Coast regional chief says the area that traditionally attracts local and international tourists is safe as security agencies are on high alert

**BY JOSEPH KAMOLO, KNA, MOMBASA**

The Government has outlined plans to intensify safety and security measures over the next two months in the lead up to the festive season. Coast regional boss John Elung’ata said the region that traditionally attracts both local and international tourists is secure as security agencies have been put on high alert.

The county chief made the undertaking to enhance security as hotels in the region report bookings beyond the 80 percent mark way before the Christmas holidays peak up.

Speaking during a media briefing at a Mombasa hotel, the Kenya Coast Working Group chair Hasnain Noorani said, Mombasa has regained its glory, attributing it to good infrastructure and government support.

“We are expecting both local and international tourists even though the majority of guests are local,” said Mr Noorani.

He said they had been receiving several inquiries from people wanting to visit the hotels. And speaking in Kisumu, Mombasa, Mr Elung’ata revealed that 3,563 suspects have been arrested, some already arraigned and charged with committing crime and abetting insecurity in the area.

He called on the public to liaise with security agents in ensuring safe neighborhoods in order to regain the glory of the coastal region as a tourism hub for merry makers and business people.

The Regional commissioner added that cases of insecurity usually increase during holiday seasons, which link school, college youth with criminal activities since the area is safe when they are in school.

He committed to hire security cars for police officers in the region to address the current shortage as they wait for procured police vehicles to be delivered.

The Regional Commissioner urged the public to give information to the security agencies saying this will facilitate timely intervention to make arrests before the criminals disappear into their hideouts.

The Regional Commissioner John Elung’ata (Right) Coastal Region Police Commander, Rashid Yakub (Left), Kisumu Deputy County Commissioner, and Jameleck Buba during a security meeting in Kisumu, Mombasa, recently.

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County unveils new HIV testing kit for faster diagnosis among infants

**BY MARTIN MUNYI**

Lakipia County has unveiled a Point of Care laboratory testing equipment that will help in faster diagnosing newborns born with HIV.

The laboratory device, one of its kind in Mt. Kenya and Rift valley regions takes only two hours to determine the HIV status of an infant which greatly reduces the time previously taken for the same test that would take over 77 days since the blood samples had to be taken to ferry blood samples to KEMRI for the crucial tests.

“With this new testing equipment, we can drastically reduce the time taken to get HIV results of an infant and thus make necessary interventions should there need be depending on the status of the newborn,” Governor Murithi said.

The testing equipment was acquired with the assistance of the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and Atya Nyota ya Bonde, a local Non-Governmental Organisation that assist in the fight against HIV and Aids.

UNICEF, apart from providing the testing equipment also trained local laboratory technicians while Atya Nyota Bonde has donated eight motorcycles for ferrying blood samples from far-flung areas where the road network is poor.

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Mixed reaction as Muslim clerics decree cut on cost of weddings

**BY JACOB SONGOK**

Men suitors and clerics have reacted sharply to proposals by Muslim clerics to lower the cost of weddings in the area.

In a resolution read out by the clerics over the weekend during a public baraza in Masalani, Ijara Sub County, Garissa, the religious leaders resolved that the groom who will henceforth pay a dowry of only four cows or Shs60,000 down from the over Shs100,000 previously demanded by the bride’s family.

The clerics also resolved that the bride’s dressing cost should not exceed Shs20,000.

Currently a bride’s dress can cost in excess of Shs50,000. Those in support of the resolution said it will reduce the burden and encourage the youth to wed while those opposed to it said it will de-mean and reduce the radius of such weddings.
Maasais quietly abandoning age-old culture thanks to climate change, education

By ANNE MWALE, JOYCE KISHOVYAN and KIMATHI MUTEGI

Underneath one of the shade trees lining the bowels of Nakuru Town, a soft-spoken, middle-aged man, is in earnest conversation with a resident.

In front of him, on a blue-painted makeshift table, a variety of trinkets stand. Many are in sealed plastic containers – most of them adopted after emptying their original caguelas and kikoi pillows.

Apart from the checkered red shawl around his shoulders, not much else gives away the man’s ethnicity, or his flush background.

Yet, in his hey days, Lazzaro ole Saibulu was no simpleton. For close to two decades, the 52-year-old was a major cog in the pastoral economy of Narok and Kajiado counties.

His massive herd of goats and cattle guaranteed him a steady income, besides propelling his high social standing. Ole Saibulu was a name in the region’s livestock trading circles.

But then the climate started acting up. Lengthy dry spells have already and are still in - vesting in real estate – ole Twala

that commanded authority, respect, and a seemingly in - finite wealth.

But then the climate started acting up. LENGTHY DRY SPELLS

Pastureland was first demarcated and later subdivided into smaller plots, most of them sold to indi -

that claimed the size of his herd. However, social standing is pegged on

Mayattas falling silent as the Maa turn backs on cow

that as the Maasai reduce their herds, they have started embracing zero grazing and are keeping hybrid cows. Efforts by National and County go -

Members of the Maa community abandoning way of life owing to climate change, education and urbanisation.

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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTRY

ADDENDUM TO TENDER

The Ministry of Environment and Forestry wishes to inform prospective bidders that the under listed tender has been amended as tabulated below:

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<td>1. Factory Acceptance Test and Factory Training for Mombasa, Namyski and Namibi AWOS are merged into one for all the three (3) sites and not for each as indicated in the tender document.</td>
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Principal Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forestry

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION & RENEWABLE ENERGY CORPORATION

(IN Formerly Rural Electrification Authority)

INVITATION TO TENDER

The Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation (REREC) invites bids from interested firms for RFX No. 1000000158 for Supply and Delivery of Spectrometer Analyzer - CCA Treated Wooden Pole Spectrometer and Incremental Borer

1. Tender documents detailing the requirements may be viewed at REREC E-Procurement Web Portal found on the REREC website (www.rea.co.ke) beginning on 3rd December 2019.

2. Bidders who are interested in this tender MUST ensure that they are registered in REREC SAP SIRM system and have set up their page. Please ensure compliance to the following

   a. Each company must have two user accounts; Admin Account and Employee Account. Ensure that the following roles are NOT ASSIGNED to the employee: Employee Administrator and Supplier Master Data manager

   b. Ensure that the admin account and employee account does not share same email address

   c. Ensure that the Employee user name is between 4 and 12 characters.

   It is a Mandatory requirement that all Bid Documents/Responses shall be uploaded to the COL-LABORATORY ROOM in the link with "RXF Response Number: Company Name". Bidders shall not attach their documents at any other Tab of the Portal. Attachments placed elsewhere in the portal shall be declared non-responsive and will not be evaluated.

   d. Prices MUST be entered under item term of the RFX. The prices entered here shall be similar to the prices in the price/Bid Schedule and shall form part of the evaluation criteria.

   e. For the purpose of this tender bidding, the employee account shall be used to submit your RFX responses. Bidders who require any form of assistance on the online bidding or clarification from our office should do so strictly between 3rd December, 2019 to 14th December, 2019.

3. Completed Tenders are to be saved as PDF documents marked with RFX description to be submitted through the REREC E-Procurement Web Portal found on the REREC website (www.rea.co.ke) so as to be received on or before 19th December, 2019 at 10.00am.

4. Tenders will be opened electronically promptly thereafter in the presence of the Tenderer’s or their representatives who choose to attend in REREC Procurement Office at Kawi House.

5. A Pre-bid meeting/Training will be held in Kawi House South C, on the 13th December, 2019 starting at 10:00 a.m., where interested bidders will be trained on the use of the Online Registration and Bidding Processes. All bidders are encouraged to attend pre-bid training even if they are already conversant with bidding process.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY CORPORATION

Finance Manager

Our clients, the Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (KEMSA), is a stock corporation and a specialised logistics provider for the Ministry of Health supported health facilities and programmes. The Authority supports the National Health Strategy Plan and the Kenya Health Facility for Health in providing public health facilities with the right quantity and quality of drugs and medical supplies at a cost market value. KEMSA’s overall mandate is to procure, store and distribute medical commodities to public health facilities managed by the Ministry of Health. KEMSA also collects information and provides regular reports to the national and county governments on the status and cost effectiveness of procurement and the distribution and value of prescribed essential medical supplies delivered to health facilities. The Authority aspires to be a leader in innovative health supply chain solutions that provide better health service delivery.

The Authority is seeking to recruit a dynamic and highly motivated individual to fill the post of the Finance Manager. Reporting to the Finance and Strategy Director, the position will be responsible for the Authority’s finance management and accounting functions. The job holder will also implement sound financial policies and procedures and overall cash flow management.

Key Responsibilities

- Organize and manage the Accounting Unit - direct, control and co-ordinate both routine and non-routine accounting matters;
- Interpret and implement financial and accounting policies, budgeting, management accounting methods and financial returns;
- Ensure that sound accounting policies and controls are applied to all financial transactions;
- Develop and implement depot financial reporting requirements;
- Compile in a timely manner KEMSA budgets, periodical reporting of actuals and reporting of variance;
- Ensure periodic functional audits;
- Ensure accurate payment processing;
- Supervise the credit control function; and
- Develop and supervise the finance and accounting staff.

Shortlisted candidates will be required to submit the following documents:

- Valid Certificate of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations;
- Clearance Certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board;
- Latest Tax Compliance Certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority; and
- Certified copy of duly completed First Schedule (S.13) Self Declaration form from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) and Report from an Approved Credit Reference Bureau.

If you believe you clearly meet the relevant criteria for the roles above, please submit your application, copies of your academic and professional certificates, testimonials and your curriculum vitae, including among other details at your current position, current and expected remuneration, email and telephone contacts of three (3) referees familiar with your qualifications and work experience.

To be considered, your application must be received no later than 13 December 2019 addressed to the contact provided below. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

The Director, Executive Selection Division Deloitte Consulting Limited Deloitte Place, Nairobi Westlands, Nairobi, Kenya

For the full details about this position, and how to apply, kindly log onto our recruitment portal via https://www2.deloitte.com/ke/en/careers/executive-search-recruitment.html

Written comments should be addressed by letter or e-mail to:

Mr. James Ruto,
Executive Search Leader,
Deloitte Kenya,
Deloitte Place,
Nairobi Westlands,
Nairobi, Kenya

E-mail: James.ruto@deloitte.com

Notice is given to the general public that:

Migori County Water and Sanitation Company, which provides water services by authority of a License issued by Water Services Regulatory Board, WASREB, has applied for a regular tariff review as follows:

PREMISES WHERE DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED ACTION CAN BE OBTAINED:

Migori County Water and Sanitation Company

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON THE REGULAR TARIFF APPLICATION FOR MIGORI COUNTY WATER AND SANITATION COMPANY

Migori
tariff review to progressively attain full cost recovery, undertake investments and meet conditions to improve service delivery

WATER SERVICES PROVIDER

Migori County Water and Sanitation Company

WATER SERVICES REGULATORY BOARD

Migori

Pre-bid/Pre-meeting/Training will be held on 13th December, 2019 at 10:00am. Interested bidders will be trained on the use of the Online Registration and Bidding Processes.

Chief Executive Officer,
Water Services Regulatory Board,
P.O. Box 41621 – 00100,
NAIROBI,
Kenya

e-mail: tariffs@wasreb.go.ke or info@wasreb.go.ke

The public is invited to visit our website to view a summary of the proposal to review tariffs within the next 30 days and submit any written comments to improve service delivery.

Written comments should be addressed by letter or e-mail to:

Eng. Robert Gachaga,
Chief Executive Officer,
Water Services Regulatory Board,
P.O. Box 41621 – 00100,
NAIROBI,
Kenya

e-mail: tariffs@wasreb.go.ke or info@wasreb.go.ke

The closing date for such comments shall be on 4th January 2020.
INVITATION TO TENDER

A. Kenya Power invites tenders from interested bidders for Provision of the following:

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Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tenders may be obtained from the Kenya Power website [www.kplc.co.ke](http://www.kplc.co.ke) from the dates shown above.

CANCELLATION OF TENDERS

B. Kenya Power wishes to inform firms participating in the tenders below, that the tenders have been CANCELLED until further notice.

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The addenda can be obtained on the KPLC portal and website.

Any inconvenience caused is highly regretted.

GENERAL MANAGER
SUPPLY CHAIN

www.kplc.co.ke

PUBLIC NOTICE

High Risk Tax Debtors

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) has classified a number of taxpayers as High Risk Debtors owing to their persistent failure to meet their tax obligations despite having agreed payment plans with the Authority. Whereas these taxpayers remain in active business, they continue to default.

To mitigate this risk, KRA has come up with a different approach of compliance management to such debtors. The new approach is intended to safeguard tax revenue and ensure that everyone pays their fair share of taxes. The specific debtors classified under this category will be notified individually.

KRA encourages all taxpayers with debt to come forward and negotiate acceptable payment plans to avoid unnecessary enforcement measures.

For clarification please contact us on:
Email: stakeholder.engagement@kra.go.ke or call the Contact Centre on Tel: 020 4 999 999; 0711 099 999, Email: callcentre@kra.go.ke

Commissioner for Domestic Taxes

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The Deputy Commissioner - Academics and Students Affairs, Kenya School of Revenue Administration, KCB Tower - 9th Floor, P.O. Box 42940 Nairobi,

For inquiries email admissions@kra.go.ke or call 0709 07178, 0709 01361/15163 - Times Tower (071)587759, 0715877535, 0709 752 727 - KESRA Centric, or 076842420 - Mombasa

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Kения Airways (KRA) приглашает участников, склонных к интересу и службе, предоставить следующие данные.

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Все участники, которые представят свой проект, будут уведомлены о рецензиях и/или приложениях. Контакт: procurement@kra.co.ke.

**KENYA REINSURANCE CORPORATION LTD**

**INVITATION TO NATIONAL TENDER**

The Kenya Reinsurance Corporation Ltd invites sealed tenders from eligible candidates for the following items as detailed in the respective tender document:

1. **DISPOSAL OF DISPOSAL OF SALE OF IDLE, OBSOLETE AND SURPLUS ITEMS**

   **TENDER No.**
   - **DESCRIPTION**
   - **ELIGIBILITY**
   - **LOCATION**
   - **REMARKS**
   - **LOT 4 DELL INSPIRON N010 (12 pieces)**
   - **RESERVED FOR YOUTH**
   - REINSURANCE PLAZA, NAIROBI
   - Tender Document Name in the Website: DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS ITEMS
   - **LOT 5 LENOVO THINKPAD E440 (7 pieces)**
   - **RESERVED FOR PDM**
   - REINSURANCE PLAZA, NAIROBI
   - Bill Deposit: Required at indicated in the tender document.
   - **LOT 20 ASSORTED ITEMS**
   - OPEN TO ALL
   - REINSURANCE PLAZA, KISUMU
   - Viewing of items: As per guidelines in the tender document
   - **LOT 21 ASSORTED ITEMS**
   - OPEN TO ALL
   - ANNIVERSARY TOWERS

Perspective bidders may download the tender documents from the Kenya Reinsurance Corporation website [www.kenyare.co.ke](http://www.kenyare.co.ke). Tender documents in plain sealed envelopes clearly bearing the correct Tender Number and description should be addressed to:

Managing Director,

Kenya Post Office Savings Bank, P.O. Box 30111-00100 GPO, NAIROBI

and be deposited in the tender box located on Ground Floor, Postbank House, Banda Street Nairobi, Kenya to be received on or before 15.00 a.m. Thursday 19th December 2019. Opening of the tenders will take place immediately thereafter in the Conference Room located on 5th Floor, South Wing, Postbank House in the presence of the Bidders and/or their representatives who may choose to attend.

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The 160 million people reason we can’t lose the Mau

An excerpt from the 2019 Kenya Year Book

Kenya’s forests, which form the country’s water towers, face increasing degradation. In 2015, the Government took strong measures to protect the Mau Forest complex, Kenya’s biggest water tower. Thousands of illegal squatters were evicted in operations conducted by the mandated agencies, which included the Kenya Forest Service and the Kenya Wildlife Service. Up to 50,000 people were targeted in the evictions. But why is Mau so important?

The reasons

It is the source of the Mara River and many others that give life to the famous Maasai Mara Game Reserve and many other parts of Kenya and beyond. The Mara River is a major driver of tourism in Kenya, not just through the wildlife it supports but also the spectacular Wildebeest Migration.

The complex is also the source of life for more than 160 million people in Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Sudan, and Egypt, and millions of livestock and wildlife. According to the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the Mau is the main water fountain for 12 rivers. Five of them end up in Lake Victoria, which is the source of River Nile, the lifeline of Sudan, Egypt, and Uganda. The other rivers include V ala, Nyando, and Souda. River Ewaso Ng’iro starts in the Maasai Mara and flows all the way to Lake Natron in Tanzania, feeding crops, people, and livestock, as well as wild animals and balancing the ecosystem around it.

Lake Nakuru, famous for its world-renowned pink flamingoes, is fed by the Mau through four rivers: Njoro, Makalia, Naibsi, and Nderei. River Kerio also originates in the Mau and meanders its way to Lake Turkana.

Like the rivers that feed Lake Victoria and Lake Na¬tron, Kerio is considered a trans-boundary river because its flow spills over Ken¬ya’s national borders. Rivers flowing from the Mau are the lifeline of major tour¬ism destina¬tions, including the Maasai Mara Game Reserve and Lake Nakuru National Park. These two recorded incomes of KSh3 bil¬lion and KSh4 billion respectively from entry fees alone in 2017. The Mau has the potential to produce 535 megawatts of hydro-electric power, representing 47 per cent of Kenya’s installed electricity generation capac¬ity.

But it is not just Mau that is in trouble. Kakamega Forest, the country’s only remaining portion of tropical rain for¬est with rare tree species, is also under attack from timber traders. Most of the destruc¬tion is done in the guise of cutting down exotic trees. The forest is of great significance to the local com¬munity – it pro¬vides firewood, graz¬ing land, medicinal plants, and other resources.

However, the national gov¬ernment did launch a reforesta¬tion programme that works with counties and private indi¬viduals in a bid to increase the country’s forest cover.

Environment and Forestry Cabinet Secretary Keriako To¬biko said the ban on harvest¬ing of trees in public forests had increased pressure on private for¬ests and caused an increase in wood prices.

Involving communities

This called for more trees to be planted on private lands to help Kenya reach the 10 per cent forest cover target. Towards this end, the min¬istry constituted a task force to assess the issues concern¬ing forest-dependent com¬munities with the objective of involving them in forest man¬agement.

Kenya is classified as a low forest cover country with a tree density below 10 per cent. The Kenyan economy loses an esti¬mated Sh39 billion to land degrada¬tion per annum. Rivers flowing from the Mau are classified as the cleanest in the country. Water bodies are evoked in operations to protect the country’s water catchments. According to the Kenya Water Tow¬ers Agency, the Mau complex generates Sh110.5 billion annually from various activities that depend on the existence of the forest.

The country loses KSh6 bil¬lion annually due to defore¬station and there is a risk of 70 per cent loss of the country’s water supply, as happened between 1950 and 2010. The result would be health risks as well as loss of aquatic bio¬diversity.

Solid waste manure can boost crop production

By SAMUEL MAINA and RACHAEL KILONZO

A non-governmental organisation (NGO) is calling for util¬isation of garbage as one way of improving livelihoods besides maintaining an environment.

While addressing jour¬nalists after flagging off about 200 volunteers in a joint clean-up exercise of Machakos town on Thurs¬day, Green Life Africa di¬rector Samuel Mbita said with proper management, solid waste can be an ideal source of organic manure. With 90 per cent of all solid waste in the country consisting of organic mat¬ter, Mbita said counties can utilise it productively and help create employ¬ment in the country.

“Such wastes can be utilised as manure in our farms and the other wastes recycled into products that can be re-used. This way the country will not only enhance food produc¬tion but also create em¬ployment for hundreds of youths,” he said.

The officer said the or¬ganisation has trained three youth groups in Machakos on waste man¬agement practices in a bid to sustain a clean environ¬ment, while at the same time, exploiting avenues of earning an income through recycling of solid waste.

Green Life which is partnering with Voluntary Services Overseas (VSO), a UK registered relief or¬ganisation, is also work¬ing hand-in-hand with Machakos county govern¬ment in advocating for the protection of waterways such as rivers and dams against wanton dumping and increased pollution.

To mitigate against the effects of climate change, Mbita is advocat¬ing for a shift to drought resistant crops such as sor¬ghum and cassava.

Machakos County di¬rector for Solid Waste Management Dr Phyl¬lis Mwongeli called for greater involvement by like-minded lobby groups in the protection of the envi¬ronment.

She said the county has enacted adequate meas¬ures to ensure Machakos retains its place as one of the cleanest in the country after the administration acquired skipper load¬ers, modern compacting trucks and large bins three months ago.
The Coast Water Works Development Agency, a State Corporation in the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation (MWS&I), has received funding from The National Treasury (TNT) towards the cost of financing water projects in the Coast Region and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this fund towards the cost of the Improvement of Water Supply as shown in the table below:

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Interested eligible candidates may obtain further information and inspect tender documents at Coast Water Works Development Agency, P.O. Box 90417-00180, Mikinduni Street - off Nkrumah Road, Procurement Office during normal working hours.

A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested candidates upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Ksh. 1000 in cash or Bankers Cheque payable to the Chief Executive Officer or can download the document free of charge from our website www.cwwda.go.ke or The National Treasury Procurement Portal, and immediately email the firms’ names and contact details to: procurement@cwwda.go.ke for records and communication of any tender clarifications or addenda failure to which your document will be rejected.

Prices quoted should be net inclusive of all taxes, must be in Kenya shillings and shall remain valid for 90 days from the closing date of tender.

Completed tender documents are to be enclosed in sealed envelopes marked with Tender name and reference number and deposited in the Tender Box at Procurement or to be addressed to Coast Water Works Development Agency, Mikinduni Street - off Nkrumah Road so as to be received on or before as shown in the table above

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the Boardroom, Coast Water Works Development Agency, Mikinduni Street Off- Nkrumah road in presence of the candidates or their representatives who choose to attend.
The Government of the Republic of Kenya has received credit from the Agence Francoise De Development (AFD) and the European Investment Bank (EIB) towards the cost of the Kenya Power Distribution Last Mile Connectivity Project. It is intended that part of the proceeds of this credit will be applied to eligible payments under the contracts as listed below.

**Contract Title:** Procurement of Design, Supply, Installation and commissioning of Extensions of LV lines, LV single Phase lines and Service Cables for the Last Mile Connectivity Project.

Reference No. KP1/6E.3/PT/1/19/A70

2. The Kenya Power and Lighting Company Plc now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the above as detailed below:

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3. Bidding will be conducted through the International Competitive Bidding procedures as specified in the AFD-Financed Contracts in Foreign Countries, "published by the Bank in February 2017 and is open to all eligible bidders in accordance with the procedures for AFD-financed contracts.

4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from The Kenya Power and Lighting Company Plc and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below from 0900 to 1600 hours, Monday to Friday excluding public holidays.

**Address:** The Kenya Power and Lighting Company Plc, Stima Investment Building II, 7th Floor, Kolobol Road, Parklands, P.O. Box 30099 - 00100 Nairobi, Kenya

Telephone: +254-711-031-482 or +254–711-031-736

Electronic mail address: kyalo@kplc.co.ke and a copy to ingerim@kplc.co.ke

5. A complete set of bidding documents in English shall be downloaded without any fee by interested bidders at www.kplc.co.ke or purchased at the address below upon payment of a non-refundable fee of KES 1000 or equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency. The method of payment will be Cash or Bankers Cheque, payable at the Chief Accountant’s Office, KPLC, Stima Plaza, 1st Floor, and receipt obtained.

6. Qualifications requirements: Refer to Section 3 of the bidding document.

7. Bids (hard copies) must be delivered to the address below on or before 11th February, 2020 at 10:30 AM (local time) at Stima Plaza Auditorium.

8. All bids MUST be accompanied by a Bid Security of not less than the indicated amount on each lot.

9. The address referred to above is:

Ag. General Manager, Corporate Affairs & Company Secretary
The Kenya Power & Lighting Company Plc
2nd Floor, Stima Plaza, Kolobol Road, Parklands
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9. The address referred to above is:
Kenya Railways Corporation retirees have called for the overhaul of the parastatal’s staff retirement benefit scheme board for failing its members.

The government will need at least a billion shillings for humanitarian aid to people affected by floods and landslides in the country.

Speaking in Kapenguria on Thursday, the Government Spokesman, Col (Rtd) Cyrus Oguna said 350,000 people were affected while 16,700 houses have been destroyed. He said 32 counties were most affected by the disaster where 118 lives have been lost and 11,000 livestock washed away by the flood water.

Supplied aid

He said the government has not only supplied food, medicine and other required items to the affected areas, but is also committed to put measures in place to prevent any further loss of lives and property.

“So far, 118 people have lost their lives and the government has put in place various agencies, among them the Kenya Defense Forces and National Police Service to assist the affected people,” he said.

Oguna added that the transport sector is most affected where roads and bridges have been damaged, hampering transportation in the country.

Concerning West Pokot County, he said 43 people are confirmed dead and 1,500 displaced, saying people should stop exaggerating the figure.

“We have confirmed that 36 bodies have been recovered and seven reported missing, assuming those missing are dead, the total figure will be 43. The Kenya Red Cross are on the ground and have done all assessment and can confirm the figure,” he said.

He expressed concern that majority of those who lost their lives are young between the age of eight and 20 years.

“The National Government requires Sh1,052 billion for all affected people in the country, where, West Pokot will take about Sh20 million,” he said.

West Pokot County Commissioner, Apollo Okello, said, four camps have been set up in to cater for the affected people.

“In Pokot Central we have Tamkal, Kipkom, Parua and in Pokot South there is Nyarkulan,” said the Commissioner.
This is to notify ALL the retirees and beneficiaries of KPA Pension Scheme residing in Western Region and are receiving a monthly pension; that they will be required to avail themselves at any of the following indicated places and dates from 9.00am to 3.00pm.

Kindly carry the following ORIGINAL identification documents:
- LD. (National Identification Card)
- K.P.A. Port Passes
- KPA PIN Copy

Those who will fail to avail themselves will NOT receive their monthly pension until they report to the Head of Pension.

Please note that travel costs are NON-refundable.

Salim J. Chingabwi
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, KPA

**SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)**

**Date:** 03/12/2019  
**IFB No:** KETRACO/PT/15/2019  
**Loan No:** 2100150037865

1. This invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice (CPN) for this project as appearing in UNDB online AER 11.3-9/11 of 15 March 2011 and on the African Development Fund Group’s Internet Website.
2. The Government of Kenya has received Financing from the African Development Fund in various currencies towards the cost of Eastern Electricity Highway project. It is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for Supply of Tools for Operation and Maintenance.
3. The Kenya Electricity Transmission Company (KETRACO), an implementing agency now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the supply of the following goods:
   - Transformer Oil Regeneration Plant
   - SF6 Gas Analyzer Kit
   - SF6 Evacuation and Refilling Machine
   - SF6 Filtration and Purification Machine
   - Transformer Test Kit
   - High Voltage Cables Test and Diagnosis System
   - Insulator Washing and Water De-Ionizing Machine
   - Fiber Monitoring System
   - Portable Hydraulic Punching Machine

4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information and inspect the tender document at the supply chain management office at room 1B3, Bandari Maritime Academy, P.O. Box 99469-80107, Nairobi, Kenya. Email: pnjehia@ketraco.co.ke or purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the Senior Manager, Supply Chain Management and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kenya Shillings 1,000.00 (One Thousand only) payable at the KETRACO Cash Office during official working hours.

6. Bids must be addressed to and delivered to the office of the Senior Manager, Supply Chain Management, KETRACO on or before 10:00 AM East Africa Time (EAT), on January 14, 2020 and must be accompanied by a Bid security of amounts as shown below;

**Security:** 2% of total amount of items quoted for.

7. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidder’s representatives who choose to attend on the same date at 10:00 AM East African Time (EAT), at the office of:
   - Senior Manager, Supply Chain Management  
   - P.O. Box 34942 – 00100  
   - Nairobi, Kenya. Email: pnjehia@ketraco.co.ke

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**BANDARI MARITIME ACADEMY**

**OPEN NATIONAL TENDER**

**Tender Number:** BMA/ONT/001/2019 – 2020

**BANDARI MARITIME ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS GROUP MEDICAL COVER**

Bandari Maritime Academy (BMA) was established under Executive Order No. 1 of 2018 and effected by Legal Notice No. 233 of 28th November, 2018. Currently it is a Semi – Autonomous Government Agency (SAGA) governed by State Corporations Act, Cap 466.

Following the appointment of BMA Board of Directors (BOD), the academy has initiated the process of securing a group medical cover for BMA BOD.

Interested eligible candidates may obtain further information and inspect the tender document at the supply chain management office at room 1B3, Bandari Maritime Academy, P.O. Box 99469-80107, Nairobi along Bishop Makarios Close during normal working hours (0800hrs – 1300hrs, 1400hrs – 1700hrs).

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A complete set of tender document may be obtained from the Supply Chain Management Office at room 1B3 upon payment of non-refundable fees of Ksh 1,000 via A/c No. 1264378726, KCB Kilindini Branch

Or: Bankers cheque payable to the Director, Bandari Maritime Academy.

1. Tender submission will only be in smart bound hard copies. NO SPINAL BINDING WILL BE ACCEPTED.
2. Only original and one copy, Both the original and a copy of the Tender must be submitted in ONE plain sealed envelope and clearly marked with the specific tender number and tender description, and be addressed to:

   **The Director,**  
   Bandari Maritime Academy,  
   P. O. Box 99469 – 80107  
   MOMBASA

3. Completed tender documents are to be deposited in the tender box provided at the Ground Floor, Bandari Maritime Academy’s Offices, Bishop Makarios Close To be received on or before 11:00 A.M on Tuesday 17th December, 2019

4. Tenders shall be opened on Tuesday 17th December, 2019 at the boardroom located at the Ground Floor Bandari Maritime Academy at 11.00 am in the presence of bidders’ representatives who choose to attend.

4. This procurement shall be undertaken in accordance with the provisions of the public procurement and asset disposal act 2015 and public procurement and disposal regulations 2006.
State directs chiefs to ensure residents register for NHIF to cushion them from high bills

BY JANET ROP
KNA

Interior Cabinet Secretary Dr. Fred Matiang’i has instructed chiefs in Kajiado County to mobilize residents to sign up for the National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) medical cover.

Dr. Matiang’i said the government was committed to ensuring that all Kenyans have access to quality health care through the NHIF insurance cover that cushions families from high medical bills.

He directed the national government administrators to work hand in hand with the county government officials to ensure all residents have an NHIF card so as to access medical services at no cost. Speaking in Kajiado during the ‘MbuziMojaAlya Bora’ goat auction, the CS expressed concern that only 25 percent of the locals were registered for the health cover.

“I am concerned that only 25 percent of the population in Kajiado County are registered with NHIF in this era when many diseases are very expensive to treat. I am therefore instructing the County Commissioner to mobilize all local chiefs to kick start the process of registering all persons not covered and I am expecting that by the time we will be coming back for a similar function, at least 50 percent of the residents should have been registered and if our administrators will face any registration challenges, then I will ask the National Registration Bureau to assist,” Matiang’i said.

Intended targets
The CS maintained that the National Government is committed to supporting development projects in the County, while urging all public officials to work for the common good of the people.

“Our mandate as the people who have been given this responsibility is to serve Kenyans, we can’t be sitting in our offices the whole day, yet we have been given resources so that we can achieve our intended targets. Those administrators who will seem to be undertaking seriously, this mandate of registering our people under the NHIF cover will be warned because we must do our duties with the sanctity that it deserves,” said the CS. Dr. Matiang’i who is also Interior CS Dr. Fred Matiang’i and Kajiado Governor Joseph Lenku admires goats set for auction during an event dubbed “Mbuzi moja, Afya bora in Kajiado on Thursday November 28, 2019. Photo by KNA.
in charge of coordinating all government projects in the country also assured Magadi and Kitengela residents that the government will work round the clock to ensure they have water.

“As the President directed while we were in Magadi a few weeks ago that the residents of Magadi should benefit from the water project that was meant for the Magadi Golf Training camp, the process of piping the water has already started. Those in Kitengela will also receive water,” said the CS.

“Environment Cabinet Secretary, Keriako Tobiko, who was also present at the auction challenged the community to be more environmentally friendly so as to alleviate health challenges.

“Quick gains “We have destroyed our vegetation and forests for quick gains forgetting that nature will always be harsh to us and that is why nowadays we have so many respiratory diseases among others because of the destruction of our environment. We should not cut trees or just sell our land haphazardly, we should protect and maintain our environment at all costs,” Tobiko said.

The county governor, Joseph Ole Lenku, revealed that over 4,300 households had registered for the NHF cover this year up from 3,000 households who registered last year. Lenka said residents could now access medical services and pay bills without having to call for harambee. He added that 90 percent of hospitals and health centers in the country have been accredited by NHIF.

So many people can now access our health facilities without having to call for harambee.”

-Governor Lenku

The Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, and Fisheries now invites eligible financial institutions to indicate their interest in providing support to the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries, State Department for Crop Development and Agricultural Research, whose main objective is promoting agricultural production for commercial agriculture.

The specific development objectives of this project is to contribute to national food security by increasing production of cereal staples and cash crop (Maize, Rice, Irish Potato and Coffee). The programme also aims at supporting the smallholder farmers, graduating from subsistence to commercial agriculture.

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The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) on 1st October, 2019 invited applications from interested and eligible bidders for the Registration of Suppliers for the Financial Years 2019/2020 & 2020/2021 under the categories A to C, with 48 items for supply and delivery of Goods, Works and Services. ORPP wishes to inform the Public that the registration of suppliers has been concluded and the list of the successful and unsuccessful suppliers has been posted on the ORPP Website: https://www.orpp.or.ke/index.php/en/resources/tender and is accessible to the Public.

The Successful suppliers are advised that the registration does not constitute an award.

Any clarification in regards to the registration of suppliers should be addressed to:

Registrar of Political Parties
Office of the Registrar of Political Parties
P.O. Box 1153 – 00606
Nairobi.
Ann N. Nderitu, MBS
Registrar of Political Parties

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Public Notice
Clarification on VAT refund claims by Oil and Gas Subcontractors

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) informs the public in particular, and oil and gas subcontractors that:

The services offered by subcontractors to oil and gas exploration companies which had remission on VAT payable under section 23 of the repealed VAT Act Cap 476 were taxable at general rate except that they enjoyed special remission under transitional provision, section 68(4) of VAT Act, 2013 which was valid upto 31st August 2018. However Subcontractors have been lodging VAT refund claims assuming that their supplies are zero rated entitling them to VAT refunds.

Supplies made to oil and gas exploration companies by subcontractors are not exempt under First Schedule or zero rated under the Second Schedule of the VAT Act, 2013.

Such supplies are not exempted in the Second and the Third schedule of the repealed VAT Act. Cap 476 or zero rated under the Fifth and Eighth Schedule of the repealed VAT Act.

Input tax incurred by the subcontractors may be deducted from their output tax subject to the provisions of section 17 of the VAT Act, 2013 and the regulations.

There is no provision in the repealed VAT Act, Cap 476 or VAT Act, 2013 which authorize the subcontractors to lodge a VAT refund claim under this circumstance

For clarification please contact the Contact Centre on Tel. Number: 020 4 999 999; 0711 099 999 or Email: callcentre@kra.go.ke. You may also visit the nearest KRA Office or Huduma Centre.

Commissioner for Domestic Taxes

www.kra.go.ke

PUBLIC NOTICE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMMING CODE FOR BROADCASTING SERVICES IN KENYA

The Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) is the regulatory agency for the ICT industry in Kenya with responsibilities in telecommunications, e-commerce, cyber security, broadcasting and postal/courier services. The CA is also responsible for managing the country’s numbering and frequency spectrum resources, administering the Universal Service Fund (USF) as well as protecting interests of users of ICT services.

The Authority is vested with the responsibility of promoting and facilitating the development of the broadcasting industry in Kenya. This includes setting standards for the time and manner of programmes to be broadcast by ALL licensees as provided for under Section 46(1) of the Kenya Information and Communications Act, 1998 (as amended).

The CA empowers the Authority to prescribe, review and ensure compliance with the Programming Code. In addition, Chapter V of the Kenya Information and Communications Broadcasting Regulations, 2009 outlines the broadcasting content standards that are applicable to ALL broadcasting licensees.

The dynamic and influential nature of broadcasting necessitated a pre-emptive approach in reviewing the Programming Code from the ‘Free-to-air’ Programming Code to a ‘Unified’ Programming Code that incorporates the broadcasting content requirements for both free-to-air and subscription service providers. These provisions shall be applicable to ALL broadcasting licensees. The ‘Unified’ Programming Code will further be supported by Broadcasting Sector Guidelines based on industry needs and requirements.

The reviewed Programming Code was arrived at through a public consultation and was gazetted on 12th April 2019 via gazette notice 3555. The comments received informed the final Programming Code available on the Authority’s website address at https://ca.go.ke/industry/broadcasting/code-complaints-procedure/

ALL broadcasting licensees are therefore required to comply with the provisions of the Programming Code to ensure that as a public resource, broadcasting platforms at all times maintain a standard that is acceptable to all sections of the Kenyan community.

Further, broadcasting licensees are advised to ensure compliance with the said Programming Code as such compliance will form part of the basis for issuance of Annual Compliance Certificates.

Director General
Communications Authority of Kenya

Sponsored Content
County launches all-out conservation program to boost forest cover

By IRUNGU MWANGI
KIRINYAGA

Kirinyaga County has set out an ambitious target to achieve 30 percent tree cover in the coming few years, area Ecosystem Conservator, Monica Masivo has said.

She said at 20 percent, the county is trailing behind Nyeri which has hit the 28 percent mark. Masivo said some 1.5 million seedlings have been distributed throughout the entire county and planted within various homesteads and public institutions this rainy season alone.

“When the long rains come in March next year, we are again set to distribute an additional 3.5 million seedlings in an effort to realise the United Nation’s forest cover requirement,” she said.

Masivo said focus will now shift to various bare parts of Mwea and Sambias whilst the upper zone, having already filled all the empty pockets within the Mt Kenya forest with seedlings.

“We have earmarked Murinduko hill in Mwea East Sub County where we will be planting over a million indigenous tree seedlings to reclaim all its bare area,” she said.

Also to benefit will be the South Ngorerimani Ranching Scheme where tree destruction happened on a massive scale after about 6,000 landless people were settled there.

“Although some of these set-
Chinese company set to extract Diatomite in Baringo, Tiaty

BY SHEILA CHERUIYOT/JOSHUA KIBET

Mining Principal Secretary (PS) John Omengo has said extraction of diatomite minerals in cattle rustling prone parts of Baringo North and Tiaty will be a game changer by providing an alternative source of livelihood to the community that has depended on livestock and pasturing for ages.

The Government, the Principal Secretary said, was committed to focus attention to hot spot areas with plenty of minerals but bedeviled with insecurity challenges so that it can be developed into economically sustainable regions.

Speaking at Katiktik Primary School grounds in Tiaty Constituency, Mr Omengo added that the exploration and mining of the vast deposits of diatomite in the region will help the local youth change their attitude and focus on other viable sources of livelihood away from cattle rustling.

“By introducing industry the locals who are looking forward to drawing the attention of the youth far away from livestock and pastoralism to alternative sources of livelihood,” he reiterated.

He stated the Ministry was not focusing on the extraction of diatomite alone but also processing of the diatomite into other products, thus creating a special economic zone in the region that is endowed with huge deposits of various minerals.

The PS accompanied by Tiaty Member of Parliament, William Kamket, said “Extraction of diatomite in this region will create a special economic zone which in turn will transform the area known for banditry, to a mining zone therefore, create over 700 job opportunities for the youth.”

Governor Stanley Kiptis, who attended the occasion, expressed confidence that the setting up of the diatomite plant at Katiktik area by the Chuanshan International Company from China to mine the mineral deposits will open the region in terms of infrastructure and education matters.

He also said that the extraction of diatomite would go a long way to help boost peace and stability, thus enabling the various communities who have been experiencing perennial conflicts over scarce resources to co-exist peacefully.

Mr. Kamket in his address noted that the exploration would transform the region that has lagged behind in development due to banditry and cattle rustling menace to a modern society, enjoying the fruits of independence like the rest of Kenyans.

The Chuanshan International Company is expected to exploit diatomite mineral deposits in areas of Katkipuro, Chepkesip and Ripkiwosetel ward in Tiaty Constituency.

State allocates Sh200 million to buy rice from farmers in Mwea

BY IRUNGU MWANGI

Rice farmers from Mwea will from now be able to sell their produce to the government through the National Cereals and Produce Board, just like their maize counterparts in the Rift Valley.

This follows the government’s move to allocate Sh200 million every year that will be used to buy rice from the farmers.

Area Member of Parliament, Kavira Wachira said the inclusion of rice crop in the strategic food reserve fund will not only provide the market for the farmers but improve their market price for the Mwea rice.

Wachira said the arrangement will get rid of unscrupulous traders who for a long time exploited the farmers.

“Our farmers used to sell their rice at a throw away price just after the harvest, only to later go for the same at very high prices after exhausting their reserves,” he said, adding the reserve fund will be able to stabilize rice prices.

At the same time, the MP said he has tabled a Bill in Parliament that seeks to outlaw selling of horticultural crops like tomatoes using crates.

The bill will be specific that traders will be required to use weighing machines rather than crates, which he termed exploitative to the farmers. “The use of weighing machines will be a big advantage to the farmers since they will receive actual value of their crop,” he said.

Wachira who was speaking at Makutano area in Mwea during a meet the people tour said, rice farmers were also happy with the government’s move for the release of Sh450 million compensation for farmers affected by the ongoing construction of Bura dam.

Disease irrigation scheme is one of the seven public schemes under the management of the National Irrigation Board.

Since inception in 1998, the scheme was being run solely by the National Irrigation Board where the board was responsible for all the activities in the production chain which includes land preparation, credit provision, crop husbandry activities, harvesting and post-harvest handling including marketing.

NIB used to undertake the pricing and marketing of the crop through the Mwea Rice Mills from which they would recover their expenses after the sales. The system of farmers channeling their paddy through NIB however collapsed during 1998/99 crop year when they resolved not to deliver the crop due to disagreement over the prices of the paddy.

Instead, they demanded to market the crop on their own and later took over the operation of the scheme. The farmers however encountered great challenges while operating the scheme such as inability to hire machinery to maintain the scheme infrastructure and lack of skilled personnel.

Thus in 2003, the farmers approached the government for assistance in the scheme management.
TENDER FOR PROVISION OF CLEANING, SANITATION, GARBAGE COLLECTION AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR KETRACO PREMISES FOR TWO YEARS 2020/2021

TENDER NUMBER KETRACO/PT/014/2019

Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Limited (KETRACO) is a state corporation whose mandate is to plan, design, construct, own, operate and maintain high voltage electricity transmission lines and substations throughout the country.

KETRACO now invites tenders from interested/eligible firms to bid for provision of cleaning, sanitation, garbage collection and grounds maintenance services for KETRACO premises both at the Headquarters, and at all its sub-stations country wide.

This tender is preserved for registered and experienced cleaning firms owned by the youth, women and people living with disabilities. Note that there shall be two mandatory site visits as detailed in the tender documents.

Bidders who require any form of assistance on the online bidding from our office should do so strictly between 3rd December, 2019 and 13th December, 2019.

KETRACO tenders run on SAP Ariba e-procurement platform and therefore the tender document detailing the requirements may be viewed by clicking on the link provided in KETRACO website (www.ketraco.co.ke) beginning on 3rd December, 2019.

All enquiries on this tender should be channelled through ketracotenders@ketraco.co.ke

Tenders will be opened electronically promptly thereafter in the presence of the Tenderer’s or their representatives who choose to attend in KETRACO Procurement Office at Kawi House, Ground Floor.

There will be a Pre-bid training/Meeting to be held in Kawi House South C, on the 16th December, 2019 starting at 11.00 am where bidders interested to bid for these tender will be trained on the use of the Online Bidding Processes. Only bidders who are not conversant with the bidding process are encouraged to attend.

SENIOR MANAGER, SUPPLY CHAIN FOR: MANAGING DIRECTOR

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES)

EASTERN ELECTRICITY HIGHWAY PROJECT

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the African Development Fund towards the cost of the Eastern Electricity Highway Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds from this loan for payments under the contract for Operations & Maintenance Training Services.

The services included under this project are training services for the Operations & Maintenance staff in order to develop and bridge the gap of internal KETRACO Technical teams to carry out specialized activities pertaining to the operations and maintenance of the National Grid. The various areas that have been identified where the skills gap requires to be bridged are:

- Digitalized Aerial Data Acquisition and Automated Inspections of Transmission Assets
- Transformer and Tap-Changer maintenance.
- High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) Converter Control, Operations and Maintenance
- Telecommunications and SCADA

The consultant will be expected to co-ordinate all the trainings by assigning the specialists in all the identified areas. The assignment is expected to last for a duration of not more than eight months from award of contract.

The Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Limited now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brevets, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank’s “Procurement Policy for Bank Funded Operations” October, 2015, which is available on the Bank’s website at http://www.afdb.org.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours [07:30 hrs to 16:30hrs during working days Monday to Friday].

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 18th December 2019 at 10.00 am and mention “Operations & Maintenance Training Services”.

Mr. Peter Nhiaja
Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Ltd
KAWI Complex, Block B, P.O. Box 25012-00100, NAIROBI, KENYA. Tel: +254 719 018 000, E-mail: pnjehia@ketraco.co.ke; cc: pkubasu@ketraco.co.ke

TENDER ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE

The Kenya Airports Authority invites sealed tenders from eligible firms for the following tenders:

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Information on these tender notices and documents detailing the requirements, tendering procedures and guidelines should be downloaded from our website at https://www.kaa.go.ke/corporate/procurement or www.kaa.go.ke Public or Procurement Information Portal at www.ppp.go.ke free of charge.

Interested bidders who download the documents must forward their particulars immediately to tenders@kaa.go.ke for record and communication of any clarifications and/or addenda.

Bidders MUST ensure that the bid submitted is serialized from the first to the last page including any attachments.

Canvassing for the tender by the tenderer or by proxy shall lead to automatic disqualification of their tender.

A.G MANAGING DIRECTOR/CEO

OPEN INTERNATIONAL TENDER NOTICE

Kenya Tourism Board (KTB) is a body corporate established as a State Corporation under the Tourism Act No. 28 of 2011 and is charged with the statutory mandate of promoting and marketing Kenya as a tourism destination locally and internationally.

The Board is seeking eligible firms to provide the following services:

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Interested eligible tenderers may obtain further information from, and inspect the tender document at our offices Kenya Tourism Board, Kenya Re Towers, Off Rupai Road, Upper Hill 7th and 8th floor w.e.f. Wednesday 4th December, 2019 from 8.00 am to 2.00 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays inclusive except on public holidays.

A complete set of tender document(s) in English may be obtained by interested tenderers at the address given above upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kshs. 1,000.00 Payment should either be by cash or banker’s cheque, payable to the cashier at the finance department.

The documents may also be viewed/obtained/downloaded from our Corporate websites: bitb.go.ke/tender and www.magicalkenya.com/tender or IPPS website: supplier.traffy.co.ke, free of charge. Bidders who download the tender document from the website must forward their particulars immediately to procurement@bitb.co.ke for record purposes and any further tender clarifications and addenda.

The completed tenders in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with Tender Number and Tender reference name, shall be addressed to:

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
KENYA TOURISM BOARD
P.O. BOX 30630–00100,
NAIROBI, KENYA
TEL: +254 20 2749000

and deposited in the tender box on 7th Floor, Kenya Re Towers, Rupai Road Upper Hill by on or before the closing date and time indicated in the table above. Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers’ or their representatives who choose to attend.

Tenders that are delivered after 12.00 Noon on 06/01/2020 will not be accepted.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DECEMBER 03, 2019
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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

1. Tenders are invited for the supply and delivery of the under listed items to Kenya Defence Forces:

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2. Tender documents with detailed specifications of each tender can be obtained at a non-refundable fee of Kshs.1000.00 per tender from the office of COL SUP/MAINT’ Ulinzi House, P 0 Box 40668 Nairobi.

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3) Email: kengen@tip-offs.com
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SUPPLY CHAIN DIRECTOR

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

Food Security.

Through livestock insurance & fertilizer subsidies, the Government has lowered the cost of production. More Kenyans have subsequently taken up agriculture, boosting the country’s GDP.
First Lady lauds saving culture among women through ‘chamas’

BY KAZUNGU CHAI

First Lady Margaret Kenyatta has lauded the transformative nature of women entrepreneur-through their Saving and Credit Co-operatives (Saccos), popularly known as ‘chamas’. Speaking at the high-level segment of the 2019 Global Gender Summit in Kigali, an event that was also addressed by President Paul Kagame of Rwanda and his Ethiopian counterpart Sahle-Work Zewde, the First Lady singled out lack of access to credit, low representation in decision making positions, lack of control over productive land and lack of financial control to make spending decisions as some of the impediments to gender equality.

“Economic empowerment allows women to participate in decision making at the household levels. Eliminating these financial bottlenecks has transformed families and communities,” she said.

She added that the Kenyan government took pro-women affirmative actions, including the establishment of the Women’s Enterprise Fund that has enhanced women’s access to capital to run businesses to address some of these challenges.

She said the Kenyan government also established the “Access to Government Procurement Opportunities (AGPO)” programme where 30 percent of all government procurement opportunities are set aside for women-owned enterprises, the youth and persons living with disability.

“Our collective commitment to ‘leave no one behind’ is a new chapter in our struggle towards achieving gender equality,” the First Lady said. The biennial summit organized by the African Development Bank under the theme “unpacking constraints to gender equality”, is exploring mechanisms for scaling up innovative gender friendly financial solutions among other related subjects.

Mrs Kenyatta also said she supports the removal of barriers preventing women and girls from realizing their full potential.

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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK & FISHERIES

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR CROP DEVELOPMENT & AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

SOIL SAMPLING AND TESTING FOR INFORMED FERTILIZER AND SOIL AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDATIONS

TENDER NO: MOALF/SDCD&AR/CD/021/2019-2020

1. Background

The expression of interest follows the realization for vision 2030 and the recently launched 10-year Agriculture Sector Transformation and Growth Strategy (ASTGS) that provide an overarching framework for the growth and transformation of the sector. The bulk of Kenya’s food comes from small holder producers whose production activities are characterized by high production costs and low yields. In this regard, for enhanced efficiency and fruitfulness of subsidy programs, the Ministry proposes a restructuring of the subsidy system in line with the ASTGS. The Aim of developing and adoption of a reformed system is to make it more inclusive for producers or farmers, empowering them to choose a combination of inputs and services that benefit their enterprise from the subsidy package, instead of only fertilizers and seeds. Furthermore, previous fertilizer applications were based on blanket recommendations with no impact on yields. In the restructured subsidy system soil sampling and testing will be mandatory for informed fertilizer recommendations.

In the light of the foregoing, the Ministry is looking for qualified firms/laboratories to carry out soil sampling and testing in the 11 counties included in the restructured National Value Chain Support Programme (NVSP). The soil testing should feed into a soil map for informed fertilizer and soil amendments recommendations. Interested institutions will be expected to undertake soil sampling and analysis for farmers selected to take part in NVSP in the agreed eleven (11) counties in readiness for the roll out of the NVSP in readiness for (NAM) 2020 planting season.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, and Fisheries now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services.

2. Requirements

a) Mandatory Requirements:

i. Demonstrate the ability and capacity to undertake the assignment.
ii. The firm should have minimum 5 years’ experience in carrying out similar assignments. List down with evidence at least five clients where the firm has carried out similar assignments.
iii. Demonstrate capability to have capacity of handling 111,774 samples within a month.
iv. Demonstrate availability of well-equipped laboratory for this service.

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The Principal Secretary

Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries

State Department for Crop Development & Agricultural Research

P.O. Box 36208-00190 Nairobi

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Head, Supply Chain Management Service

For: Principal Secretary

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT (SLA) SERVICES TO PROVIDE ICT TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR A WEB-BASED E-VOUCHER MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

TENDER NO: MOALF/SDCD&AR/CD/023/2019-2020

1. Background

The National Value Chain Support Programme (NVSP) has developed and operationalized a web-based Electronic E-voucher Management System. The objective of this system is to enhance efficiency in the management of agricultural inputs subsidy. This system was successfully piloted in three counties namely, Machakos, Migori’s and Embu to manage distribution and access of subsidized fertilizer by farmers.

The E-voucher system consists of the following key modules:

1. Farmer Registration Module
2. E-voucher Management Module
3. Payment Module
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6. Use Management Module

2. Brief Description of the E-Voucher Subsidy Management System

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The Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KNCCI) are coming up with a capacity building programme for youths countrywide.

KNCCI President Richard Ngatia said the current discussion globally is how to come up with programmes for the development and empowerment of youths. He acknowledged that vibrant, energetic and knowledgeable young people and the private sector have plans to support them.

“‘The private sector has the will, capacity and plans to prepare the youth for the job market by imparting them with the requisite skills,’” he pointed out.

Ngatia said their concern is to ensure the youths invest in the agro business as entrepreneurs.

He spoke during the 14th annual regional business development service conference 2019 held at PrideInn Paradise Beach Resort in Mombasa.

The KNCCI boss said they are looking for advocacy on policy and trade facilitation for youths countrywide.

Ngatia who was accompanied by Kamba county executive in charge of finance Wilson Mburu Kangethe and micro entrepreneur support programme trustee chair Noah Meely told the participants they will support members of the chamber and the private sector with market links in particular the youths.

On his part Kangethe urged county governments to create employment opportunities which can make the citizens have a decent living standard for their families and access affordable goods and services.

Kangethe said if county governments create opportunities for the youth at the grassroots level it will go a long way in reducing unemployment and poverty in the countryside.

“Despite many challenges faced by the private sector in creating enough employment opportunities the sector has a critical role to play” he pointed out.

Speaking at same forum the micro entrepreneur support programme chairman Wilson Mburu Kangethe, added that the programme also aims at supporting the smallholder farmers in graduating from subsistence to commercial agriculture.

Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock & Fisheries (MAFF)

The specific development objective of this programme is to contribute to national food security by increasing production of cereal staples and cash crops (Maize, Rice, Potatoes and Coffee). The programme also aims at supporting the smallholder farmers in graduating from subsistence to commercial agriculture.

In preparation for 2020 long rains cropping season (March/April 2020), the programme intends to support a total of 111,774 smallholder to medium farmers in the above eleven (11) Counties with inputs package for half to ten acres to undertake Maize, Rice, Irish Potato and Coffee production.

NSP, through the County Directors of Agriculture (CDA) is calling for expression of interest of agro dealers/cooperatives from the County/sub-county/ward who wishes to participate in the programme by supplying quality inputs and services to participating farmers through the e-voucher scheme as indicated below;

Mandatory Requirements

The mandatory requirements for qualification of a cooperative

1. Certified copy of Cooperative registration
2. Bank Account in Cooperative name
3. Physical address of the Cooperative
4. KEPHIS certification
5. PCPB certification
6. KRA Compliant – Valid tax certificates
7. Must have a smart phone and/or Computer
8. Must be willing to operate an Mpesa Till number
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Affordable Healthcare for all

Millions of Kenyans have access to free medical services offered by the Government through the NHIF pool. Every monthly contributor is assured of access to this universal health cover, which continues to improve in terms of coverage and quality.

Manufacturing

The Government has opened up local production by creating an enabling environment for private sector-led industrial development and a business climate capable of attracting local and foreign investments.

Food Security.

Through livestock insurance and fertilizer subsidies, the Government has lowered the cost of production. More Kenyans have access to free medical services offered by the Government through the NHIF pool. Every monthly contributor is assured of access to this universal health cover, which continues to improve in terms of coverage and quality.

Affordable Housing

Through collaborative efforts with the private sector while using a supportive policy, the government has lowered the affordability gap in the housing market and improved financing for developers and users.
### Plans to refurbish Nairobi railway stations in top gear

**BY JOSEPH NG’ANG’A**  
KNA NAIROBI

The government has intensified plans to decongest Nairobi city by rehabilitating 10 commuter railway stations. The program has seen the government improve the 10 busiest commuter railway stations including Kikuyu, Kahawa, Ruiru, Gitihuru, Dan-dora, Mwiki, Donholm, Pipeline, Embakasi and Athi River with eight already complete and ready for handing over. The remaining two, Donholm and Athi River are expected to be complete by March 2020.

Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing and Urban development Director of Administration Ma-beyk Mogaka said the move is aimed at easing congestion in Nairobi by making railway commuter transport enjoyable and a choice for many people in Nairobi. “Kenya Railways is working with Safaricom so that they can have a connectivity with the soon to be launched Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system where one pays for one ticket and they can seamlessly use it in the train and connect with the BRT to their final destination and vice versa,” said Mogaka.

Speaking on Wednesday at Kahawa commuter train station during the County Development Implementation and Coordination Committee (CDICC) tour of the project, Mogaka said that the development encompasses tight security where people can park their vehicles and board the train into Nairobi and they come back and find their vehicles safe.

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### TENDER ADVERTISEMENT

Coast Development Authority (CDA) invites bids from eligible Contractors for the Development of Boji Farmers’ Irrigation Scheme in Tana River County, Chakama Irrigation Scheme in Kilifi County and Challa Irrigation Scheme in Taita Taveta County.

**Tender Documents:**
- Full page: 255,000.00 Open
- Half page: 165,000.00 Open
- Quarter page: 100,000.00 Open
- Backpage strip B/W: 60,000.00 Open
- Backpage strip (color): 120,000.00 Open

**Supplement:**
- Full page: 482,312
- Half page: 347,336
- Quarter page: 170,464
- Inside back page: 89,904
- Regular sizes multiplied by (height x width): 1,391,2

Note: Persons with Disability, Youth and Women are highly encouraged to apply.

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**PUBLIC SERVICE INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME INTERVIEWS**

The Public Service Commission (PSC) is pleased to inform all those who applied for the Public Service Internship Programme (PSIP) internship opportunities advertised on 15th October, 2019 that interviews for the shortlisted candidates are scheduled to take place on **Thursday, 3rd December, 2019**, starting at **7:00 am**, at the Moi International Sports Complex (Indoor Arena), situated off Thika Road, within Kasarani area, Nairobi.

All the shortlisted candidates are required to bring along the following original documents:

1. National Identity card/Passport; and
2. Academic and Professional Certificates including transcripts.

For more information please visit the Commission website [www.publicservice.go.ke](http://www.publicservice.go.ke)
Youth urged to join technical institutions for practical knowledge

BY JACOB SONGOK

Garissa County Youth and Gender Executive (CEC), Zeinab Digale, has urged the teaching staff, the enrollment Khan Foundation said, despite implemented by the Aga Khan Foundation for their contribution in improving the economic welfare of the local youth, challenged the youth to acquire the relevant skills and move a step further by applying for loans and start up their own businesses.

“As a community, we need to change our mindset that the only gainful employment that can come from white collar jobs. The bitter reality is that those jobs are fast diminishing by the day and skilled jobs are the way to go,” she added.

Trade CEC, Adow/hubat, while appreciating the initiative said, “it is a step in the right direction”.

Some of the courses offered include plumbing, tailoring, motor vehicle mechanic, ICT, Saloon and beauty therapy, Welding, Masonry and carpentry.

ranges from three months to three years.

She said that there were a number of vacancies in the technical field at the county level that need to be filled.

“With the right training from the government with the help of the County and other partners, our numbers remain very low,” Digale said.

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The courses duration

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Flurry of activity in businesses as Migori contractors are paid

BY GEORGE AGIMBA

Business in Migori has picked up since the county government started paying pending bills to contractors last week. Payment of the dues accrued since 2015 follows a directive by the National Treasury for counties to clear all debts with suppliers or have their funds withdrawn.

Residents say release of the moneys has revitalised the market with local towns registering increased business.

“We have noticed a different trend of economic power in the county since the contractors started receiving their arrears from the county government. We can tell that people have money in their pockets and business joints are becoming full and vibrant every day compared to the past days,” Elisha Ottieno, one of the journalists at the main Migori fish market.

Migori Contractors’ Association secretary general Godness Ochono said the devolved unit owes contractors and suppliers more than Sh1 billion accrued over a period of five years. He, however, said some members have already received their money and thanked the national government for the directive.

Ochono said bad blood between the contractors and the county Finance department over dueshas even led to loss of lives.

Conditions of Auction Sale:

1. All interested bidders are required to view and verify the details/conditions of the vehicles/ livestock & the various KALRO Institutes/Centers before the date of auction.

9. KALRO reserves the right to reject any bid without giving any reason(s)

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KALRO, EU inaugurate modern indigenous chicken breeding unit

Unit designed to develop high yielding, fast maturing, disease resistant chicken varieties that can lay 280 eggs a year

BY ANNE MWALE
KNA NAKURU

The Kenya Agricultural Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) and the European Union (EU) have launched a modern indigenous chicken breeding and multiplication unit at KALRO’s Non-Ruminant Research Centre in Nanyuki.

Construction of the 2,000 bird capacity unit that commenced two years ago, was jointly funded by the Government of Kenya under Climate Smart Agriculture Productivity Project (CSAPP) and the European Union (EU) through the AgriFI Kenya Challenge Fund Programme.

KALRO’s director for Non-Ruminant Institute, Dr. David Miano said the unit had been designed and equipped to develop high yielding, fast maturing, easy to maintain and disease resistant indigenous chicken varieties that have the ability to lay 220-280 eggs in a year, which is double the yield capacity of ordinary indigenous chicken.

“Through Climate Smart Agriculture Productivity Project and AgriFI Kenya Challenge Fund Programme, KALRO has previously distributed about 1.5 million day old chicks. More than 700,000 farmers have been trained on basic disease control and management mechanisms and best practices in poultry farming. The poultry sub-sector has the potential to transform Kenya’s economy and improve the well-being of Kenyans,” Dr. Miano stated.

The Director stated that the country has an estimated poultry population of 31 million birds. Out of these, 75 per cent consist of indigenous chicken, 22 per cent of broilers and layers and one per cent of breeding stock. The traditional chicken, he said, is mostly kept in rural areas while layers and broilers are mainly reared in the urban areas.

The Indigenous chicken breeding and multiplication unit targets to yield varieties that start laying eggs only five months after being hatched and produce an average meat weight of 1.5kg. At only five months a cock weighs at least 2kg. Productivity of eggs by the improved KALRO indigenous hens lasts for an average of five years and drops gradually with an estimated fall of 10-15 eggs per year.

European Union Ambassador Simon Mwambo noted that towards achieving the Big Four Agenda on Food Security, policy makers at National and County government levels need to appreciate opportunities available in the indigenous poultry industry.

Nakuru County Executive Committee Member for Agriculture Dr. Immaculate Njumne Mahta said that traditional indigenous chicken make up about 76 per cent of the total poultry population in Kenya and produce about 55 and 47 per cent of the total meat and eggs.

She said improved indigenous chicken have advantages over traditional ones because the former has undergone intensive selective breeding by KALRO in collaboration with other primary breeders to ensure optimum performance.

Relief for landslide victims

Residents put on alert as floods sweep homesteads

At least three homesteads have been swept away in Migori sub county of Migori County as fears of heavy floods gripped the people living in the lower parts of Migori Constituency following the heavy rains currently pounding the region. The affected homes in Sagama village, central Migori were swept away Thursday evening by the over-flowing waters from irrigation canals within the Lower Kuja Irrigation scheme. Nyatike Deputy County Commissioner, Solomon Chesut told KNA that they had already instructed all people living in the lower parts of Nyatike to move to higher grounds to avoid loss of life and property.

“As at the moment, we have not registered any death or serious loss of property since the flow of water within the scheme is still minimal,” he said. Chesut said they had also closed all sluice gates from the main-intake on River Kuja in order to limit the flow of water within the river. However, rivers Kuja and Migori were likely burst their banks any time.

George Agimba-Migori

Kenya News Agency new SMS platform now ready for use

BY ESTHER MBUTHA – KNA NAIROBI

The Kenya News Agency has now launched a digital platform to distribute its news to subscribers through SMS service.

Deputy Director of Information Ms Esther Wanjau said the Kenya News Agency (KNA) Short Message Service (SMS) platform is ready for use and the subscribers could access information by sending short text messages to short code ‘20254’. Currently, there are over ninety (90) services that one can subscribe to depending on their information needs.

Ms. Wanjau said to receive news, one will be required to send ‘KNA’ to 20254, for business news, “BIZ” to 20254, for counties, one should send an abbreviation for the County to 20254, for example “Mua” to 20254. In a statement, Ms Wanjau said the SMS platform is in partial fulfillment of KNA’s quest to be a leading news and information provider globally. She added that KNA will continuously modernize its technology so as to avail timely and quality news and information that would enable the public make well informed decisions for improved living standards.

She said the alerts would be sent by KNA’s team of editors who have been trained on how to use the platform through their computers or mobile phones. Editors are the gatekeepers who ensure only quality and timely information is sent out.

Wanjau said the short code has the capability to send and receive SMS, and includes word filters which reporters could use to submit news.

She noted that the system has SMS inbox and out boxes where incoming SMS could be viewed, searched and indexed.

“The Outbox includes push SMS modules where users can create, edit and schedule SMS dispatches to subscribers. It contains quick and bulk SMS capabilities,” Wanjau said.

She noted that users enabled different categories of users to access different levels of the system, and a search could be done within the SMS inbox, adding that it provides reporting modules where all SMS activity is logged.

Wanjau said administration rights were enabled and statistics and reports are accessible through the reports module.

The new SMS joins other platforms that KNA has employed to distribute its news, including Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Website, Regional, Mawasiliano, County Focus and adhoc publications as well as the Mobile Cinema Unit. The Department of Information, who’s mandate is to give accurate information about the country, is developing an Information Portal which it will use to avail all information about the ‘Big Four Agenda.’

Officials to tap into festival to replenish blood bank

Health officials in Marsabit County hope to use the forthcoming Loiyangalani Cultural Festivals to boost its blood bank. Marsabit County Referral Hospital CEO Liban Wako said that one of the concerns is a shortage of the rare O (negative) blood group coming to light as a key challenge because very few people possess it.

Speaking in his office, Mr Liban regretted that lack of blood at the hospital’s blood bank poses a threat to lives hence the need to solicit for it by all means.

“We have been focusing on schools, disciplined forces, football, and rotary clubs to sustain our blood bank but now we are looking into the forthcoming Loiyangalani Cultural Festivals scheduled to take place between 4th and 7th December,” said Mr Wako.

The CEO said the county was experiencing a serious shortage of blood group O-(negative) with two pats have died and a child who are admitted at the hospital in dire need of assistance.