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Ruto: Kenya Is Out Of Debt Distress



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Kang'ata Calls For Better Policies To Improve Livelihoods Of Kenyans

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Murang'a County Governor Irungu Kang'ata speaking during Jamuhuri day celebrations held at Rurii stadium in Mathioya Sub County.

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Murang'a County Governor Irungu Kang'ata has called upon both national and county leaders to come up with strategies and policies that will eradicate poverty and improve the livelihoods of Kenyans.

Kang'ata observed that despite the country attaining independence 60 years ago, a big number of Kenyans are languishing in poverty.

He said the time has come for leadership in this country to develop and implement various programmes meant to uplift the livelihoods of vulnerable citizens.

The governor who spoke during Jamuhuri Day celebrations yesterday at Rurii stadium in Mathioya Sub County cited the Asian countries which attained independence later than Kenya, but currently they are among the developed nations.

"It's worrying to see a big population of Kenyans who cannot afford basic needs.

As leaders we need to think and employ pragmatic strategies that will see alleviation of livelihoods in this country," he said.

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Kang'ata cited exploitation and graft as some of the reasons that has led to high levels in the country calling the relevant

government agencies to ensure public resources are used prudently and for the benefit of Kenyans.

On his part, Murang'a County Commissioner, Patrick Mukuria directed management of local coffee factories to beef up security in order to protect farmers' produce.

"This is the harvesting season for coffee. Due to lucrative prices of the cash crop, theft of coffee at factories has gone up and its responsibility of management of the factories to ensure farmers produce is protected.

"Employ competent security guards and install CCTV in the factories so as to prevent coffee delivered in your factories. Farmers are waiting for payment and if their coffee is stolen, it means there will be no payment," stressed Mukuria.

He asked managers of the factories to cooperate with police and other members of the county's security team so as to pro-

tect farmers' coffee.

"After coffee is packaged in sacks, managers need to get armed security officers from the county police commander, who will escort the coffee to specified destination," he added.

Mukuria further observed that the county in the recent past has experienced increased cases of suicide.

"Every month we get a report about a person who has taken his life through suicide. The problem cuts across all the nine sub-counties within Murang'a.

"The big number of those who have committed suicide are men. I appeal to local residents to speak out their challenges to people they trust. Seek also help from relevant government offices. It's disheartening to be losing people through suicide." Stated the commissioner.

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A police officer from Embobut Police Post was killed and partially burned by armed youths, while a Catholic priest was assaulted by gang members as they rescued girls from Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) in Marakwet East Sub County. The police were on routine patrol at the Embolot location when they raided and rescued six girls. The youths, believed to have come from the nearby Maron Vocational Training Centre, overpowered the officer and stoned him to death before burning his body using a mattress. They later made away with a G3 rifle and 40 rounds of ammunition. A Catholic priest, Fr. Amos Kimutai of St. Kizito Catholic Church, was also injured by the youths as he tried to rescue girls from FGM. The Elgeyo Marakwet County Director of Gender, Joseph Amuke, has said that police will conduct an operation in the area today to arrest youth and ensure they repossess stolen arms. Over 140 girls have been rescued from the illegal rite, some by police, others ran away, and some whose parents frisked them away. The CEC Health Department has appealed to the girls to seek treatment in any of the health centres, stating that the department will continue to save lives.



Nakuru County Government plans to recruit technical staff to enhance learning activities at the youth Empowerment center, aiming to boost youth talents in the creativity industry. The county is developing training programs for aspiring creatives, covering digital skills, business management, and marketing. Partnerships with educational institutions are being formed to offer specialized courses and workshops. Achieng emphasizes the importance of establishing a fund or grant program to

financially support creative projects and businesses. The county administration will also organize cultural events and festivals to showcase local talent. Implementation will require collaboration between the government, private sector, educational institutions, and the creative community.



A group of professionals from Kangema Sub County in Murang'a, led by Betty Maina, have praised and rewarded their retired teachers. The Kiruri Homebound Team, a group of professionals, gifted an early Christmas to the teachers, whom they praised for their significant impact on their current status. The group planned to share meals with the tutors, as they observed that after retirement, the teachers face numerous challenging situations. Some retired over 20 years ago, with meagre salaries and pensions that could not improve their livelihoods. The Kiruri Homebound Team called upon professionals, especially those working away from their rural homes, to remember teachers back in villages as they laid the foundation for their educational prosperity. Jane Wambui, a former primary school teacher, praised the group and expressed her delight at seeing the children she taught grow into engineers, doctors, teachers, and businesspeople. She expressed gratitude for the professionals' work and the impact they have on the nation and society in general.

Food insecurity in Kenya is a persistent issue, worsened by a non-functioning food system, climate change, and population growth. Experts warn that improving health diets and access to more nutritious food is crucial for achieving better nutrition outcomes. The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) is implementing a project called "CASCADE" to translate existing nutrition policies into tangible outcomes. Kenya has worked hard on a food fortification strategy, but there is still much to be done. Only four counties have developed draft policies on food fortification and linking it to food systems issues. GAIN is advocating for improved implementation of nutrition-related policies and strengthening the capacities of nutrition-related policy makers and delivery systems to improve access to healthier diets. Three critical forms of nutrition should be tackled: nutrition, rising cases of non-communicable diseases, and micronutrients. It is time for industry players, including county and national governments, to work together through the national food fortification alliance to monitor progress and compliance levels.



Nyeri County governor Mwalimu Mutahi Kahiga (left) shares a light moment with his deputy David Kinaniri at Dedan Kimathi grounds during Jamhuri day celebrations yesterday. The governor called for sacking of Energy Cabinet Secretary Davis Chirchir saying he had failed Kenyans. He also told former freedom fighters, some of whom were at the event that he was optimistic that Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua will soon be meeting them as he had promised. Photo/PAUL WANJIRU.

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Waiguru Awards Intercity Ksh1 M Grand Prize As Football Tournament Ends

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Worth Noting:

- Dennis Murimi, the indomitable captain Intercity FC, basked in the glory of their hard-fought triumph.
- Overflowing with ecstasy and elation, Murimi said that their relentless dedication and hard work had finally reaped the sweet fruits of success.
- In a testament to their gallant efforts, Thumaita FC walked home with more than just memories, securing a commendable second place and a handsome second prize of Ksh750,000.



Kirinyaga County governor Ann Waiguru with the winners

Intercity FC from Tebere Ward was crowned as the winner of the Governor Anne Waiguru's KSh 1 million Grand Prize Football Tournament.

The team won the two-month long tournament in a nail-biting 3-2 penalty shoot-out at Wang'uru Stadium in Mwea constituency against Thumaita FC from Kiine ward.

It was awarded the Ksh1 million grand prize by Governor Waiguru before a crowd of about 20,000 spectators.

The defining moment came when the game ended in a barren draw prompting the referee to call for a penalty shout-out.

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Shifting the spotlight to the women's matches, a riveting clash unfolded as Mukou Queens FC from Thiba Ward scored 3-1 to seized victory over Nyangati Ladies FC.

In a dazzling display of prowess, Mukou Queens FC were crowned the champions, clinching the Ksh500,000 women's grand prize.

Governor Waiguru said she was elated to witness display of excellent talents during the tournament.

The governor congratulated all the 200 teams that participated and announced that she would make the tournament an annual event.

Green Stars from Karumandi ward emerged third, scooping Ksh.500,000 while Al Muslim FC from Kariti ward bagged Ksh.350,000.

Top teams in the ward level walked away with Ksh.50,000 for the win-

ner, Ksh. 30,000 for the second, Ksh. 20,000 for the third, Ksh. 10,000.

Waiguru expressed her satisfaction with the resounding success of the tournament themed as "Nurturing Talent for Livelihood."

She revealed that approximately 5,000 young footballers actively engaged in the competition, not only showcasing their skills on the field but also leveraging on their talents to generate substantial income.

The governor said a total of Ksh 7.850 million in cash prizes were awarded to winners of various levels of the tournament.

The Council of Governors (COG) chair said the tournament has become a catalyst for economic vibrancy at the grassroots level with hundreds of spectators flocking playgrounds to witness matches across all the wards which in turn provided business opportunities for local vendors.

"The football matches that were played every Sunday simultaneously across the wards also created business opportunities for innovative entrepreneurs who sold foodstuff and other merchandise to thousands of fans who turned up to cheer their teams," she said.

Beyond the financial aspect, the governor said the event played a crucial role in steering young individuals away from the perils of drug abuse.

"In today's world, football is big business and there is money in the game. Those who demonstrated football prowess during this tournament have a great chance of becoming professional footballers and climbing up the ladder to international leagues," she remarked.

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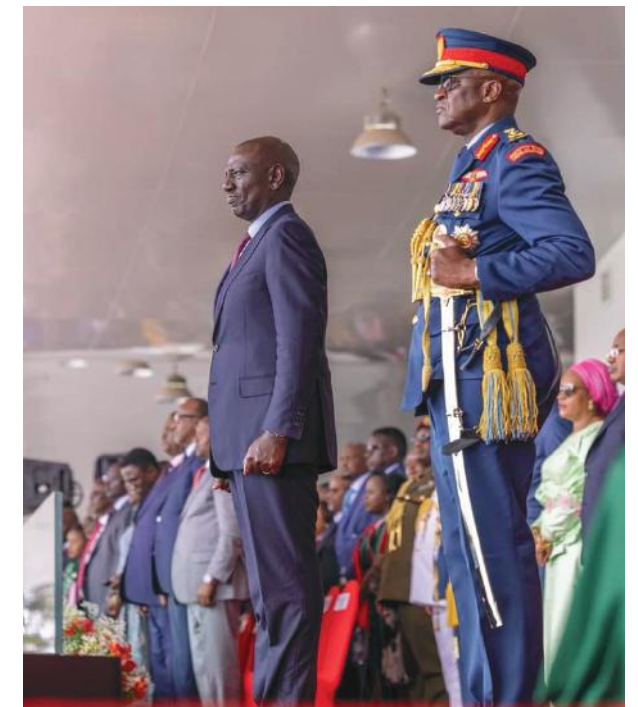
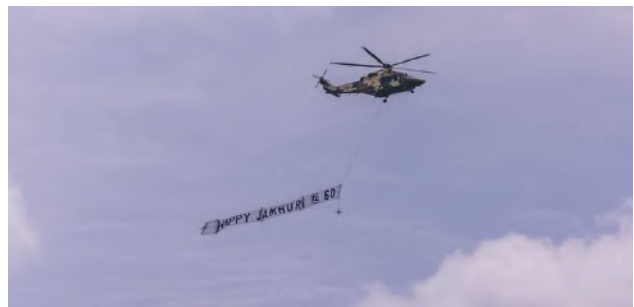
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Ruto Says Kenya Out Of Debt Distress, Defends Reforms As ‘Only Way And Means Of Escape’

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Worth Noting:

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- Ruto however emphasized on the need to redouble efforts to catch up with Kenya’s peers at independence who had since made significant economic progress.
- “Our peers at that time, nations like South Korea, Singapore, and Malaysia, have similarly made immense progress in democratic and institutional maturity. They have, however, made much more economic progress than we and, as a consequence, they are much more advanced today than we are,” he noted.
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He pointed to economic indicators reporting inflation down to 6.8 per cent and GDP growing at 5.4 per cent over a six-month period, making Kenya the 29th fastest growing economy in the world according to the World Bank.

“There is no question about it: What we have done together, the price we have paid together, and the sacrifices we have made together have rescued our country from an economic catastrophe,” Ruto affirmed.

He called for collective responsibility to match Kenya’s economic progress with democratic and political achievements attained since independence.

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He hailed the independence movement’s sacrifices towards the realization of a united, free, democratic, and economically prosperous nation.

“In our democratic and political journey, we have made tremendous sacrifices and progress, from single party to multi-party, personality and ethnic parochialism to issue-based and national politics, from violent and intolerant discourse to orderly and peaceful elections. However, we have not made as much progress with our economy,” President Ruto remarked.

He restated his commitment to further Kenya’s economic prosperity as a contribution to perfecting Kenya’s national sovereignty.

“Our focus has been firmly about the ways and means of transforming our economy, making the right decisions, necessary sacrifices, and smart choices to set Kenya on the path of economic renaissance,” the President declared.

Making reference to global economic challenges, Ruto commended Kenyans for their patriotic devotion that he termed as pivotal to the success of his administration’s economic reform agenda.

“There is every reason to believe that without serious sacrifices and hard work over the past year, the crises, threats, and challenges in the global economic and geo-political

environment confronting us would have overwhelmed us as, indeed, it has many countries,” Ruto stated.

The President restated his administration’s commitment to accelerating economic progress.

Ruto hails constitutional reforms, Kenya’s democratic credentials in Jamhuri Day speech

President William Ruto has hailed constitutional reforms realized since Kenya’s independence as monumental, terming the growing independence of key institutions as a tremendous achievement.

Ruto, speaking at the 60th independence day celebrations at Nairobi’s Uhuru Gardens on Tuesday, noted that the new constitutional order promulgated in 2010 heralded key gains contributing to Kenya’s development.

He singled out the country’s commitment to democratic values and institutional maturity.

“It is clear that we have made undeniable progress on many fronts, and, as a result, our nation has come a long way in the right direction,” Ruto said even as he invited citizens to reflect on the achievements and challenges faced over the years.

Ruto cited the bipartisan approach tackling national challenges as a demonstration of the transition of the country’s political landscape to issue-based politics.

“Our political culture has evolved considerably. We are committed to ensuring that our democratic competition is less about personalities and tribes and more about issues and

the national interest,” the President stated.

Checks and balances

Ruto said the Constitution, ratified in 2010, had played a crucial role in shaping the nation’s institutions and fostering checks and balances.

“As a result of this autonomy, party positions on important national issues are much more clearly defined, and bipartisan engagement across the political divide is pursued in a structured way,” President Ruto noted.

He noted the Judiciary, which he termed as the nation’s foremost anchor of the rule of law, had enhanced its capacity furthering the realization of protections accorded to all citizens under the law.

“To complete this framework of institutions designed to safeguard and promote constitutionalism and the rule of law, our constitutional commissions and independent offices have evolved to discharge their mandate constructively in support of good governance,” the President added.

President Ruto said the 60th Jamhuri Day presented an opportunity for Kenyans to rededicate their efforts to value that have shaped Kenya’s journey since independence, key among them national unity and collaboration.

A host of foreign dignitaries graced Tuesday’s independence day celebrations including Hussein Mwinyi, President of Tanzania’s semi-autonomous region of Zanzibar, who represented Tanzania’s Suluhu Hassan.

Ethiopia’s President Sahle-Work Zewde also graced the event. Burundi’s Evariste Ndayishimiye dispatched Vice President Prosper Bazombanza.

Uganda’s Deputy Prime Minister Rebecca Kadaga represented President Yoweri Museveni.

In remarks delivered at the event, the high-level delegations commended Kenya’s cooperation with its neighbours as highly valuable.

Mwinyi hailed Kenya’s contribution to Tanzania’s economy as valuable given the significant contribution to its Foreign Direct Investment.

Zewde promised redoubled efforts to further existing ties.

Discipline To Work Hard/Labor In The Lord



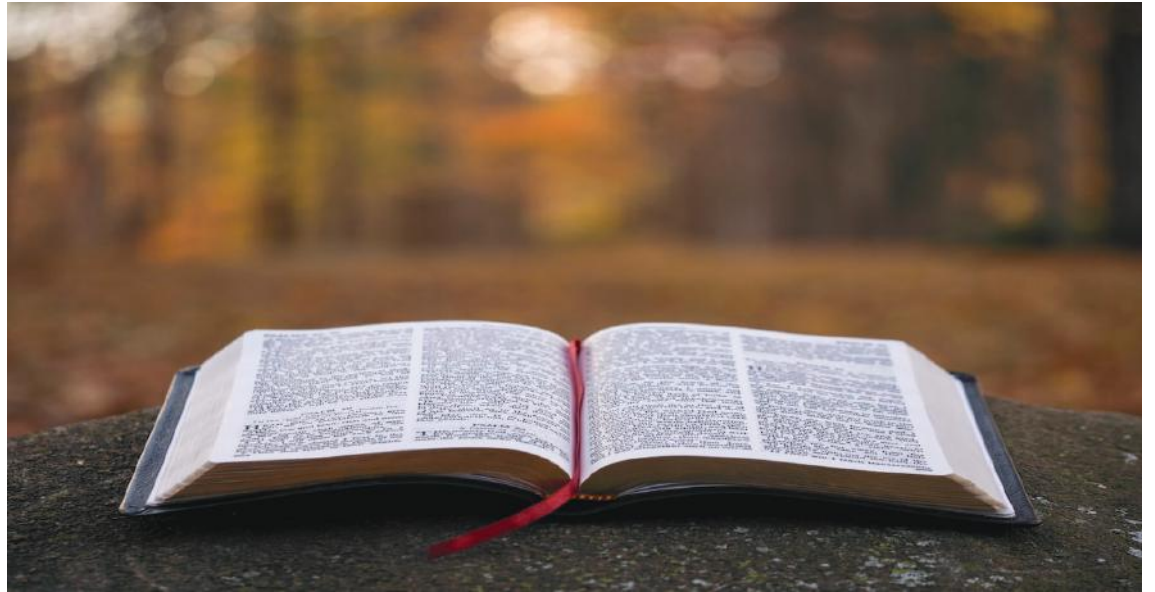
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John's Gospel informs us that when Jesus completed His baptizing ministry in Judea and decided to return to Galilee, He deemed it necessary to go through Samaria, which brought him to the ancient town of Sychar. Specifically, John tells us that "Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about the sixth hour" (John 4:6). The sixth hour was noon, midday, time for a meal. So the Lord sent His disciples into town for groceries while He wearily sat down by the well for some needed rest.

The words "tired as he was" seem to indicate that he sat down just as a tired man collapses in a motionless heap after a hard day's work. He was exhausted, and for good reason. A glance at the Gospels reveals that He rarely had any time for Himself

unless he stole away. When not being pressed by the multitudes, He was ministering to the Twelve or the inner circle of three or to irrepressible Peter. And He was always on the dusty road. At one point He had Himself said, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head" (Matthew 8:20). No wonder He was more weary than His disciples, for when mental fatigue and physical weariness meet, there you find an exhausted man. So Jesus plopped down motionless.

It was so nice to be alone in the warm sun and not moving. It is quite possible that the Lord had His eyes closed when He heard approaching steps and looked up to see a Samaritan woman. It would have been so easy for Him to sleepily close his eyes, saying to Himself, "I have been ministering to thousands . . . she's alone . . . just one person. And I have got to relax. If I do not take care of My body, who will?" But not Jesus! Our Lord went for her heart in one of the grandest cases of spiritual aggression ever recorded. Jesus' heart was so given to the care of souls that He mustered up the strength to minister even when He was at the edge



of His physical capacity. People who share the disciplines of Christ's heart will likewise reach out even when exhausted.

It has been said that the world is run by tired men, and it is true, for we daily see that America is run by tired political leaders — and that wars are won by exhausted generals — and that peace is secured by tired diplomats — and that great legislation is accomplished by weary legislators. The reason for this is that such leaders are willing to put themselves out

whenever necessary in order to accomplish their noteworthy tasks.

GOD IS OUR STRENGTH, OUR SOURCE. WE WILL ALWAYS OVERCOME AND BE ABLE IN JESUS CHRIST MIGHTY NAME: AMEN.

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Ruto's Jamhuri Day Speech Was Factual And Anchored On A Well Done Research



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President William Ruto during Jamhuri Day celebrations

Worth Noting:

- President Ruto's speech resonated with the one he made in June 1 when he led the Nation in marking this year's 60th Mashujaa day celebration.
- The head of state minced no word in firing a stern warning to public servants and state officers who were contemplating stealing and looting the taxpayers' money.
- He noted that billions of shillings will be allocated to run Universal Health Coverage (UHC).
- A huge of these monies will come from your pockets as monthly contributions.
- The national and county governments will also allocate more funds to power this noble initiative.
- Some of the officers entrusted to manage these funds might think this is an opportune time of stealing and lining up their pockets. I will be very hard on them.

Let me first take this opportunity to congratulate President William Ruto's speech writers and researchers.

This time, they did a commendable job. The speech apart from highlighting the achievements of his administration it enumerated the work in progress and the challenges that stood in his way.

As we recall, President Ruto assumed office at a time when the country was facing four main challenges: a dilapidated economy, droughts rated to be the worst in 40 years; Russian-Ukraine war; hefty foreign debts and when the country was recovering from devastating effects of COVID-19 pandemic.

In the face of the biting drought, he had no option but to channel all public resources towards fighting hunger.

Quick interventions by Dr Ruto and his deputy Rigathi Gachagua saved the lives of many Kenyans who were staring at death.

Reflecting on this journey, Dr Ruto, who led the Nation in marking this year's Jamhuri Day at Uhuru Garden in Nairobi, noted: My administration has made tremendous progress in many ways. He was referring to a raft of promises the duo made during the campaigns.

On job creation, he listed the Hustler Fund and Affordable Housing Project. We have also secured thousands of jobs abroad. On health, he cited the rolling out of Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

We recently unveiled Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF) which replaced the National Social Insurance Fund (NHIF). Parliament had introduced and factored key reforms.

Under this fund, all Kenyans will be covered and hence access the health services.

The government will pay for the elderly and other vulnerable Kenyans who cannot be able to raise their contributions.

We have also increased the budgetary allocations for drugs and expansion of public health facilities.

The President further cited the recruitment of Community Health Promoters (CHP).

We have increased the number of promoters and for the first time we are pay-

ing them a stipend. The county government will pay a portion and we will pay the other.

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Kericho county hosted the Mashujaa day celebration which was held at the main Green Stadium in Kericho town.

This was in line with the spirit of furthering the course of the new constitution that was promulgated in 2010.

The president had earlier reiterated the place of state officials stealing hard earned public taxes is in jail.

During Devolution Conference held in Eldoret, he had fired a similar warning. He told governors of 47 counties. The national government has been allocating a huge chunk of taxpayer money. Kenyans want to see the value of their money. What most of you have done so far is below their expectations.

He spoke as some 8 current and former governors were battling charges of corruption, economic sabotage and abuse of office in court.

This reminded me of what happened in Nigeria when the devolution was introduced. The pioneer county bosses thought that it is time to eat.

Little did they know that then President was a non-nonsense man. He was committed to walk the talk in slaying the dragon of corruption. He left half of them in jail when he retired.

Since he assumed office, President Ruto has been escalating the matters

by calling on the heads of the anti-graft bodies to live up to their oath of office. There are no sacred cows in my government. You have my full support.

Turning to elected leaders, he always reminded them that they were not above the law. You must be accountable to the electorates. If not, you are not worth to be called leaders. They did not elect you to steal their resources.

The President's interventions have been resonating very well with the masses because this signaled a radical departure from Uhuru Kenyatta's presidency.

Uhuru was known for talking tough but without taking any tangible action.

There was a time he said that Sh2 billion was being stolen every day in Kenya but this matter ended there.

The head of public service Felix Koskei announced a few days ago that Ruto administration is in the process of setting an inquiry to look at this matter.

As of now, we cannot tell whether what the former President said is true or not. Koskei further stated that a donor have agreed to fund the inquiry.

Having said this, I want to assure Kenyans that President Ruto is committed to win the war against graft. You can take this to the bank. Koskei, the head of public service spoke at the Bomas of Kenya where he was hosted by the civil society organizations involved in the fight against.

Back to Uhuru, he had earlier shocked Kenyans when he hosted the heads of anti-graft bodies at State House Nairobi.

Though one would have expected him to take on them for frustrating his administration's efforts to fight mega corruption scandals, he instead appeared helpless as he threw his hands in air. He posed: What do you want me to do? Kenyans interpreted this to mean they were on their own.

President Ruto again took a bold move when he thwarted a plot to steal Sh3.7 billion from the Global Fund earmarked for purchasing and supplying mosquito nets to tens of thousands of downtrodden Kenyans.

He fired the senior officials at the Ministry of Health and Kenya Medical Supplies Agency (KEMSA) who had been adversely mentioned.

He also called for the prosecution of the culprits.

The other day we saw Koskei unveiling a raft of measures aimed at streamlining the water works sector.

At Athi Water Works Development Agency, he announced the cancellation of the contract of the Chief Executive Officer and anti-graft bodies to commence investigations against him.

At KFS, President Ruto endorsed the decision of the board to sack and send 29 managers and forest rangers packing. Those culpable should face the law.

At this juncture, allow me to turn to the narrative of Ruto's well-known critics. They wanted Kenyans to believe that there was nothing to be proud of. Corruption is rife and President Ruto is just

'watching'. He is doing nothing to reverse the trend.

The top leadership of the opposition Azimio La Umoja-OKA coalition is the leading peddler of these claims.

The coalition is yet to recover from setback and shock of losing the elections.

In yester years, Azimio leader Raila Odinga had curbed a niche of being a whistleblower. He had indeed become a household during the reign of President Mwai Kibaki and his successor Uhuru Kenyatta.

He had unearthed and exposed a number of mega corruption scandals.

But one thing remained clear. He would play this role when he was fighting and pushing the government of the day to succumb to his demands.

Once he had fought his way and occupied his seat at the high table where the national cake is being shared, he always become contented. He would no longer blow the whistle.

We know today he is harboring a major grudge with the current government of President Ruto.

As such, one would have expected him to be in forefront of exposing the so called corruption scandals if they ever existed.

He would not dare to do this. Reason? He knew he would end up being embarrassed and ashamed because of peddling outright lies.

But many Kenyans believed those cooking these stories fully enjoyed his blessing.

Reason? This card was helping him to further his political course. By painting him in bad light, he hoped this would make Dr Ruto soften his stance and invite him for talks.

It has dawned on him that Dr Ruto is a hard nut to crack. He cannot succumb to these tricks designed to blackmail and intimidate him.

For now, Raila's latest remarks and body language points to this. He wants to make peace with the President. Has realized this when it is too late?

He has been desperately looking for an opportunity to have one-on-one meeting with President Ruto.

It worth noting. Raila lost the election to Dr Ruto. After being declared the winner by the IEBC chairman, Raila filed a petition at the Supreme Court of Kenya to challenge his victory. He lost the case and the court upheld the Dr Ruto's victory.

Also, Wiper leader Kalonzo Musyoka confirmed this when he spoke in Machakos during the Saba Saba demonstrations. He stated. Our eader Raila Odinga lost but Ruto won with a slight margin of 60,000 votes. This explains why the country is divided in the middle. We therefore call upon Ruto to respond to our calls for dialogue.

With this, President Ruto does not owe Raila any debt.

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Thai's Kate And Kiddie Supanida Paosatthanpan Wins Little Miss Asia Pacific And Outstanding Children And Youth Awards

By: Our Correspondent
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Worth Noting:

1. Kate Supanida Paosatthanpan, 12-year-old girl who won the title Little Miss Asia Pacific from Singapore and got outstanding children and youth awards from the Ministry of Education in 2022, 2023 and 2024.
2. Kiddie Suparada Paosatthanpan, 11 - year - old TV Moderator of Kiddy Time programme who got outstanding children and youth awards from the Ministry of Education in 2023 and 2024.
3. Tornthan Pathomwat
4. Nuttharatida Yommana
5. Tunchanok Wedphanthong
6. Nuttawat Inala
7. Ploychompoo Promsri
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9. Wongsathon Srinarintharano
10. Naruedee Saritmutakul .



first-time MP, has surprised observers by winning a post in Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin's new Cabinet. The 41-year-old was catapulted to the top of Thailand's political tree as the scion of one of the country's most influential political clans. Sudawan was handed the sought-after post of tourism and sports minister on September 2, 2023 becoming the youngest member of the Cabinet.

Her new project is the title -The World Tourism Kids 2023 which giving sashes on 12th December 2023 at the Ministry of Tourism and Sports which focuses on knowledge and ability more than beauty alone of children and kids from all provinces of Thailand.

The selection looks for Thai boys and girls aged 8- 18 years, without a limit on height and education to become a provincial tourism ambassador, working with the Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) and Public Relations Department to help stimulate domestic tourism after the crisis of Covid-19. The Department has been supporting the contest on all of its channels comprising TV programs, Social Media, Radio, and other platforms, for example

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There are many Media join in the ceremony because it is the new opportunity to support Thai economics and develop the country with the children and kids ' powers. There are many celebrities joining, such as Dr.Nharamin Wishanuson Kumraks , the President Mahamongkol Film Studio Production Co, Ltd From 9 Channel MCOT HD , Ms. Apisaranat Tinwang , the singer and Influencer .



Cushion Kenyans On High Costs Of Living, Governor Njuki Urges Ruto

By: Our Reporter
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Tharaka Nithi County Governor Muthomi Njuki is calling on President William Ruto to institute measures that will cushion Kenyans from the vagaries of the high cost of living while asking Kenyans to be patient.

Speaking at the Chuka DC grounds during the Jamhuri day celebrations, governor Njuki said Kenyans were becoming weary of the status as is and it was incumbent of the Kenya Kwanza government to reign in on the current status.

Consequently, Governor Njuki has lauded president Ruto's administration in its efforts of settling the country's debt, noting the debt levels were now becoming manageable.

His sentiments coming at a time president Ruto has noted that the country is out of a debt distress level and now on a path to recovery, and

also at a time the Kenya Revenue Authority has announced collection of a trillion shillings.

But even as governor Njuki called on the president to reign in on the runaway cost of living, he asked the president to crack the whip on officials at the Kenya Power whom he accused of sabotaging the country's power.

According to governor Njuki, Kenya Power, which is a monopoly, is not living up to the expectations of Kenyans who are already paying high electricity bills.

Njuki said the KP was seriously letting Kenyans down yet President Ruto's agenda to partner with counties to set up industrial parks in counties is pegged heavily on power.

Njuki, who is also the Council of Governors Health committee chairperson said it is unfathomable that a country like Kenya, which ranks highly amongst its peers in the region, can have frequent power outages affecting the country's main airport, yet no key action is taken.



Governor Muthomi Njuki.

Bunge FC Hammers EALA 5-0 At Inter-Parliamentary Games In Kigali, Rwanda

By: PSCU

Bunge FC today thrashed the East African Legislative Assembly (EALA) football team five goals to nil, in a captivating soccer match at the Kigali Pele Stadium.

Captained by Rarieda MP (Dr.) Otiende Amollo, the team held down their opponents EALA who barely had any attempt at passing the ball past Kenya's tight defense in the second half of the match.

Nyali MP, Mohammed Ali (also a Parliamentary Service Commissioner) gave Kenya its first two goals, scored in quick succession, before Webuye West MP Dan Wanyama netted a Penalty goal across the net manned by the EALA Goalkeeper Kanini Kega.

Senate Majority Leader Senator

Aaron Cheruiyot (Kericho) earned Kenya its fourth goal with an electrifying score, before Kiminini MP Kakai Bisau, netted Kenya's fifth goal, sending the stadium into a frenzy.

Despite the heavy rains at Pele Stadium Team Kenya showed their competitors that they did not come to play when at approximately 15th and 18th minute into the game, Hon. Mohamed scored two goals with great passes from Senator Mohamed Faki. Wanyama scored a penalty after Mohamed was fouled at the 22nd minute.

Senator Cheruiyot scored on the 29th minute and Bisau was hot on the heels with a strong goal at the 33rd minute after dribbling past a host of defenders and sending EALA's goalkeeper Kega grasping for air.

The Parliamentary Service Commissioners Mishi Mboko, Racheal Ameso, Senator John Kinyua and Senator Karugo Thangwa led the



Rarieda MP Hon. Dr. Otiende Amollo (Captain).



Team Kenya led by Rarieda MP Hon. Dr. Otiende Amollo (Captain).

cheering squad made up of various Members of Parliament.

The match Commentator was the very witty and eloquent Nyamira Senator and PSC Commissioner Okong'o Omogeni who engaged the crowd with banter in flawless Kiswahili.

Love Of Books



love for books.

As the President noted, "First of all, every person should lead the library from his own home." The online "Reading contests" held in our country at the same time as reading and Internet networks motivate young people. Because of this, the number of book readers is expanding.

But if we look at our society from the other side, there are more and more people who do not know the value of time and how quickly it passes. Most people are moving more and more, regardless of their time. Of course, this is caused by the increasing number of parents who are indifferent to the future of their children. Of course, the Internet is an integral part of our life. But in the meantime, the Internet keeps young people away from reading books and becoming a suitable member of society. But disconnecting from the Internet can be a big mistake, because we need the Internet to keep up with the times.

We young people must work for the development of modern Uzbekistan.

Norbekova Dilshoda Umidovna

One of the topics of today is books and Internet networks. These topics are being developed day by day. For example, today, if we talk to our peers and brothers and sisters, the Internet networks are filled with various "Vine and Prank". Is this true? Children of the 21st century. Shouldn't it be perfect in every way?

By the way, "Reading young people are the future of the country". Today, the promotion of spirituality, the culture of reading among young people is on the agenda, the role of reading books to lead a person to spiritual maturity and to show that he is a mature and perfect person in all respects is extremely incomparable.

In our country, some help is being provided to educate young people with humanity and

Put Your Eyes On Argentina



When Milei makes peace with a chainsaw
The world is good.
This Trump Donkey impersonator
With two aunts who seem good
A She Donkey, his wife
And a She Ass, his sister
With their two melons on their chest
In the style of the Italian "Meloni"
It's very funny
And chainsaw pounder
Wanting, that's his promise
Bring peace among argentinians
Giving death to murderous death
Of the criminal coup generals
Laughing, touching balls
Of the mothers of the Plaza de Mayo
Giving life to raw and hard fascism
That another day, at its morning
From this circus president
That will say to his people with a loud shout:
-Cover yourself well with the chainsaw
Almost entirely your fighting body
That death for our opponents
Comes without letting them live a day.

-Don't leave any
My loved Pricks and Cunts Fighters
That Trump sent me.
My chainsaw will hurt
Their hearts of big sewer rats
Infusing you with vital breaths
And mortal fear of them.
-My Argentine people
Ass fools with stinging flowers
If you are going to give me a kiss
Give it to my two she donkeys first
That they have brought me forward.
This is how the Argentinians are
And will be relieved
This Ass president
The one they called "the crazy one"
In the Seminary
Making, to make roses and suns
As that blessed woman
That smoke came out of her ass
People asking what she was doing
She responding:
-Far with lover's affection
How it is done in the Vatican
With the Papas
That, before God, they are worth so much.
Oh Argentina
How many bitternesses and lethal thorns
Are waiting for you
Thanks to this Ass
Elected president i
-Daniel de Culla

To My Friend



My friend, live for your country
May the spirit of your ancestors
always be happy
Just look for the strength of the
Uzbeks

Evil, be happy, get away from you

Be proud of your people, motherland
Let them say that this is our child
Let your beady eyes shine with joy
May all your paths be filled with light

Do good for yourself is a habit

Get your parents' consent
Protect the country, show loyalty
Be sure to justify their trust

Live as a country, live as my people
Love your country like Najmuddin Kubro
Take care of every corner
Know your motherland as holy as your
mother.

Odina Rustamjonova, 9th grade student
of Ishakhan Ibrat Creativity School

Poor Palestine' Children And Other Wars



Poor Palestine' children and other wars!
They tell us about Western Civilization
From the Judeo-Christian Civilization
Of Islamic Civilization
From the East' civilizations
That are all nothing more than mere nonsense
And obscene lies.
The legitimacy of their gods, buddhas or gurus
It is nothing more than this:
Crime, murders, barbarism, wars
Raising the murderers to the sky
More cruel and evil
That they were born on this Earth.
The warlords feed on the dead
That's why they traffic so many wars
Coming to snatch nations, countries, lands
Leaving tied or dead
To all those who, in their paths
They find.
These murderous criminals don't care
Taking children from their mothers
To get drunk with his blood

Catching and capping the father
With a shot in his parts
On the back or the neck.
It is well known that barbarism
Western Jewish Christian
Islamic or Eastern has no limits.
What times were those of Paganism
When they made offerings to the Sun or the
Moon
When those humans only knew
To love the animals and species of the Earth
And to the stars in the sky i
The gods of our Civilizations
They are trashy and silent
Because no one is left behind.
There have been many
And there continue to be many
Children who die from shrapnel
Bathed in blood
Gifts of Life itself
They don't deserve death
Because there is no sin in them.
Mama mia!
This is how you live and are born on this Earth.
Damn the anti-abortionists of all religions
Damn the warlords
With toga, miter, crown, Fringes
Epavalettes, gallons, sashes
Tiaras or capes
Even that criminal and murderous bunch
Of the common people
Very facultative in rapes and deaths
Defending and wanting to bring
How many children does God give them
Your damn God
To be fodder for wars.
-Daniel de Culla

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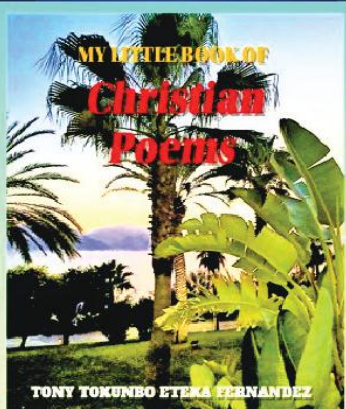
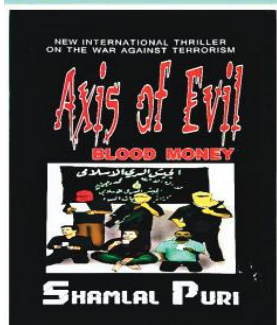
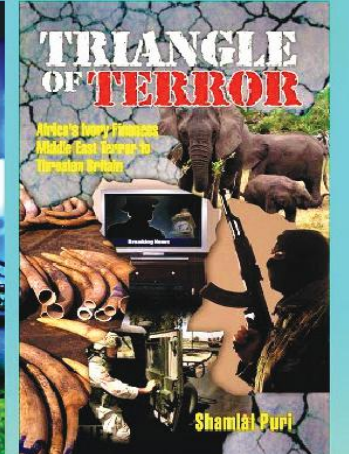
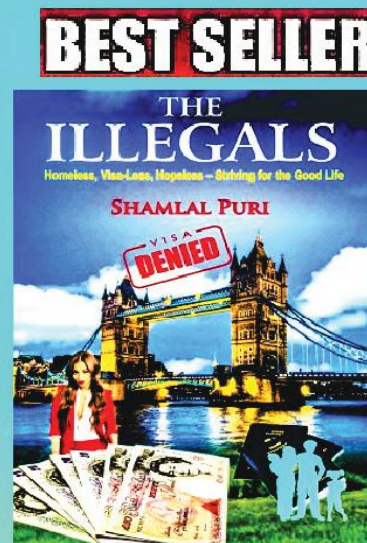
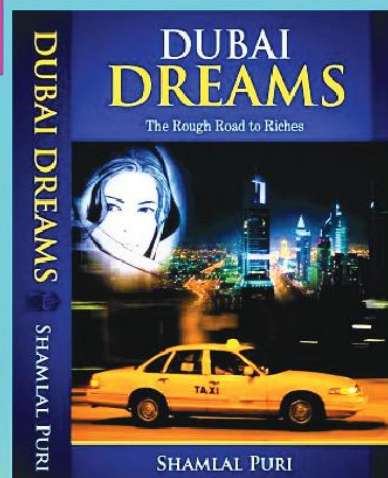
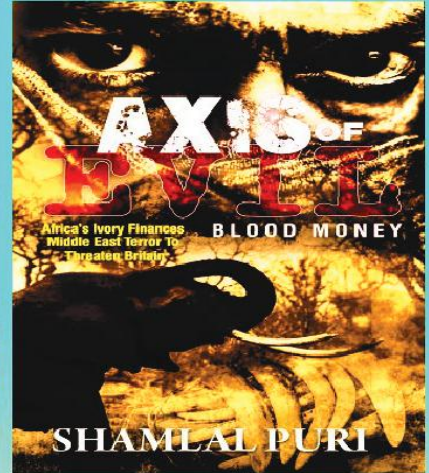
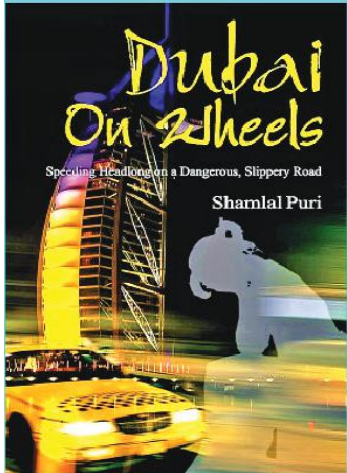
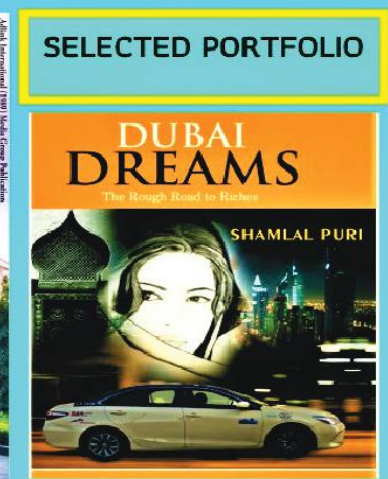
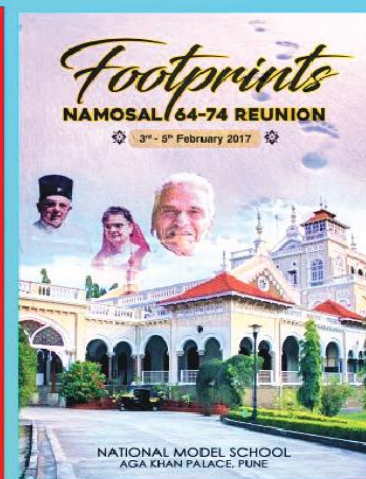
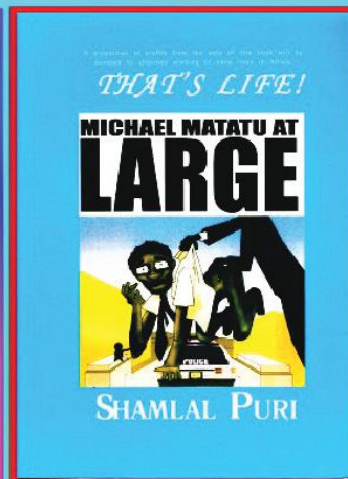
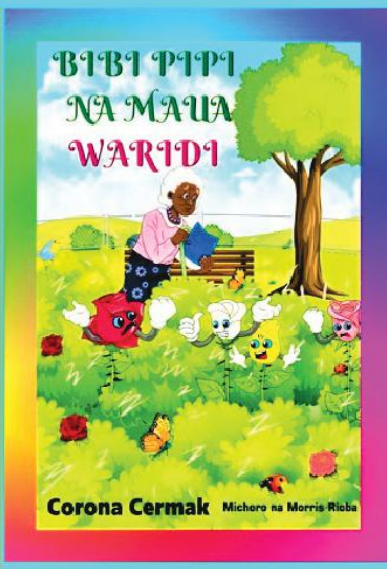
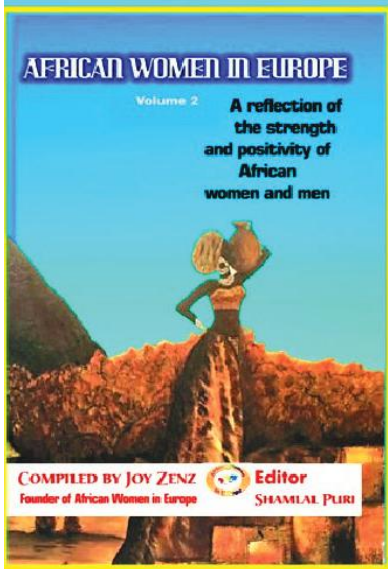
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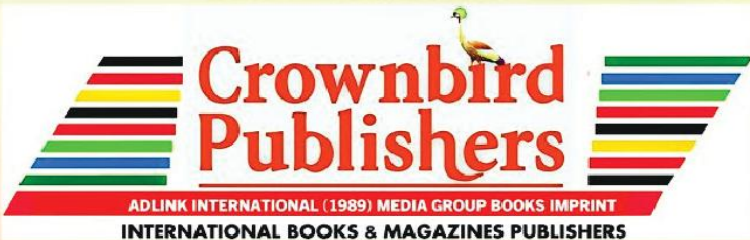
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LEADERS

Redefining Leadership: Voices from Kenya's Youth Leaders



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Worth Noting:

- Mumbua Kyalo, a fervent advocate for youthful innovation, believes that the future hinges upon the innovative thinking and determination of young leaders.
- Esther Ngure, a prominent youth leader representing Mount Kenya, echoes the urgency for young people to claim their space in leadership.
- On another front, Maimuna Ahmednur delves into the complexities of service and sacrifice. She sheds light on the human tendency to lose oneself while serving others, emphasizing the need for self-preservation amidst dedication to community and service.

In the heart of Kenya, a wave of change is being championed by passionate young leaders, each echoing the call for a redefined future. Mumbua Kyalo, Esther Ngure, and Maimuna Ahmednur stand as beacons, each with a unique voice, rallying for progress, inclusivity, and a reinvigorated sense of identity within their communities.

Mumbua Kyalo, a fervent advocate for youthful innovation, believes that the future hinges upon the innovative thinking and determination of young leaders. Her resounding message resonates with the potential for change, emphasizing the pivotal role technology plays in addressing global challenges. Kyalo champions the empowerment of the youth, urging for their active participation in reshaping various domains, be it technology, sustainability, or social justice.

Esther Ngure, a prominent youth leader representing Mount Kenya, echoes the urgency for young people to claim their space in leadership. Ngure underscores the importance of inclusivity and opportunity, advocating for the active involvement of the youth in decision-making processes that directly impact their communities. Her impassioned plea for inclusivity serves as a catalyst for change, heralding a new era where youthful voices are integral in shaping the narrative of progress.

On another front, Maimuna Ahmednur delves into the complexities of service and sacrifice. She sheds light on the human tendency to lose oneself while serving others, emphasizing the need for self-preservation amidst dedication to community and service. Ahmednur's insights prompt reflection on the importance of maintaining personal identity and well-being while wholeheartedly contributing to the betterment of society.

Moreover, Ahmednur shines a spotlight on the pastoral community in Kenya. She advocates for inclusivity within this vibrant community, emphasizing the significance of equal representation and involvement in decision-making processes. Her clarion call for unity and fairness within the pastoral community echoes the broader message of inclusivity and empowerment.

Collectively, the voices of Kyalo, Ngure, and Ahmednur resound with a unified vision—a vision of inclusivity, empowerment, and identity preservation. Their impassioned pleas for change underscore the urgent need for a new chapter in Kenya's leadership narrative, one where the youth play a pivotal role, where inclusivity reigns supreme, and where personal well-being is honored alongside service to others. These leaders stand as harbingers of hope, catalysts for transformation, and architects of a brighter, more inclusive tomorrow in Kenya.



Mumbua Kyalo



Esther Ngure.



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Inaugural Mashujaa Wa Kusoma Challenge Attracts Dozens Of Families

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In a remarkable literacy achievement, 150 families have risen to the challenge, wholeheartedly embracing the inaugural Mashujaa Wa Kusoma Challenge launched in October.

The initiative was started through a collaboration between Worldreader and Kenya National Library Service (KNLS).

The challenge, which is set to captivate reading culture, encourages children across Kenya to get on board on a journey of literary exploration by reading 25 books in a single month.

The Mashujaa Reading Challenge was strategically initiated on October 20th, the Mashujaa Day, symbolically picking up the baton from the heroes who paved the way for our country's independence and those who have continued to doing great things for the country.

In this vein, parents assumed the role of being heroes to their children by providing avenues for the wholesome growth of their children through shared literary adventures.

The call saw 50 children emerging triumphant by reading and completing 25 books, and more in just one month.

This literary activity, powered by BookSmart, a free digital library by Worldreader with over 3000 books, aimed at fostering reading culture, has set a new standard for the love of reading more so during the school holidays.

The event culmination and crowning of the reading heroes happened ten days ago; on December 2, at Maktaba Kuu, Upperhill area, Nairobi.

The colorful event was graced by among them; Worldreader Co-founder Collin McElwee, KNLS Director Acquisition, Philomena Mwirigi, Snr Director, Partnerships and Services-Worldreader Kenya, Olivia Kimani, Worldreader Board Members, parents, children etc.

"Reading is a window to ideas, an avenue for experiencing multiple cultures, and a pathway to self-growth. It's important to introduce books to children because they serve as a source of wisdom, education, and positive energy." said Colin McElwee in his address, while Philomena Mwirigi added, "I implore everyone to harness the abundant resources within the library, fostering



From left: Colin McElwee-Co-Founder Worldreader, Austin Okoth-Program manager Worldreader, Adan Omar- Best reader for Mashujaa Wa Kusoma Reading Challenge, Olivia Kimani-Senior Director Partnerships and Services Worldreader Kenya, Kaltuma Sama- Director Virtual Library KNLS, Philomena Mwirigi- Director Acquisition KNLS

a nationwide reading culture. In the written word, we find the true heroes and stories that inspire greatness."

During the celebration, parents and caregivers were acknowledged for their strong commitment to literacy,

truly showing heroism by helping their children through the wonderful gift of reading. Children were cheered for their love of reading and also given awards for their reading accomplishments.

Parents and caregivers were encouraged to bring their children to the library, unlocking the world of possibilities that await within its walls.

Kenya To Be A Visa-Free Country From January 2024 - President Ruto

By: Moses Kinyanjui

President William Ruto yesterday announced that his government has decided to abolish visa requirements for all global visitors beginning January 2024.

This he said during the 60th Jamhuri Day celebrations at Uhuru Gardens, Nairobi, where he noted that the abolishment lies on the backdrop of embracing globalisation and opening the borders to spur the socio-economic development of the country.

"Beginning January 2024, Kenya will be a visa-free country. It shall no longer be necessary for any person from any corner of the globe to carry the burden of applying for a visa to come to Kenya," said Ruto.

He further stated that to implement this new policy, a digital platform

has been developed to ensure that all travellers to Kenya will be identified in advance on an electronic platform. He added that upon identification, the visitor will obtain an electronic travel authorisation.

"To echo the call of the Turkana people to the world: "Tobong'u Lorre!" a simple message to humanity: Welcome Home!"

President Ruto has been championing the realisation of a borderless Africa by advocating for visa-free travel.

Kenya becomes the second country in Africa to open its borders recently. On November 3, 2023, Rwanda announced visa-free travel for all Africans.

Before waiving visa requirements for all nations, Kenya had recently lifted visa requirements Indonesia nationals.

Ruto announced that Kenya had lifted visa restrictions on Indonesian passport holders after bilateral talks



President William Ruto during a guard of honour at the 60th Jamhuri Day celebrations at Uhuru Gardens, Nairobi on December 12, 2023

with the Southeast Asian country's leader Joko Widodo on August 21.

This made Indonesia join Senegal and Congo as the countries Kenya has visa-free agreements with in re-

cent months. Comoros is also set to ink a similar agreement with Kenya by the end of the year.

His agenda has also been supported by Deputy President Rigathi Gacha-

gua who said that the move will help free the continent from perennial challenges and foster cross-border development.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

El-nino Has Revealed The Level Of Integrity Of Our Leaders



Bridge Affected By Heavy Floods.

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Tonny O. Blair

According to weather focus the predictions for El-nino was, it may last up to February next year that's about 3 - 4 months. For the few days, lives have been lost, property destroyed, infrastructure damaged; in most affected areas tarmac roads are swept away. The concern remains, were the roads constructed within the required quality? Or rather the tar was

just spread to sugar coat and blind-fold citizens for political gains?

Some regions ignored the call. They left their bridges and culverts unopened and unclean making innocent people to suffer. Therefore, the ongoing rains has truly revealed how the leaders we elected are of low and questionable integrity. The notion of "we must see, is when we can believe it exists or it's harmful" should be something of the past, with the level of technological advancements and modernization that shouldn't be the case.

Slow and insufficient action on mitigation and adaptation is increasing translating into the soft and hard limits to adaptations, some of which may have already be reached. One way in which loss and damage from climate change arise is when efforts to avoid or minimize climate impacts through mitigation and adaptation fail. This raises concerns about ability of our leaders to anticipate and manage increasingly complex climate risks.

Although some notable adaptation

progress has been made, additional adaptation gaps remain when taking into full account the full complexity of climate risks and the potential for maladaptation. In Kenya, the adverse and cascading impacts of disasters have eroded livelihoods and coping capacities. Flooding has resulted in greater loss of lives and damage of property than other natural hazards.

Responding to the cascading risks and impacts of the climate crisis requires a transdisciplinary, cross-scale and cross-sector approach. Understanding, identifying and attributing cascading effects to specific climate shocks and stressors is key to developing ways to build adaptive capacity and resilience. However, it's very likely that the cost of adaptation will be much higher than the usual anticipated.

Therefore, the government should ensure that the risk prone areas those close to dams, river, and large water bodies to ensure that the safety of all citizens are cared for. Moreover, we should promote green urban development, this will not exposed most

of the buildings to strong winds hence leading to their destructions since the presence of trees are able to slow down wind strong winds normally experienced in most areas.

Furthermore, the government should prioritize bodies like Kenya Red Cross and others which plays the same roles, at least to ensure in cases of emergencies there is no inconveniences experienced in their operations. The loss of life of a single individual should mean something to us, not just taken normal as mostly observed. In line with the same, the bodies that are responsible for emergencies purpose; it's "my prayer" that you operate with utmost integrity.

Finally, prevention is better than cure. Let's protect nature, say "NO" to environmental injustices, and enhance sustainable environmental conservation so as to bring to an end to this unnecessary and untimely deaths. All for one, one for all.

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Deficiencies In The Upbringing Of Children In The Family



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- Including social - material dependence in the family, distribution of family roles, as well as , subordination to priority relations in society, striving for power, leadership, etc.
- Cultural - is a specific type of family relations related to customs and traditions developed in the cultural conditions in which the family was created and exists.
- The above system of complex connections is clearly visible in family education. At the same time, the main causes of disorders in the upbringing of children in the family are determined by the lack of parental function and tasks, regular non-compliance with moral standards in their relationships, lack of mutual respect, protection, psychological support, care and attention.

Abstract - Children's education is gaining importance in most of the modern families. As a result of improper upbringing of a child in the family, various changes occur in the child's behavior and abnormal behavior is observed among them. Solving this issue is becoming an urgent problem today.

Keywords - pedagogical knowledge, deviant behavior, prevention, mass culture, function.

Each family as a social structure performs certain functions in front of the society. When talking about the social functions of the family, on the one hand, it is necessary to take into account the influence of society on the family, and on the other hand, the role of the family in the general social structure and the responsibility for social tasks. Today, in modern community, family education as an institution fulfills its effective role and tasks. One of such tasks and functions is the comprehensive nurture of the young generation of our future. It is known that a family keeps what a person has acquired from the first days of his childhood and keeps throughout his life. Therefore, there are many positive aspects of the family in raising a child, which is clearly expressed in love and care. It should be noted that in the life of an infant, the reputation of parents and the effectiveness of instruction methods are important. In particular, the family is one of the primary factors that determine the maturity of a person.

When thinking about the family, it is necessary to pay attention to the specific aspects of family relationships, family upbringing methods, parent-child relationship. Accordingly, 4 types of family relationships are distinguished in the literature. Including psychophysiological-biological kinship and sexual satisfaction relationships.

Psychological - refers to mutual trust, openness, sincerity, spiritual and emotional support, caring for each other among family members.

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Today, in foreign scientific literature, there are opinions that the relation is the first subject of human education and it plays a leading role in the formation of personality.

It is known that in the analysis of factors affecting the formation of de-

viant behavior in a teenager from problematic families, we initially tried to approach from the point of view of family classifications. For this purpose, we paid attention to categorization put forward by V.A.Gurieva. According to her grouping, based on the level of social adaptation, families are divided into types such as high, medium, low and very low and allocate a prosperous family, a family at risk, a dysfunctional family, and an antisocial family. In the opinion of scientist prosperous families successfully perform their functional tasks due to their high flexibility based on financial, psychological and other internal reserves. In prosperous families, the needs and inclinations of a growing kid's personality are met in a timely and appropriate manner, and educational problems are successfully solved.

Families belonging to the risk group are characterized by the presence of unpleasant, negative situations that affect the child's personality. Examples of such families are single-parent families, low-income families based on destructive parental relationships that reduce the ability to adapt to these segments of society. In families of this category, parents grow up with high levels of stress. Therefore, based on their life experiences, they try to educate others. In fact, the representatives of this family serve as a role model for their children in their upbringing.

Dysfunctional families are characterized by low social status in a certain area of life activity or in most cases. Children raised in dysfunctional families, alienation, distance from each other in mutual relations, separation from older people and frequent use of physical punishments are observed. In this case, mostly adults cannot fulfill the family tasks and functions assigned to them. As a result, the potential of flexibility in the infant's character is not sufficiently evaluated, and the upbringing of the maturing person is accompanied by problems and difficulties.

Asocial families are based on an immoral and illegal lifestyle of senior members of the family. Living conditions of people in these families do not correspond to epidemiological norms. Often in families of this category, parents are not engaged in the education of children, as a result of teenagers are neglected and age-related delays in intellectual and physical development occur. Therefore, in most cases, children are victims of acts of violence by their parents or other citizens of equal social status.

A number of authors indicate options related to educational situations that contribute to the emergence of deviant behavior;

- lack of conscious educational influence on the child;
- excessive strictness and even a high level of violence in upbringing, especially this method loses its power by the time of adolescence;
- exaggerating the independence of the child in the family for malicious reasons;
- discipline in upbringing due to dis-

agreement of parents in the family

Due to reasons such as the ease of dissemination of information through the mass media (media), especially the Internet, and their large volume, parents pay enough attention to reading special literature on family relations and effective organization of children's education in the family. The main goal of the society is to raise a well-rounded generation. This is achieved by increasing the number of parents who love books. After all, no means, including mass media, can replace books (special literature) in improving the pedagogical knowledge of parents. In addition, the personal example of reading parents increases children's interest in reading and books in the family environment. Reading a book has many advantages. In particular: 1) children understand life and its meaning early; 2) learn to behave wisely and correctly in various life situations; 3) they develop the ability to think; 4) they are aware of the moral standards recognized by the society and learn to correctly assess their social importance; 5) on the example of the heroes of the work, they have the opportunity to understand the essence of truth and injustice, freedom and arbitrariness, good and evil, good and bad, black and white, and achieve the formation of certain moral qualities in themselves. Due to the speed of modern development, as well as the wide spread of the ideas promoted under the name of "mass culture" in the territory of different regions, the high efficiency of organizing training is not visible today. For this reason, family scientists are paying serious attention to the development of recommendations for improving the effectiveness of family education and their implementation. Such recommendations are discussed below.

1. Reasons for unsatisfactory family upbringing and their elimination. Among the main reasons for the unsatisfactory upbringing of children in the family environment, the following can be distinguished: 1. Low level of economic development of the family. Today, although parents are employed and receive a stable monthly salary, the needs of family members (for example: each family member needs a mobile phone (they need a monthly service fee), due to the daily increase in the need for provision of notebooks, netbooks, as well as the use of Internet services, certain difficulties arise in the formation of the family budget and its rational use. This in itself requires parents to continuously engage in work that allows them to earn additional income, in addition to their main job. Parents, who spend most of their time working, are spending their time earning means of livelihood (salary, food products, raw materials, etc.). 2. Lack of a conscious approach to establishing a lifestyle: In most parents, there is a desire for coercive power, social tension, uncertainty about the future, fear of losing their job, which leads to their excessive causes physical and mental stress, as a result of which cases of various diseases are noticed. 3. In the modern family, more

responsibilities are imposed on women. Today's women are burdened with more than they can handle, both at work and at home. According to the results of the conducted researches, today's women work 77 hours a week, of which 36 hours are spent on housework. 4. High number of family divorces. This situation is caused by many social-household and spiritual-ethical reasons. In all periods, family divorces are a strong psychological shock for children, which has a sharp negative impact on their morals and psyche. 5. That father and mother are not equally responsible for organizing children's education. In most families, the concept is formed that a man - the head of the family - should mainly solve the economic and financial issues of the family, and the upbringing of children is the sole responsibility of the mother. Today, some fathers even have the idea that "raising children is not the responsibility of the family, but of the mother." In many cases, women themselves are the cause of this kind of prejudice. Instead of encouraging 87 men to take practical action, they began to say, "If you don't earn, I'll earn money myself." 6. Growing conflicts between generations. Recently, various conflicts have arisen in families for one or another trivial reason. The fact that the main conflicts arise between the mother-in-law and the daughter-in-law is a sign that the age-old traditions of the Uzbek people are being forgotten.

7. Unable to achieve continuous cooperation between the family and educational institutions. Another characteristic of modern families is the regulation of family relations in a legal context. Thus, the reduction of the number of family members in families, the separation of generations requires a new approach to family coaching. One of such approaches is providing socio-pedagogical support to families. When providing educational support to the family by social pedagogues, it is necessary to focus on strengthening its role as a small social group that ensures family members live together or as a social institution that ensures family members reside their daily lives based on kinship.

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Messi, Ronaldo To Renew Rivalry In Saudi Friendly



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Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo are set to renew their rivalry when Inter Miami face Al-Nassr in a pre-season friendly in Saudi Arabia in February.

The fixture is part of the Riyadh Season Cup, with Miami also playing Al-Hilal on 29 January.

Miami had denied they were taking part in the tournament when plans were initially announced in November.

"These matches will offer important tests for our team," Inter Miami sporting director Chris

Henderson said.

"We're excited for our group to get the chance to go up against teams with as much quality as Al-Hilal and Al-Nassr."

Widely regarded as all-time greats, forwards Messi, 36, and Ronaldo first met in 2008 when Barcelona beat Manchester United 2-0 in the Champions League final and have faced each other on a further 34 occasions, with the Argentine winning 16 times and the Portuguese coming out on top in 10 fixtures, while nine have ended in a draw.

Across those 35 encounters,

Messi has scored 21 goals and laid on 12 assists, while Ronaldo, 38, has 20 goals and one assist to his name.

Inter Miami finished 14th in the Eastern Conference last season and they won the Leagues Cup, with Messi, who joined the club in July, scoring 10 goals across seven games to help the club lift their first trophy.

Saudi Arabia has invested vast sums into sports, football in particular, with Ronaldo, Karim Benzema, Sadio Mane, N'Golo Kante and Jordan Henderson all signing for Saudi Pro League

clubs over recent years.

Campaigners say investment into sport is being used to distract from long-standing reputation issues such as Saudi Arabia's human rights record, the 2018 murder of journalist Jamal Khashoggi, and the war in Yemen - a process known as 'sportswashing', although the Kingdom's sports minister, Prince Abdulaziz bin Turki Al Faisal, says those claims are "very shallow."

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Returning Leao Boosts Milan's Champions League Mission Impossible Attempt



AC Milan's Portuguese forward Rafael Leao chest controls the ball during a training session on May 15, 2023 at the Milanello Sports Center in Carnago, northwest of Milan, on the eve of the UEFA Champions' League semi-final second leg football match between Inter Milan and AC Milan. (Photo by Marco BERTORELLO / AFP)

Rafael Leao returns for AC Milan's last desperate attempt to reach the Champions League knockouts, the seven-time European champions staring at early elimination ahead of their final Group F match at Newcastle on Wednesday.

Portugal attacker Leao has been out of action for the past month with a hamstring injury but Milan are confident their winger will be ready to start at St James' Park and repeat his mesmerising display against Paris Saint-Germain from a month ago.

The 24-year-old is Milan's undoubted star man, the player who when on form is capable of turning a match in his side's favour but whose performances have been erratic in a troubled season for the Italian outfit.

Milan will need the version of Leao which tore PSG to bits if they are to have any chance of progressing to the last 16 as a painful home loss to Borussia Dortmund in their most recent group fixture left qualification out of their hands.

Leao has scored four times and set up three more this season but has been criticised for lacklustre performances, his equaliser in the 2-1 home win over PSG his first goal in the best part of two months.

"Criticism spurs me on, keep talking because I'll reply on the pitch," said Leao after the PSG win, which was the last time he found the net as he picked up his hamstring knock a few days later at Lecce.

After the Dortmund defeat which left Milan bottom of the group, Yacine Adli said his team had a "two-to-three percent chance of qualifying", and making it to the next round is indeed a tall order.

Milan must beat Newcastle, not an impossible task judging by the 4-1 thumping Eddie Howe's team took at Tottenham on Sunday, but also need group leaders Dortmund to beat PSG who are two points ahead of Milan in second spot.

A 3-0 thrashing in Paris in October means that Milan have to finish on more points than PSG otherwise it's relegation to the Eu-

ropa League or -- if they don't win in England -- elimination from all continental competition.

- Pioli at risk? - And the team is already at a low ebb after Saturday's last-gasp defeat at Atalanta which left Milan nine points behind Serie A leaders Inter Milan and fans calling for coach Stefano Pioli's head.

Pioli has good relations with the club hierarchy and American owners RedBird, and he has a lot of credit in the bank after leading Milan back to the top echelons of the game.

The 2022 Serie A title and last season's run to the semi-finals of the Champions League have been the high points of the post-Silvio Berlusconi era.

He also gets on well with returning idol Zlatan Ibrahimovic, who was key alongside Pioli to re-establishing Milan as a big player.

Ibrahimovic, who called time on his playing career in June, has been brought in as a "senior advisor" by RedBird with a wide mandate which has been met with confusion from fans and pundits

alike and led to suspicion that Pioli's job is at risk.

"When he returned to Milan as a player, he was in the dressing room and had an impact there," said Fabio Capello, a four-time Serie A winner with Milan in the 1990s.

"We don't know if he's allowed in the dressing room or if he's allowed to give Pioli hand, nor do we know whether bringing him in will weaken Pioli's authority."

With just three wins from 10 matches since the October international break, Pioli's authority has already been questioned by fans, and he hasn't been helped by a raft of injuries.

Milan are so short in defence that France's buccaneering left-back Theo Hernandez will again have to fill in at centre-back alongside Fikayo Tomori, further placing the onus on Leao to be the miracle worker.

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Dolly Masiloamangwe To Grace Ghana Volta Fashion Week Ramp



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Worth Noting:

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Dolly is always ready to shine and is calling out to possible sponsors and collaborations to grow her craft as the most challenging aspect is being nominated abroad for awards and fashion works and lacking transportation or flight and accommodation logistics as for now Modelling locally does not yield much income to sustain her.

To upcoming models Dolly encourage young ones to go to school, work and modeling as a side job as it is hard without sponsors and income.



Dolly Masiloamangwe.