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Kenyatta Kicked Out Of Jubilee Party

.....As MP Threatens To Have Him and Others Surcharged

East Africa Legislative Assembly (EALA) MP Kanini Kega yesterday led a faction of the former Jubilee ruling party officials in kicking out retired President Uhuru Kenyatta from the party leadership. The Kanini Kega-led faction of the party said former Murang'a Woman Rep Sabina Chege is the new party leader on an acting capacity following a National Executive Council (NEC) held yesterday.



Kanini Kega reading the Press statement on Uhuru Kenyatta ouster as the incoming acting Party Leader Sabina Chege and other officials looks on. Inset Retired President Uhuru Kenyatta & Acting Jubilee Party Leader Sabina Chege



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DP Gachagua Asks Maa Community To Withdraw Their Support To Raila Odinga

By: DPPS



Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua.

Worth Noting:

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Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua has asked the Maasai Community to withdraw their support to Azimio leader Raila Odinga because he is anti development. Speaking in Narok West, Narok County, when he distributed over 6,000 title deeds to residents of Naikarra Ward, the Deputy President said Mr Odinga likes anarchy and violence, which cannot allow for development. “During the August 2022 General Election, you gave us half of your votes. Some of you voted for

him(Mr Odinga); he is now leading violence. I urge you to abandon him; he is destructive,” Mr Gachagua said. Mr Gachagua said the opposition, which has resumed violent protests despite President William Ruto inviting them for talks under the bi-partisan approach, is pursuing selfish interest disguised in the public agenda. “When you elected us, we promised to deliver. Seven months into office, we have delivered 6,000 title deeds. President William Ruto also prom-

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wak-Kipkurkuret Sogoo-Tengecha Road in Narok South Constituency, Mr Gachagua asked Mr Odinga to wait for 2027, when he can seek the people’s mandate to lead Kenya. While in Narok South, the Deputy President said the government is keen on protecting the water towers across the country, including the Mau forest. The government will avail money to help in relocating those who are inside the forest in a humane manner.

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Stakeholders Join Hands In Tree Planting Exercise To Help Mitigate Climate Change

By: Our Correspondent

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Scores of stakeholders yesterday took part in a tree planting exercise as rains hits various parts of the country.

They planted hundreds of indigenous and exotic trees at Culture Centre Hall compound in Nyeri town.

Thousands of others were given out to various institutions and individuals for planting.

The multi sectoral partners who were involved included Tana Water Works Development Agency, Nyeri Water and Sewerage Company, Go Green Hub, The Pines Charity Initiative, The Kenya Forest Research Institute (KEFRI), Kenya Water Towers, Tana, Dedan Kimathi University of Technology, Kenya Forest Service (KFS), National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA), Thunguma Children's Home among others.



The stakeholders who took part in the tree planting exercise yesterday.

The local community, the youth and the university students also took part during the tree planting exercise.

A group of the youth will take care of the trees until they fully grow.

Nyeri County Environment Director Yvonne Mathenge said the government through the Department of Water, Irrigation, Climate Change and Environment jointly with other stakeholders is targeting to plant

over one million trees annually in the county.

Statistics show that Nyeri county tops in tree cover which stands at 45% while the forest cover is 40%.

The partners lauded the county government for the effort in conserving the environment and also for safeguarding the two water towers of Mt. Kenya and Aberdare forest.

Before embarking on the exercise,

various speakers articulated the importance of having a good forest cover.

Some of them are that trees give off oxygen that we need to breathe. Trees reduce the amount of stormwater runoff, which reduces erosion and pollution in our waterways and may reduce the effects of flooding.

Trees also reduce greenhouse gases when they take in carbon dioxide

from the atmosphere.

As trees grow, they help stop climate change by removing carbon dioxide from the air, storing carbon in the trees and soil, and releasing oxygen into the atmosphere.

Further, trees attract rain and also provide shade.

Senate ICT Committee To Push For Review Of SIM Cards To Make Them Accessible

By: Our Reporter

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The Senate Committee on Information, Communication and Technology, chaired by Trans Nzoia Senator Allan Chesang yesterday resolved to push for the review of SIM card taxes to make them affordable to the common Mwananchi.

While meeting with Airtel Management led by the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Ashish Malhotra, at Parliament Buildings, Members of the Committee were appalled to learn that the telecommunication firms pay Sh50 tax for each Sim Card imported into the country, adding that they'll raise the issue with the National Treasury to ensure that the taxes are reviewed downwards.

On his part, Mr Malhotra addressed the members' concerns about the se-

curity of consumer data in the country by reiterating that Airtel has a reliable telecommunication system, approved by Communications Authority, that mitigates against cyberattacks through the implementation of voice encryptions and firewalls on voice, SMS and data services.

The committee was considering responses to a statement sought by Bungoma Senator, David Wakoli, on the routing of international gateway tariffs by mobile telecommunication firms and mobile service providers.



The Senate ICT Committee members consulting during yesterday's session.

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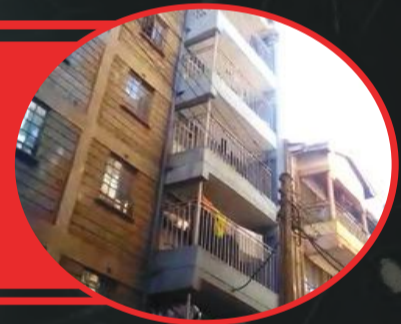
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Mozilla Africa Mradi Set to Invest In Kenyan Tech Start-Ups

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Worth Noting:

- Mozilla's Africa Mradi Innovation challenge will identify and support Kenyan tech entrepreneurs/startups and tech-students through an acceleration programme that will provide; technical support, access to grants and ultimately, market access for their products.
- "Exploring and developing new projects, technologies, and products grounded in open innovation that produce a meaningful impact on the African internet ecosystem is at the heart of our work at Mozilla Corporation", said Alice Munyua, Senior Director Africa Mradi.



Alice Munyua, Senior Director Africa Mradi and Nairobi Governor Johnson Sakaja.

Mozilla Africa Mradi in collaboration with Nairobi City County Government (NCCG) has entered into a partnership to support tech-startups in Nairobi County.

This is part of a new Mozilla grant making mechanism dubbed Mozilla African Innovation Mradi, which is designed to promote innovation led by and grounded in the unique needs of users on the African continent.

The partnership is in the background of the Mozilla Africa Mradi Innovation Challenge that will be held in June 2023 in Nairobi.

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Mozilla Africa Mradi Innovation week that will be held on June 26th and 27th 2023 at Nairobi. The ini-

tiative is part of the Africa Mradi which aims to leverage Mozilla's role as stewards of the open web to promote models of innovation that are grounded in the unique needs of users in the African continent.

Kenya is the regional ICT hub of East Africa, with the country being a leader in broadband connectivity, general ICT infrastructure and home to more than 300 tech start-ups.

Through the Innovation Challenge, Mozilla seeks to support this ecosystem to ensure that youth innovators across Kenya have access to information and knowledge needed to establish and run profitable startups.

"Nairobi City County Government will be working with Mozilla Africa Mradi in two key areas; in conducting a situation analysis of all our tech-start-ups and to build capacity of tech innovators in Nairobi City County so as to ensure they have equal opportunities and platforms to showcase their innovations, are exposed to how venture capital investments work and trained on startup accelerator opportunities available to them in Africa" said Governor Johnson Sakaja.

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Environmentalist Out To 'Green' The Country Even As He Earns A Living From The Initiative

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Worth Noting:

- Everwood Tree Nursery as Wekesa refers to it specializes in growing different tree species as well as fruit seedlings ranging from grafted avocado, mangoes and oranges that take a short time to mature.
- He started this venture in 2007 and in a good month, he makes up to Sh75, 000 from the sale of tree and fruit seedlings. He sells a tree seedling at Sh. 15 while the fruit one goes for Sh. 25.
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A Naivasha environmentalist John Wekesa has decided to turn his tree growing venture from just a passion to a business venture in order to save future generations from the effects of climate change, brought about by the continuous degradation of the environment mainly through logging.

On our visit, we found Wekesa tending to his tree display nursery in Naivasha town that has trees and fruit seedlings which are ready for planting and as he explains, the venture was started out of passion to help conserve the environment as well as help him earn an income to sustain him and his family.

The main nursery is situated in Gilgil area, where Wekesa found suitable land. He says that due to the limited land space in the town, he opted to lease land in Gilgil to grow the bulk of the seedlings which take up to three months before they are transferred to his display nursery in Naivasha town.

He reveals that he is currently growing close to 500,000 seedlings in his

Gilgil farm.

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The government will involve school children and youth in other institutions of learning to plant these trees in a bid to increase the country's tree cover and mitigate the effects of climate change. The learners will not only plant trees but will also care for trees until they grow under a pro-

gram called; adopt a tree.

Wekesa says that the initiative by the President is timely and hence one of the reasons that led him to increase his capacity in order to provide ready seedlings to those willing to jump on the program and plant trees.

The decree by the President, Wekesa says has increased the number of people thronging his nursery to buy seedlings with the ongoing rains expected to boost the appetite for tree planting.

Among the tree species grown at Everwood tree nursery include gravaria species, whistling pine, eucalyptus, cypress and assorted fruits with Wekesa encouraging Kenyans to utilize every available space in their homes and farms to practice tree farming to ensure that the country gets enough tree cover and avert the effects of climate change.

In 2017, the government banned the single use plastic bags in the country, a move that Wekesa tells us posed a challenge leading to the shortage

of these bags used to grow trees in nurseries.

He urges the government to consider coming up with regulations that will enable the controlled use of the special planting bags in order to reduce cost of operations which he says has skyrocketed since the inception of the ban on plastics.

Mary Muthoni, a farmhand and partner at Everwood tree nursery explains that they have been in operation for the last 15 years noting that their passion for environmental conservation has kept them going for this long and they have turned this as their full time job.

The mother of three says that she never looked back since joining the venture and she has seen it bear fruits pointing out that she has been able to buy a piece of land and built her home, and above all help in conserving the environment.

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At the same time, the 43-year-old RVIST won a gold medal for the Sustainable Development Goals Award, Harare National Polytechnic of Zimbabwe took home the silver, while Australian Technical and Further Education (TAFE) institute got the bronze.

Dr. Mutai said the awards were telling the world that Kenyan TVETS have done a good job, adding that it goes into global records that the country had made a mark.

WFCP 2023 Awards of Excellence recognized outstanding contributions from member institutions, individuals and associations' exceptional initiatives, which are strengthening applied learning and research outcomes.

The congress, touted as the largest professional and technical education event in the world, was attended by more than 700 delegates from 50 countries and six continents.

Both Kenya School of TVET and Nairobi Technical Training Institute clinched bronze medals for the Teacher Professional Development Award and the Applied Research and Innovation Award categories respectively.

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Dr. Mutai has been working with various experts in actively formulating simple solutions that can be co-opted into and applied by post-secondary institutions to make a difference to the communities they serve.

His work has been included in the fourth volume of the World's Best Practice Guide in Professional Technical Education and Training.

Dr. Mutai who was flanked by his spouse Mrs Alice Mutai who is also a tutor at RVIST, said Africa's leap to new industrialized status was being hampered by overemphasis on University Education as opposed to acquisition of technical skills through TVETS.

The former Principal added, "The youth will change their mindset on degrees and embrace blue as opposed to white collar jobs through training of artisans, when they realize labour is in short supply in these fields."

He said the country was grappling with a shortage of plumbers, masons, painters and electricians, yet at the moment these are the jobs that are well paying.

"TVETS play a very central role in any country's social-economic wellbeing. They offer skills that power innovation and industrialization thereby boosting the economy and creating jobs. Any country that fails to strengthen its TVET ecosystem

starts bringing in expatriate masons, plumbers, electricians and such like technicians" observed Dr. Mutai.

While hailing a proposal by the national government to staff and equip village polytechnics, Dr. Mutai said world over the labour market was now shifting towards practical-based skills, adding that a significant number of students qualified to join university were enrolling in national polytechnics and technical training institutes.

Dr. Mutai has a Bachelor of Education (Technology Education), a Master of Philosophy and a Doctor of Philosophy in Education Communication and Technology from Moi University.

"This is such a momentous and important occasion at the hallmark of my life. It is quite difficult to put feelings into words. I'm indeed truly and deeply honoured to accept the Lifetime Achievement award accorded to me," said the former principal in his acceptance speech.

"I dedicate the award to managers of TVET institutions, associations, colleges and polytechnics who are committed to setting global standards in leadership, and who seek to expand and offer equitable opportunities to communities globally," he said.

On her part, Mrs. Mutai while noting that her husband had been relentless in his efforts to champion diversity and inclusion, particularly in TVET and bringing about positive change for youth empowerment in Kenya and globally termed as detrimental the move to convert technical institutes and polytechnics to constituent university colleges or full-fledged universities, saying this was undermining technological development.

She expressed concern that the country's educational institutions are churning out more quantity surveyors, engineers and architects than the number of skilled artisans such as plumbers, masons, electricians and painters graduating from Technical Vocational Education Training (TVETS) institutions and polytechnics.

On the other hand, Chemoiwo said RVIST trains students in mitigation of climate change, sustainable agriculture, agriculture engineering and renewable energy.

"As an institution, we have been championing mitigation of climate

Discipline Of Friendship Pt 2



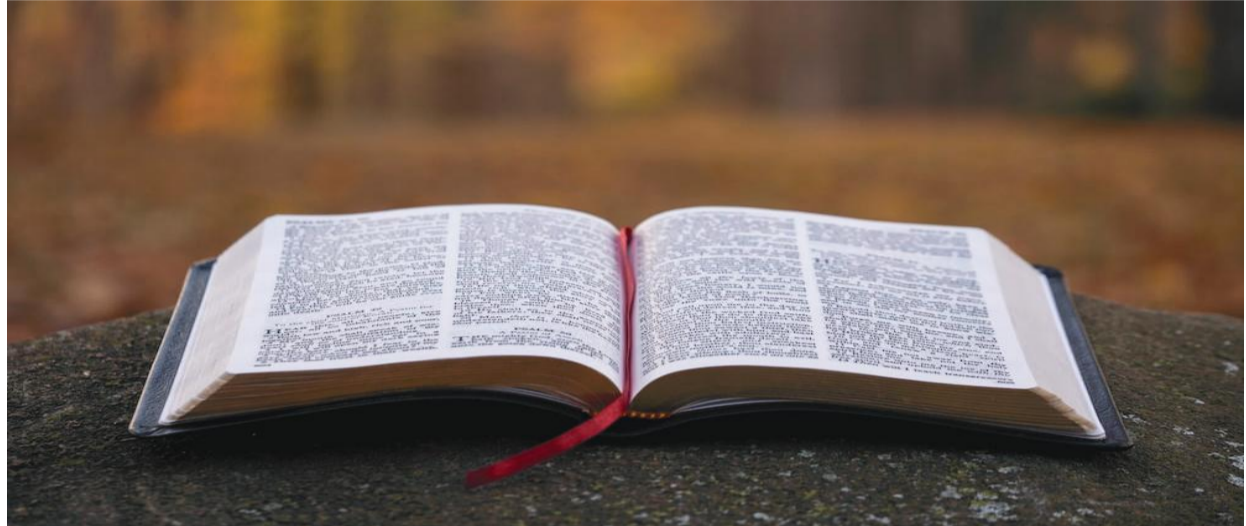
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If there ever was a “man’s man,” it was Jonathan; and if there ever was a man who felt the need of a friend, it was Jonathan. The Philistines’ domination of Israel in that day was so complete that they allowed no blacksmiths in the land for fear they would make swords and spears for the Israelites. In fact, there were only two swords in the entire nation, those of King Saul and his son Jonathan.

All Israel was in a dark funk of depression and despair — all, that is, except Jonathan. Jonathan saw matters differently. He believed that if God willed it, Israel could be saved, even by a few. While others looked

down, he looked up and saw a great and glorious God who could deliver him anytime He saw fit. Armed with this conviction and his sword, Jonathan and his armor-bearer attacked a Philistine detachment alone. His saluting words say it all: “Come, let’s go over to the outpost of those uncircumcised fellows. Perhaps the Lord will act in our behalf. Nothing can hinder the Lord from saving, whether by many or by few” (1 Samuel 14:6).

Assured that God would deliver them into his hand, Jonathan launched a horrifying single-handed attack. It was mano a mano, hand-to-hand, man-to-man. Blood ran to the dust and white bone gleamed in the sun as Jonathan sliced and hacked attacker after attacker, until twenty Philistines lay spread over a terrible half-acre. Blood-covered Jonathan was one tough hombre! Jonathan’s heroics put some steel into his people, and a rebellion followed — and some good days for Israel. But with Saul’s subsequent sin and rejection,



Israel fell to even darker days than before (chapters 15 — 17), and Jonathan was more alone than ever. Even his great heart was affected, as he too trembled before Goliath. There was no one of like mind, he thought — until he encountered David: He could not believe his ears as David called out to the giant and defeated him (1 Samuel 17:45-47).

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change through various avenues and we include it in the training of our 12,000 students. We inculcate life skills so that all activities that students undertake they will use them to ensure we have a climate-friendly environment,” said Chemoiwo.

He went on “We have been focusing on 13 Sustainable Development Goals and have set up various committees which are running specific programs inside and outside the institute on clean environment, food nutrition and security, climate change, youth empowerment and availability of clean and sufficient water among others.

The principal disclosed that the institution had rolled out initiatives such as sustainable agriculture geared towards safeguarding the environment, expanding the earth’s

natural resource base and maintaining and improving soil fertility.

“Climate Smart Agriculture Youth Network Global and the United Nations are some of our collaborators where our staff and students have offered themselves to acquire skills that they pass on to their communities in the fight against climate change,” Chemoiwo indicated.

The institute, he added was training students from marginalized communities to identify seeds and trees they can plant in their regions, here at the institution and then take them home to plant during the rainy season.

He indicated that RVIST was partnering with Geothermal Development Company (GDC) and Triple X among others to leverage on value addition from renewable energy,” added Chemoiwo.

Researchers and students at RVIST are also exploring the use of technologies and innovations like solar irrigation, digital agriculture, climate-smart agriculture and cli-

mate-smart breeding, as ways of tackling the negative effects of climate change.

Other technologies the institute is rooting for include bio-fortification and use of climate-smart seed varieties.

“The climate is changing so fast that current technologies won’t be able to keep up. Innovators in climate smart technologies must up their game,” Chemoiwo explained.

He insisted that there was a need for concerted efforts among private and public industry stakeholders to give more attention to research.

Meanwhile, in undertaking the climate change mitigation program, RVIST has also been collaborating with Climate Smart Agriculture Youth Network Global, the United Nations, Kenya Power, and U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the County Government of Nakuru and Kenya Electricity Generating Company (KenGen).

“We involve our research unit to impart skills to our students so that when they complete their studies they will help the communities boost food production. We train communities how to use borehole water and steam instead of discarding boreholes with hot steam,” the principal added.

The state owned GDC is exploring for steam at Menengai Crater, while RVIST is collaborating with the corporation to tap into the skills and pass them to the students.

According to Chemoiwo, RVIST is partnering with community-based institutions based in Narok and Baringo counties to promote climate change awareness.

“We have picked students from Baringo and trained them how to raise seedlings,” said Chemoiwo, adding that every student is given 100 tree seedlings that they go and plant in their environment.

“In our next financial year, our target is to have a million tree seed-

lings. We sell 60 per cent and 40 per cent we donate to the community as part of our contribution to the government’s ambitious project to plant 15 billion trees in the next five years,” said the Principal.

He thanked RVIST staff for their teamwork, resilience, synergy and commitment to duty that saw the planning and implementation of many focal projects at the Nakuru-based institution that enabled him to win the global award.

The principal also thanked the state department of Vocational and Technical Training in the Ministry of Education for supporting his projects.

RVIST also hosts the annual Agri-business expo and participates in Agricultural Society of Kenya Trade Fairs.

Kenya receives Ksh 400 billion to fund Bottom Up Agenda

By: PCS

Kenya and the African Export-Import Bank (afreximbank) have signed a three-year Ksh400 billion financing programme anchored on the Bottom Up Economic Transformation Agenda.

Treasury Cabinet Secretary Njuguna Ndung'u signed for Kenya while AfriExim President Benedict Oramah did for the bank.

President William Ruto witnessed the signing.

Prof Oramah said the programme will support the Government's priorities in enhancing capacity of critical commodities, agriculture, water harvesting, construction of industrial parks and investment in the digital superhighway.

"AfriExim came in handy and supported our recently concluded fuel importation deal; this eased pressure on our foreign reserves," the Presi-

dent said.

He explained the facility will also strengthen the capacity of Kenya National Trading Corporation to meet its obligations to import affordable fertiliser, dry commodities and edible oil.

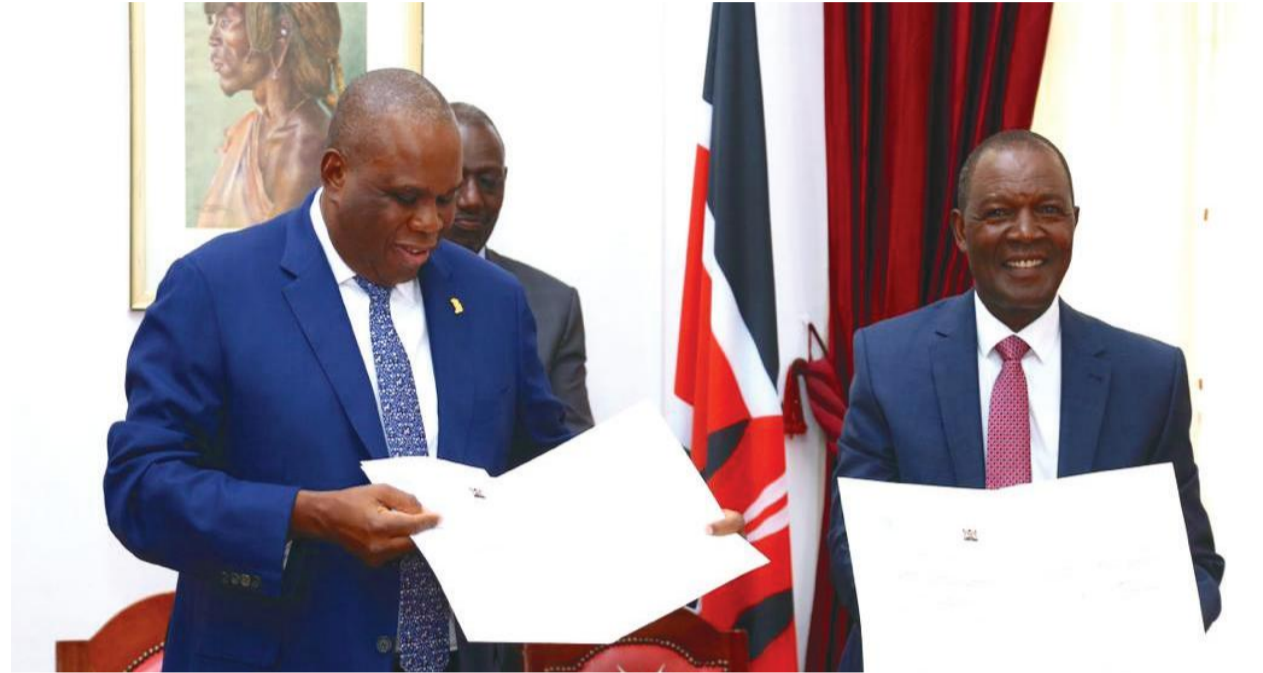
"This support in importations has been critical in helping us reduce the cost of basic foods, including unga," President Ruto said.

In the programme, Ksh110 billion will be spent in the construction of 200 dams to provide water for irrigation, domestic use and livestock.

"With the deteriorating water levels due to climate change, it is important that we maximize in water harvesting," he said.

The programme will also support the government's industrialisation efforts, especially the development of Industrial Parks and five special economic zones in Nakuru, Busia, Kirinyaga, Thika, and Eldoret.

It will also support priorities such as SMEs and the digital superhighway as well as calming the market.



Treasury Cabinet Secretary Njuguna Ndung'u signed for Kenya while AfriExim President Benedict Oramah did for the bank.

President Ruto welcomed the Bank's initiative on Pan African payment systems. This initiative will en-

hance Africa's contribution to global trade that has been stagnant at less than 3% for sometime.

Prof Oramah praised President Ruto for his "passion for country and clarity of thought".

President Ruto: Africa Must Eliminate Boundaries To Prosper

By: PCS

President William Ruto has asked African countries to eliminate barriers and integrate for their prosperity.

He said the continent must remove barriers to movement of people, services and goods.

The President observed that political boundaries are old-fashioned, hamper development and only aid division in the region.

"We must bring down these barriers, convert them to stepping stones and build bridges of friendship."

Through this, the President explained, factors of production can move freely within the Continent.

"That is how we can integrate and exploit our socio-economic diversity for our success."

President Ruto spoke during the

launch of the IOM Report on the Status of Migration in East and the Horn of Africa at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre, Nairobi.

The unrestricted movement across borders, he added, will expand intra-African trade and services, thereby facilitating wealth creation.

He said the management of migration issues in the continent is inevitable.

"It helps us to take care of the needs of migrants and integrate gender inclusion in order to promote equality and empower women."



President William Ruto.

Dreams Can Be Converted Into Reality

By: N. George

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Worth Noting:

- You do not to strain to think if you are able to dream as these are enough resources to use to come up with projects in fact you need to consider yourself lucky for having such a favourable personal encounter.
- We do not exist in vacuum so there is relationship between who you are and what you dream about. It is up to you to make the best use of your dreams.
- Interacting with, seeing or hearing about the successful men and women you need not to feel as if you were left out as others received their blessings but yours could be through the ideas in those dreams leaving you with the task of implementing what have inspired you then commercializing it.



People are capable at any time in their lives, of doing what they dream of..... Paulo Coelho.

Every person in the world dreams regardless of age, race, intelligence or place of birth. We are able to remember some of our dreams. Not everything we dream of we have ever seen while awake or we have ever dreamt about.

It becomes difficult for other people to believe all what we tell them that we dreamt about some think they are issues which happened outside the dream world but we are faking them.

Some of the popular songs came as dreams both lyrics and tunes so you do not need to strain figuring how can we actualize dreams or who have ever done this. Know it is doable and successful. Think of how you too can make your dreams a success.

The fact is that whatever you dream

about exists in whatever form all you need is try to actualize what is in imagination. Some of those famed for their discoveries started with just ideas then demonstrated it producing what we see today. The same steps or related ones you are required to follow.

Never ask why it is only you who have got certain dreams as not everyone accepts to reveal what he has dreamt of and not everyone remembers his dreams. Not everyone actualizes what he dreams about. It is up to you to take a bold step and experiment what you have seen or heard in a dream, if it works be elated if it does not rethink about possible innovations to make it function and be useful to you and to others.

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Natural gifts like dreams are superior to anything that is manmade so

even if you do not any theory supporting what you have experienced in dreams and made it a reality do not shy from using it for personal or commercial purposes without giving reference of the procedures to any man. Just patent your work to protect it from untrustworthy people who may think of infringing the copyright rules. Anyone who wish to test whether your project certifies all the known laws will have a chance to do so even without you knowing after they purchase your product. Nature is orderly and balanced so never worry of naysayers as your actualize your dreams.

KEF Holds Workshops For Their Financially Challenged Students In Kenya

By: John Kariuki
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Kenya Education Fund a Kenyan based NGO provides five-year scholarships to financially challenged and academically gifted children in Kenya held a workshop for 407 students in form one and form two. The workshop focused on a variety of topics aimed at helping the students navigate their teenage years and prepare for a successful future.

The workshop covered a range of important topics including reproductive health, stress management, effective communication, academic guidance, self-awareness, and character development. These topics were chosen specifically to benefit students in this age group, as they face a variety of challenges during this stage of their lives.

Reproductive health education is essential for young people to make



informed decisions about their bodies and their future. Stress management is important for academic

success and overall well-being, as stress can negatively impact mental health and academic performance.

Effective communication skills are essential for building strong relationships, succeeding in school and

in the workplace, and advocating for oneself.

Academic guidance helps students to identify their strengths and weaknesses, set goals, and develop study skills that will help them succeed academically. Self-awareness is important for personal growth and development, as it helps individuals understand their own emotions and motivations, and make positive changes in their lives. Character development focuses on building positive traits such as honesty, responsibility, and respect for others, which are essential for success in all areas of life.

KEF believes that by providing these workshops and scholarships, they can help bright and financially challenged students in Kenya overcome the obstacles they face, and achieve their full potential.

Conference On The Promotion Of Freedom Of Religion Or Belief Kicks Off In Nairobi

By: John Kariuki
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The Fourth International Parliamentarians Conference on the Promotion of Freedom of Religion or Belief kicked off on yesterday in Nairobi.

The Conference, organised by Konrad Adenauer - Stiftung, The international panel of Parliamentarians for Freedom of Religion or Belief is aimed at equipping legislators to respond to new challenges and trends in the field of freedom of religion or belief globally.

The Conference theme is leave no one behind: The role of Freedom of Religion or Belief in advancing Human Flourishing and Just societies.

The Nairobi Edition is part of a global conference series that took place in Singapore (2019), Berlin (2016) and New York (2015). It has brought together parliamentarians and high ranking dignitaries from all over the world.

The Conference theme, Leave no one behind, is the central, trans-

formative promise of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable development and it's Sustainable development Goals (SDG). It represents the unequivocal commitment of all UN member states to eradicate poverty in all its forms , end discrimination and exclusion, and reduce the inequalities and vulnerabilities that leave people behind and undermine the potential of individuals and humanity.

“Parliamentarians have a crucial role in putting forward, reviewing and adopting legislation that advances the protection of human rights and freedom of religion or belief and repeal laws that fall short of international human rights standards. I warmly welcome the contributions of Parliamentarians in understanding the religious and belief diversity of their constituents and standing up for their human rights, including their right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion,” stated Dr. Nazila Ghanea about the importance of the Global Conference in engaging Parliamentarians with human rights.



A Poem Of Joy



I'm not crying, I'm laughing,
May the sorrows of the world remain at
my feet.

I lean like this, separation cry
Let unloved hearts be love.

This night, knowing myself more,
I buried everyone in silence.
My dreams that hurt my chest
I buried it whole, alive in the heart.

Happiness is born from happiness, my
mother is happiness, I am happiness,

I am the offspring of an elegant daisy.
After all, I belong to this world
I am the eighth miracle.

Let me share happiness with my smile
May the earth and all beings be filled
with joy.

Live in such a way that you cry from
the world

Let him die of tears without making me
cry!

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Youth



Youth! Who didn't sing you
Who has not told fairy tales,
Who did not think when he was old,
Who hasn't thought and sung again?

I'm about to finish, I'll say goodbye
to you too,
Tell me, does the young heart have a
right?

Youth, you are my own,
You are my eyes looking at the wide
world.

You are the poem I wrote, the word I
said,

Night, morning, this is my day.
I'm about to sing for you
But you have to sing yourself.

Youth is like a rose,
As long as this flower lasts,
Youth is a beautiful concept.
It is a garduncha without a stem.
I'm about to end my love for him,

I couldn't find the bottom of my
thoughts.
Youth, passion has not left the heart,
The heart has not left you,
The heart has not left you,

So, you are not worth it.
Youth, I can sing you
But today I will be young.
Youth is prone to falling in love,



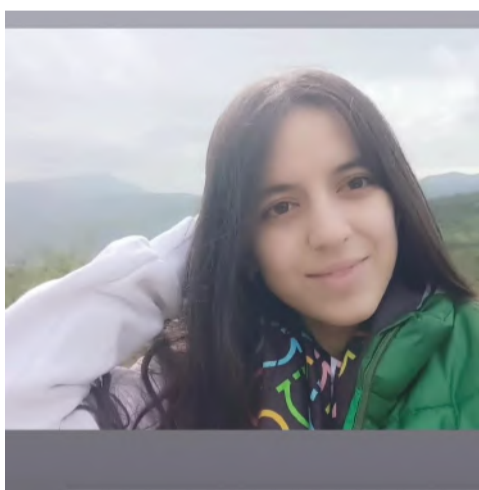
Majnun himself is also Layli himself,
Good morning because of him.
Okay, I'm okay with him.
Not a gazal, not a sacred
He himself is more sacred than poetry.

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Uzbekistan named after Mirzo Ulugbek)

Knowledge Gained From Books Read

Everyone has read at least 10 books, because books have their place in life, and I have read many books so far, for example, secular, religious, business, psychological and leadership books. Each book has its own knowledge to give to a person, and I can easily say that through the information in the book, people gain experience in their lives. Personally, from the book I read about business and leadership, I learned skills that can be used in life and can easily get out of problems.

Through this knowledge, I am currently working as a participant, coordinator, volunteer, leader, organizer of many projects. Even through my personal project, I trained more than 20 students and shared the knowledge I got from books with about 1000 young people. In addition, I have proven that exchanging ideas while reading a book, freely expressing one's opinion, and developing a world view gives knowledge, the reason is that during conversations with many



people, when we exchange ideas, they ask me the following question: How many books have you read in your life and what books do you recommend?" that I feel that I have easily read a lot of books because of these questions.

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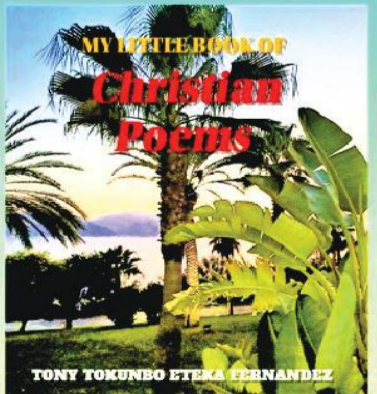
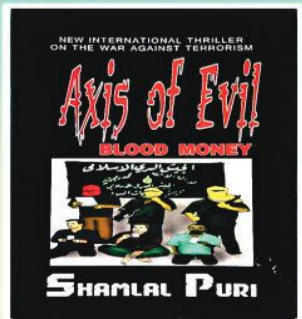
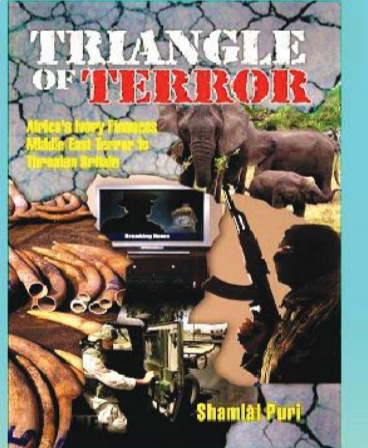
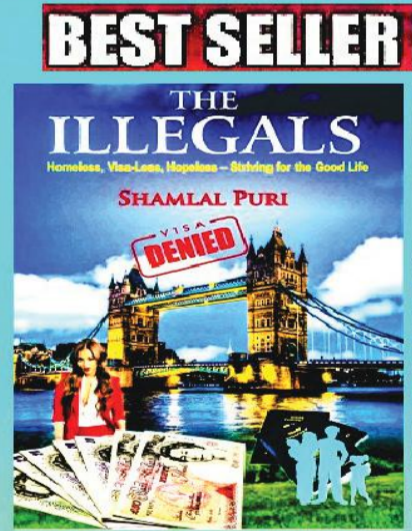
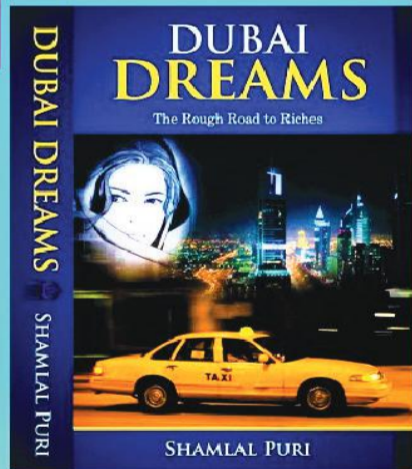
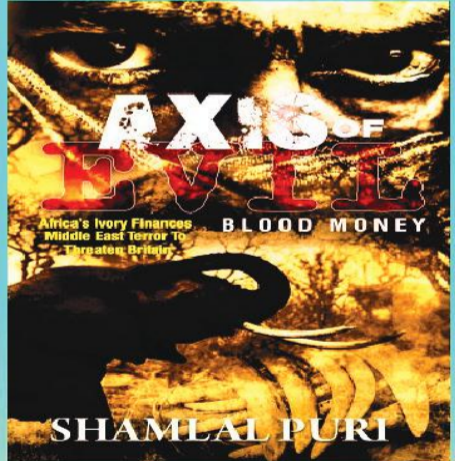
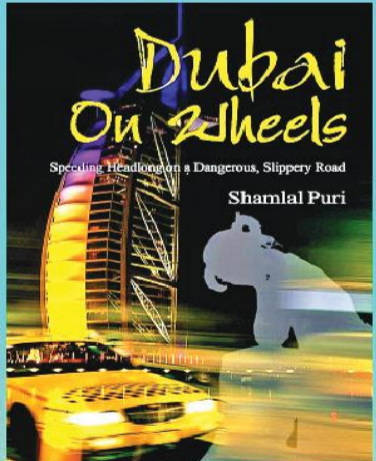
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BUSINESS

Sarraai Group Held In Contempt Of Court In Mumias Suit

By: Capital Correspondent



Worth Noting:

- The court also directed Rai Cement, an affiliate of the Sarrai Group, to withdraw personnel deployed at Mumias' premises until the case lodged in court on Thursday, July 28, 2023 is heard and determined.
- "Pending the hearing and determination of this application, Sarrai Group Limited, its directors, agents, employees, servants, subsidiaries and other affiliates including Mumias Sugar (2021) Limited, Rai Cement Limited be ordered to cease and desist any activity and all activities including the operation of machinery, dismantling, vandalism of machinery, removal of assets, or any other activity of whatever nature stored and situated within the premises of Mumias Sugar Limited," Justice Wilfrida Okwany ruled.

Uganda-based Sarrai Group Limited, Sarbjit Singh Rai, Rakesh Kumar and Stephen Kihumba were Friday found to be in contempt of court orders issued on July 28, 2022 regarding Mumias Sugar lease case.

While delivering the ruling, High Court judge Justice Donna Chepkwony ordered the accused to pay Sh100, 000 or serve six months in jail.

"Sarbjit Singh Rai, Rakesh Kumar and Stephen Kihumba must appear before the presiding judge on 18th May, 2023 to show cause why they should not be committed to civil jail for six (6) months," the judge ruled.

The judge, however, dismissed an application by the petitioner, Wekesa and Simiyu Advocates, seeking to have the Chief Justice constitute a three-judge bench to hear the matter saying one-judge bench was enough.

In the July ruling, High Court in Nairobi directed Sarrai Group to stop further operations at Mumias Sugar Company.

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The court further upheld its judgement issued on April 14, 2022, that nullified lease a granted to Sarrai Group on December 22, 2021.

"This court issue order restraining Sarrai Group from and its aforementioned agents or any other agents from commencing, continuing, or

undertaking any activity under the lease dated 22nd December, 2021," the judge stated.

The court also ordered the company to return all the assets belonging to Mumias Sugar Company and directed police in Mumias to facilitate the execution of the directive.

"The Officer Commanding Mumias Sugar Police Station be and is hereby ordered to facilitate the safe return of all vandalized and looted assets of Mumias Sugar in accordance with these orders," the judge added.

During the hearing, creditors Khaminwa and Khaminwa Advocates and lawyer Jackline Chepkemioi Kimeto, accused Sarrai Group of not obeying the court order that stopped it from operating the Kakamega-based sugar mill.

"The continuing contempt of the court orders by the contemnors scandalizes and lowers the judicial authority and the dignity of the court.

"It is essential for the maintenance of the rule of law and order that the authority and the dignity of the

Courts of the Republic of Kenya is upheld at all times and the contemnors blatant disobedience of the orders of the court ought not to be countenanced," Kimeto said while making her submissions.

During the hearing, the creditors presented photographic evidence that showed Sarrai Group personnel transporting equipment belonging to Mumias Sugar Company.

The photos presented also showed vandalized equipment, which the lawyer noted was wasting away.



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Kenyatta Kicked Out Of Jubilee Party

.....As MP Threatens To Have Him and Others Surcharged

By: IRENE MWANGI and
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Worth Noting:

- The President Retirement Benefit Act 2015 provides that the benefits may not be paid in the event of being guilty of gross misconduct or actively engaging in the activities of a political party.
- The Gatundu South Legislator is pushing for the National Assembly to compel National Treasury to halt the disbursement of the funds and for the total monies released thus far to be recouped.
- “We are asking the Treasury to ensure that all the monies owed to the taxpayer are recovered so that they can continue enjoying their democratic right as active politicians and not retirees,” said Kangombe.
- Retired President Kenyatta became eligible to retirement benefit since February as the law requires enrollment of the retiree’s funds six months after the general election.

East Africa Legislative Assembly (EALA) MP Kanini Kega yesterday led a faction of the former Jubilee ruling party officials in kicking out retired President Uhuru Kenyatta from the party leadership.

At the same time, a lawmaker has filed a notice of motion to compel the former Head of State to resign as the Party Leader and the subsequent Azimio Coalition as party chairman failure to which they will suspend his retirement benefits.

Gatundu South MP Gabriel Kangombe has sponsored a motion seeking to terminate the retirement benefit of Kenyatta, Wiper Leader Kalonzo Musyoka, and Former Prime Minister Raila Odinga for engaging in political activities.

Kangombe argues that the President Retirement Benefit Act stipulates that the monies may be withheld or suspended in the event the designated officials violate the principles of the Act.

“We note with concern that the people who are leading this nation into chaos are doing so using state resources. That the Former Prime Minister is using a vehicle provided to him by the taxpayers including drivers and security officers,” he stated.

“The government cannot continue enabling violation of the law,” said Kangombe.

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The Lawmaker now wants the government through the National Treasury to recover Sh78 million paid to Kenyatta, Sh388 million paid to Odinga since he retired as Prime Minister after the exit from the grand coalition government and Sh375

million paid to Musyoka as the 10th Vice President.

“We are seeking the Parliament to recover that money and also cease further payment because we cannot have maandamano impeding taxpayers from not going working then expect the same taxpayers to pay retirees. He cannot have his cake and eat it,” said Gatanga MP Edward Murui.

The act mandates sufficient protection for the retiring President’s urban and rural residences, as well as a maximum of six security officers for personal and escort usage.

It mandates that the Minister in charge of national security consult with the former president before periodically certifying the number of security guards required.

The act also provides for other benefits such as personal assistants, secretaries, messengers, drivers, cooks, housekeepers, gardeners, laundry persons, house cleaners, office maintenance, maintenance expenses of vehicles, a diplomatic passport for the President and spouse, local travel, international travel allowance, and access to the V.I.P. lounge at all airports within Kenya.

The sponsored notice of motion comes hours after the former President was ousted from the party leadership.

The Kanini Kega-led faction of the party said former Murang’a Woman Rep Sabina Chege is the new party leader on an acting capacity following a National Executive Council (NEC) held yesterday.

“Uhuru Kenyatta is no longer our party leader,” Kega said after the meeting in Nairobi, “we have replaced him with Sabina Chege.”

The party has been rocked by leadership wrangles after Kanini clashed with Jeremiah Kioni on who is the bonafide Secretary-General of the former ruling party.

Jubilee Party Vice-Chairman Adan Keynan said the fate of besieged Kioni lies with the party’s internal dispute resolution committee.

This is after the Political Parties Tribunal declined to quash NEC’s resolution that installed Kega as his replacement.

In its judgment delivered on April 16, the tribunal said that the notice for the National Executive Committee meeting issued on February 2 and the subsequent NEC meeting on February 10 which imposed Kega was done in accordance with the party Constitution.



Gatundu South MP Gabriel Kangombe with other MPs.



Retired President Uhuru Kenyatta .



East Africa Legislative Assembly (EALA) MP Kanini Kega.



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Jubilee Party

2nd May, 2023

Press Statement

Good morning ladies and gentlemen.

The National Executive Committee (NEC) has had a lengthy meeting this morning pursuant to a notice dated 26th April, 2023. The meeting was attended by twenty two (22) out of twenty eight (28) members of NEC.

On 28th April, 2023, two days after the notice of this meeting was sent out, members received another notice at 6.00 a.m. purportedly convening a NEC meeting at 8.00 a.m. on the same day. Members have deliberated at length on this and other matters and the following facts have emerged;

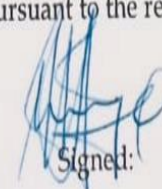
- i) The said notice dated 28th April, 2023 was irregular for the reason that it did not give the requisite seven days' notice period. In addition, it was not issued by the Secretary General as required by the party constitution.
- ii) The purported NEC meeting did not have quorum as provided under Article 23 of the party constitution. It had seven members in attendance, three of whom are suspended pending the internal party disputes resolution processes that are ongoing.
- iii) The meeting was convened and chaired by our former party leader.
- iv) In the meeting, it was resolved that fake resignation letters of some of the national officials of the party be prepared and be forwarded to the Office Registrar of political Parties (ORPP). We have learnt that these fake letters were indeed submitted to the ORPP but were declined on the basis that such letters ought to be presented by the persons alleged to have resigned.

As you are aware a notice purportedly issued by the former party leader convening a National Delegates Convention was published in the dailies on 29th April, 2023. By operation of Section 6(1) of the Presidential Retirement Benefits Act which requires

that a retired president shall not hold any office in any political party for more than six months after ceasing to hold office as president, the former party leader ceased to hold office as party leader of Jubilee Party, in March, 2023. Therefore, any communication from him cannot bind the party and is of no legal consequence.

In light of the above this meeting has made the following resolutions;

- i) That the notice issued by the former party leader purporting to convene an NDC on 22nd May, 2023 is hereby suspended and the matter of is referred to the Internal Disputes Resolution Committee for their further action.
- ii) That the former party leader misconducted himself by purporting to make official communication on behalf of the party in breach of the party constitution.
- iii) That the former party leader by purporting to conduct a NEC meeting and proceeding to invite suspended officials acted in contempt of the Political Parties Disputes Tribunal (PPDT) judgment delivered on 19th April, 2023.
- iv) That the former party leader failed to promote political consultation, engagement and cooperation among members of the party during his tenure.
- v) That the matter of the misconduct of the former party leader is hereby referred to The National Disciplinary Committee of the Party for their further action.
- vi) That the office of Party Leader of Jubilee Party is hereby declared vacant.
- vii) That pending the convening of a Special National Delegates Convention, the Hon. Sabina Chege will be the acting party leader of Jubilee Party.
- viii) The party will in due course issue a notice convening a Special National Delegates Convention pursuant to the resolution of NEC dated 10th February, 2023.


Signed:

Hon. Kanini Kega

Ag. National Secretary General

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Meru North Declared A Security Operation Zone Over Cattle Rustling

By: Margaret Kalekye

The Government has declared Meru North a security operation zone to deal with cattle rustling menace between Meru and Isiolo Counties.

Addressed a security baraza at Ndoleli Chief's Camp, Interior Cabinet Secretary Kindiki Kithure directed the immediate establishment of an Anti-Stock theft unit camp at Lororo along the border of Meru and Isiolo counties.

Kithure at the same time condemned the killing of former MCA for Antubetwe-Kiongo Ward, George Kaliunga on Sunday night by armed criminals after a livestock theft raid at Malaene area of Igembe North.

He disclosed that a special investigative team from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) has been constituted to probe the murder.

He asserted that the late Kaliunga's killers won't escape justice and will

be held responsible for their actions once detectives conclude the investigations into his death.

"The same dedication, vigour, and commitment deployed in the fight against bandits and armed criminals in the six counties of North Rift Valley will be deployed to neutralise perpetrators and masterminds of livestock theft" he said.

"Investigations are underway to identify the killers and recover the stolen livestock. More security officers have been deployed to contain cases of insecurity in Meru North region" he added.

He further directed administrators led by County Commissioners for Isiolo, Meru, and Tharaka-Nithi, to bring an immediate end to the sporadic border disputes reported in the area and, jointly with other law enforcement agencies, stamp out the rising cases of livestock rustling.



Interior Cabinet Secretary Kindiki Kithure .

Kenya Kwanza, Azimio Bipartisan Talks Hit Snag

By: Christine Muchira

Parliamentary bipartisan talks between Kenya Kwanza and Azimio la Umoja committees have hit a snag.

This following disagreement over membership of a joint bipartisan committee and the resumption of demonstrations called by Azimio coalition.

A meeting that was to be held yesterday failed to kick off since Azimio team did not show up.

The Azimio team are demanding the withdrawal of Eldas Member of Parliament Adan Keynan in the Kenya Kwanza Alliance team noting that he belongs to Jubilee Party, which is an affiliate party of the Azimio Coalition.

Kenya Kwanza team has asked he Azimio La Umoja team through their



The Kenya Kwanza Bipartisan talks team

Co- Chairperson, Otiende Omollo to reconsider their position vis a vis the absolute good of the Country and resume the talks immediately.

Addressing the press in Nairobi, members of the Kenya Kwanza Bipartisan Talks team led by Tharaka Member of Parliament George Gi-

tonga Murugara urged Raila to give the process a chance for the sake of the country, saying dialogue and protests cannot run simultaneous.

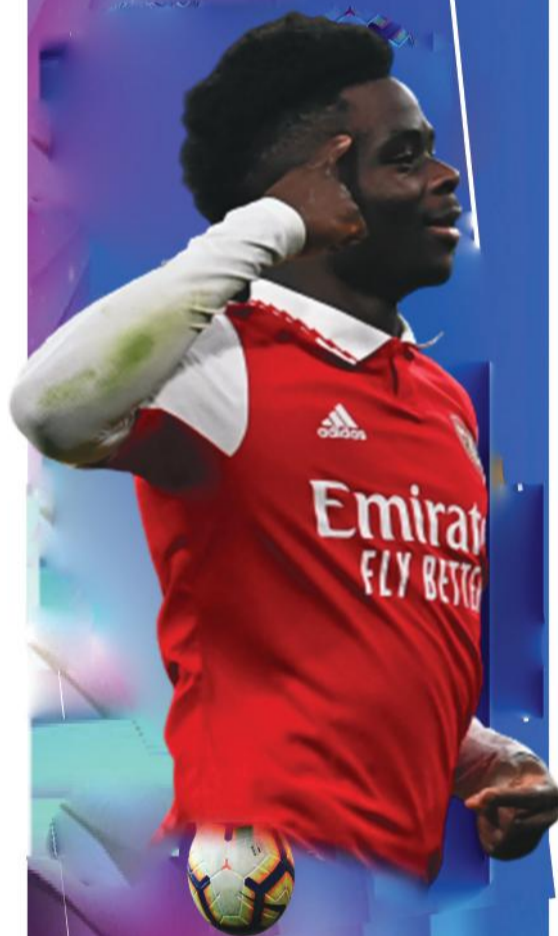
"We are prepared for the sake of our beloved Country Kenya to bend in different directions over and over again so that these talks are successful as we heed the call from President William Ruto for peace and for a dialogue over the issues of mutual interest affecting Kenyans." Said Kenya Kwanza.

Adding that: "There cannot be dialogue simultaneous with street protests, the two cannot go together. Either we talk or they demonstrate. Kenya Kwanza is committed to peace. Dialogue or talks are a means towards the peace. This is why we wholeheartedly commit to these talks."

Azimio team have defended the protests that resumed Tuesday, saying it is a constitutional right.

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Leicester 2-2 Everton: Jordan Pickford's Water Bottle With Penalty Message Gives Toffees Lifeline



Jordan Pickford saved his fifth Premier League penalty from 28 faced

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"England's number one, England's England's number one," was the chant the travelling supporters serenaded goalkeeper Jordan Pickford with after the

2-2 draw.

The 29-year-old's penalty save from international team-mate James Maddison in the first half may prove crucial in Everton's bid for survival, with a major helping hand from some cunning planning.

A camera close-up of the goalkeeper's water bottle by the side of the pitch picked up a graphic attached to it showing Maddison tends to go down the middle

with 60% of his efforts, and to 'stay centre'.

After feigning to go left and right, Pickford did just that - and managed to bat away Maddison's penalty which was struck as anticipated.

"I did my homework," Pickford told Sky Sports. "I called it this morning where I would go. He is a good player and he would've expected me to move, but I double-bluffed him and got

one up on him.

"Madders needs to learn his lesson. Don't play poker.

"It was a big moment and I'm happy to save it - it's what I'm there for."

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Omondi part of the team that won the 1998 Moi Golden Cup returns to help the team escape 'abstieg'. "Omondi helped lay the foundation for our promotion to the

Kenyan Premier League 25 years ago as he was part of the squad that won the 1998 Moi Golden Cup. He also coached the club in the infancy stages of his coaching career between 2014 and 2015 serving as an assistant to Stanley Okumbi. He returns to try and preserve our three-decade stay in the top flight with the club hovering at the wrong end of the league table" read a statement from the club.

Popularly known as Korea, Omondi has coached Nzoia Sugar in the Kenya Premier League and Nairobi Stima in the National Super League (NSL).

He has also served as an assistant coach at Kariobangi Sharks, KCB, Sony Sugar and Posta Rangers with the latter being his immediate workstation.

Omondi takes up from Samuel Koko who resumes his role as goalkeeping coach.

The Slumboys, 2008 League winners, are currently 16th in the standings with 22 points, four adrift of safety with eight matches left to play.

His first task in charge will be against league leaders Gor Mahia this Wednesday at Kasarani Stadium.

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CS Malonza Announces Plan To Have Rhinos Translocated

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Worth Noting:

- CS Malonza lamented that the nation is only remaining with two Northern White Rhinos that cannot reproduce since they are both females, therefore staring at extinction at the face. She however said that Kenya has enough black rhinos for the translocation exercise and a good opportunity to further grow their population.
- She however warned that the nation cannot afford to lose rhinos due to the recent prolonged drought situation and then lose others at the hands of conservancies, therefore the respective conservancy managements must put in place elaborate measures to protect and grow the Rhino population.

The Cabinet Secretary in charge of Tourism, Wildlife and National Heritage Peninah Malonza has announced plans by the government to translocate rhinos to selected wildlife conservancies.

Speaking at the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy when she led a team of top ministry officials that included the Principal Secretary, State Department of Wildlife Silvia Museiya and the Chief Administrative Secretary (CAS) Rehema Dida Jaldesa during a familiarization tour of the conservation model practised by Conservancies under the Northern Rangelands Trust, CS Malonza lauded the organization for complementing the work done by the government through the Kenya Wildlife Service to protect wildlife.

She noted that the ministry will soon begin translocating rhinos to the conservancies but under strict

directives that the respective conservancy management must ensure that they do everything possible to protect and grow the population of the endangered animals so that they will be moved even further to more conservancies in future.

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The CS further decried the rising cases of human-wildlife conflict and the piling unpaid compensation claims that are now more than Kshs 6 Billion, with only 1.8 Billion Kshs available to cater for the compensation claims, following the intervention of one foreign organization that provided Kshs 900 million, with the government contributing a further 900 Million towards the course.

She said that Parliament had passed very high amounts for compensation of victims, with every person who loses their life expected to be compensated to the tune of Ksh 5 Million, while one who loses their limbs is expected to receive Kshs 3 Million as compensation fees.

Malonza said that all stakeholders including the conservancies and county governments must sit down

and deliberate on how to share the cost of compensation instead of always leaving the burden to the national government, while they are also beneficiaries of the same wildlife.

Northern Rangelands Trust CEO Tom Lalampaa said that the familiarization tour by the top ministry officials was a huge success and that the conservancies under the watch of NRT are very pleased to receive the much-needed support from the government of Kenya, in their bid to enhance conservation for the benefit of all Kenyans including the future generations.