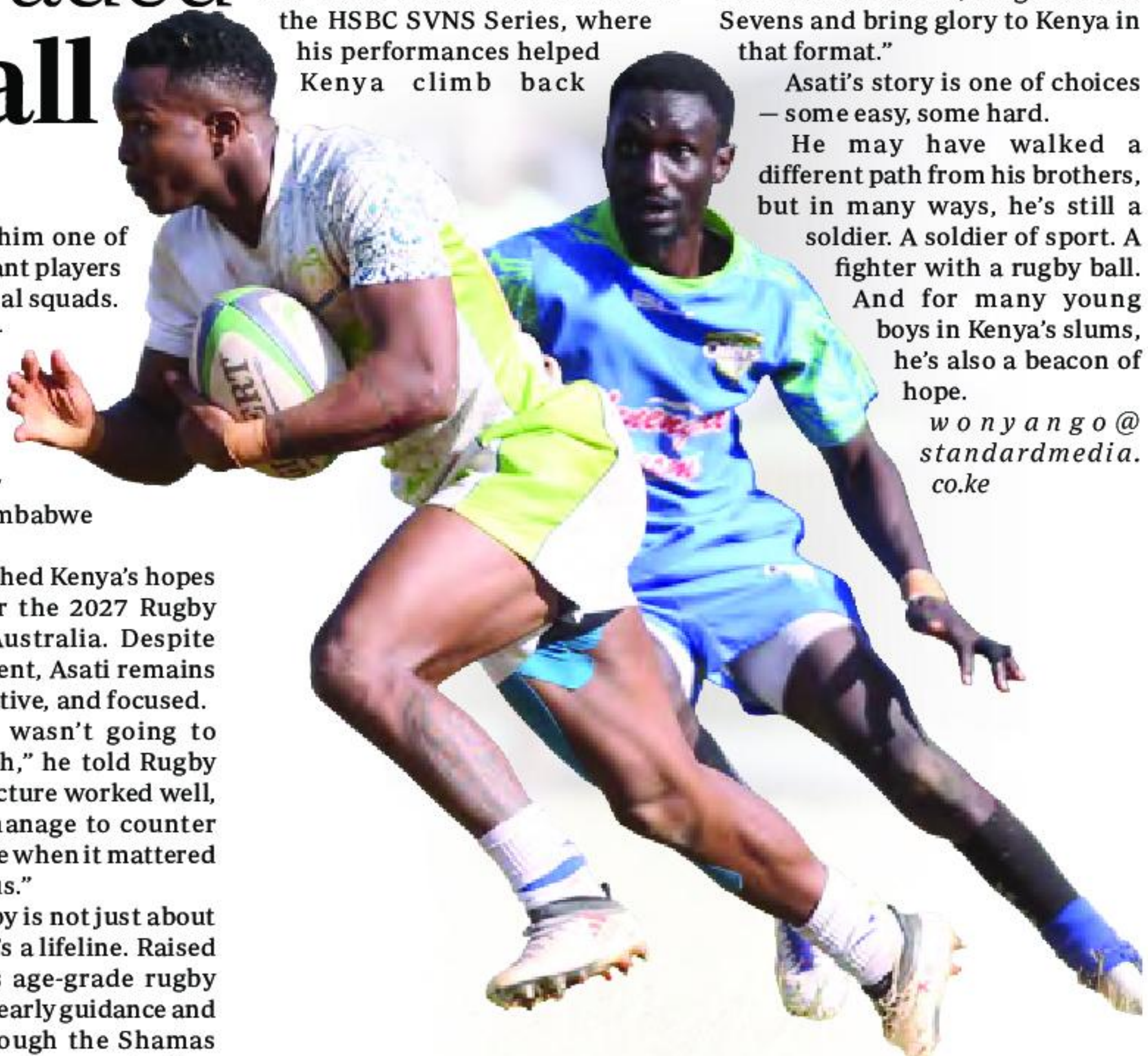
**IN BRIEF:**

- Name: Samwel Asati
- Team: Kenya Simbas and Kenya Sevens International
- Career: Rugby
- Position: Scrum Half
- Club: KCB
- Age: 26

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**SAMWEL ASATI'S AGE**

thinking makes him one of the most important players in the two national squads. In the just-ended Rugby Africa Cup, Asati and the Simbas suffered heartbreak after a 29-23 loss to Zimbabwe in the semis. The defeat dashed Kenya's hopes of qualifying for the 2027 Rugby World Cup in Australia. Despite the disappointment, Asati remains composed, reflective, and focused. "We knew it wasn't going to be an easy match," he told Rugby Africa. "Our structure worked well, we just didn't manage to counter Zimbabwe's game when it mattered most. That cost us." For Asati, rugby is not just about competition — it's a lifeline. Raised through Kenya's age-grade rugby system, he found early guidance and opportunity through the Shamas Rugby Foundation, an organisation



that uses sport to empower children from underserved communities. "I've been a product of age-group rugby," he said. "Shamas picked me up and gave me a path. My first flight ever was because of rugby. Rugby gave me the network, the life, the name."

Now that he's made it, Asati is determined to give back. When he's not on the road representing Kenya, he's in the slums coaching children some good rugby moves. He sees himself in them — children with raw talent and no platform, who just need someone to believe in them. "As a grown-up, I act as a coach," he said. "It's my way of transforming lives the same way mine was transformed. I try to teach them not just rugby, but teamwork, confidence, and discipline." Asati's journey has taken him around the world — from dusty pitches in Nairobi to grand stadiums in Europe and South Africa. In 2022, he featured in Kenya's last Rugby World Cup qualification campaign in France. More recently, he's made a name for himself in the HSBC SVNS Series, where his performances helped Kenya climb back

**“We are always focused on not letting our nation down. That's what keeps us pushing.”**  
Samwel Asati, Kenyan rugby player

into the world stage and secure a spot in the Paris 2024 Olympics. "The journey on the SVNS circuit has been exciting," he added. "I joined just after we got relegated. We fought hard to bounce back. I was even made co-captain, which was a big honour." That honour comes with pressure, too — not just to win, but to inspire. "We are always focused on not letting our nation down," he adds. "That's what keeps us pushing." Ahead of the Rugby Africa Cup, Asati and the Simbas spent a month training in South Africa. It was a key part of preparing Sevens players to fit into the 15s game, especially in a tournament as competitive as the one in Kampala. "The training was intense," he said. "We got used to each other again, developed a bond, and learned the systems. That made us stronger." "We came here carrying the hopes of a nation," he added. "Unfortunately, we didn't cross the line. But for me, I'll go back to Sevens and bring glory to Kenya in that format."

Asati's story is one of choices — some easy, some hard. He may have walked a different path from his brothers, but in many ways, he's still a soldier. A soldier of sport. A fighter with a rugby ball. And for many young boys in Kenya's slums, he's also a beacon of hope.   
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National Olympic Committee-Kenya new officials led by President Shadrack Maluki (centre and also below right) after the elections which were held in Nairobi yesterday. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

## NEW NOC-K OFFICIALS

**President**  
■ Shadrack Maluki (Judo)  
**First Vice President**  
■ Barnaba Korir (Athletics)  
**Second Vice President**  
■ Nahashon Randiek (Hockey)  
**Secretary General**  
■ John Ogolla (Weightlifting)  
**Assistant Secretary General**  
■ Francis Karugu (softball)  
**Treasurer**  
■ Fred Chege (Fencing)  
**Deputy Treasurer**  
■ Charles Mose (Cycling)  
**Woman Representative**  
■ Doreen Okiri (Shooting)  
**Committee Members**  
■ Suleiman Sumba (Taekwondo)  
■ Sasha Mutai (Rugby)  
■ Joycelene Nyambura (Triathlon)  
**Athlete Representative (Female)**  
■ Grace Adhiambo (Rugby)  
**Athlete Representative (Male)**  
■ Eliud Kipchoge (Athletics)

script, including those who were elected from the other camp.

"I want us to work together as a unit, focusing on sports development rather than our own individual issues," Maluki said.

Maluki said his New Dawn/Fresh NOC-K team that swept the polls will ensure their personal

gains and interests do not supercede those of the athletes.

"For so many years, I have noted that officials interests comes

first within many federations. This is now over. It's either they (officials) ship in or ship out. It will no longer be business as usual," he said.

"It's either the officials work for the athletes or parts ways with their associations," he warned.

Maluki assured outgoing NOC-K President Tergat that he has left the federation in good hands, saying he was well versed with the association operations after serving in the federation for eight years as Vice President.

"My team will take NOC-K to greater heights. We also want to rely on Tergat's wisdom and this is the reason that Tergat will still be a member of the board in my tenure. Tergat will guide us, he will tell us what to do," Maluki said.

The other legacy, that Maluki wants to leave at NOC-K is a plethora of talent which he said will be done through identification, nurturing and development all the way from the grassroots.

"We want to ensure that our children have early access to sports facilities across the country. So we will work closely with the Government to ensure proper infrastructures are put in place because this is what is lacking in the counties. This will be the only way to ensure sport is grown and developed from the grassroots," he said.

On his part Mutuku said it was great pleasure to compete against efficient Team New Dawn. He wished the new office well in their endeavors.

"It was a great pleasure and privilege to serve in the federation as Secretary General. It is my hope that the incoming office will inculcate Olympics values in their tenure," said Mutuku.

Tergat assured the new office of a smooth handover and transition by his outgoing team.

He urged the incoming office to focus on athletes welfare and NOC-K's programs.

"Kindly motivate, inspire and develop extra energy to serve the athletes and the federation in equal measure. I'm happy to know that I'm handing over the office to Maluki who is a person I have worked with in the last eight years. Personally, I believe Maluki and the team will take NOC-K to the next level," Tergat said.

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# Why new NOC-K boss Maluki has tough task as he takes over from Tergat

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► Immediate task for Maluki is to embark on preparations for 2028 Los Angeles Olympics.

► Maluki has called for unity of all NOC-K affiliates.

OCHIENG OYUGI, NAIROBI

Newly-elected National Olympic Committee of Kenya (NOC-K) President Shadrack Maluki has a full in-tray as he takes over the reins from Paul Tergat.

Maluki's immediate task, after winning in the NOC-K polls held in Nairobi yesterday, will be to ensure that Kenya embarks on instant preparation for the Los Angeles 2028 Olym-

pics, which he said was long overdue.

The Kenya Judo Federation President also has a daunting task which is to unite the NOC-K affiliates which are currently divided as a result of the protracted and nery elections that were battled in and out of the courts.

Maluki, who is also the chairman of the Africa Judo Union, has also warned the affiliates officials to be ready to put athletes interest first, which dominated their intense campaign that was centered around three pillars- Transform, Empower, Inspire.

"We are already late with our readiness for LA28 Olympics. This is due to the endless politics that bedeviled these elections. I want to say there is no room for laxity, we are headed to the preparations right away," said

Maluki in his acceptance speech after he beat his challenger Francis Mutuku 15-12.

"These elections left so many people wounded. Several associations are divided, I want to ensure that there will be unity among the NOC-K affiliates in the months to come. I want us to read from same



## Briefing

### POLO. MANSON WINS TOP PLAYER AWARD AT HORSEMAN TOURNEY

■ Tom Manson was voted the Most Valuable Player as Veuve Cliquot scooped the Horseman Cup at Nairobi Polo Club on Sunday. The handicap -0.5 Manson featured for First Capital, which was beaten 4-2.5 by Veuve Cliquot in the final. A hat-trick by Archie Voorspuys in addition to a goal by Ranshay Purohit was all Veuve Cliquot needed to win the title thanks to assists by Izzy Stichbury and Archie Camm. Earlier, Kenya Nut Black defeated Afrisend 5-3 as Samurai beat Tusker Malt 4-2. [Ben Ahenda]

### GOLF. KAPUR WINS KABETE OPEN TITLE

■ Pranay Kapur of Royal Johannesburg is the winner of the 12th edition of the Kabete Open. The event which is renowned as one of the toughest championships in the Kenya amateur golf scene ended on Sunday at the VetLab Sports Club. Despite facing challenges in the opening round, Kapur's masterful performance resulted in a final round score of 217. Only 33 players, including ties, made the cut set at 13-over. Despite all the challenges Kapur fired rounds of 78, 68, 71, (217) to claim victory. "Golf is so up and down, you don't know what week you're going to have. It's always good to remain in the present and just make sure you stick to the process," Kapur said. [Mose Sammy]



2025 Kabete Open winner Pranay Kapur at VetLab Club on Sunday. [Mose Sammy, Standard]

### RAFTING. KENYA WIN AFRICA CHAMPIONSHIPS AT SAGANA

■ Kenya are the undisputed champions in the just-concluded inaugural African Rafting Championships held in Sagana, Murang'a County, after clinching gold in all competition categories. The country dominated the waters, securing top positions in the Slalom races for both men and women, the Downriver competition in both categories, the Rx event, and the Mixed Slalom that featured both male and female athletes. The four-day continental event which ended on Sunday attracted 11 teams from across Africa. [Jane Mugambi]



# Be serious! Kenyan fans tell Harambee Stars ahead of CHAN

► Mixed reactions as Harambee Stars withdraw from CECAFA 4-Nations despite travelling.

► FKF deemed conditions in Tanzania unsuitable for effective preparation and team performance.

WASHINGTON ONYANGO, KISUMU

**“We don’t take things seriously in Kenya.”** That statement was the view of millions of Kenyans

after the Football Kenya Federation (FKF) announced yesterday that Harambee Stars will not be part of the CECAFA Four-Nations tournament that was to begin yesterday in Karatu, Tanzania.

Despite already travelling and arriving in Tanzania over the weekend, it came as a shocker when FKF withdrew the national football team from the one-week long tournament.

This is a tournament many thought would help head coach Benni McCarthy choose a suitable final squad for the 2024 African Nations Championship (CHAN).

Kenya will co-host the 2024 African Nations Championship with Uganda, Zanzibar and Tanzania.

Tanzania’s Benjamin Mkapa National Stadium will host the opening ceremony on August 2, with hosts Taifa Stars facing Burkina Faso.

In a statement released, the federation confirmed the team’s exit, citing recommendations from the technical bench led by head coach Benni McCarthy.

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*In as much I support the decision, it’s quite unprofessional. What’s the point in travelling to Tanzania and withdrawing from the event hours to the first match?”*

Kaptich Cheruiyot, Harambee Stars fan

According to the federation, a detailed assessment of the conditions in Tanzania deemed were deemed unsuitable for effective preparation and team performance.

“This decision has been made following recommendations and advice from the team’s technical bench, after a thorough assessment of the prevailing conditions, which were deemed unsuitable for the team’s participation and overall preparation,” read part of FKF’s statement.

The tournament, which was set to kick off this week in Karatu, Tanzania, also

featured regional rivals including Uganda, Tanzania, and Senegal.

Kenya was initially scheduled to face Uganda Cranes in their opening match yesterday afternoon.

Instead, the Stars will now return home to focus on final preparations for the 2024 CHAN tournament.

Kenya is seeking to make a strong impression in the CHAN competition, which is reserved for players featuring in domestic leagues, and their withdrawal from the CECAFA event adds a twist to their build-up.

“So, how does he (head coach) gauge the team’s progress, strengths and weaknesses if he’s avoiding facing other teams in a competitive competition? We also need to get serious as a federation,” asked Jesse Makale on X.

It was shocking for Harambee Stars to travel all the way to Tanzania before the sudden change of heart.

“The decision to withdraw makes sense, but the timing shows poor management and late decision-making. The same issue applies to the ticketing for the upcoming CHAN; actions are always taken too late,” said Sirkal Aruji.

Kaptich Cheruiyot also asked: “In as much I support the decision, it’s unprofessional. What’s the point in travelling to Tanzania and withdrawing from the event hours to the first match?”

Former Harambee Stars player and Kisumu Posta captain Elijah Onsika slammed the national technical’s bench for not planning despite spending funds to prepare and fly the team to Tanzania.

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Harambee Stars player Anthony Akumu reacts in a past match. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

Harambee Stars defender Aboud Omar in training. [FKF Media]

CHAN 2024

## CAF gives nod to Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania after completing checks

The Confederation of African Football (CAF) has concluded a highly successful eight-day inspection tour of host venues for the upcoming African Nations Championship (CHAN) 2024, set to be staged in Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda from August 2-30.

The final round of inspections and workshops kicked off in Nairobi on July 3 where the CAF delegation conducted final inspections at the Kasarani Stadium - hosts of the final, as well as Nyayo Stadium.

The inspection proceeded to the Amaan Stadium in Zanzibar, as well as Dar es Salaam’s Ben-

jamin Mkapa Stadium, which is set to host the opening ceremony.

The final rounds of inspections concluded last week at the Mandela International Stadium in Kampala, Uganda.

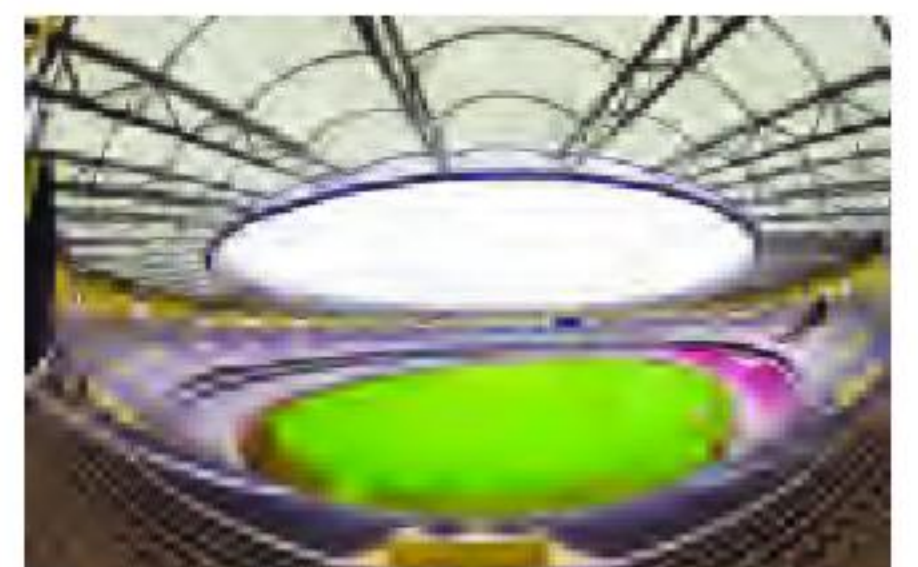
The comprehensive inspection mission was led by Caf’s various functional leads from key departments such as competitions, marketing, media, broadcast, safety and security, and infrastructure, who were joined by their Local Organising Committee counterparts across the three host nations.

With just days to go before the kick-off of the tournament, the successful conclusion of the final

round of inspections marks a significant milestone in the exciting countdown ahead of East Africa’s chance of hosting what promises to be a spectacular celebration of African football.

The successful inspection reflects the collective readiness and growing excitement across the three host nations ahead of the start of the competition.

CAF expressed its appreciation to the governments and Local Organising Committees of Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda for their commitment and cooperation to delivering a successful TotalEnergies CAF African Nations Championship event. [Washington Onyango]



The refurbished Kasarani Stadium ahead of the 2024 African Nations Championship. [Stafford Ondego, Standard]



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WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS TRIALS

## Road to Tokyo: Expectations high as Kenya picks World Championships team

► Athletes will be chasing dreams of representing Kenya at 2025 Tokyo World Championships during the national trials at Ulinzi Sports Complex.

► Olympic champions Chebet and Wanyonyi lead star-studded line-ups in the national event.

DENNIS OKEYO AND STEPHEN RUTTO,  
NAIROBI

**T**he stakes are high as the country's charges line up for the national trials for the 2025 Tokyo World Championships.

Today, expectations are high as Kenyan athletes compete for first and second places to automatically qualify to fly the country's colours at the Tokyo World Championships slated for September 13-21.

By late this afternoon at Ulinzi Sports Complex in Nairobi, an expectant country will have known the names of the track and field stars that will be charged with the assignment of bringing home medals.

Expected to dictate the proceedings are top guns, who have on a number of times represented Kenya and made it to the podium.

The world, which has for decades seen Kenya as the cathedral of distance running, is waiting for the identities of the country's flag bearers for the Tokyo25 global showpiece.

Athletes invited for the national trials are competing under strict rules set by the local federation, Athletics Kenya (AK) and others by the Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU).

Kenya has been under the category A of compliance watch list of the World Anti-Doping Agency (Wada) since 2016 and world class athletes participating in today's national trials must have been tested at least three times in the last ten months.

"(Athletes) must have undergone the mandatory anti-doping education and testing as required by AIU. A minimum of three no-notice out-of-competition tests must have been conducted throughout the ten-month period from October 29, 2024 to August 29, 2025," criteria by AK read



Mary Moraa after competing in 800m semi-final at the Paris Olympics. [AFP]

in part. The AK notice further indicates: "The first (anti-doping) test must have been completed by May 24, 2025."

According to the federation, all the athletes taking part in the trials have met strict anti-doping rule.

AK will have the prerogative of selecting the third athlete in each event, but the 1 and 2 slots will be taken by stars who will cross the line first and second.

But there is a catch. "The first two athletes to cross the finish line will automatically be selected provided they have qualified as per the World Athletics entry standards."

Kenya has only two defending champions from Budapest World Championships in 2023, who have wild cards to Tokyo25.

They are Faith Kipyegon (1500m and 5000m) and Mary Moraa (800m), and the duo has

Faith Kipyegon after winning women's 1500m final in the Paris Olympics. [AFP]

been invited for the contest.

A number of head-to-head contests are expected to highlight the 2025 national trials.

Double Olympic champion Beatrice Chebet, who is fresh from smashing the 5000m world record and becoming the first woman to run the distance under 14



### TODAY'S PROGRAMME:

- 7.00am: 20km Race Walk Men
- 9.00am: Long Jump Men
- 9.00am: 10,000m Women
- 9.50am: 400m Men (semi-final)
- 10.00am: Javelin Women
- 10.00am: 4x400m Women
- 10.10am: 100m Women (semi-final)
- 10.20am: 100m Men (semi-final)
- 10.30am: 5000m Men
- 10.30am: Triple Jump Women/Men
- 11.00am: Javelin Men
- 11.15am: 1500m Women
- 11.25am: 1500m Men
- 12.00am: 3000m Steeplechase Women
- 12.30pm: 100m Women
- 12.40pm: 100m Men
- 12.50pm: 3000m Steeplechase Men
- 1.20pm: 800m Women
- 1.30pm: 800m Men
- 1.50pm: 400m Women
- 2.05pm: 400m Men

minutes with her 13:58.06 time at the Prefontaine Classic on July 5, is looking to chase the 10,000m ticket today.

Chebet – a two-time World Cross Country champion is facing strong competition from world 10km record holder Agnes Ngetich, Lilian Kasait, Loice Chemnung and Rebecca Mwangi. Like Chebet, Ngetich is also targeting to double in Tokyo after finishing second to Chebet in Eugene.

Olympic champion Emmanuel Wanyonyi is the man to watch in men's 800m, following his stunning 1:42.00 meeting record at the London Diamond League last Saturday.

He will be racing the two-lap event alongside two-time Commonwealth winner Wycliff Kinyamal, former world silver medallist Ferguson Rotich, Aron Cheminingwa, and Noah Kibet.

At just 18, Phanuel Koech shocked the athletics world by beating world champion Josh Kerr at the London Diamond League, clocking a meet re-

Emmanuel Wanyonyi in action at Paris Olympics. [AFP]

cord of 3:28.82. He now steps into the national spotlight as a favourite in the 1500m.

The teenage sensation will be tested by 2018 world champion Timothy Cheruiyot, former Diamond League winner Abel Kipsang, and former world U20 champions Reynold Cheruiyot and Vincent Keter.

In the women's 3000m steeplechase, Olympic bronze medallist Faith Cherotich, popularly known as Small Faith, will battle US-based Doris Lemngole and Pamela Kosgei.

The men's event includes world bronze medallist Abraham Kibiwott, Edmond Serem, and Simon Koech, all seeking Tokyo qualification.

World 800m champion Mary Moraa will compete against US-based Susan Ejore, Africa silver medallist Lilian Odira, and rising star Sarah Moraa, the reigning world U20 champion.

In the women's 1500m, Nelly Chepngetich, Ejore, and Dorcas Ewoi will fight for places. In the 400m, Mercy Oketch is set to clash with Mary Moraa, who is doubling up for the trials.

Africa's record holder Ferdinand Omanyala, is the only sprinter with the qualification standard in the 100m but remains uncertain to compete at the trials. Meanwhile, Mark Otieno and Meshack Babu will line up in the men's 100m.

Kenya's men's 4x400m relay team members from the 2025 World Relays in China will compete for individual spots. The team includes Brian Tinaga, David Sanayiek, Boniface Mweresa, Zablon Ekwam, Kevin Kipkorir, Wiseman Were, and Kevin Tonui, with newcomer George Mutinda adding spice to the event.

In the field events, former world javelin champion Julius Yego with a season-best throw of 83.08m will hope to cement his position in the team. He will compete with Alexander Kiprotich.

In the women's javelin, US based Irene Chepkemboi, a student at Texas Christian University, will look to earn her maiden ticket to the World Championships with a season best of 60.31m. In the long jump, Edwin Too will be eyeing qualification in one of Kenya's few contested field events.

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