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 Head of Public Service Felix Koskei, Principal Secretary for ICT and The Digital Economy Eng. John Tanui, and Baringo Governor Benjamin Cheboi have emphasised the importance of public service as the backbone of the country and urged civil servants to act as role models for citizens

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President William Ruto speaks during a thanksgiving service in Kisii on August 20, 2023.

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Ruiru Wedding Turns Tragic As Six Drown

By: Antony Kioko

A wedding ceremony party turned tragic in Ruiru after five women and a child died when a concrete slab of

an underground water tank caved in on them.

The wedding guests were dancing atop the water tank when it suddenly gave way at Fort Jesus area of Ruiru in Kiambu County Saturday morn-

ing.

The six were among a group that had gone to pick the bride at her home in Kihunguro.

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Medium Term Budget Preparation Process Kicks Off

By: PSCU

Worth Noting:

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The stakeholders pose for a photo after the launching ceremony

The Budget and Appropriations committee last Friday took part in the launch of the FY2024/25 and the Medium Term Budget Preparation Process at the Kenya School of Monetary Studies.

The launch of the Sector Working Group (SWG) process for the next Financial year and medium term marks an important milestone in the Budget calendar.

The meeting was officiated by the Cabinet Secretary for National Treasury and Economic Planning, Prof. Njuguna Ndung'u, the Permanent Secretary for National Treasury Dr. Chris Kiptoo, PS for the State Department of Economic Planning Mr. James Muhati and a team from the National Treasury.

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Prof. Ndung'u further directed the SWGs to ensure they invigorate stakeholders aptly and obtain their input during the budget preparation process.

"The output of the Sector Working Group process will be an important input into the 2024 Budget Policy Statement (BPS), which will provide the framework for finalizing the FY2024/25 and the Medium-Term period," said Prof. Njuguna Ndung'u.

On his part, Dr. Chris Kiptoo informed the Budget Committee that the Govern-

ment was able to meet most of its obligations during the last financial year including debt repayment and releasing funds due for MDAs, County Governments, NG-CDF and other Semi-Autonomous Government Agencies.

"We closed FY2022/2023 on a positive note, having collected and disbursed a total of Ksh.3.24Trn out of the revised estimates Ksh.3.62Trn - an overall performance of 89.6%," said Dr. Kiptoo.

Speaking during the meeting, the Budget & Appropriations Committee Chairperson, Ndindi Nyoro (Kiharu), acknowledged the important role played by the SWGs in linking planning, policy, and budgeting at the national level through the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF).

He stated, "This framework enables us to align our fiscal plans with our devel-

opment priorities, making the budgeting process more transparent, accountable and efficient."

Nyoro also pledged the Budget committee's unwavering support to the SWGs.

He said that his committee will ensure that their recommendations are thoroughly examined and integrated into the budgetary processes.

"The Budget and Appropriations Committee, along with the National Assembly, is prepared to support them in the approval and oversight of budget implementation. We will work collaboratively to address these challenges and ensure responsible use of resources," said Nyoro.

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StarTimes, Vitron TV Unveil 4 In 1 TV Sets In The Kenyan Market

A Similar Launch Also Took Place In Three Other African Countries Of Nigeria, Uganda and Tanzania

By: Our Reporter
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Startimes Media has partnered with Vitron Television to introduce an innovative 4 in 1, 32-inch television set dubbed StarTimes INSIDE.

The Startimes INSIDE integrates Vitron digital television sets with in-built Startimes decoders, eliminating the need for a separate decoder and ushering in an era of unparalleled simplicity.

Speaking during the launch, Jimmy Carter, the CEO of Startimes Media, exuded enthusiasm as he shared insights about the revolutionary venture.

He noted that “Startimes INSIDE” is a seamless fusion of technology and convenience that embodies the future of television and signifies the company unwavering dedication to delivering innovation that truly matters to their customers.

The 32-inch Startimes INSIDE television will be retailing at a cost be-

low KSh12,000 in the Kenyan market, offering consumers a remarkable value proposition.

“Startimes INSIDE represents our unyielding commitment to pushing the boundaries of innovation. It’s a fusion of technology and convenience that encapsulates the future of television,” he said.

He emphasized the significance of this development, highlighting that subscribers can now enjoy diverse content seamlessly without the constraints of traditional setups.

Vitron Chief Executive Officer in Kenya, Steve Hu conveyed his gratitude for the partnership noting that it will have a great impact on their company and their customers.

He noted that Vitron TV has always strived to deliver the latest advancements in television technology to their customers, noting that partnering with Startimes Media for the Startimes INSIDE project aligns perfectly with their vision.

“Partnering with Startimes Media for the Startimes INSIDE project aligns perfectly with our vision. It’s a reflection of our shared commitment

to innovation,” Hu stated.

“This collaboration brings together our technical excellence and Startimes’ cutting-edge expertise, resulting in a product that elevates the television experience for our customers.”

StarTimes Group Brand Marketing General Manager, Ashley Zhao expressed confidence that this product is the absolute game changer in digital TV industry consumer experience, making a resounding impact on African households, enhancing the way they consume and interact with television content.

She noted that the 4 in 1 television speaks to Startimes buy line of: Access, Afford, Watch and Share the beauty of the digital life.

“This similar launch is also happening in Nigeria, Uganda, and Tanzania as we want to change television industry through innovation and technology model to benefit customers,” she said.

She also noted that StarTimes will also be launching smart TV next year.



Startimes Media Chief Executive Officer Jimmy Carter surrounded by officials from Vitron TV during the launching ceremony

Gusii Leaders Put Aside Their Differences for Betterment of the County’s Development

By: Elizabeth Angira
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A group of leaders from Kisii County are urging Governor Simba Arati and South Mugirango MP Sylvenus Osoro to reconcile their differences for the betterment of the county’s development.

Speaking at Nyanturago Stadium during interdenomination service, Senator Richard Onyonka emphasizes that unity is vital for progress and urges the leaders to set aside political disputes in favor of a productive working relationship.

The call for unity comes in light of public disagreements between the two leaders.

Onyonka highlights the importance of inclusivity, urging Governor Arati to involve all county assembly members, irrespective of their political affiliations.

References a recent China visit where UDA-affiliated MCAs were excluded, and emphasizes the need for collaboration to ensure development.

Sylvanus Osoro echoes the sentiment, emphasizing the need to avoid public displays of discord and focus on development.

He asserts that leaders should speak with one voice to attract more development projects.

He states that the time for political rivalry is over until 2027, expressing an agreement among leaders to work together for the county’s benefit.

He adds that bipartisan discussions should not revolve around power sharing.

Japheth Nyakundi, Kitutu Chache North MP, agrees that it’s time to move beyond politics and not air internal disputes publicly, particularly as they seek resources for the county.

Governor Simba Arati clarifies that some MCAs didn’t join the China

visit due to passport issues.

He encourages UDA leaders to leverage their position in government to secure more resources for the counties.

He expresses a willingness to cooperate with the current government and emphasizes that he seeks collaboration rather than conflict with other leaders.

Arati suggests that it’s the president’s role to establish mechanisms for unity.

He also pledges a commitment to eradicating corruption within the county and calls on all leaders to unite and serve the public’s interests.



R-L: Kisii County Governor Simba Arati and South Mugirango MP Sylvenus Osoro.

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Why Kenya Kwanza Is Going Wrong - Wambugu Nyamu

The Astute Businessman Wants The Current Administration To Address Several Factors Affecting Kenyans

By: Our Correspondent
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Worth Noting:

- Due to high cost electricity and petroleum products, prices of many things and services had skyrocketed, and thus, subjecting most kenyans to poverty.
- Nyamu noted that some piece meal interventions had little or no impact on the standards of living.
- The businessman noted that firms continued to close down or layoff workers due to the high cost of production or offering services, which in turn reduced the citizens' power of acquiring them.
- Nyamu gave an example of the reduction of the fertilizer wondering how the move is expected to impact among the large scale farmers.



Businessman Wambugu Nyamu during the MBCI TV's Mwanga Uongozini programme interview.

Corruption, wastage of public resources, and high taxation are some of the factors that are lagging the country's economic growth.

Thus, the Kenya Kwanza administration must devise ways of prudently addressing those factors if the country is to prosper.

Businessman cum politician Wambugu Nyamu says, Kenyans are yet to realize fruits of the many pledges that the current leadership promised them during the electioneering period last year.

During a live interview by Mangicho Mola of Nakuru city based MBCI TV at his office in Nyeri town, Nyamu outlined several interventions which he noted would work well for the

country.

He said, first and foremost, the government must address the runaway corruption and unprecedented misuse of public resources.

He said corruption, coupled with uncontrolled public funds misuse, were still eating any benefit, something which made the citizens experience the worst high cost of living ever.

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"Fertilizer has been reduced, but for those in larger scale farming, this commodity covers only 6 per cent of the production chain. Such farms use more electricity and petroleum products to produce and having increased power and diesel, there will be little or no impact with the decrease of fertilizer price," lamented Nyamu.

At the same time, he castigated the

government for scrapping the Kazi Mtaani programme which he said had direct impact on the rural residents than the Hustler Fund that purportedly replaced it.

He noted that the programme where people were involved in undertaking manual work and paid wages after two weeks ensured that there was cash flow in all parts of the country unlike in the current scheme where one is expected to borrow and repay later.

Further, he noted that for the economy to grow as the current administration anticipated during the campaigns, farmers in various sectors must be assured of minimum returns while manufacturers must be guaranteed of fair trade practices.

The government must work on ways of liberalising agriculture and marketing so that those interests can easily take part, unlike in the current situation where just a few have such opportunities.

He noted that opportunities were being diminished by cartels who want to continue controlling the most profitable sub-sectors of the country's economy.

"The government should relook and seek different ways of rejuvenating business startups and relax regulations of getting credit facilities in organisations like Agricultural Finance Corporation and Kenya Industrial Estate," he said.

He said that he was optimistic that the current administration would deliver its pledges if it agreed to listen to different opinions on how to address some issues.

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National Assembly Committee Meets With Kenya Railways Corporation Officials On Employment Diversity

The Corporation Officials Are Put To Task Over Failure To Meet Stipulated Hiring Thresholds

By: PSCU

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Worth Noting:

- According to documents scrutinized by lawmakers, KRC employees are dominated by four ethnic communities.
- The corporation is also seen to be recruiting from the same communities in their recent major recruitment and member sought to know the reason behind it and strategies being put in place to reduce these percentages in the long run.
- The PWD staff composition in KRC is only ten employees out of 2923 workers which translates to 0.34 per cent only, which is not even close to the 5 per cent threshold as required by the Constitution, a great anomaly that member wanted the corporation to address.

The parliamentary committee of National Cohesion and Equal Opportunities chaired by Yusuf Adan met with Mr. Philip Mainga, MD, Kenya Railways Cooperation on employment diversity and 30% procurement reservation for special interest groups.

Members unearthed several discrepancies from the report presented by Mainga on the level of compliance by the cooperation among them being on ethnic balance, gender balance, and the 5 per cent minimal representation of people living with disability.

The corporation has not met the two-thirds gender rule as articulated in the Constitution since the female representation is 571 translating to 20 per cent while males takes up the 80 per cent at 2352. Members inquired on why there's such a big gap and what measures KRC is putting in to breach the gap.

The committee also noted that over 140 employees are over the retirement age while there are so many qualified unemployed youths.

The mandatory retirement age for civil servants is 60 years and PWDs retire at 65 years old.

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The National Assembly committee chairman Yusuf Adan (centre) and other members during the session.

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While making his submissions, the KRC MD said some of the challenges like that of the two third gender rule is purely because, most of the work at KR require a lot of heavy lifting and engineering a course shunned by many women.

However, he noted that they have seen a significant uptake in recent years and are highly encouraging women to apply for positions when advertised.

The corporation boss said they will endeavor to comply with ethnic representation and the five per cent representation through affirmative action they have put in place.



Nyeri Town MP Duncan Maina Mathenge, a member of the committee addressing his colleagues and KRA officials during the forum.



Laikipia County Women Representative Jane Kagiri making her contribution.

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President Ruto Calls Upon Leaders To Shun Divisive Politics

By: Simon Achola

President William Ruto has called on leaders to focus on service delivery to the electorate and shun divisive politics.

The President said that after elections, it was only fair that leaders delivered their promises made during the electioneering period.

He at the same time called on the opposition to play its role in accordance to the constitution.

The President spoke when he attended an Interdenominational Thanksgiving prayer at Nyanturago stadium in Kisii.

The Head of State made a rallying call to leaders to focus more on service delivery to the electorate and shun political shenanigans.

He said each leader, be it opposition or government, had specific functions to execute.

The president reiterated his commitment to fight corruption both at the county and national level.

President Ruto maintained that his government will continue to invest more in food production by availing affordable inputs to the farmers.



President William Ruto greets Kisii Governor Simba Arati as Education CS Ezekiel Machogu looks on during a thanksgiving church service in Nyanturago, Kisii County on August 20, 2023. /PCS.

Azimio, Kenya Kwanza Talks To Resume Today

By: Abdiaziz Hashim

The talks between Azimio la Umoja One Kenya and Kenya Kwanza coalitions are set to resume today.

The two sides are set to agree on the agenda of the meeting given that the two political teams have different sets of issues they believe are critical in the bi-partisan talks.

However, some members of the dialogue team have continued to drum up support for their agenda ahead of the resumed dialogue at the Bomas of Kenya.

The dialogue team co-chaired by Wiper Party leader Kalonzo Musyoka of Azimio and his Kenya Kwanza counterpart Majority leader in the National Assembly Kimani Ichungwah are set to reveal the agenda of the talks after the technical committee from both coalitions were tasked with harmonizing the issues raised by both parties.

However, Malindi MP Amina Mnyazi who is a member of the

newly formed dialogue team stated that the issues they would want to converse with their counterpart are the cost of Living, an Audit of last year's elections, inclusivity in national Affairs and respect for Political parties.

This is despite the ruling Kenya Kwanza team vowing to ensure that those issues will not be a subject of discussion.

Moreover, the member has gone against the guidelines set by the dialogue team who were instructed not to divulge any information or stance taken by the committee.

Meanwhile, a section of Ukambani leaders led by Parliamentary Service Commission member Johnston Muthama has maintained it is high time the country moved forward and cool down the political temperatures.

The dialogue team after being formally legalized has 60 days to present a report before President William Ruto and Opposition leader Raila Amolo Odinga over their resolution and also table it in Parliament for consideration and adoption.



Varsity Changes Examinations Timetable To Accommodates Saturday Worshippers

By: James Wakahiu
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Mount Kenya University (MKU) has adjusted its weekend examinations programme so as to accommodate students and staff who worship on Saturdays. Consequently, examinations scheduled to be held at MKU tomorrow Saturday August 19, 2023 will also be available next week, the university management has announced.

"The exams will be available on Wednesday August 23 as scheduled in the time table at the respective campuses and Open Distance and Electronic Learning (ODEL) centres for any Seventh Day Adventist (SDA) students who may not be able to sit the examinations as currently scheduled," Dr Ronald G Maathai, the university's Registrar for Academic Administration, says in a statement.

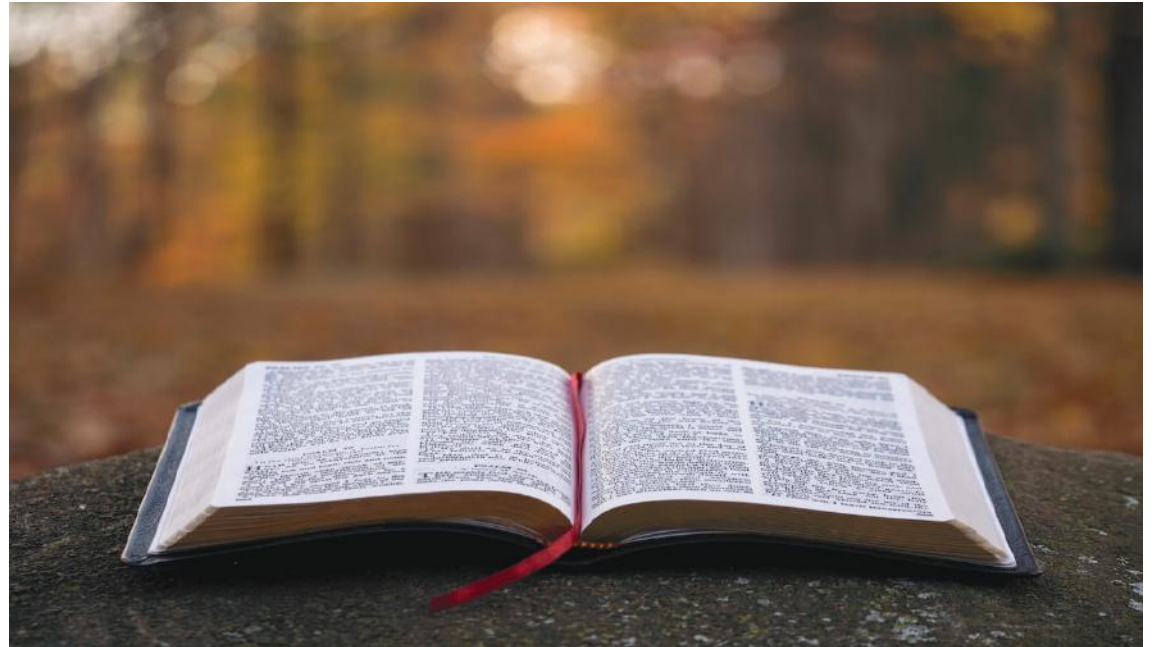
However, for non-SDA students, the

exams scheduled for tomorrow will take place as per the time table, he added. SDA churches members believe that Saturday is their holy day for worship and rest.

The move follows protests earlier in the week by students at the institution's Kisii Campus, who initiated an online petition to prevent the college from conducting exams on Saturdays. The petition asserts that MKU had disregarded appeals from SDA students who, due to their religious beliefs, cannot sit for exams held on Saturdays. "Any exams held on Sabbath practically exclude us from participating," the students stated.

The students also lodged a petition with the Commission for University Education (CUE), urging them to ensure the campus's adherence to the statutory and regulatory requirements outlined in the Universities Act of 2012.

According to the Act, universities must follow inclusivity guidelines that prevent discrimination against students based on their religious be-



liefs. "This matter requires immediate attention to upholding equality and the constitutional right to worship pursuant to Article 32 (1) and (2) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010," part of the petition states. "As practicing SDAs, Saturdays are dedicated to our religious observance. Con-

ducting exams on this day effectively bars our participation," said the candidates.

The students elaborated that they faced disenfranchisement and unequal competition with peers who did not observe Saturday worship services, affecting their academic per-

formance. More than 1,000 students have lent their support to the petition.

Pastor Dorcas: I Will Not Relent In The War On Drugs

By: Muraya Kamunde

Pastor Dorcas Rigathi says she will not relent in her fight against drugs and substance abuse among the youth.

Speaking in Nachu Ward, Kikuyu, Kiambu County Pastor Dorcas has expressed concerns over increased cases of young men dying of alcoholism in Kiambu.

Pastor Dorcas was informed that at least two young men are buried every week in Nyathuna Ward in Kabete constituency from alcoholism.

"It must stop! As a mother I will not sit and watch as our children are killed. They cannot continue killing our children," she said.

Pastor Dorcas said the boychild must be dignified and empowered to be economic drivers of the country.

She was speaking during the launch of Mama Boyz Mashinani by Kiambu County MP Anne Wamuratha.

Pastor Dorcas called for a joint effort in the fight against alcoholism, drugs and substance abuse. She has urged parents, religious leaders, administration and the general society in the fight against alco-

holism.

"We need voices to champion the rights of our men as we seek to have an end-to-end solution in dignifying the future of the boychild," she said.

She said her office will work towards placing the reformed youths in TVETs after a successful rehabilitation. She has been in the forefront in calling for the renovation of the existing TVETs. Pastor Dorcas also toured Nachu Technical and vocational college to assess its status.

Kiambu County MP Anne Wamuratha also expressed concerns over the rising numbers of young men addicted to drugs and substance abuse not just in Kiambu but across the country.

Gatundu South MP Gabriel Kagombe called for collaboration of the county governments and the national government in equipping the existing TVETs for the youth across the country.

Also present was Kiambaa MP John Njuguna Kawanjiku, several MCAs from Kiambu, NACADA officials led by Director Rev.Fredrick Ngugi and local administrators and religious leaders.



Pastor Dorcas Rigathi delivers her speech after the signing of the MoU between Nacada and APECK..

Raila Should Heed Ruto's Call That He Lost The Elections



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Worth Noting:

- Kenyans were used to his habit of opposing the results of presidential elections held previously.
- He would always allege that he had been rigged out and call upon his supporters to come out in the streets to fight for 'truth' and 'justice'.
- It is worth noting Dr Ruto floored him as he made his fifth bid at the Presidency.
- We recall that in the aftermath of polls held in 2007 and later in 2017, Raila succeeded to 'discredit' the outcomes and piling pressure on President Mwai Kibaki and his successor Uhuru Kenyatta to succumb. This gave birth to 'Nusu Mkate' (half bread) and 'handshake' governments.



Raila Odinga of Azimio Coalition .

It is now one year since Kenyans flocked to their respective polling stations to elect the leaders of their choice. In so doing, they performed one of their candid constitutional and democratic duty.

For the seat of the president, Dr William Ruto garnered the majority of votes.

Dr Ruto campaigned on a platform of a 'Hustler Nation' and Bottom Up Economic Transformation Agenda. This explains why he easily defeated his opponent whom he argued had been fronted by the dynasties. If he wins he will represent their interests. This is at the expense of the downtrodden.

He was declared the winner by the chairman of the independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC).

In the run up to the polls, his main competitor Raila Odinga of Azimio Coalition had repeatedly assured Kenyans that he will accept the results.

I have no doubt whatsoever that the IEBC which is constitutionally mandated to conduct the polls is well prepared to undertake a free, fair and credible elections.

I want to reiterate that I will accept the final results.

I would expect my rival William Ruto of Kenya Kenya (KK) to do the same.

On his part, Dr Ruto had made similar pledges stating that he will respect the sovereign will of the Kenyan people.

Our democracy is anchored on the universal suffrage of one man/woman, one vote.

So I will definitely accept the outcome. As it turned out, what Raila was saying did not come from the bottom of his heart.

He was just playing politics and engaging in a ploy meant to take the religious leaders and the international, donor community for a ride.

We know the two leaders were under pressure from them to assure Kenyans that they will respect the outcome.

For Raila, this is what he would not tell them. He would only accept the results if he is one who would be declared the winner.

It seems this was his understanding of democracy, constitution and rule of law.

But to many Kenyans, his decision to take a dramatic U-turn after the announcement of the results in which Dr William Ruto was declared the winner did not come as a surprise.

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shake' governments.

He had earlier arm twisted President Daniel Arap Moi to cave in to his political machinations.

He accommodated him in a political arrangement known as 'cooperation'.

Today Raila is hoping that he can play the same card.

But I'm sure he knows he is dealing with leaders-President William Ruto and his deputy Rigathi Gachagua-who cannot stoop that low.

The two leaders have previously pronounced themselves.

Yes, we are ready to hold talks with Azimio leadership but this should not misconstrued to mean this Mzee (Raila) has blackmailed and intimidated us.

We will only engage him if he calls off demonstrations and accept that Ruto won the elections and he is the 5th President of Republic of Kenya.

Raila has since heeded this call. In a move that was widely interpreted as climbing down, we recently heard him saying.

Next time If I will call the demonstrations, I will ask Kenyans to stay indoors. Speaking in Eldoret Town while on his way to close the eighth Devolution Conference, the deputy President stated.

We asked this Mzee to keep off streets demonstrations. We succeeded because all of you know that President William Ruto won the elections.

This is the position that the US Ambassador in Kenya Ms Meg Whitman echoed. So we are asking the kitendawili (Raila) to stop attacking her. He

should accept this bitter truth.

Gachagua added; You know this mzee had been intimidating and blackmailing the previous Kenyan heads of state and government to sing his song.

For former president Uhuru Kenyatta, do you know why he succeeded? It is because he was dealing with a leader fed on cerelec.

Today the story is different. President Ruto and I are hard nut to crack. I have set and placed traps everywhere including State House. This time he cannot succeed in his games.

While defending the US ambassador, President Ruto noted. The envoy stated the obvious. Kenyans woke up early on August 9 and elected me as the President.

So we ask Raila to accept the outcome and move on. The Supreme Court of Kenya upheld Dr Ruto's victory. The local and international observers had also given the polls a clean bill of health.

Dr Ruto added: We heard Raila calling her 'rogue ambassador'. Let me ask you. Between Ms Whitman and Raila who is rogue. Isn't it is the latter?

He cited the destructive, bloody demonstrations Raila had organized. A person, who is patriotic and love his country, would not resort to destroying properties and businesses of the fellow country men and women. Doing this was the height of being rogue.

Dr Ruto and his deputy have ruled out the possibility of the ongoing bipartisan talks culminating to power sharing (nusu mkate).

We know this is what Raila and his brigade are looking for. This will never happen.

We are doing this talk because of the following reasons.

First to ensure that the losers accept the final results in the future elections.

Secondly, the losers shun violence and destruction of properties as a way of resolving political crisis designed to serve and sanitize their selfish and personal interests.

The previous actions of Azimio leader and his brigade left no doubt that they won't mind driving this country to a full blown anarchy.

Thirdly, we want them to know that the country is more important than an individual.

Kenya belongs to all of us. If we burn it, we have nowhere to go.

Fourthly, we want to remind them that the role of the opposition is well articulated and defined in our constitution.

As a government, we are ready to facilitate them. This is as long as they engage us in a structured and constructive dialogue.

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Independence Is A Great Blessing

By: Bobojonova Sevinchoy

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Worth Noting:

- It has been 32 years since our motherland has been witnessing significant and significant changes and significant social changes. It would not be wrong to say that the way of life and spiritual image of our people is enriched and qualitatively changed, new colors like the rainbow are being discovered.
- This encourages us young people, who are the foundation of our future, to feel a sense of pride and self-confidence. During the years of independence, many eye-pleasing changes were made in all areas of our country, in cities and villages, in various fields.



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First of all, when a person comes to the world of light, he begins to feel love for his native land, nation, and country where he was born and raised. This love motivates him to achieve great goals. First of all, all this is done through free thinking. If there is peace and well-being in the country, there will be development and progress. After all, freedom is such wealth that it is only necessary to preserve it! There is a country, we exist. As a mother gives her all her love to her child, the Motherland caresses us like the sun in its warmth. We can proudly answer the question of what independence has given us. It is no exaggeration to say that it enriched many opportunities, changes, and human rights. Thanks to independence, we regained our identity and stood tall. Of course, most of the opportunities created are for us young people. Our country is making progress both in science and in sports. This, of course, indicates that the future of our country is a great as-

set and that it is taking a place on the world stage. If we look at it, there is still war and unrest in most countries. How many innocent people's blood is flowing like a river. And we should say thanks every day for the peaceful days that God has given us.

Our Uzbekistan has received great attention and fame on the world scale, and has been in various relations and cooperation with many foreign nations and countries. our age-old original national values, oriental traditions, wonderful and strange traditions, beautiful traditions, religion, faith, belief, restoration, finding their place in life, and the priceless value of our people becoming a spiritual property - all this is a unique, incomparable, significant sign of our current pharmaceutical era.

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enriched and qualitatively changed, new colors like the rainbow are being discovered. This encourages us young people, who are the foundation of our future, to feel a sense of pride and self-confidence. During the years of independence, many eye-pleasing changes were made in all areas of our country, in cities and villages, in various fields. Looking back at our glorious history, we witness the sad events that our country has gone through. After all, our nation has not become an independent state by itself. For this, the sweat, labor, and strength of our ancestors were mobilized. In this holy land lies the holy ashes of our great grandfathers. In our religion, in our believing hearts, the wisdom that "to love the country is from faith" has left an indelible mark. It's one thing to just say the word motherland, it's another thing to feel love for it. The greatest service we can do to our country is to bring its name to greater arenas, to raise children worthy of it. It is necessary and necessary

for us to raise the flag of our country even higher, justifying the trust of our President. At this point, it is worth saying that looking back on the 32-year path that has been victoriously traveled, we can witness the radical reform of the changes in our country. The emergence of the independent state of Uzbekistan, which today is taking rapid steps on the path of development, relying on its own strength and potential, is undoubtedly a historical victory of our people. Not everyone is born in such a peaceful and peaceful country, so a person born in this country feels happiness every minute.

In his famous article, "If I die, I will not part with your hugs", the sharp writer Ozod Sharafiddinov expresses the following thoughts: If you say there is a mountain, if you say there is a garden, there is a garden. We should consider ourselves lucky because he gave us a country where we can't finish reading the song of nightingales every morning. I think that every person who calls himself a child of the Uzbek people is infinitely proud of such selfless compatriots, and shows such people as examples of moral courage to his children and students. And there is no doubt that there will never be a shortage of people who have such heroic children who will fight for the benefit of the nation and the future of the Motherland throughout their lives."

Not only that our country is developing and taking a place on the world stage, but also that you are a generous and hospitable nation deserves special recognition. Independence is a great blessing for us. It is necessary to appreciate it, to feel it from the heart, to love and honor it. Because there are those who have seen these days, and there are those who have not.

It is an honor for me to sing you
The Uzbek tour that surprised the world,

Ne-ne is the land of geniuses, the abode of Mashrab

I have a self-sufficient people

I have praise worthy of happiness.

In short, there is no greater blessing for man than independence. The basis of all creativity and creativity in the world is independence. Prospect, honor - you are my pride!

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Ruiru Wedding Turns Tragic As Six Drown

By: Antony Kioko

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er Perminus Kioi said the concrete lid collapsed under the weight of the dancers who fell into the water tank. Rescues were mobilised immediately and 11 people including two children were evacuated and taken to various hospitals in Ruiru among them Plains View, Ruiru Level Four, and Kenyatta University Teaching Research and Referral Hospital. According to the rescuers, two people died on the spot. “I was just passing by when I heard people shouting and calling for help, that’s when I rushed only to find people inside the tank, we mobilized people to come with water buckets and managed to rescue about 11 people,” David Okuru said. The tragedy left relatives in shock as they mourned their loved ones. “In Kikuyu customary men usually don’t fetch the bride, so the ladies are the ones who went in, as they were

singing and dancing waiting for the bride to come out, suddenly the singing stopped as screams rent the air. We got in only to find about 20 of them inside the water tank,” said Timothy Mbugua who had accompanied the relatives to pick the bride. Despite the tragedy, Charles Mworira and Susan Wanjira were joined together at Wonders Touch Ministries International church and later proceeded to a reception at Ruiru Boys High School grounds. Poor construction of the 15-foot-deep tank has been blamed for the accident.



Eleven people drowned in this well in Ruiru on August 19, 2023 as they danced on a concrete slab covering it. /COURTESY-KENYA POLICE..

Wa Muratha Keen To Restore Dignity To Boychild

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Kiambu Woman Representative Ann Wamuratha Team in Partnership with the Ministry of Health will sensitize the 92 Level 2 and level 3 facilities on the Basics of Mental Health so that they can offer Psychological First Aid. Referral mechanisms to Level 4 for those who need clinical interventions will be facilitated. The Mental Health Training will start with 30 ToTs from the Ministry of Health Kiambu County. They will then train 120 Community Health Extension Workers (2 from each ward in Kiambu County). Those 120 CHEWs will train 3,126 Community Health Volunteers who are essentially our Level One Health Contact. Level Two Health Facilities are the

Dispensaries and Level Three are the Health Centres. Wa Muratha notes, “Once we cascade the training to the CHVs we shall assign them 50 households each to do Community diagnosis, help where they can or refer them to the Health Facilities. There will be continuous Mentorship, Support and Supervision to ensure sustainability of the program.



Ann Muratha during the Mama Boyz Mashinani launch.

Puzzle



I miss someone. I want to do something. Maybe I want to live another life. Maybe I want to be in another era. I must be going to a beautiful country. Maybe I want to work in the field I like. I imagine that I will have a husband, children and a happy life like in the brochure. Maybe I want to see some of the celebrities I want to see. However, I am unable to do any of these things now. I feel so weak and helpless that I cannot describe it in words. I can't even understand who the person I miss is. Maybe my heart understands and my mind is denying. Maybe I'm caught between two rocks. I do not know... Sometimes I like it and sometimes

it breaks my heart that my life is full of such puzzles. For some reason, I only write this line when I'm in a pinch. I don't know if it's because people don't get inspired when they're happy, or because when they're happy, they forgot the pain of other times. I didn't even know if it was just me. But the best things is to believe that everything will be fine. As we believed it would be good 2 years ago and 3 years ago...

Laylo Bakhtiyorova

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World



By: Sevinch Mansurova

The world turns like a spinning wheel
For better or for worse, he will give it back
This is a huge world that we have

discovered
He gives us a test from every chapter

I'm not saying the world is a crazy world
What you do to someone else will come back to you
If you hurt someone's tongue
Allah writes in his notebook

I'm not saying the world is a caring world
He will take your loved one
Thanks for trying
He will pass a difficult test

I do not say that the world is a world without love
He will give you gifts
If you help someone
will reward you

I say that the world is the supreme judge
A world spinning like a mill
If you pass the test
A world that gives its gifts

Supremacy Syndrome



We all know that the twenty-first century has evolved into an era of technology. Both young and old people are holding cell phones. It's a terrible situation. After all, this is detrimental to young people's futures. Not just children, but also adults... Parents are glued to their phones when they get home from work. They don't care about their children's future because they don't care about their children. Instead of learning, young people spend their days staring at

their phones. Unfortunately, not all information found online is helpful, and not everyone utilizes it properly. This poses a serious threat to the nation's future. Parents should first rectify themselves in order to stop this. It is essential to be concerned about his future and to support his decisions. It is a good idea to set up all the necessary circumstances for them to fall in love with reading and to congratulate them when they finish a particular book or assignment.

Children are like flowers, my dear and beloved parents. Be sure to look after it. You will then see positive effects.

Marjona Murad's daughter Abdurazokova. On July 1, 2007, she was born in the Tashkent region. He is currently a ninth-grade general secondary school student.

National Dishes Of Uzbekistan



Uzbekistan is a country known to the world for its interesting places of Samarkand, Bukhara and Khiva! The national dish of Uzbekistan is certainly Palov.

Pilaf is loved and eaten in almost all regions of Uzbekistan. The method of its preparation is different depending on the region.

But the sweetest Palov is definitely prepared in teahouses and wedding halls of Tashkent city. Come to Uzbekistan and eat Pilov, you won't regret it!

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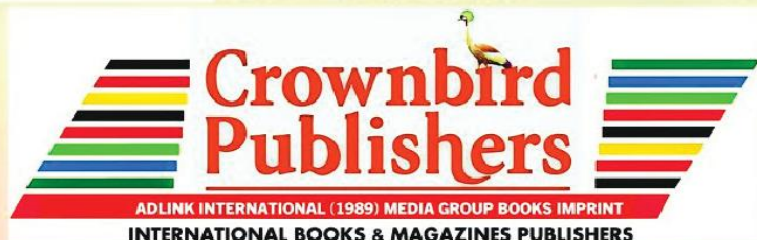
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SECURITY

Safeguarding the Chain: Ensuring Data Integrity in Supply Chain Cybersecurity



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Worth Noting:

- Picture a global supply chain as a symphony, where each instrument represents a different player, contributing its unique note to the harmonious production of goods and services.
- The vulnerabilities in supply chains can lead to dire consequences. Imagine a cyberattack targeting a supplier's database, leading to the theft of sensitive customer data or proprietary information.
- Against this backdrop of heightened risks, the need for robust cybersecurity measures is crystal clear.
- The path to supply chain cybersecurity starts with awareness. Businesses must acknowledge the interconnectedness of their operations and the potential weak links that exist.



Ensuring Data Integrity in Supply Chain Cybersecurity.

Supply chains have emerged as the vital circulatory system of global commerce. They choreograph the intricate ballet of raw materials, components, and finished goods across borders and sectors, fueling industries far and wide. However, amidst this expanding intricacy, a shadow looms – the susceptibility of supply chains to cyber intrusions. As businesses increasingly lean on external vendors and supply chain partners, the perils associated with supply chain cybersecurity have commanded the spotlight. Embarking on an expedition through the captivating domain of supply chain cybersecurity, this composition emboldens its narrative with insights gleaned from scholarly investigations and expert discernments. The crescendo of emphasis unfolds upon the paramount significance of fortified cybersecurity measures in upholding the sanctity of data.

Unveiling the Complex Web

Picture a global supply chain as a symphony, where each instrument represents a different player, contributing its unique note to the harmonious production of goods and services. But what if one instrument played a discordant note? That's where the risks lie. Third-party vendors and supply chain partners, while essential cogs in this orchestration, can inad-

vertently introduce vulnerabilities that malevolent actors might exploit. As Melnyk et al. (2022) emphasize, the digital interconnectedness of supply chains offers numerous entry points for cyberattacks, from suppliers' systems to transportation networks.

The Dark Cloud of Cyberthreats

The vulnerabilities in supply chains can lead to dire consequences. Imagine a cyberattack targeting a supplier's database, leading to the theft of sensitive customer data or proprietary information. The fallout from such an incident could disrupt operations, erode trust, and incur substantial financial losses. Cheung, Bell, and Bhattacharjya (2021) provide a sobering overview of the potential consequences, underlining how these attacks can cascade through interconnected systems, leaving a trail of disruption.

Enter the Era of Resilience

Against this backdrop of heightened risks, the need for robust cybersecurity measures is crystal clear. Traditional cybersecurity measures, while vital, often focus on internal systems, leaving the supply chain itself vulnerable. Boyes (2015) introduces the concept of cyber-resilient supply chains, emphasizing the importance

of not only preventing attacks but also rapidly recovering from them. It's a shift from reactive to proactive cybersecurity, involving collaboration with vendors, partners, and stakeholders to collectively fortify the chain's defenses.

Building Digital Fortresses

The path to supply chain cybersecurity starts with awareness. Businesses must acknowledge the interconnectedness of their operations and the potential weak links that exist. A comprehensive risk assessment, as advocated by Melnyk et al. (2022), helps identify vulnerabilities across the supply chain. By understanding where the potential pitfalls lie, companies can tailor their cybersecurity strategies to address specific risks.

Encryption emerges as a stalwart guardian of data integrity. From payment information to product blueprints, data exchanged across supply chains must be encrypted to ensure its confidentiality and authenticity. Cutting-edge encryption protocols can prevent cybercriminals from intercepting and altering critical information, thus safeguarding the trust that underpins these partnerships.

The Role of Collaboration

In the realm of supply chain cybersecurity, collaboration is not a luxury

but a necessity. Businesses should foster open lines of communication with third-party vendors and supply chain partners to ensure that cybersecurity practices are aligned. The concept of a "cybersecurity supply chain" forms the crux of this collaborative effort. Just as products flow seamlessly through the supply chain, cybersecurity practices must permeate the network, leaving no weak points.

Supply chain audits become a key instrument in this symphony of security. These audits, as Cheung et al. (2021) suggest, should evaluate the cybersecurity readiness of third-party partners. Regular assessments ensure that cybersecurity measures remain up to date, adapting to the evolving threat landscape.

A Future of Assurance

As technology continues to advance and supply chains grow ever more intricate, the challenge of supply chain cybersecurity will remain dynamic. By heeding the insights of Melnyk et al. (2022), Cheung et al. (2021), and Boyes (2015), businesses can navigate this challenging landscape. Resilience, collaboration, and constant vigilance will be the guiding principles in safeguarding data integrity throughout the intricate dance of global supply chains. In doing so, the symphony of commerce can continue to flourish, unmarred by discordant cyberthreats.

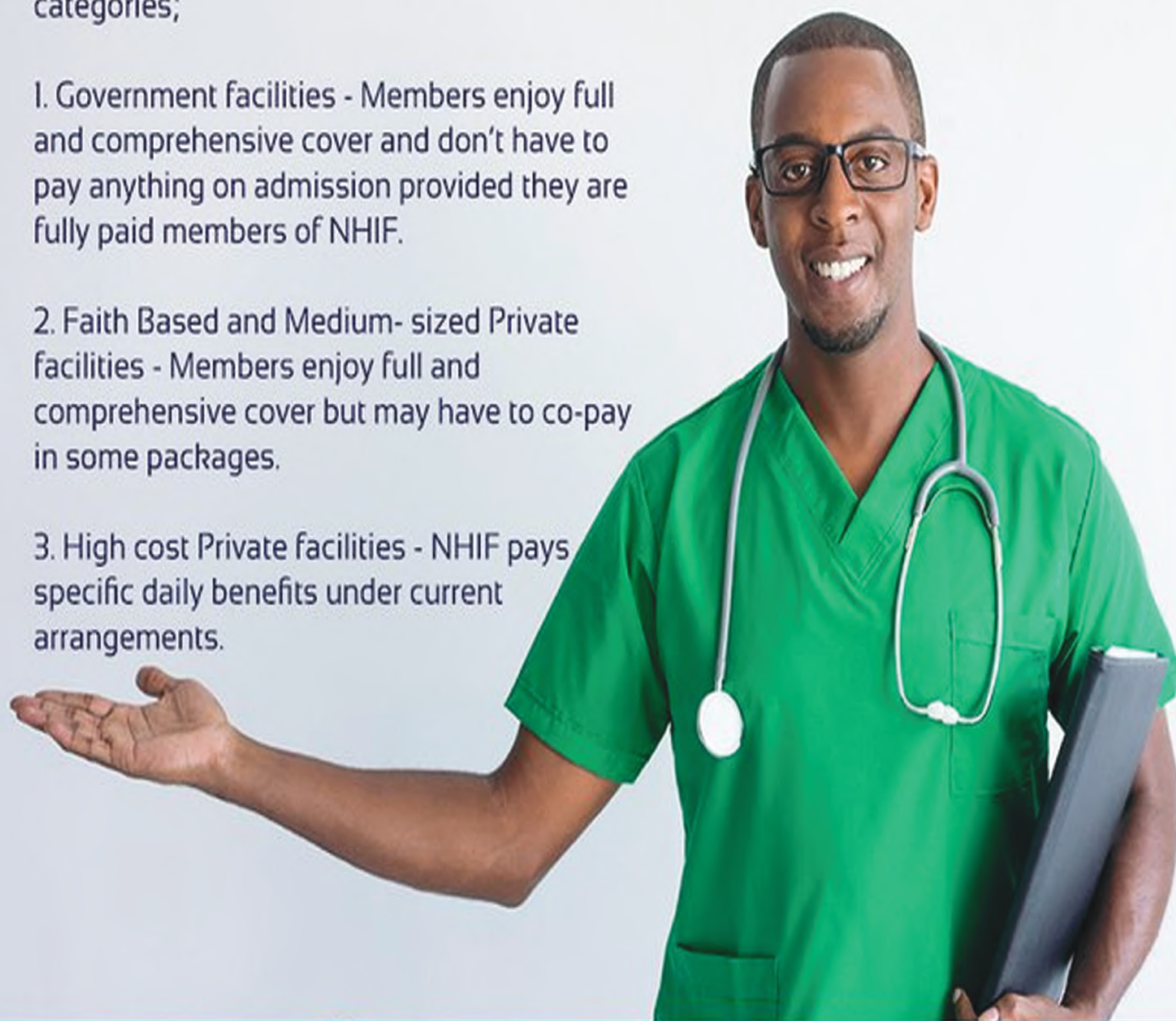
In summary, the world of supply chain cybersecurity is a delicate interplay of partnerships, vulnerabilities, and resilience. Third-party vendors and supply chain partners hold immense value in the global business landscape, but they also introduce a layer of risk that must not be ignored. As scholars and experts urge, a proactive approach to cybersecurity, driven by collaboration and fortified with encryption, is essential to ensuring data integrity and maintaining the harmony of modern commerce. The future of supply chain cybersecurity is both a challenge and an opportunity, calling upon businesses to conduct a symphony of security that resonates across the intricate network of global supply chains.



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News In Brief



Felix Koskei Emphasis On Importance Of Public Service

Head of Public Service Felix Koskei, Principal Secretary for ICT and The Digital Economy Eng. John Tanui, and Baringo Governor Benjamin Cheboi have emphasised the importance of public service as the backbone of the country and urged civil servants to act as role models for citizens, urging them to stop corruption in offices but instead ensure services like licencing are offered without problems. Koskei urged women and youth to take advantage of government-provided free Wi-Fi to promote their businesses and venture into online opportunities to better their lives.



How Cyber Security Is Being Enhanced - Chiloba

The Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) is enhancing cyber security by fostering capacity-building among young experts through the Boot Camp and Hackathon series. Launched in October, the series aims to showcase young talents' skills and products in cyber security. CA Director General Ezra Chiloba emphasises the importance of capacity building and encourages collaboration among key players in the sector to ensure adequate resources are invested for a full digital society experience.



Embu Government Gifts Manyatta's Young Couple

The County Government of Embu has gifted a young couple from Kagumori Village in Manyatta Constituency, Embu County, with cash, food, and baby items.

Ann Mugai, a mother of five, delivered her quadruplets in 2021 at Embu Level Five Hospital. The family, which includes her husband, has faced economic hardships but has managed to get along with support from family, friends, and neighbours. The county government pledged to continue supporting the family and provide physical therapy for the two babies struggling with mobility.



Laikipia Departmental Heads Warned On Meetings

Laikipia County Commissioner Joseph Kanyiri urges department heads to attend monthly meetings on government projects, programmes, and policies; failure to attend may result in disciplinary action or explanation. The committee is responsible for county-level decision-making and prioritising projects, following guidelines on national government policies, programmes, and projects. It updates on ongoing projects, monitors and evaluates them, advises the government on priority development needs, and facilitates public participation based on feedback from beneficiary communities.



Kigumo DCC Advice To The Locals On Mungiki

Kigumo sub-county Deputy County Commissioner Buxton Abwasi Mayabi has called for concerted efforts to end radicalization and extremist behaviour in the sub-county by engaging young men and women in productive activities from a young age, promoting healthy relationships and cohesiveness in society. Mayabi urged parents to subdivide land and let children learn that hard work pays. He also urged parents to ensure their children follow a religious path and apprehend perpetrators of vices, such as radicalization, in the Karuri market centre, which has been a hotbed for the outlawed Mungiki sect since the 70s.



CS Murkomen Meets Nyeri Senator And Tana Water Agency Chairman

Roads Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen met with Nyeri County Senator Wahome Wamatinga and Tana Water Works Development Agency chairman Wanyaga Gathaka at his office where they discussed several matters of national importance.

The trio deliberated on various projects being undertaken in the county as well as rejuvenating the United Democratic Alliance party in the region.

Azimio La Umoja Coalition Committed To Bipartisan Talks

Opposition leaders, led by Eugene Wamalwa, have announced their commitment to bipartisan talks to tackle critical issues in Kenya. They aim to work collaboratively with the government to find solutions to the country's challenges, such as the high cost of living, fuel prices, and food prices. Wamalwa emphasises the importance of unity and a shared vision for a better future. Former Murang'a Governor, Mr. Mwangi Wa Iria called for all Kenyans to join in the collective effort, stating that diversity is their strength while pledging to work towards a more inclusive and peaceful approach to addressing grievances.



MESPT Recognized Among The Devolution Warriors!



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Worth Noting:

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MESPT CEO being awarded at the Devolution Warrior Awards Gala by H.E. Godhana Dhadho Gaddae, Governor of Tana River County Government. Looking on are MESPT staff who joined in the celebration.

Micro Enterprises Support Programme Trust (MESPT) emerged the 2nd Runners Up of the Devolution Warrior Awards Kifaru Category. This was announced during the 2nd edition initiative organized by The Council of Governors (COG) on 16th August 2023, in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County. The Kifaru Award category is for someone or an institution that has provided support and taken a keen interest in a particular devolved sector and objectively addresses the issues that relate to that sector.

MESPT's work in line with the award.

With funds from DANIDA, the European Union and The Nature Conservancy, MESPT has been supporting the agriculture and financial sectors in 27 Counties, to increase capacity in agricultural productivity, access to finance for employment creation and poverty alleviation with a focus on women and youth. To this award, our achievements include:

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- 12 counties have their regulatory framework on feed and food safety in place with increased county investment in surveillance and inspection with budget provision in their 2023/2027 CIDPs.
- 5 wet markets have new infrastructure, staff trained on sanitation & hygiene, market management, new food and feed inspection philosophy and wet market management policies and bills developed.
- 465 County Staff trained as Trainers of Trainees (TOTs) to provide training and extension services on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Standards (SPS) based on CBET approach. The TOTs have trained 16,964 Value Chain Actors (VCAs) and 3000 champions for food safety.
- 15 Green technologies have been promoted with 8,000 farmers adopting the technologies. The farmers can save energy and water and know how to reuse their waste, thus increasing their incomes while conserving the environment.
- Overall, 150,000 farmers have been trained, KES 7 billion in sales turnover realized, 70,000 jobs created, and 600 youth enterprises strengthened.
- KES 6.6 billion disbursed in credit reaching over 350,000 end users for investment in agribusiness and impacting over 1,330,000 people in Kenya (Average Household (HH) size of 3.8)

About the Devolution Conference and Warrior Awards

Over the last 9 years, the Council of Governors, in collaboration with other devolution stakeholders, has hosted (7) Annual Devolution Conferences in various Counties across the Country. This year's conference marks the 8th edition being held in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu from 16th -18th August 2023. The Devolution conferences seek to: take stock of the progress made in devolution; offer a platform for sub-national governments to deliberate on matters of interest and upscale these conversations on a national and global scale and promote sharing and learning of best practices both locally and beyond.

As part of the Devolution Conference, the Council of Governors holds the Devolution Warrior Awards aimed at recognizing and celebrating the efforts of individuals and institutions that have shown exemplary performance in promoting, protecting and championing devolution in Kenya. Indeed, the journey of devolution has been marked by successes, challenges and new opportunities that offer unique solutions to some of the most pressing problems facing our society today. The Devolution Warrior Awards seeks to recognize and celebrate the efforts of individuals and institutions that have been at the forefront in promoting, protecting, and championing devolution in Kenya. These awards are held after every 5 years, with the inaugural awards being held during the 4th Annual Devolution Conference in 2017.

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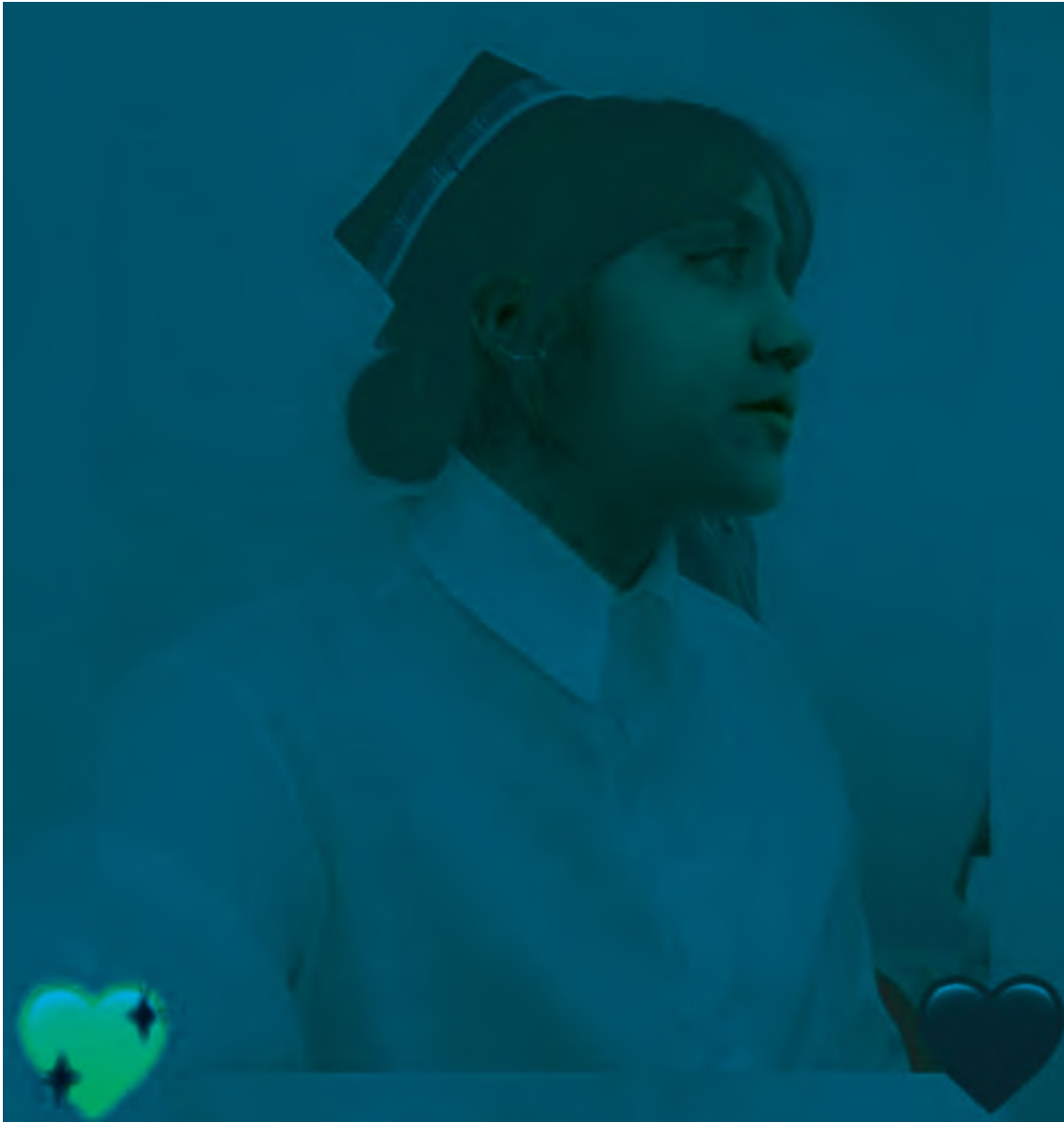
A Wide Way To The International Field Is A Deep Study Of Foreign Languages

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Worth Noting:

- The need of the hour is for fundamental reform of the quality of education based on outside experiences in the context of Uzbekistan, taking into account national mentality and traditions. It is crucial to use interactive techniques when working with young people, be able to give them high-quality instruction in a foreign language, raise the bar for higher education, and generally improve it.
- Consequently, the creation of a future labor force in our nation's higher education system and In order to build the ability to learn original literature in the field and to engage in conversational communication in a foreign language, foreign language classes are held in the course of gathering the information required for the intention.



Oydinova Malika Najmiddin

Annotation: Due to the growing significance of language proficiency in contemporary culture and its extensive use on global scale, this article emphasizes the value of learning foreign languages.

Key words: foreign language, disciplinary system, literature, globalized era, quality of education.

Education of the future generation in the spirit of love and allegiance to the Motherland, national pride, high morality and spirituality, pride in our old and rich heritage, and national and international values is one of the most pressing concerns of our day.

Fundamental changes to the educational system on earth are a problem because they don't provide the right environment for undergraduates to learn foreign languages perfectly, be able to communicate in a foreign language in all situations, and improve their oral and written communication skills in a foreign language.

UNESCO, UNICEF, and the Association of European Universities are concerned about helping students develop their ability to think in a foreign

language, their right to free speech, and their capacity for intellectual engagement. There are groups involved, such as the European Network for Quality Assurance in Higher Education.

The evolution of this topic in general trends is crucial for the development of modernity and foreign language proficiency in the next generation and helps to boost students' creative potential in relation to issues with contemporary education. The coordination of curricula became the cornerstone for enhancing the higher pedagogical disciplinary system.

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Every autonomous citizen of the Republic of Uzbekistan has his or her own, and he or she should be able to read the original copy of literature written in another language that is pertinent to his or her line of work, comprehend it, and use it in that line of work. In addition, as learning a foreign language is a must for living in the current globalized era, he should be able to openly discuss ideas on the subject with the interlocutor in that language.

Every person living in the independent Republic of Uzbekistan should be able to read, comprehend, and apply works of literature written in a language other than his own that are relevant to his line of work. He should also be able to openly converse in a foreign language with the interlocutor about the specified topic.

After all, in today's globalized world, learning foreign languages is required. Foreign language instruction is given great consideration in our nation, which just gained independence. Numerous foreign language teachers have been taught, the necessary conditions for

workers to advance their education both domestically and abroad have been established, multimedia English, German, and French textbooks have been constructed, and electronic English learning tools have been developed.

The creation of modern language classrooms at educational institutions is unequivocal evidence of this. The main goal is to create the conditions for the growth of international cooperation and communication, the achievements of world civilization, and the use of information resources by young people across the globe.

This is done by educating the next generation in foreign languages and improving the training of specialists who can speak these languages willingly. As the eminent German scholar YV Von Goethe famously put it, "He who does not recognize foreign languages does not know his own." For this reason, learning foreign languages and willingly communicating ideas in them are thought to be among the most important responsibilities by both external language specialists and all prospective cadre studying in higher education institutions that do not specialize in languages.

Our folks have a saying that goes, "He who notices the language knows." A person who speaks a foreign language will, in fact, have a wealth of options and advantages. Today, great language skills are one of the most important qualifications for employees. Priority areas for research on teaching foreign languages to students at institutes of higher learning without a language concentration include the following:

The teaching of foreign languages to pupils in accordance with the European CEFR standards enhances the pedagogical mechanisms of education, including instructional technology, the objectivity of control, and the organization of independent education outside the audience. Higher education has a specific aim for teaching foreign languages, and all foreign language instructors should specify it beforehand.

For after all, "the goals of foreign language teaching determine the content, means, methods, and principles of teaching," as scientists O. Khoshimov and I. Yakubov wrote in the book "Methodology of English Language Teaching," education at the higher level that does not focus on languages.

The importance of teaching a foreign language in foreign institutions cannot be overstated because doing so will help students become more mature individuals in all spheres.

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Sports >> *He sunk to the tartan, hands on his head, tears forming in his eyes. He couldn't believe it.

Super Sprinting Ebenyo Earns Kenya First Medal At Budapest Worlds With 10K Silver



Daniel Simiu celebrates his silver at the Commonwealth Games. PHOTO/Kelly Ayodi

He sunk to the tartan, hands on his head, tears forming in his eyes. He couldn't believe it. Daniel Simiu Ebenyo gave Kenya its first medal at the World Athletics Championships in Budapest as he earned silver in the men's 10,000m as Uganda's Joshua Cheptegei defended his crown. Simiu was the only of three Kenyans to stick to Cheptegei and Ethiopian Selemon Barega as they broke off at the bell, and he was rewarded with a well worked silver. The youngster dug deep into his energy reserves in the final 50m,

surging with a powered sprint to beat Barega on the line, sneaking away with silver as the reigning Olympic champion settled for bronze. The Kenyan, also a silver medalist from last year's Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, finished in a time of 27:52.60, with Cheptegei defending his crown with a time of 27:51.42, his fastest time this season. Barega clocked 27:57.72 in third for bronze. Meanwhile, Bernard Kibet was fifth in 27:56.27 while Nicholas Kimeli, a 5,000m specialist, was eighth in 28:03.38.

The Kenyan duo was dropped off at the ball, when Cheptegei and Barega decided to hit the front with some scorching pace, after a steady pace for most of the final 10 laps. The Ugandan surged in front and Barega followed. With Kimeli and Kibet failing to respond, it was Ebenyo who punched up his pace, with Ethiopian berihu Aregawi, the fastest man over the distance this year, also stepping up the gas. It was a four-man race for the podium. At the home stretch however, Aregawi seemed to wane off and Ebenyo picked

up his pace like a Rolls Royce, knowing only too well the smell of a medal was not far off. At the home stretch, it was clear that the medals were picked, and it was now a matter of which color each will wear on his shoulder. Cheptegei managed to sustain Barega's push and the latter gave up on catching him up and while he breathed to let go of the fight, Ebenyo saw his opportunity and sneaked on the inside for silver. Capital Sport

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Sports >>> *Comfortable, measured and assured. That was the summary of Faith Kipyegon’s performance as she comfortable stomped into the final of the women’s 1500m at the World Athletics Championships in Budapest, Hungary.

Superb Kipyegon, Youngster Nelly Storm Into 1500M Worlds Final



Faith Kipyegon glides into victory at the World Championships. PHOTO/World Athletics.

Comfortable, measured and assured. That was the summary of Faith Kipyegon’s performance as she comfortable stomped into the final of the women’s 1500m at the World Athletics Championships in Budapest, Hungary. Kipyegon won her semi-final in a time of 3:55.14, a bit faster than the time she required to get through the Heats on Saturday. The 29-year old world record holder now remains on course

for a third world title, and she is expected to bring her A game into the final. Ethiopian Diribe Welteji finished second in 3:55.18, while Sifan Hassan, still nursing wounds from her fall in the 10,000m final on Saturday, finished third in 3:55.48, her fastest time over that distance this season, to also make the final. Kipyegon had started off the back of the pack, but she didn’t stay there long as she sprinted to the

front after the first curve. She maintained the tempo to the end and when Hassan attempted to attack her at the bell, she resisted, putting on a good surge of pace. She will be joined in the final by youngster Nelly Chepchirchir who also bossed her semi-final, winning comfortably in a time of 4:02.14, ahead of Ethiopian teenager Birke Haylom who clocked 4:02.46. Edinah Jebitok finished a dissapi-

inting 10th, clocking 4:05.41. Capital Sport

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DRC's Didier Cheriz - Shinning Stars Africa Awards 2023



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1. Who are you?
I am known more by the name DIDIER CHERIZ

2. Where are you from?
I am from Kinshasa capital of the DRC

3. How did you hear about these awards?

I heard about these awards through the Zikomo Africa Awards Instagram account to which I subscribe

4. What do you think of the nomination?

Honestly, I am very moved by the way all the nomination procedures were carried out, which is a source of pride for my country.

5. Are you attending the Grand Final?

I really want to participate

6. Who are you going with?
With Mr. Oudar

7. What are you waiting for?
May the best win and if I am among them, I deserve it too

8. Which category do you represent?

I am nominated in the following 4 categories: - Best TV & Radio Personality - Best Media Personality of the Year - Best Social Media Influencer - Best Male TV Personality of the Year 2023 in Africa

9. What do you say to upcoming artists or those aspiring to do what you do?

To work hard, to perse



Smiley Kautondokwa

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