



**Don't Equate My Call For Unity With Tribalism, DP Gachagua Tells Critics**

Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua has told critics of his unity call to stop equating it with tribalism. The Deputy President explained that the unity he is agitating for in Mount Kenya is to rally the region and all its people, including those who voted for the opposition, behind President William Ruto.

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# State Endorses Raila AU Chairperson Bid

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Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi (Right) alongside former Prime Minister Raila Odinga addressed the media Wednesday regarding Kenya's candidacy for the African Union Commission (AUC) chairmanship.

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# Invest In Africa's Renewable Energy, Ruto To Global North Investors

By: PCS



President William Ruto.

### Worth Noting:

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President William Ruto has raised concerns over the under-funding of Africa’s renewable energy development.

He said though it was encouraging that 2023 recorded the largest increase in renewable energy capacity, with the addition of about 500 gigawatts globally and new investments worth \$600 billion, Africa fared badly.

The President said Africa possesses the highest untapped potential of renewable energy reserves in the world but had only managed 3 gigawatts of the global increase.

“The continent with the world’s greatest potential and the highest demand cur-

rently accounts for a paltry 1.6% of the world’s total renewable energy capacity,” he said.

He pointed out that Africa offers huge opportunities for wealthy investors from the Global North in clean energy, offering a win-win outcome for them and the continent.

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mate Change Response and Transition to Carbon-Free Energy in Seoul, South Korea.

The President said recent floods in Kenya and other parts of the world were a result of climate change and called for joint efforts to mitigate the effects of the phenomenon.

He said Kenya had made tremendous efforts in renewable and clean energy, adding that the country’s power grid is 93% green.

He urged Korea and Korean investors to continue supporting Kenya in clean energy adoption as the country pursues the ambitious plan to enhance the current

grid from 3GW to 100GW by 2040.

“The ambition is realistic because Kenya is endowed with abundant potential in every type of renewable energy,” he said.

The President said Africa launched the Africa Green Industrialisation Initiative at COP28 to promote the growth of clean energy manufacturing.

He said this potential puts the continent at an advantage to seize the economic opportunities within the global energy transition.

“This can be achieved by mobilising \$1 trillion from public and private finance by 2030,” he said.

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## THEME

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## NEWS IN BRIEF



Nanyuki Municipality, established in March 2016, has received a charter from Laikipia County. Residents are optimistic that, with sufficient funding, urban infrastructure will be rehabilitated, including sports stadiums, sanitation, and drainage. According to the county annual budget estimates for the financial year 2023-2024 supplementary budget, Nanyuki Municipality received Sh. 7 million for road network improvement, urban housing development, and board of management operations. The proposed budgetary allocation for the financial year 2024-2025 is about Sh12 million, which residents said was not enough. The Kenya Urban Support Programme (KUSP2), spearheaded by the World Bank, aims to catalyse urban infrastructure development. The municipality also provides opportunities for youth in various sectors, including sports. The government is expected to address challenges such as water, storm drainage, walkway improvements, and recreational park construction and maintenance.



Public Service, Performance, and Delivery Management Cabinet Secretary Moses Kuria has announced that the country's economy is set to grow to 7.2% in 2027/2028, up from 4.8% in 2022. The launch of the Fourth Medium Term Plan (MTP IV) 2023-2027, aligned with the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), aims to turn around the country's economy.

Kuria, accompanied by the Principal Secretary in the State Department of Wildlife, Silvia Museiya, will monitor the MTP IV Plan's delivery and performance.

"I am confident that by the year 2027 the government will achieve its goal of growing up the economy to 7 percent," said Kuria, while urging Kenyans to be optimistic regarding economic growth and stop spreading negativity that the economy is not doing well.

He urged Kenyans to remain optimistic about economic growth and encouraged the Nairobi County team to focus on cosmopolitan development rather than societal vices like tribalism and corruption.

Priority projects in MTP IV include the construction and rehabilitation of railway and road works in Nairobi County.

Five Kenya Prisons officers and six inmates were injured in a road accident in Homa Bay town. The land cruiser pick-up belonging to Rachuonyo GK Prisons lost control and was overturned on the outskirts of the town.

Kenya Red Cross officials and security officers rushed the victims to Homa Bay County Referral Hospital.

Homa Bay County Prisons Commander Robert Basigwa said one of the officers sustained serious injuries after a firearm in his possession gored his stomach, while some inmates suffered minor injuries.

The accident occurred when the driver of the land cruiser swerved to avoid hitting a suddenly stopped vehicle. Eyewitnesses said the driver applied emergency breaks before the vehicle lost control and overturned.



Nakuru is set to increase milk production by providing subsidized artificial insemination services to over 200,000 farmers. The plan aims to also improve beef animal breeds and boost meat production. The county currently produces an average of 318 million litres of milk annually, with an estimated turnover of Sh14 billion.

The initiative will provide pedigree semen to dairy farmers, increasing milk production from seven litres to around 12 litres per cow per day.

The cost of the services is expected to grow exponentially, with 23 cooperative societies benefiting from the programme.

The county produces 25,000 to 30,000 litres of milk daily. The Department's sub-county officers will be provided with semen, nitrogen tanks, and technical expertise to offer AI services to dairy farmers.

Livestock Fisheries and Veterinary Services Chief Officer Dr. Michael Cheruiyot said the programme is a game changer, ensuring a thriving dairy and beef industry. The county will continue to provide capacity building training for cooperatives to ensure the success of the programme.

Martha Sunda, Executive Director at Childline Kenya, has highlighted the lack of clear data on child labour in Kenya, which has made it difficult to address the issue. She emphasised that cultural beliefs and practices do not differentiate between child responsibility at home and labour, which is a deprivation of children's rights. The International Labour Organisation (ILO) sponsored a programme called Capacity Strengthening of Governments to Address Child Labour and/or Forced Labour and Violations of Acceptable Conditions of Work in Sub-Saharan Africa (CAPSA) to address this issue.



Sunda called for a proper definition of child labour to educate communities on the divide between a child's responsibilities and child labour. The ILO has been working with African governments to develop policies to end child labour, and Kenya is obligated to fulfil all the requirements of Convention Number 182 on Elimination of Worst Forms of Child Labour and Convention Number 138 on Minimum Age of Admission into Employment.



# Comply Or Face The Law, PIC Governance And Education Tells Vice Chancellors

By: PSCU



National Assembly

## Worth Noting:

- Further, KSh920,013,000 cash and cash equivalents captured in the consolidated statement of financial position, revealed that KSh7,727,190 collected at the university's Nairobi campus had not been captured while cheques payable to Moi University had been irregularly banked in the Moi University Staff Welfare account.
- The Committee noted that failure to provide the supporting documentation, had hampered the auditors' ability to verify the accuracy, completeness, and authenticity of cash and cash equivalents figure of KSh920,013,000.
- Moreover, a lack of documentation suggested that a potential fraud had been committed by the university.
- The Committee further noted that a number of records contained discrepancies and were without justification, reflecting errors, omissions, manipulations and mismanagement.

The Jack Wamboka-led Public Investment Committee on Governance and Education yesterday put university Vice Chancellors on notice on the account of their non-compliance with the law.

This was after the Committee reviewed a report from the Office of the Auditor General which revealed a number of audit queries including non-compliance with the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal (PPAD) Act, 2015, regarding irregular procurements and use of non-competitive procurement practices.

Others were in relation to stalled/incomplete projects and failure to provide contract and tender documents for audit review.

The reports also revealed a number of unauthorized allowances including Irregular payment of sitting allowance and irregular payment of salaries.

According to the report, the institutions displayed ineffective internal audit functions and audit committees, as well as non-compliance with regional distribution in employment, among others.

A summary review of Moi University for instance, showed an irregular banking of student fees into a Welfare Account.

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The members pointed out that this was a red flag for fraudulent activities, and called for the accounting officer to be held accountable.

The Vice Chancellor for Mount Kenya University, Prof. Deogratius Jaganyi was tasked to explain the placement of 27,164 students by KUCCPS over a seven-year period, out of which 24,075 students enrolled.

This had resulted to a variance of 3,089 students from the university which had the highest recorded placement of all private universities.

Further, the university had failed to provide evidence of the capacity declarations made to KUCCPS for the students placed in these universities.

Additionally, records showed that forty-one (41) students in the dis-

bursement records had not been placed by KUCCPS, but had been declared as government-sponsored students.

Further, an amount of Ksh1,675,263 had been disbursed to the university for the students who are not under the Government-Sponsored Students (GSS) program.

The Special Audit established that a total of Kshs.12,080,950 had been disbursed on account of two hundred and ninety-one (291) students who had graduated from the university for the period under review.

In addition, a total of KSh7,810,917 had been granted to 200 students in the university, who had either deferred or were on long academic leave.

Prof. Deogratius in his response gave insights to a number of concerns including the payment of students who had graduated, stating that while most universities run on a two-term semester, MKU runs a trimester hence the continuation of payment after graduation.

Later, ZETECH University led by VC Prof. Njenga Munene were put on the spot over the placement of 9,621 students by KUCCPS, out of which 7,372 students had enrolled, resulting in a variance of 2,249 students.

The lawmakers inquired why the vice chancellor had declared its capacity before receiving a placement from KUCCPS. The MPs sought to know if the institution had declared capacity aligned with the actual

placement, and the basis used to make the placement.

Members also inquired if the university had received funds for the students who had not been enrolled.

The meeting established that a sum of Ksh967,532 had been granted to 19 students who had been with the university for periods longer than their expected durations of the programs undertaken.

Committee Members flagged this as an indication of lack of control measures to track the students' progress.

Turning to Kenya Methodist University, the Committee heard that a Special Audit had revealed a variance of 1,305 students that had been funded. The Audit further revealed that forty-two (42) students in the disbursement records had not been placed by KUCCPS, but had been declared as GSS.

Resultantly, an amount of KSh3,087,704 had been disbursed to the university for the students who were not under GSS program.

The Committee also heard that the Special Audit had also revealed that the capitation disbursement schedules had a duplication of seventy-six (76) students resulting to over payments totaling to Ksh3,433,388.

Records also revealed that 255 students who were funded to the tune of Ksh18,250,890 had been with the university for periods longer than their expected durations of the programs undertaken. A total of Ksh497,835 was also granted to eleven students in the university who had either deferred or were on long academic leave.

Members called for the immediate refund of the amount of Ksh3,433,388 spent on students whose names were duplicated in the payment schedules by the University.

In conclusion, the Members tasked the VCs in private universities to familiarise themselves with the audit process and provide auditors with timely documents for audit.

They were also directed to come up with a mechanism for the university to ensure that students are eligible to payment only within their stipulated duration of program undertaken.

# World Vision, KenGen Inaugurate Water Tank to Combat Water Scarcity, Improve Education Standards

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## Worth Noting:

- KenGen's Managing Director & CEO, Eng. Peter Njenga, in a speech read by Eng. Clety Bore, highlighted the impact of clean water on education and health in Mimwaita Primary School.
- "This initiative is not just about providing water; it is about ensuring that children can focus on their education, stay healthy, and reach their full potential. Because we believe education is an equalizer and enabler in life," he said.



Eng. Clety Bore of KenGen (left) and Mr Fredrick Kasiku of World Vision (right) assisted by a pupil unveils a plaque during the commissioning. Photo/Suleiman Mbatiah

In an effort to improve access to clean and affordable water in rural communities, World Vision and KenGen have inaugurated a 30,000-liter masonry water tank valued at KShs700,000 at Mimwaita Primary School in Rongai, Nakuru County.

The facility is set to benefit over 350 children from the school and the neighboring town of Salgaa, an area plagued by water scarcity, exposing locals to waterborne diseases like cholera, dysentery, diarrhea, and typhoid.

A 2020 needs assessment revealed that the Mimwatia community depends on the seasonal and contami-

nated River Rongai, located 3-5 kilometers away, for both agricultural and domestic water needs.

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He added that KenGen is committed

to environmental stewardship, demonstrated by its tree planting programs. Last year alone, KenGen planted over 350,000 tree seedlings.

By March of this year, he explained, the electricity generating company had already planted more than 270,000 trees, with an additional 180,000 seedlings planned for this quarter.

Frederick Kasiku, Program Effectiveness and Impact Director at World Vision Kenya, expressed gratitude to KenGen for their investment in mitigating the shocking water accessibility and rainwater harvesting in Salgaa.

"This collaboration between KenGen and the Mimwatia community

represents a step towards enhancing health and education outcomes," he noted during the inauguration and handing over of the tank.

Through the Inuka Angaza Fund, a Kenyan-funded program in Salgaa, he revealed, World Vision aims to address critical issues such as water scarcity, education, health, and child protection in the area.

The school's headteacher, Ms. Catherine Karime, hailed the investment, "It will improve sanitation, reduce costs, and allow them to establish a kitchen garden to supplement school meals and support our efforts in combating climate change."

The Kenya National Water and Sanitation Investment and Financing Plan (NAWASIP) reveals a Ksh. 652 billion funding shortfall as Kenya aims for universal access to safe water and sanitation by 2030, in line with Sustainable Development Goal 6.

Since 1974, World Vision has led Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene initiatives in Kenya through strategic partnerships. Similarly, KenGen's CSR focuses on education, water, sanitation, and environmental conservation.

These organizations are crucial in driving WASH sector changes. To address budget deficits and climate challenges, experts say Kenya must enhance innovative financing through partnerships to achieve universal water access by 2030.

During the unveiling of the facility, over 1,000 tree seedlings, donated by KenGen, were planted in the school to mark World Environment Day – 2024 under the theme: land restoration, desertification and drought resilience.

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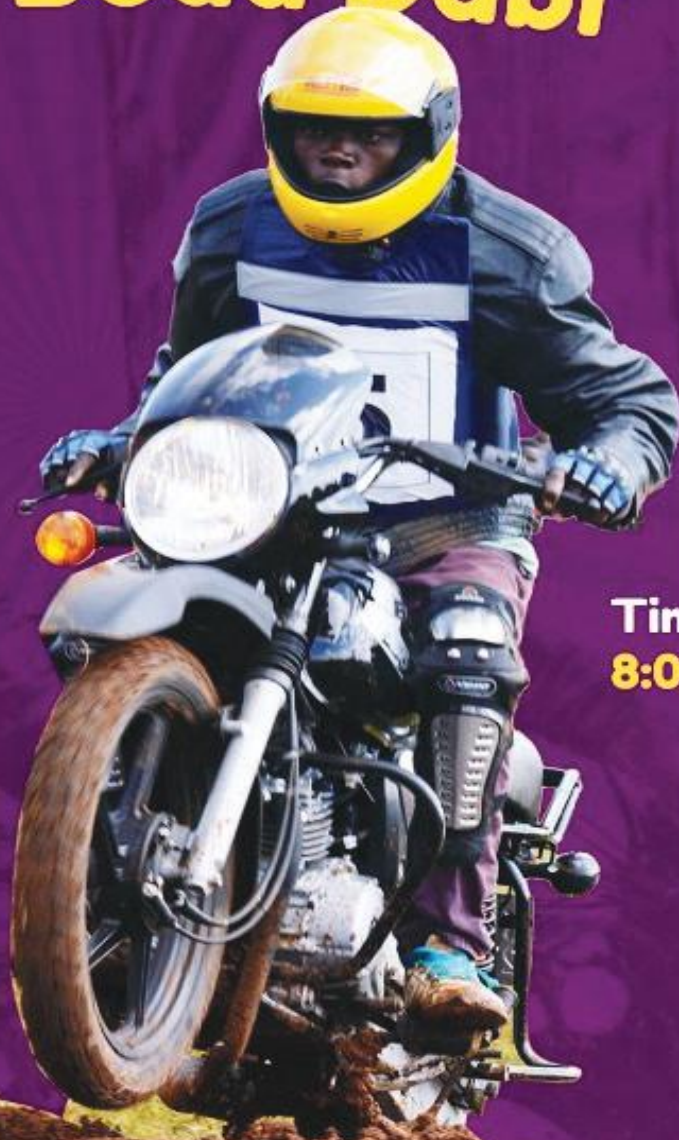


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# Medium Term Plan IV Focuses On The Key Development Agendas

By: David Wandeto  
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Attorney General Justin Muturi (second left).

Attorney General Justin Muturi says the government has formulated different mechanisms to expand the country's revenue base by including more people in the tax bracket to boost tax collection.

"The ideal to raise the level of our taxes as compared to our GDP is too low given the size of our economy in the region, and it's that we include more and more people so that we can expand the revenue base," Muturi said.

Muturi said in the medium-term plan government has factored an additional 30 to 70 judges, who will be distributed in different courts, adding they will be recruiting an additional 11 judges for the Court of Appeal next week. He reiterated that it is important that disputes that end up in court are resolved expeditiously.

The Attorney General also called on the county government to work hand in hand with the national government to make sure farmers sell the

minimum amount of products they produce by adding value to them, saying this will help to improve the living standards of the community.

Muturi was speaking at Kirinyaga University during the launch of a public dissemination forum for the Medium Term Plan IV development programme.

He called for partnership programs by both local and foreign investors as one way to bring development to the country and supported the expressway expected to be constructed from Nairobi to Mombasa through a public-private partnership, saying it

would speed up development.

Elijah Mwangi, the Principal Secretary State Department for Mining, announced the roll out of the Medium Term Plan IV (MTP IV), set to run from July 2023 onwards. This strategic plan, which was the result of extensive county-wide engagements and validated data, was officially launched on Wednesday next week.

PS Mwangi explained that MTP IV provides a comprehensive framework for implementing Kenya's development agenda over the next five years.

Central to this agenda, Mwangi explained is the government's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Strategy, focusing on five critical areas: agriculture, medium and small enterprises (MSMEs), the digital economy, housing and settlement, and health.

These earmarked areas are structured to be executed across six sectors including finance, social protection, governance and public administration, environment, and agriculture.

"The implementation of MTP IV is expected to drive significant development within the country," said Mwangi. "Kirinyaga, in particular, will see notable benefits, including the development of seven key roads."

Kirinyaga County Deputy Governor David Wachira called for the alignment of MTP IV to the county's own Integrated Development Plan (CIDP). He emphasized the anticipated positive impact of an industrial park, which aims to attract investors, add value to local agricultural produce, and create jobs.

"The collaboration between the national and county governments en-

sures that citizens are well-informed about the progress and specifics of the government's plans," Deputy Governor Wachira stated. "Our goal is to keep the public updated on the advancements and benefits that these plans will bring."

The launch and ongoing implementation of MTP IV signify a concerted effort by both national and county governments to foster economic growth and improve the livelihoods of Kenyans through targeted developmental initiatives.

Kirinyaga County Finance Executive Jackline Njogu said Kirinyaga County was among the counties to benefit from the Export Processing Zone (EPZ), saying this will lead to the growth of the economy, thus creating more jobs in the county.

She added that the county government, in partnership with the national government, has given fifty thousand bags of fertilizer to farmers that she expressed optimism would lead to an increase in agricultural products.

# MoH Secures Additional Childhood Vaccines Following Stockouts

By: Capital Correspondent

The Ministry of Health (MoH) has received over 8 million childhood vaccine doses amid stockouts that disrupted immunisation schedules nationwide.

Medical Services Principal Secretary Harry Kimtai Wednesday said the ministry was working to ensure the supplies reach health facilities by the end of the second week of June.

They include 1,209,500 doses of Measles Rubella Vaccine, 3,032,000 doses of OPV, 1,000,000 doses of Tetanus-Diphtheria Vaccine and 3,129,000 doses of BCG vaccine.

"The received vaccines are currently being processed for urgent distribution to the nine regional vaccine stores across the country," Kimtai stated.

He noted that MoH had acquired additional refrigeration capacity to transport the vaccines to nine regional vaccine hubs for last-mile distribution.

He appealed to healthcare workers, Community Healthcare Promoters and caregivers to ensure children who missed vaccines catch-up with their immunisation schedules.

"As the vaccines begin arriving at our facilities, we call on our healthcare workers to collaborate with community health teams to ensure all children who missed vaccinations return to the facilities and catch up on their immunization schedule," Kimtai stated.

The PS said the ministry had secured a funding commitment of Sh1.25 from the National Treasury to support vaccine procurement to aid the transition from donor support by 2030.

"Ring-fencing domestic resources will guarantee sustainable financing



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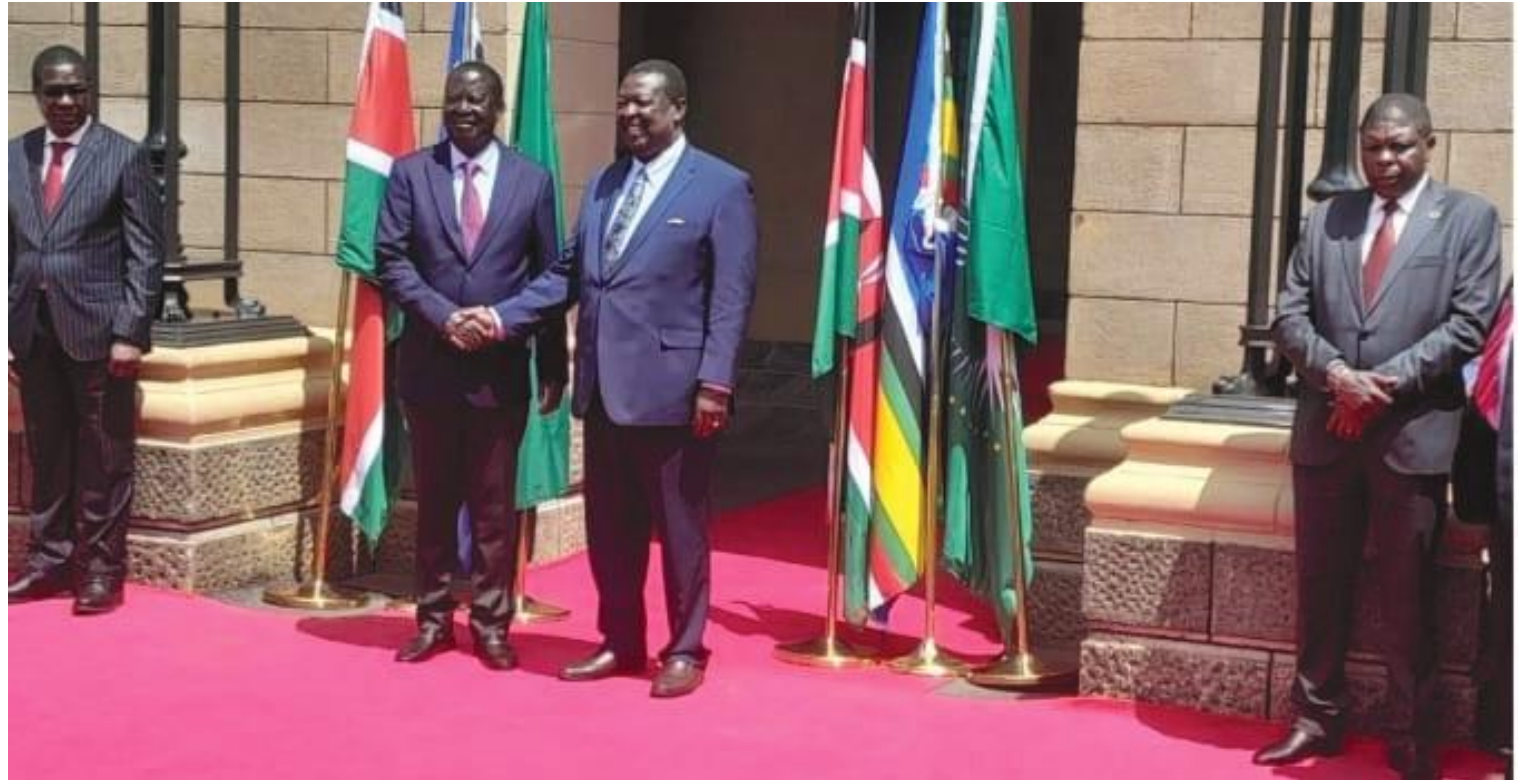
for immunization and universal access to vaccines, aligning with our efforts in Primary Health Care," Kimtai

noted. He committed to mobilise efforts to ensure stable vaccine supplies.

# State Officially Endorses The Candidature Of Raila As AU Chairperson

By: Michael Omondi

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Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi (Right) alongside former Prime Minister Raila Odinga addressed the media Wednesday regarding Kenya's candidacy for the African Union Commission (AUC) chairmanship.

## Worth Noting:

- Mudavadi termed the former PM as a visionary leader who will fire up the AU to greater levels, insisting that as a Pan Africanist, he naturally espouses the 'Think Africa Above All' guiding principle of the AU Commission.
- Further, the Prime CS maintained that Odinga holds dear the AU's ambition of being a people-centered organisation, adding that his experience and leadership philosophy aligns with the AU Commission's values of efficiency, professionalism and respect for diversity.
- "We have no doubt the candidate will pursue excellence in line with the continent's collective aspirations of the Africa we want in 2063 as framed in the AU's development framework of Agenda 2063," he reiterated.

The Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs Musalia Mudavadi and Former Prime Minister Raila Odinga have held a joint press briefing to update the nation on Kenya's candidacy for the African Union (AU) Commission Chairmanship position being sought after by the former premier.

The Prime CS thanked Odinga for the fruitful meeting and progressive discussion they had prior to the press briefing as he, on behalf of the government, endorsed his candidacy to be the AU Chairperson in the elections slated for February next year.

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Mudavadi lauded Kenya's President Dr William Ruto for fully en-

dorsing Odinga's candidature and extensively energizing Kenya's foreign policy thus successfully positioning the country as a champion on Africa affairs in the international arena.

"We are doing all this for the good of our people, Kenya's national interest and the prosperity of our continent," stated Mudavadi, pointing out that this is the time for eastern Africa to nominate a candidate for the position of AU Commission Chairperson based on the principle of inter-regional rotation with the deadline for the submission for the regional nominations two months away on 6th August 2024, according to the AU elections calendar.

The Prime CS disclosed that the campaigns are led by the state with highly experienced and formidable officers, revealing that the State Department for Foreign Affairs has established a Campaign Secretariat which includes Odinga's strategy team.

According to Mudavadi, the Secretariat will prepare all the briefs for use by the candidate, develop campaign materials including digital presence and prepare for the public debate to be broadcast live to African citizens six months before the election.

"Currently, the team is coming up with preparatory and application documents together with requisite translations of the candidate's resume into six AU languages, that is French, English, Kiswahili, Arabic,

Portuguese, and Spanish and will be ready for submission to the AU Secretariat by the end of June 2024," announced Mudavadi.

He voiced that an empirical campaign strategy has been developed which include identifying opportunities, challenges and risks that the candidate faces, adding that the campaign involves outreach programmes to capitals of AU member states, briefing of Kenya missions abroad and engagements with diplomatic corps in Nairobi.

In his remarks, the former PM appreciated huge support and encouragement by many senior government officials and assured the Government that he is making every effort tapping into his experience, relationship and understanding of the continent to win the support of as many nations as he could.

"With committed and proper co-ordination between my team and the government we should be able to clinch the seat," stressed Odinga, adding that co-ordination and synergy are going to be critical prior to the submission of his application.

He cited the need for efficiency, the need to cut bureaucracy and unveil a well-oiled and flexible joint effort going forward.

Like all campaigns, Odinga noted that plans and demands arise and change suddenly, calling for swift response, and responsibility while understanding the sensitivities of the quest from the national, regional, continental and global dimensions.

Away from the candidacy, Mudavadi advised the AU to be more proactive and strategic in overcoming the persistent challenges that beset it including funding shortages, logistical inadequacies, and the cyclic nature of conflicts.

He observed that the AU continues to grapple with cases of political instabilities and economic intricacies, weak international influence and undue external influence driven by a new cold war in the continent.

Further, the Prime CS highlighted that the African need to focus on dimensions that promote unity and enhance sustainable development for her citizens including infrastructural connectivity, reduction in the cost of doing business in the continent, accelerating the realization of the visa free programme and promoting a common language for Africa.

"We shall promote functional non-alignment that strategically seeks to establish mutually beneficial relationships globally," vowed Mudavadi, emphasizing that the AU Chairman also holds the seat for Africa on the G20 forum.

He noted that Kenya envisions an AU that drives the continent beyond silencing the guns to achieving positive peace, sustainable peace and security for collective prosperity through its long experience of supporting the AU and regional bodies as well as bilateral engagements to foster peace and security both regionally and globally.

# Kenya Joins IVI Boosting Its Vaccine Production Capacity

By: PCS

Kenya has formally joined the International Vaccine Institute (IVI) as a Member State.

Kenya's accession to the IVI strengthens the nation's resolve to achieve self-reliance in vaccine production, President William Ruto said at the ceremony held to mark the country's ratification of the IVI treaty at the agency's headquarters in Seoul, South Korea, on Wednesday.

During the ceremony, President Ruto raised the Kenyan flag and then the National Anthem was played.

He pointed out that increased vaccine availability will enhance the delivery of Kenya's primary healthcare and adequately support disease prevention.

President Ruto said Kenya had learnt critical lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic challenges of accessing vaccines, and emphasised the com-

mitment to reduce reliance on external manufacturers of vaccines and other pharmaceuticals.

"The time has come for Africa to actualise health sovereignty by liberating itself from dependency on unsustainable frameworks, and accelerating initiatives to become self-sufficient in vaccine production," he said.

The President said making vaccines universally accessible, regardless of nationality and status, is an urgent imperative that must be addressed.

"In vaccine production and supply terms, no one is safe until everyone is safe."

President Ruto thanked IVI for announcing that it would establish a country and project office in Nairobi, saying it will bolster Kenya's Universal Health Coverage agenda and promote African self-reliance in vaccine production.

"Under this partnership, we will strive to strengthen our health systems by ensuring commodity security through research, development



and manufacturing," he said.

President Ruto said a tripartite agreement between the IVI, Kenya Advanced Institute of Science and

Technology and the Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology will further boost the continent's plan for cutting edge research and

training, and consequently a resilient healthcare system.

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# My Stand On ICC Trial Landed Me In Big Trouble



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International Criminal Court (ICC)

## Worth Noting:

- After President Uhuru's case was withdrawn, I dedicated all my time and energy fighting for the acquittal of the current President William Samoei Ruto.
- Hardly a week passed without denouncing the charges levelled against him. I also defended him through verbal commentaries and this would also land me in trouble with members of my community of kikuyu.
- I believed the charges had been trumped up and were politically motivated. The endgame was to bar him and Uhuru Kenyatta from contesting the presidency.
- This plot had been hatched by the opposition leader Raila Odinga. Raila and his brigade believed that this could have cleared the way for him to ascend to power with ease.

Before the International Criminal Court (ICC) trial, I used to work with civil society/ human rights groups as an active member of three lobbies-NCEC/ NCA, Youth Agenda and 4Cs.

I'm sure you recall the position of the lobbyists was very clear. They fully supported the ICC prosecutor's case against Jubilee flag bearers, Hon Uhuru Kenyatta and Hon William Ruto.

They wanted the two leaders to be barred from running for political office, put behind bar in ICC cells and eventually jailed.

For me, I opted to distance myself from them.

This is because their position flew in the face of a cardinal principal of presumption of innocence until one is proven guilty. I strongly believed in this principal. The charges against the duo had not been proven.

In fact, the prosecutor had come under a barrage of attack. This is because he had not conducted primary investigations as required by the Rome Statute that created the ICC.

He had relied on unauthenticated and un-sieved reports compiled by the third parties to build his case.

At some point, the judges of the trial chamber reaffirmed my position when they dismissed the case seeking to bar the duo from vying for the presidency. This case was enjoying the support of lobbyists.

Initially, the groups had tried to convince me to backtrack. Ndonga, we know you are a gifted writer. Stop faulting the ICC prosecutor's case against UhuRuto.

After I declined, they were left with

only one option: Blacklisting me and I eventually became jobless.

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After winning the elections, UhuRuto presidency recognized my passion. I started receiving a monthly stipend as preparations were being made to get me a permanent job. The plan to get me a permanent job did not materialize. I became one of the victims of the fall out between President Uhuru and then his deputy William Ruto.

During the trial, I worked closely with a top aide of the Dr Ruto. Today, he is a senior state officer.

Since President Ruto assumed office, I have kept the faith. This is in terms of championing his political, social-economic agenda.

My woes got exacerbated during the Raila-led demonstrations. I wrote many articles denouncing his protests. One of them was titled 'Is Raila Out To Cause

A Total Economic Sabotage?

It goes: Azimio La Umoja-OKA Party leader Raila Odinga has announced that the third wave of anti-government protests across the country will proceed as planned.

This is despite the top state officials led by President William Ruto vowing that they will not allow the demonstrations to take place.

As we know, Raila's previous protests always turned chaotic and bloody. This means when he avers that the demos will be peaceful and held in full compliance with the provisions of the constitution, this is just a political ploy. He means the opposite of this.

One can therefore understand where President Ruto is coming from when he reiterates. I took the oath of office to protect the lives of Kenyans and their property and this is my core function as spelt out in the constitution.

He would rightly use this as the basis of defending his decision that he was not violating any law.

It is true that Article 37 of the constitution allows Kenyans to exercise freedom of assembly, expression, demonstration and picketing. The same Article, however, emphasizes that these activities should be held within an environment that is peaceful and non-violent. So, those participating-organisers and their supporters-must be unarmed.

In Raila's demos, the picture is totally different. Some of the protestors were always armed to the teeth.

The video clips taken by the mainstream media and social media would attest to this.

In recent demo, they escalated the orgy of violence and destruction. At least 9

people lost their lives. The government installations were also not spared. A government office and a national flag were set ablaze. The flag had been hoisted. A goon climbed the pole and pulled it down then burnt it. Report indicated he was among those lost who died.

The newly constructed Nairobi Expressway was also vandalized and destroyed, causing a damage worth Sh700 million.

They also used machetes to break into a Supermarket and stole all goods and money. The money vaults were turned upside down.

One may ask. Where were the anti-riot police? Well, we saw them engaging the protesters in running battles.

But as it turned out, they were dealing with hardcore criminals who were ready to pay the ultimate price. Some reports indicated a good number of them had been hired and had allegedly been given clear instructions that Baba wanted to see them cause a heavy damage to our economy.

A report released by the Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KPSA) showed that the business community was losing Sh3 billion every day when the demonstration was held.

For Baba Raila, many believed that he had come to this conclusion. President William Ruto is a big-headed and a hard nut to crack. So, Raila had only one option and this is to do a total economic sabotage.

He hoped this would force Dr Ruto to climb down, invite and engage him on a one-on-one talk.

Once the talks are concluded and Raila has his way, he would emerge and tell the country that we have reached 'a ceasefire'.

He will also climb down from his earlier hardline stance and now recognize Ruto as the President of Kenya.

For those well conversant with the history of Raila, I'm sure they would agree with me. He had previously played a similar script.

In 2007, he forced President Mwai Kibaki to share the government with him on a 50-50 basis.

In 2017, he forced President Uhuru Kenyatta to shake hands with him.

Given this scenario, I would agree with President Ruto. Raila developed a bad habit and 'I will not allow this to continue anymore'.

Raila lost the election. He should accept this bitter truth and move on.

This is my advice to him. He should stick to his role as an opposition leader. I'm ready to facilitate the work of his office because I believe in a strong, vibrant and robust opposition that will put my government in checks.

*Joseph Mutua Ndonga is a writer and political analyst based in Nairobi*

# We Are On The Path Of Making Kenyans Their Own Agents Of Justice - CJ

By: Anne Mwale  
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Chief Justice Martha Koome has stated that the Judiciary is working on strategies designed to make Kenyans agents of their own justice.

Koome indicated that among the approaches to promote a people-centered justice system includes expanding routes of justice outside the limits of courtrooms through Alternative Justice Systems (AJS), and enhancing collaboration to close the justice gap.

Making her presentation during the third Annual Alternative Justice Systems (AJS) Conference at Kabarak University Justice Koome pledged that the Judiciary will continue to innovate approaches that enhance access to justice by expanding and re-tooling alternative justice systems.

“These novel methods must ensure that the justice seeker remains at the centre of reform efforts. This means that we re-commit to persistently focus on people’s justice needs and the outcomes they need,” CJ Koome told participants.

She noted that the Justice Needs and Satisfaction Survey of 2017 established that only 10 percent of Kenyans approach the courts to settle their disputes. It was reported in the survey that 71 percent of persons with justice needs went to various alternative avenues of disputes resolution.

“It was further established that 19 percent of Kenyans with legal problems did not take any form of action to resolve the problem or seek a remedy,” the CJ added.

Justice Koome stated that the burden of injustice falls too heavily on women, children and other vulnerable groups she regretted face the hardest struggle to access the justice system and exercise their rights.

“The justice gap is both a reflection of structural inequalities and disparities in power, and a contributor to these inequalities. Within this context. Our Constitution aspires to fulfil the determination of Kenyans to combat exclusion and inequality, protect the vulnerable in society and enhance access to justice. In so doing, it aims to transform the society,” she pointed.

The Chief Justice indicated that AJS is important in closing the justice gap in accordance with Article 159(2) (c) of the Constitution which calls upon the Judiciary to promote alternative forms of dispute resolution, including reconciliation, mediation, arbitration and traditional dispute resolution mechanisms.

She indicated that this entails the mechanisms that are deeply ingrained in cultural fabric among communities across Kenya, utilised to resolve conflicts since time immemorial.

These mechanisms range from the council of elders in many ethnic groups to negotiated settlements among aggrieved parties to reconciliation agreements, including organic restorative justice within and by communities,” the CJ stated noting when these mechanisms are aligned with the Bill of Rights, they can be fully utilised to reduce the justice gap.

Justice Koome said that already, the Judiciary has rolled out AJS centres in seven Counties and plans were underway for the rollout of AJS across the country.

She stated that there were AJS County Action Plans in Kajiado, Nakuru, Mandera, Turkana, Narok and Uasin Gishu Counties.

This is in addition to the launch of AJS Ukumbi (Suites) in Kajiado, Nakuru, Mandera, Samburu, Turkana, Lamu and Uasin Gishu in Moiben, Turbo, Kesses, Ainabkoi, Kapsaret and Soi.

The event which ends on Friday is being co-hosted by the County Government of Nakuru, Nakuru High Court, and Egerton and Kabarak Universities.

Koome pledged that the Judiciary, under its vision of ‘Social Transformation through Access to Justice’ (STAJ), seeks to position itself to contribute towards the realization of the social justice aspiration of the Constitution through adjudication of disputes, facilitation of justice dialogues, connection of justice champions and promotion of social harmony.

She called on Kenyans to continue to innovate approaches that enhance access to justice by expanding and re-tooling alternative justice systems.

Court of Appeal Judge who chairs the Judiciary’s National Steering Committee on Implementation of Alternative Justice Systems Policy (NaSCI-AJS) Professor Justice Joel Ngugi said the conference was fulfilling one of the major objectives of the committee to rally all sectors of Kenyan social, religious, judiciary, and cultural life to continuously and emphatically support the AJS mechanism and expand the pool of individuals and groups accessing justice in Kenya.

The AJS module, he pointed out has a panel of at least three arbitrators who sit with opposing parties. “The panelists include elders, prisons in charge, lawyers, religious leaders, and court officials among others. As of now, the panelists sit in the court’s jurisdiction,” noted Justice Ngugi.

Those in the panel get the root cause of disputes by hearing opposing parties vent, disagree, and offer solutions themselves. The panel gives advice and recommendations only.



Chief Justice Martha Koome .

Unlike the court procedure that is strict, technical, complicated and rigid, Justice Ngugi said AJS has a vast way of resolving disputes.

The AJS, he noted, ensures all parties win and reconcile after resolving disputes. The process is usually supposed to take six months.

Justice Ngugi noted that this year’s conference is the largest with 600 delegates drawn from all 47 counties and it is clear AJS has become a Social Justice Movement.

Nakuru Governor Susan Kihika in a speech read on her behalf by the Deputy Governor David Kones, said the AJS centers’ role in promoting a just social order, emphasising reconciliation, and fostering peaceful co-existence is crucial in empowering individuals to reach their full potential. “The efforts to strengthen the Alternative Justice System in Nakuru are encouraging, especially in addressing the lengthy resolution processes for land and family disputes. It’s crucial to enhance these systems to provide effective and efficient dispute-resolution mechanisms for our community. AJS is cost-effective and efficient in resolving disputes,” Governor Kihika said.

In his remarks the Deputy Governor indicated that embracing the Alternative Justice System (AJS) will reduce the backlog of cases in Kenyan courts and unlock billions of shillings held by financial institutions due to protracted litigation tussles between various parties.

Mr Kones said with prison congestion, family wrangles, and business disputes escalating, Kenyans should resort to AJS whose positives he noted are that disputes that had been dragging in court for decades are always resolved in one or two sittings.

The Deputy Governor stated that some legal disputes before judges revolving around assets and finances do not help families but only escalate wrangles in the family. Mr Kones said, unlike the court system, the AJS ensures all parties win and get what

they want.

The Deputy Governor noted that the AJS has eased the burden of dispute resolutions, adding that it gives chances to people who had claims but were scared to go to court and resolve the issues.

The conference has brought together justice actors, practitioners, judicial officers, academicians, policymakers, civil society actors, development partners, and all stakeholders in the access to justice ecosystem.

The AJS is a system that allows litigants in criminal and civil cases to resolve disputes outside the jurisdiction of the courts through healthy negotiations.

The system is not only supposed to resolve cases but mend broken relationships, as parties in the cases are given chances to express themselves without restrictions.

The AJS is an umbrella which comprises arbitration, mediation, consent agreements and blood money compensation, to resolve disputes.

Mandera County Governor Mohamed Khalif, who attended the conference observed that AJS also locally known as Maslaha is the mainstream method of accessing justice in Mandera.

“It is through AJS that disputes are settled, harmony restored and social cohesion maintained. AJS restores relationships as it is done in consonance with shared social norms and traditions,” said Governor Khalif.

Judicial Service Commission Commissioner Isaac Rutto called on the Council of Governors to embrace AJS in all the 47 counties.

“As we traverse this county as JSC, we have been shocked by the distance people have to cover to reach the nearest court. AJS on the hand is available within communities and should be utilized as long as it’s within the limitations outlined in the Bill of Rights and other laws,” urged Commissioner Rutto.

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# Wambugu Farmers Training Centre Hosts World Environmental Day In Nyeri County

## One Of The Participants; Pioneer Child Development Programme Showcased Climate Smart Agriculture Technologies

The World Environmental Day was specially marked in Nyeri where some organisations exhibited some unique ways of addressing the Environmental challenges.

During the event that was graced by area Deputy Governor David Kinaniri Warui, the locals were urged to plant as many trees so as to address the climate change that has had phenomenon change in the environment.

One of the exhibitors; Pioneer Child Development Programme showcased Climate Smart Agriculture Technologies.

Through the explanation given by one of the programme officials, Mr John King'ori, it was explained how enduring climate change can be achieved with communities being able to initiate and drive their development agenda, engage partners and the government as well as other actors to access basic services, as well utilize their available resources in a focused and in a sustainable way.

King'ori said the programme places significant resources on capacity development in supporting sustainable community development.

The programme promotes adoption of various climate smart agriculture



Pioneer CDP official John King'ori making presentation before World Environmental Day attendants led by Nyeri County Deputy Governor David Kinaniri Warui at Wambugu Farmers Training Centre near Nyeri town yesterday. Photo/PAUL WANJIRU

technologies including; water Harvesting at household / farm level, water conservation agriculture practices, urban farming technologies and children and youth engagement.

Some of these practices include: Climate adaptive agriculture technology and practices and Water harvesting and conservation.

Water harvesting using polythene lined ponds during the rainy season for use in drier periods helps reduce

storm water discharge, provides sustainable water source, is easy to adapt and manage, increases crop productivity, avails water for other domestic use and enables calendar farming.

So far, 320 households have been supported to line their ponds for water harvesting and use.

Others are Drip kits, zypit, plastic mulch and urban gardening technologies.

These technologies help reduce water loss, increase soil fertility, reduce water pumping costs and are easily adaptable and provide an opportunity for children to practice agriculture.

King'ori explained that the programme envisions a world where every child is free to live at their full potential no matter where they are from or what challenges they face.

The program's mission is to help children living in poverty to have

the capacity to improve their lives and the opportunity to bring lasting change to their communities, promote societies that value, protect and advance the wellbeing and rights of children and enrich supporters' capacity to enhance the organisation's cause.

Pioneer believes in Effective Governance and Institutional Effectiveness as a key pillar in building and achieving sustainability development.

To address climate challenges, Pioneer employs approaches that are geared towards household resilience building, food security and putting children in the front line in adapting to climate variations and stress.

Children and young people represent 30 per cent of the world's population.

Not only do they represent the largest group of people currently affected by climate change, but they are also more vulnerable than adults to its harmful effects. Children and young people also constitute the generation that will be required to deal with the future impacts of climate change.

The Deputy governor hailed the programme saying it should be emulated by other organisations.

# Protests: DPP Withdraws Case Against MP Babu Owino

By: KBC Reporter

The Director of Public Prosecution has dropped charges against Embakasi East MP Paul Ongili alias Babu Owino and six others for taking part in nationwide anti-government protests last year.

The legislator was charged alongside Calvin Okoth Otieno alias Gaucho, Tom Ondongo Ong'udi, Michael Otieno Omondi, Pascal Ouma, Kevin Wambo and Willys Owino Baraka with Conspiracy to commit subversive activities (picketing) in July last year during the protests called by the Azimio la Umoja-One coalition over the high cost of living.

The DPP had applied to have the matter withdrawn after a high court decision that declared the charge unconstitutional.

"I have considered the submissions, the application made by the prosecution is meditated and therefore the case is terminated," said Milimani chief magistrate Lucas Onyina.

Babu Owino now says he will move to the high court to seek compensation saying his rights had been violated.

"We will file a constitutional petition, we will seek damages and the cost from the state. We were unfairly treated, without food water and even legal representation," he said.

Babu Owino (R) was freed alongside six others



# Enchanted



Poet: Collins Munyanda.  
Country: Zimbabwe.

Behold!  
Sprawling anointed pulpit!  
Watch!  
The charismatic imputative preacher!  
Chunder ascetic words  
blaring conspiracy microphone, hot air alms,  
allegiance mantles!  
Man, electronic decibels contraption blaspheme  
divine allegiance.  
Unsaintly saints overflow enervating churches,  
while hypnotic preachers glean debauched tenth  
offerings.  
Until one diabolical \*lapis lazuli summer  
afternoon.  
Gullible, enchanted parishioners shouted:  
'Halleluyah! I receive!' avowed mantra.  
Woe!  
Woe to stalking wolves in  
averted colorless sheep's clothing,  
drenched in ebullient rivuleting fallacious sweat.  
The Rock of Ages opened heaven's litigious  
curtains,  
espied them slip away clandestinely  
inside a divagated black tainted temple.

Euphonious preacher lit  
explosive sacrificial altar fires.  
Together with an avaricious  
scarlet caroused harlot  
supped Johnnie Walker blended  
scotch whisky, cursed, swore  
with Belial down eerie underworld caverns.

Hear!  
Denuded innocence's insipid cries.  
Gothic witches' appalling ululations.  
Fulminating eviscerated bodies!  
Gory, dying silhouettes' eurhythms danced like  
despicable  
convicted ghosts against purgatory's blackened  
stone walls.  
The blood imbued ebriated scarlet harlot  
rode braggartly on the wild beast's robust ridged  
hinder  
danced felicitously to odious  
shrieking hell's degenerated rhythms.  
Together with insolent demons,  
bowed reverently before Mephistopheles  
and Leviathan spurious deities.

Together with the black and  
white chequered temple,  
they inscrutably evanished  
beyond revolting, enchanted, deep  
blue inundated ocean depths.

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\*lapis lazuli - Bright blue pigment sodium  
aluminium silicate with sulphur. (Azure)

From @World Without a sun-2024.

# Manisha Jaiswal From India Wins 50 Awards For Outstanding Achievements In The Writing Field



In a remarkable display of talent and dedication, Manisha Jaiswal has won an astonishing 50 awards for her outstanding achievements in Writing and Literature field.

Manisha, 25, has been recognized for her excellence in academics, cooking, and performing arts, among other areas.

"It's truly surreal to receive so much recognition for the things I love to do," Manisha said with a beaming smile. "I've always been passionate about writing and performing on stage, and it's gratifying to see all of my hard work pay off."

Manisha's achievements have not gone unnoticed by her peers and mentors, with many expressing admiration for her versatility and determination. She

consistently sets the bar high for herself and inspires others to do the same."

In addition to her numerous awards, Manisha has also been heavily involved in volunteer work and community service, further showcasing her commitment to making a positive impact in the world.

"I believe in using my talents to help others and make a difference," Manisha said. "I'm grateful for the opportunities I've had to contribute to my community, and I hope to continue doing so in the future."

She is already setting her sights on new goals and aspirations, eager to continue her pattern of success.

With her exceptional talents and unwavering determination, there is no doubt that Manisha Jaiswal will continue to make a lasting impression on the world. Her remarkable achievements serve as an inspiration to all, proving that hard work and passion can truly lead to extraordinary results. Congratulations, Manisha on your well-deserved success!

Manisha Jaiswal

# Love Coffee



I thought  
I thought  
I thought for a long time.  
A pen in one hand, paper in the other  
I stared at one point in the distance  
I just poured it out on paper.  
I immersed myself in thoughts, I sank to the  
bottom  
The four walls are my companion, my silent  
inspiration  
The window was opened, and the wind blew,  
He took me to a delightful creation.  
During the creation, I was a little thirsty  
I put on coffee from Mehr powder

No need to add expensive spices  
Ground "ginger" or "cardamom".

I put pure water in a cup  
I received "Wafo candy" and "loyalty milk".  
"Salt of Patience" and "Spice of Love"  
I mixed it together.

To make it sweeter  
I added my gift smile  
With a mouthful of sweet words,  
I prepared my love coffee.

A person who drank the coffee of love  
A good tree always grows in the heart  
There is no room for evil  
A strong martyr of his love.

☕ Hamidova Mehrinisa.

Navoi State Pedagogical Institute. 1st year  
student of the Faculty of Uzbek Language  
and Literature.

Hamidova Mehrinisa Hazrat's daughter.  
Kyzilcha town, Nurota district, Navoi region.

# Experience



How turbulent is the world today  
People's egos are getting higher and  
higher.  
They don't hear each other, they don't  
listen.  
But everything has an end.  
People have not had enough for centuries.  
It gnaws this mother earth like a rat.

People say I want to rule the world.  
He sweats on his forehead in "virtuous  
deeds".

Oh God, God, what a disaster this is,  
Unpleasant messages continue every day.  
My heart is sad, I have a thousand  
worries in my head.  
For the sake of the rich world, they leave  
each other.

Javohir Keldiyorov. 11th grade student of  
school No. 5 in Oqoltin district, Sirdaryo  
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# Don't Equate My Call For Unity With Tribalism, DP Gachagua Tells Critics

By: DPCS and MKT Reporter  
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Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua has told critics of his unity call to stop equating it with tribalism.

The Deputy President explained that the unity he is agitating for in Mount Kenya is to rally the region and all its people, including those who voted for the opposition, behind President William Ruto.

"When we are calling for unity of this region, it is not against anybody. There are people confusing our unity agenda with tribalism, they get it wrong. Far from it, people want unity of purpose so that we can effectively push for our fair share of the national cake relevance in the national political discourse. If we are not united, we will not be strong," said Mr Gachagua.

He spoke at Gikondi village, Mukurwe-ini constituency in Nyeri county, at the memorial service of Elizabeth Muthoni, daughter of the former area Member of Parliament Anthony Kiai.

He repeated the message when he



Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua signing the condolence book at Anthony Kiai's home yesterday as Kiai and his family looks on..

addressed the people at Gikondi Township on his way from the Kiai's home at Nyakahuhu village.

The Deputy President was in the company of a host of political leaders led by Nyeri Governor Mutahi Kahiga. Others were Deputy Governor David Kinaniri Warui, Tana Water Works Development Agency chairman Wanyaga Gathaka and several Members of the Nyeri County Assembly led by Speaker Gichuhi Mwangi and Majority Leader James

Kanyugo.

"As we talk about national unity we cannot ignore unity at the regions or be divided at the counties. People unite because there are common things that they share. There cannot be unity in Kenya if the counties and regions are not united," said Governor Kahiga.

Kahiga said people in the region should not be taken for granted in the Kenya Kwanza administration, having contributed three million votes.



Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua addressing residents of Gikondi trading centre last evening

Similar sentiments were made by the Deputy governor, speaker and the majority Leader.

Dismissing his critics, the Deputy President asked leaders to unite in their respective regions so that there can be cohesion in the country.

"I am happy because people at the grassroots are united and in support of our unity agenda," he added.

"The leaders fighting it and criticizing should learn that all politics is local and they should listen to the ground," said Mr Gachagua.

He further urged the other regions to unite so that they are able to address their local issues and also en-

hance the national unity.

On the ongoing reforms in the agriculture sector, the Deputy President urged coffee farmers to be patient with the Government's efforts to revive the sub-sector.

"We are still on course in reviving the coffee sub-sector and make the crop profitable. The President mandated me to lead the reforms. We are registering positive results," he told farmers.

Last week President Ruto announced that the Government will provide a Sh6.9 billion debt write-off for coffee cooperatives.

# KUCCPS Opens Portal For Inter-University Transfer

*Applicants will have 30 days to make their preferred changes*

By: KBC Reporter

The Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service (KUCCPS) has announced that the 2024 inter-institution transfer application is now open.

In a statement on Wednesday, KUCCPS directed the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) students placed in universities and colleges last month (May 2024) who wish to change institutions to apply via <http://students.kuccps.net>.

KUCCPS in its announcement stated that the process will also allow change of courses subject to applicants meeting applicable the cut-off points.

Applicants will have 30 days to make their preferred changes after which the portal shall be closed on July 4, 2024.

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# Celebrating World Environment Day: A Call To Action For A Sustainable Future



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## Worth Noting:

- One of the most pressing environmental issues today is climate change. The increasing frequency and intensity of extreme weather events, rising sea levels, and shifting climate patterns are stark reminders of the urgent need for action. Governments, businesses, civil society Organization and individuals must all play a role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and transitioning to renewable energy sources. Policies that promote energy efficiency, support clean energy initiatives, and encourage sustainable transportation are crucial in this fight.

- Additionally, individuals can contribute by reducing their carbon footprint through mindful consumption, recycling, and supporting eco-friendly products and services. More so, by avoiding human activities that are dangerous to our environment such as Bush burning, use of plastic bottles and deforestation.

Every year on June 5th, World Environment Day serves as a global platform to raise awareness and drive action for the protection of our environment. This day, established by the United Nations in 1974, has grown into a crucial reminder of the urgent need to address environmental issues that threaten the health and well-being of our planet and its inhabitants. As we mark this important occasion, it is essential to reflect on our collective responsibilities and the steps we can take to ensure a sustainable future.

The theme for World Environment Day 2024, "Restore Our Earth," underscores the pressing need to repair and rejuvenate the natural world. Human activities, including deforestation, pollution, and overconsumption, have led to significant environmental degradation. The consequences of these actions are far-reaching, impacting biodiversity, climate stability, and human health. However, the theme also conveys a message of hope, emphasizing that through concerted efforts, we can reverse some of the damage and restore ecosystems to their former vitality.

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Biodiversity loss is another critical concern. The rapid decline in species and habitats is not only a tragedy in its own right but also poses significant risks to ecosystem services that humans rely on, such as pollination, water purification, and disease regulation. Conservation efforts must prioritize the protection of endangered species and the restoration of natural habitats. This can be achieved through the establishment of protected areas, sustainable land use practices, and the reduction of human-wildlife conflicts, and community and public awareness on the importance of environment conservation. More-

over, supporting local and indigenous communities who often act as stewards of biodiversity is essential for successful conservation initiatives.

Plastic pollution is yet another urgent issue. The ubiquitous presence of plastic waste in our oceans, rivers, and landscapes is wreaking havoc on wildlife and ecosystems. Single-use plastics, in particular, contribute significantly to this problem. In addition, 90% of plastics come from fossil fuels. The extraction of the oil and gas will also contribute to the destruction of the environment through Loss of forests, Floral and Fauna, National parks among other.

Solutions include implementing stricter regulations on plastic production and disposal, promoting alternative materials, and enhancing waste management systems, stopping investments in fossil fuels and channel the money in Renewable energy. Public awareness campaigns and community clean-up efforts can also play a significant role in addressing this pervasive issue.

While the challenges are daunting, there are numerous examples of positive change and innovative solutions that inspire hope. The reforestation efforts in the Amazon, the rise of sustainable agriculture practices, and the global movement towards circular economies demonstrate that progress

is possible. Investments in green economic alternatives than fossil fuels such as renewable energy technologies, and conservation drones, offer promising tools to tackle environmental problems.

On this World Environment Day, let us renew our commitment to protecting and preserving our planet. It is a time for reflection, but more importantly, it is a call to action. Each of us has a role to play in building a sustainable future. By making conscious choices, advocating for responsible policies, and supporting environmental initiatives, we can collectively make a significant impact.

The health of our planet is intrinsically linked to our own well-being and that of future generations. By acting now, we can restore our Earth and create a thriving, sustainable world for all. Let World Environment Day be a catalyst for change, inspiring us to take bold and meaningful steps towards a greener, healthier, and more resilient planet.

*For God and my country  
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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



## The Troubled Youth: Understanding A Generation On The Edge

In recent years, there has been a growing concern about the mental and emotional state of today's youth. From escalating violence to pervasive bitterness in personal relationships, the signs of distress are becoming increasingly evident. A glaring example of this unrest can be seen in the shocking incidents involving young people resorting to extreme measures, such as the recent viral case where a group of youths violently assaulted a police officer. This incident, while alarming, is symptomatic of a deeper malaise affecting an entire generation.

The propensity for violence among today's youth is not an isolated phenomenon but rather a manifestation of a series of complex, interrelated factors. One of the most significant contributors to this trend is the pervasive sense of financial insecurity. With the rising cost of living, skyrocketing education expenses, and a volatile job market, young people are facing unprecedented economic challenges. The pressure to achieve financial stability can be overwhelming, leading to frustration and, in some cases, aggressive behavior as a misguided outlet for their stress.

Furthermore, the role of poor parenting cannot be underestimated. Many young people are growing up in environments where emotional support and guidance are lacking. In some cases, parents are too preoccupied with their own struggles to provide the nurturing and attention their

children need. This lack of a stable support system can lead to feelings of abandonment and neglect, fostering a sense of bitterness and resentment that can manifest in various destructive ways.

Another area where the turmoil of today's youth is evident is in their personal relationships. The rate of failed relationships among young people is alarmingly high, and the reasons behind this trend are multifaceted. For one, the digital age has fundamentally altered the way we connect and communicate. While social media and dating apps offer unprecedented access to potential partners, they also create a superficial sense of connection that can be fleeting and unfulfilling. The constant comparison to others' seemingly perfect lives can lead to insecurity and dissatisfaction, eroding the foundation of trust and intimacy necessary for lasting relationships.

Moreover, the emotional baggage carried by many young people further complicates their ability to form healthy relationships. The scars of financial struggles, poor parental relationships, and societal pressures can lead to a lack of self-worth and an inability to trust others. As a result, relationships often crumble under the weight of unaddressed emotional issues and unmet expectations.

The psychological well-being of today's youth is further compromised by the relentless pace and pressures of modern life. The constant

bombardment of information and expectations from various sources, including social media, education systems, and peer groups, creates a high-stress environment that leaves little room for self-reflection and emotional growth. The societal emphasis on success and achievement often leads to unrealistic standards and a fear of failure, which can be paralyzing.

Depression and anxiety have become alarmingly common among young people, with many feeling overwhelmed by the demands placed upon them. The stigma surrounding mental health issues often prevents them from seeking the help they need, exacerbating their feelings of isolation and despair. This internalized suffering can manifest externally in the form of violence, self-harm, or withdrawal from meaningful social interactions.

Addressing the plight of today's youth requires a multifaceted approach that tackles the root causes of their distress. Firstly, there needs to be a concerted effort to provide better financial support and opportunities for young people. This includes affordable education, access to mental health resources, and job creation initiatives that offer stability and growth.

Parenting programs that educate and support parents in providing a nurturing and stable environment for their children are also crucial. By equipping parents with the tools they

need to foster emotional resilience and self-worth in their children, we can help break the cycle of neglect and bitterness.

Educational institutions must also play a pivotal role in addressing the mental health crisis among students. Schools and universities should integrate mental health education into their curricula, providing students with the skills to manage stress, build healthy relationships, and seek help when needed. Creating a supportive and inclusive environment where mental health is openly discussed and prioritized can significantly reduce the stigma and encourage young people to seek the help they need.

The issues facing today's youth are complex and multifaceted, but they are not insurmountable. By addressing the financial, emotional, and psychological challenges they face, we can help create a generation that is resilient, compassionate, and equipped to navigate the complexities of modern life. It is our collective responsibility to ensure that young people have the support and resources they need to thrive, both individually and as a society. Only then can we hope to reverse the troubling trends of violence, bitterness, and failed relationships that are currently all too common.

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## Why Are Students Not Active In Seminars And Practical Lessons?



By: Ahrorova Jasmina Asror

We hear that not all students studying in higher education are interested in their field. How do you think they got into such a situation?

The meaning of this is as follows:

No one guarantees that all students studying in lyceums, colleges and universities will become specialists in their field. The reason is that some of them do not enter their field with interest. They got into this field through the wishes of their parents or some other reasons. There is a saying among our people

"Father's profession-mother's profession", boys are forced to continue their father's profession, and girls are

forced to continue their mother's profession. As a result, students' interest and enthusiasm for the lesson completely fades. They are not active in seminars and practical classes. It will be difficult for students to join. Because they have a fixed idea, even if it is, I am not interested in this field, it is not my favorite field, and they walk with the thoughts that I will not work in this field in the future anyway. There are no such students among us. As a result, four-year they don't know that they have spent their lives in vain. The diploma obtained for the four years of our parents' hardship and our contract money is just a sight for the chest. I think that

not all students who have a diploma work.

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# MyDawa And Kenya Red Cross Launch Groundbreaking Initiative To Save Lives In Nairobi

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MyDawa, Kenya's leading online pharmacy, in collaboration with the Kenya Red Cross Society, proudly announces the launch of "First Boda," a pioneering initiative aimed at transforming emergency medical response in Nairobi. This innovative project leverages the ubiquitous presence of boda boda riders to provide swift first aid assistance in the event of road accidents and other emergencies.

### Addressing a Critical Need

Kenya is grappling with a high incidence of injuries related to traffic accidents. Zainab Mohammed, the Head of Medical Programs at the Kenya Red Cross Society, emphasizes that the survival rate of accident victims hinges significantly on the speed at which they receive emergency care. "With over 280,000 serious

injuries reported in Nairobi alone annually. Despite the critical need for rapid emergency response, the country has only around 400 ambulances", often resulting in wait times of over two hours for emergency medical technicians (EMTs) to reach the scene. This delay drastically reduces the chances of survival for many victims," she says.

"An ambulance will delay, so what we need is the support from these boda boda riders who are at the scene to start the initial care and increase chances of survival. It goes without saying, absolutely, this kind of training is going to save more lives," adds Sammy Kamanu - an EMT & Training specialist with Kenya Redcross Society.

### The "First Boda" Initiative

The "First Boda" initiative aims to bridge this gap by training boda boda riders, who are known for their ability to navigate traffic swiftly, in basic EMT skills. With over 200,000 delivery riders in Nairobi alone, these individuals are ideally positioned to



provide immediate assistance at accident scenes.

"Accidents on the road are a common occurrence, but often we find ourselves helpless, merely observing or bypassing the scene due to our lack of essential skills to provide help. This training is set to bring about a significant impact. As more riders become proficient in first aid, we can expect a rise in the number of lives saved that might otherwise have

been lost," says Evans Khabeko, a MyDawa delivery rider.

### Partnership and Training

MyDawa and the Red Cross have designed a comprehensive training program covering critical areas such as bleeding, fractures, CPR, burn treatment, spine injuries and preventing infections. Boda boda riders who complete the training are equipped with specially crafted first aid kits

that fit neatly into their delivery containers, ensuring they are always prepared to provide essential care.

### The desired outcome:

"First Boda" is an initiative that encourages all boda boda riders groups and companies that operate large delivery fleets across the country to join us in training their riders to enhance road safety across the country.

# Bill Seeking To Enhance Threshold For Removing CECs Introduced In NA

By: KBC Digital

The County Governments (Amendment) Bill, 2023 has been read for the first time in the National Assembly.

The Bill sponsored by Nandi Senator Samson Cherargei seeks to amend Section 40 of the County Governments Act by increasing the threshold for voting in a County Assembly for the removal of a member of a County Executive Committee (CEC).

Article 10 of the Constitution provides for the national values and principles applicable to State officers when exercising public power. These values and principles include good governance, integrity, transparency and accountability.

One of the means of ensuring accountability in the exercise of public power is oversight of members of the executive by the legislature at both levels of government.

If enacted, the bill will enhance the mandate of county assemblies to



Senator Samson Cherargei .

oversight county executive committees.

Currently, Section 40 of the County Governments Act allows a CEC member to be removed by a vote of one-third of the County Assembly members.

A member can be removed from

office over gross violation of the Constitution or any other law, incompetence, abuse of office, gross misconduct or if convicted of an offence punishable by imprisonment for at least six months.

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The County Governments (Amendment) Bill, 2023

### MEMORANDUM OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Article 10 of the Constitution provides for the national values and principles applicable to State officers when exercising public power. These values and principles include good governance, integrity, transparency and accountability. One of the means of ensuring accountability in the exercise of public power is oversight of members of the executive by the legislature at both levels of government.

In this regard section 40 of the County Governments Act provides for the procedure for the removal of a member of the County Executive by a County Assembly. However, cognizant that the office of county executive committee member is established by the Constitution and noting the adverse consequences of removal by impeachment of a member of a county executive committee, the threshold for voting for such a removal in the Act are low. This Bill therefore proposes to enhance the threshold of voting in a County Assembly for the removal of a member of a county executive committee.

### Statement on the delegation of legislative powers and limitation of fundamental rights and freedoms

The Bill neither delegates legislative powers to the Cabinet Secretary nor limits fundamental rights and freedoms.

### Statement of how the Bill concerns county governments

The Bill proposes to enhance the voting threshold in a county assembly for the removal of a member of a county executive committee. Members of a County Executive are appointed to head various dockets in the county executive charged with discharging of devolved functions as set out in Part 2 of the Fourth Schedule to the Constitution. The Bill therefore affects the powers and functions of the county government and it is therefore a Bill that concerns counties in terms of Article 110 (1) (a) of the Constitution.

### Statement that the Bill is not a money Bill within the meaning of Article 114 of the Constitution.

This Bill is not a money Bill within the meaning of Article 114 of the Constitution.

Dated the 2nd May, 2023.

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## Murang'a Seal Eyeing Top 10 Finish On Premier League Debut



Murang'a Seal FC players reacts against Nairobi City Stars FC during their FKF Premier League match at Police Sacco Stadium. City Stars won 3-0. Photo/Samwel Ogor/Sportpicha

After enduring a three-game winless streak in the Football Kenya Federation Premier League (FKF-PL) going into the international break, Murang'a Seal coach Juma Abdallah is now targeting a top ten finish by winning two of the remaining three matches once the league resumes.

A fortnight ago, Abdallah welcomed the break saying it was a much-needed breather for his team, which had played three high-intensity matches without recording a win and hence needed time to go back to the drawing board.

Before the break, the Murang'a-based side had lost two matches on the trot, against champions Gor Mahia (3-1) and Tusker FC (2-1) before collecting a point away to Ulinzi Stars at Ulinzi Sports Complex, Nairobi.

Speaking to Citizen Digital, the tactician said his boys are now

back in training after resting for two weeks, and are now working on their evident undoing of the previous matches before having a friendly match that will help them perfect the lessons.

"I saw my players losing concentration especially during the last 20 minutes in the previous three fixtures, losing our lead in the last minutes so the break has given us time to work on this and we will have a friendly before the league resumes in 10 days," he said.

After the break, Seal will face Kenya Police FC at home on June 16, 2024, before they take on Kakamega Homeboyz away three days later, and end the season at home to Shabana FC on June 23, 2024. Abdallah says he is targeting a top 10 finish and need six points out of the possible nine to hit the target.

"This is our debut in the top-tier league and I feel my boys have done well. I am very proud that

I joined the team in mid-season and they have played to my instructions and that is why we managed to move from relegation zone," said the tactician.

"Our target is to finish in the top 10. I believe it's achievable if we avoid defeat in the remaining fixtures. I have watched how they have been playing and I have home advantage twice so we must strive to get six points then we see how Kakamega Homeboyz goes because they are tough to play against at home," underscored Abdallah.

He says the Shabana FC match would be like a final, and will rekindle the rivalry they had last season in the National Super League (NSL).

"They are a formidable force when they are playing against us and on the final day they will be fighting to escape relegation so it will be tough for us, but with home advantage there is no way we will allow them to beat us at

home," he vowed.

The former Bandari and So-fapaka coach admits that the ongoing FIFA international break has given his players a brief breather after the tough fixtures in the recent weeks.

"We started by facing Gor Mahia, Tusker, Kariobangi Sharks and then Ulinzi Stars, who are formidable sides and we played them within a short period so when we resume the league they shall have recharged," he noted.

Under the tutelage of Abdallah, who took over in January, Seal have won three matches, drawn three and lost twice. Before he joined, the team had endured 11 winless matches.

Currently, Murang'a Seal are 12th on the log with 37 points after 31 matches, just six points above the relegation zone.

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**Sports >>>** \*Former Chelsea and Tottenham coach Antonio Conte was hired by Napoli yesterday as the deposed Serie A champions try to bounce back from their disastrous league title defence.

# Antonio Conte Named New Napoli Coach



Tottenham Hotspur's Italian head coach Antonio Conte reacts during the UEFA Champions League round of 16, first leg football match between AC Milan and Tottenham Hotspur on February 14, 2023 at the San Siro stadium in Milan. Antonio Conte was named new Napoli coach on June 5, 2024 announced the president of the club Aurelio De Laurentiis on X, formerly Twitter. (Photo by Marco BERTORELLO / AFP).

Former Chelsea and Tottenham coach Antonio Conte was hired by Napoli yesterday as the deposed Serie A champions try to bounce back from their disastrous league title defence.

“Welcome Antonio,” the club’s president and owner Aurelio De Laurentiis wrote on X, formerly Twitter, accompanied by a photograph of Conte signing his contract.

Conte, who has also coached Juventus and Inter Milan, has signed a three-year deal which according to Italian media is worth eight

million euros (\$8.7 million) per season.

He is the fifth Napoli coach of the last year in a chaotic period for the club which in the 2022-2023 season won their first Serie A title since 1990, when Diego Maradona was still strutting his stuff.

But the coach who won the title, Luciano Spalletti, left last summer and southern Italy’s biggest club went through three managers on their way to a dismal 10th-place finish this season.

Napoli ended the season 41 points behind new champions Inter as

Rudi Garcia, Walter Mazzarri and Francesco Calzona all failed to live up to Spalletti’s historic title win.

Spalletti is now in charge of the Italian national team.

Conte has been charged with taking Napoli back up the table, and has a pedigree which will give fans hope of a quick turnaround in fortunes.

The 54-year-old has won four Serie A titles, three with Juve and one with Inter in 2021, and was also a Premier League winner with Chelsea in 2017.

Conte will almost certainly have to do without star striker Victor Osimhen, who is a target for some of Europe’s biggest clubs.

However Napoli’s other key forward Khvicha Kvaratskhelia is under contract until 2027 and Conte has reportedly demanded that the Georgia winger not be sold despite reported interest from Paris Saint-Germain.

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# SPORTS AS THEY HAPPEN



## Laws Of External Photoeffect



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### Worth Noting:

- The number of photoelectrons released from the substance is linearly dependent on the illumination of the substance or the light flux falling on it, i.e.:  $N \sim E$  or  $N \sim \Phi$ . Therefore, the light is directly proportional to the light flux falling on the substance.
- The energy of the photoelectrons flying out of the substance is directly proportional to the frequency of the light falling on the substance from the outside, i.e.:  $E_0 \sim \nu$ ,  $\nu$  — light frequency of
- The number of photoelectrons released from the substance does not depend on the frequency of light falling on the substance from outside.

**Abstract:** Experiments with light show that in some cases the wave properties of light are more pronounced, while in other cases it is necessary to consider light as a particle or quantum to explain the obtained results will come.

**Key words:** Light, Stoletov's laws, electronic, external photoelectric effect

The fact that light has pressure or the phenomenon of photoelectric effect is explained by the concept of quantum (particle) of light. When light falls on a substance, it gives its energy to the substance. As a result, different effects may occur. In the most general case, the substance that absorbs light heats up, its temperature rises.

But often, part of the light turns into heat, and the rest turns into other types of energy. Converging lenses are used to experimentally observe the thermal effects of radiation. For example, by focusing the sun's rays on a flammable substance through a lens, it is possible to burn or burn this substance. With powerful laser beams, very fine holes can be made in very hard materials such as diamond.

So, under the influence of light energy, it is possible to melt and vaporize hard-to-dissolve materials. It is a well-known phenomenon that the warming of the earth's surface occurs due to the heat of the sun's rays. The amount of energy reaching the Earth through radiation is greater than the energy used in all industries on Earth.

According to calculations  $9.6 \times 10^{16}$ , an average of 1370 J of energy per second per square meter of cross section of the Earth's surface. This quantity is called Solar constant. The phenomenon of electrons escaping from substances under the influence of light is called the external photoelectric effect. Electrons flying out of matter are called photoelectrons.

The discovery of the photoelectric effect, or photoeffect for short, can be dated to 1887, because in that year Gers observed that a spark was facilitated when a gap between energized electrodes was illuminated with ultraviolet rays. Later Galvaks, A.G. Systematic experiments of Stoletov and a number of other researchers proved (1888) that charged particles

are released from Herz electrodes under the influence of light and ionize gas molecules, causing a spark. A.G. Stoletov was the first to apply a small voltage between the electrodes in his experiments on the photoeffect, and the result he thought turned out to be better than expected.

Ultraviolet rays coming out of the strong discharge nozzle pass through the mesh and fall on the zinc plate and knock out charged particles from it. These particles fall into a grid connected to a chain. A photocurrent flows through the galvanometer. So, under the influence of light, negatively charged particles are released. When ultraviolet rays fall on the head of a negatively charged electro-scope, it is possible to observe that the leaves of the electro-scope close quickly, that is, the electro-scope quickly discharges.

An uncharged plate becomes positively charged when exposed to light. Therefore, it became necessary to check the charge and direction of the particles released under the influence of light. By 1898, Leonard and Öomson determined  $\epsilon_m$  based on the deflection of the emitted particles in an electric and magnetic field. It was proved that the determined quantity corresponds to a particle called an electron. Based on the conducted experiments, A.G. Stoletov created the following laws for the photoeffect:

1. The number of photoelectrons released from the substance is linearly dependent on the illumination of the substance or the light flux falling on it, i.e.:  $N \sim E$  or  $N \sim \Phi$ . Therefore, the light is directly proportional to the light flux falling on the substance.

2. The energy of the photoelectrons flying out of the substance is directly proportional to the frequency of the light falling on the substance from the outside, i.e.:  $E_0 \sim \nu$ ,  $\nu$  — light frequency of .

3. The number of photoelectrons released from the substance does not depend on the frequency of light falling on the substance from outside.

4. The energy of the electrons flying out of the substance does not depend on the light flux. The following experiment is used to study the laws of photoeffect (external photoeffect). Cathode (photocathode) and anode electrodes are installed in a glass cylinder with air sucked in.

Light is directed to the photocathode through a glass quartz window specially installed on the side of the glass cylinder. A negative voltage is applied to the cathode, and a positive voltage is applied to the anode. A sensitive galvanometer photocurrent in the anode circuit. K measures A. If the power source is not connected to the circuit, the electrons leaving the cathode will be very high. The z part reaches the anode and the galvanometer shows a small current. When the switch is connected, even low-energy electrons can reach the anode under the influence of the field. 9 8 The current passing through the galvanometer is called the saturation current.

If we change the direction of the applied field between the cathode and the anode (reverse the source poles) and increase the field, the photocurrent value decreases to zero. This connection is shown in Figure 78.

If the location and shape of the electrodes change and the space between the electrodes is broken, the photocurrent characteristic changes. The best shape for the electrodes is a spherical capacitor. The cathode is a small ball in the center of the sphere, and the anode is the outer electrode sphere. The saturation current  $I_0$  depends on the cathode surface, material and purity, and temperature.

If we increase the intensity of the light falling on the substance, it can be observed that the value of the saturation current increases and the photocurrent characteristic (volt-ampere characteristic - VAX) shifts slightly to the right relative to the coordinate axis. This law was tested by varying the light intensity over a wide area. The obtained results are well reproducible. If we look at figure 78, if the reverse voltage is applied to the anode, the value of the photocurrent will be zero at a certain voltage -  $U_0$ . This can be concluded.

The electric field repels the photoelectrons coming out of the cathode at a high speed and prevents them from falling to the anode. If we increase the frequency of light falling on the surface of the photocathode, the value of the voltage at which the photocurrent tends to zero increases again.

In other words, the initially given burning potential is the burning potential -  $U_0$ , as it cannot hold the electrons coming out of the cathode.

U110 –U However, all the electrons flying from the cathode under the influence of light cannot reach the anode.

If we increase the area between the cathode and the anode, all the electrons will reach the anode. In this case, the current in the galvanometer increases sharply and then remains unchanged. Even when the electrodes are placed in the most convenient way, the value of the photocurrent does not drop to zero suddenly, but gradually decreases to zero. So, it can be said that the energy of electrons is different.

If the electrons with a small speed are caught in a smaller closing potential, it is necessary to give a larger closing potential to stop the electrons with a high speed. From these conclusions it follows that the formula has an important physical significance.

First of all, the speed to be determined is the speed that electrons acquire under the influence of light. Secondly, the energy of the electrons flying out of the substance cannot be quantitatively equal to the energy of light.

Because, for example, when light falls on a metal surface, it transfers its energy to free electrons in the crystal, and the electrons, in turn, lose a certain amount of energy to leave the surface. The lost energy is spent on the work of removing electrons from the metal.

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