



Kenya's Political Odyssey: A Journey Of Five Presidents With Broken Dreams And Unfulfilled Promises

Kenya's political history, marked by the leadership of Jomo Kenyatta, Daniel Arap Moi, Mwai Kibaki, Uhuru Kenyatta, and now William Ruto, paints a vivid picture of a nation grappling with the complexities of governance and the perpetual quest for a leader who can fulfill the aspirations of its people.

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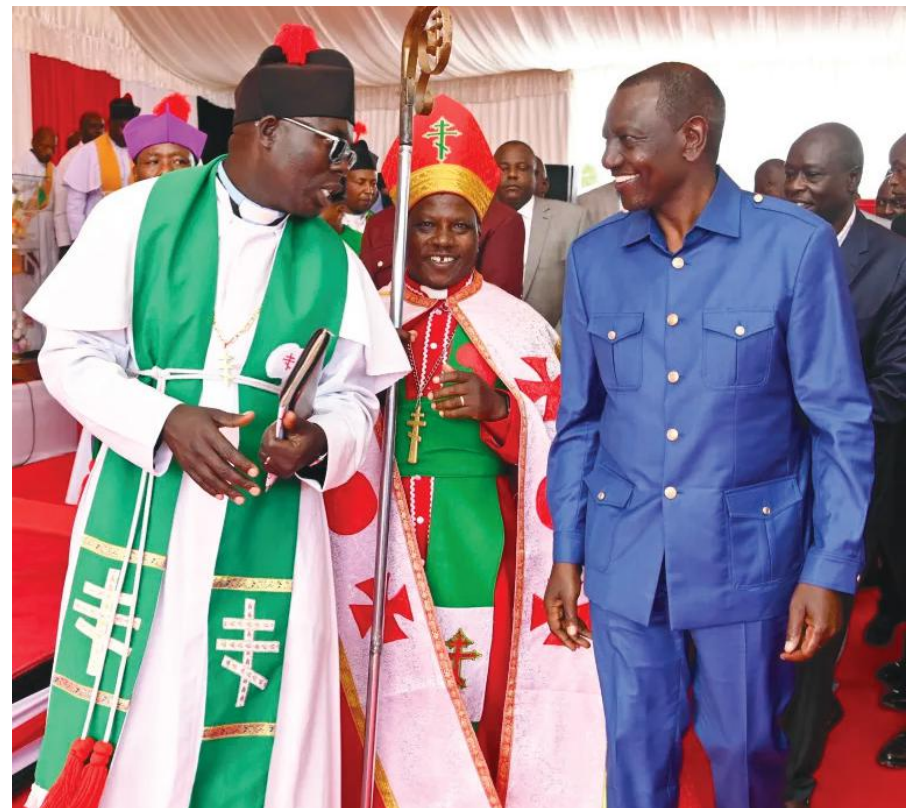
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Ruto: Kenya's Change Agenda Still On Track

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President William Ruto at AIPCA Ndogino in Ndaragwa Constituency, Nyandarua County

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Veteran Journalist Mutegi Njau's Legacy of Mentorship and Integrity Celebrated

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Tharaka Nithi County governor Muthomi Njuki condoling the family of the late Mutegi Njau.

Worth Noting:

- In 1981, Njau joined Nation Media Group, writing for the media house until 1984. He then moved to the pioneering Weekly Review Magazine, founded by Hilary Ngweno.
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Veteran journalist Mutegi Njau whose career spanned over four decades, was celebrated as a dedicated mentor and a paragon of journalistic integrity during his burial service in Chuka, Tharaka-Nithi County. Friends, family, and colleagues gathered to honor a man whose influence extended far beyond his own impressive career.

Born on December 22, 1949, Mutegi Njau began his journalism career in 1979 at Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (KBC), where he made his mark as

a scriptwriter and producer. His work on the weekly current affairs program Dunia Wiki Hii, and as a co-host of the popular weekly press conference set the stage for a distinguished career.

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Njau played a crucial role in Nation's expansion into electronic media in 1999, becoming the News Manager for both NTV and Nation FM. He returned to his post as Investigative Editor in 2003, continuing to set high standards in journalism until his retirement in 2005. Even in retirement, Njau's passion for journalism

led him to Royal Media Services, where he helped establish and lead The Leader newspaper.

Throughout his career, Njau was known for his mentorship and his commitment to journalistic excellence. Many young journalists benefited from his guidance and training, remembering him as a tough but caring mentor.

"He had a lot of prowess in journalism. He was instrumental in shaping the careers of many young journalists, and he has impacted many of the best journalists you see in the media industry today," said Lucy Kaburia, who spoke on behalf of the media.

Stephen Letoo, Senior Political Reporter at Citizen TV, reflected on Njau's influence during his early career. "I interacted with Mutegi Njau at a very young stage of my career when I was an intern at Citizen TV. He was instrumental in training and mentoring us, and we are grateful to have passed through his hands."

Tharaka-Nithi Governor Muthomi Njuki praised Njau's ability to connect with people from all walks of life, highlighting his honesty and professionalism. "He was fearless. He would say the truth without caring who was involved and how powerful they might be. He has left a good legacy in journalism in Kenya," Governor Njuki said.

Former Nairobi Governor Anne Kananu shared her personal experiences with Njau.

"When I was appointed Nairobi Governor, the person I'd go to for consultation on matters of communication was Mutegi Njau. He encouraged and advised me to stand for the truth."

Other dignitaries, including former Fisheries and Blue Economy PS Prof. Micheni Ntiba and former Chuka University VC Prof. Erastus Njoka, were also present to pay their respects.

Mutegi Njau passed away on June 27, 2024, after a short illness. He was laid to rest at his Ndagani home in Chuka, leaving behind a legacy of integrity and mentorship that will continue to inspire future generations of journalists.

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NEWS IN BRIEF



Residents of Kiawara town in Kieni constituency along Nyeri-Nyahururu highway yesterday blocked the busy road, protesting lack fire engine in the area, which prompted a death of a local trader. Hundreds of the traders and local residents demonstrated by lighting fire as they demanded audience with county leadership. This prompted Governor Mutahi Kahiga to rush to the scene where he instructed the Department of Gender Youth and Social services to deploy one fire engine that will be stationed at Kiawara for quick and efficient response.



The government has approved 13 more manufacturers and distillers of second-generation alcohol to operate, bringing the total to 15. The approved manufacturers include: Patiala Distillers Kenya Limited, Savannah Brands Company Limited, Kenya Wine Agencies Limited, Manchester Distillers Limited, FRM EA Packers Limited and Corobus Africa Products Limited. Others are Zheng Hong (K) Limited, Two Cousins Distillers Limited, Lyniber Supplies Limited, Elle Kenya Limited, Agro Chemical & Food Co. Limited, Crywan Enterprises and London Distiller Kenya Limited.



Residents of Suna East Constituency have protested against the poor state of the roads in their area. The angry residents led by Denis Ouma said that the Migori-Ngege-Uyoma road and Maberu- Got Jope road have been neglected for a long time posing dangers to road users. Residents, who are dissatisfied with the state of the infrastructure, called upon their Member of Parliament Junet Mohammed to construct better roads to improve their mobility and business operations. The demonstrators, who gathered on one of the roads in the Osingo area, expressed their worries, claiming that the state of the roads hinders their capacity to carry out business operations effectively.



Kenya Tea Development Agency (KTDA) Kisii team scooped top prizes at the Kisii Agricultural Society of Kenya (ASK) Show. The event showcased the latest initiatives by KTDA, aligning with the event theme: 'Promoting Climate Smart Agriculture and Trade Initiatives for Sustainable Economic Growth'. Out of the 15 classes entered, the KTDA team won in 11 of them, and the remaining 4 emerged in position 2.




Kerugoya Boys High School in Kirinyaga Central, Kirinyaga County has been closed indefinitely after a fire razed down a dormitory on Saturday night. Kirinyaga County Commissioner Hussein Alosow said the fire started around 6:30 pm when students were attending evening preps. "We are yet to establish the cause of the fire outbreak, we are still investigating," the county commissioner said. The fire razed down all the properties in the dormitory, leaving 120 students with nowhere to sleep. "We have been told to go home until further notice and our parents have received messages," said one of the students as they left for home yesterday. Alasow had a hard time explaining to angry parents who arrived at the school on Saturday night fearing for the safety of their children and seeking answers on the cause of the fire.



Some 40 youth from the rural Nyanza region have been trained in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education program gaining technical and entrepreneurial skills to kick start their careers in the green economy. The WeLearn project, implemented by the WeTu Organization in collaboration with development organisation Siemens Stiftung and the Ministry of Youth and Labour in Hombay, targets fresh high school graduates, providing them with hands-on vocational training. This initiative seeks to broaden their horizons and interest in furthering technical and vocational training in TVET colleges. In a press statement released on Saturday ahead of World Youth Skills Day on July 15, Rebecca Ottmann, Project Manager for Vocational Orientation in Africa at Siemens Stiftung, emphasized the program's objective to introduce rural youth to the technical skills required for labor-intensive technologies and to strengthen their capacity to take up green jobs in the future. "The project targets school graduates especially girls, in rural Kenya as we hope to present to these local youths the opportunities in the green economy and the technology sectors so they can hone their skills," Ottmann stated.



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Othaya MP Supports Gen-Z's Demand For Public Resources Accountability

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Worth Noting:

- “Our country will never be the same again. I am happy with what Generation-Z are doing. Let us all make sure we can account for the public resources that we have been given from the public coffers,” the MP said when he met dozens of the young people during a talent show held on Saturday in Othaya town.

- He said he has since he was elected Othaya MP been keen on how NG-CDF funds for his constituency are spent and would not allow officers to misuse such funds.



A youth from Othaya fielding questions from journalists as area Member of Parliament Wambugu Wainaina (left) and constituents listens during the Talent Search on Saturday.

Othaya constituency Member of Parliament Wambugu Wainaina alias MountKenya has supported the Generation-Z demand for accountability of public resources.

Wainaina says those mandated to run and manage public resources must at all times be ready to account for their actions.

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we can account for the public resources that we have been given from the public coffers,” the MP said when he met dozens of the young people during a talent show held on Saturday in Othaya town.

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He, at the same time, vowed to em-

power local youths by supporting their initiatives.

The MP noted that the youth who are the majority in the country have recently changed the way things in the country are done by airing their issues peacefully though people with ill motives hijacked their protests.

“We respect you a lot. You have changed this country forever. You have challenged this country’s leadership and they have heard you. This

country will never be the same again. You have done us proud,” said the MP.

While Gen-Z’s in other areas are said to be chasing their MPs, the Othaya was successfully able to convene a meeting with them where they discussed matters to do with uplifting their standards of living.

“We shall tap talents and support all those with talents as we have done before. We have supported those in the sports and music industry. This will not be the end,” he added.

He spoke as Othaya All Stars Football club was enjoying a vacation in coastal region, which he sponsored after the team emerged third during a mountain region tournament.

The legislator added that there are many ways youths can earn income including those working on social media, where they can monetize their work and earn money at the comfort of their homes.

Others have started income generating projects through groups like starting cottage industries of making mesh wire.

The MP disclosed that he will also ensure that there is an IT hub in all the four wards in his constituency through the Ajira Programme.

“I have been supporting you using bursary funds and even from my own pocket. I will continue doing so. Let us join hands and work together. I want to ensure that every youth pursues his or her dreams to the end,” he added.

The MP also pledged to engage the youth in the near future using different forums in different categories.

Wambugu Wainaina Foundation was one of the sponsors of the Talent Show.

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Pastor Dorcas Rigathi's Initiative Yielding Fruits As Another Reformed Alcoholic Ties The Knot

By:ODP

The success of the boy child program is gaining momentum as John Mwangi tied the knot with Mary Njeri in Limuru, Kiambu County.

Mr Mwangi lost his twin brother after a night of the brothers' drinking together in October 2022; Mwangi vomited but his late brother did not, unaware that drinking spree would be his last resulting in his death.

Attending the beautiful wedding, the spouse of the Deputy President, Pastor Dorcas said, "I am happy to see my boy child here, and married. I cried when I saw his testimony of how his twin brother died. He would have been here with us celebrating this wedding."

"There is a big alcohol problem in our country, and to lose one is just too much for me," said Pastor Dorcas who is passionate about rescuing those lost in addictions, visiting them in the drug dens, rehabilitation centres, and urging thousands to keep off the psychoactive substances.

Pastor Dorcas also urged women in

the nation to rise up and advocate for the boys and men lost in alcohol and drug abuse. Quoting scriptures, Pastor Dorcas emphasized on the role of the women in stopping the satanic agenda that results in the death of men. She said during the time of Moses in the Old Testament, five women rose up and collaborated for the salvation of baby Moses; and this must also happen in our country for the reforming of thousands in the gutter and drug dens.

"Women must rise and seek the boy child who is lost. The enemy (devil) knows that a woman cannot be fruitful unless they have a man by their side, and he therefore seeks to kill the man. We must not sit back and allow this to happen," she added.

A group of reformed men, who are also beneficiaries of the community-based rehabilitation program participated in the wedding and were helping in ushering and ensuring everything was running smoothly.

There were also clergy attending the event to encourage such beautiful unions among men in society. Archbishop Gerry Kibarabara spoke on behalf of the clergy, and emphasized the importance of family values, forgiveness, and working together to



Some of the reformed men in Kiambaa Sub-County attended the wedding of one of their own in Limuru and took a picture with the spouse of the Deputy President Pastor Dorcas Rigathi together with the newlyweds John Mwangi and Mary Njeri in Limuru. John is a reformed alcoholic who lost his twin brother to alcoholism, and on that last day of his life, they had been drinking together, but John vomited and the deceased did not, and died in his sleep. Photo/ODP.

build a home.

The father of the groom, Rev Fredrick Ngugi danced with joy to see his son tie the knot with Ms Njeri.

The Vice Chair Nacada, Anne Njeri, was overjoyed witnessing the union, and as a former alcoholic, said 'sobriety was possible' and encouraged those in addiction to step out and change their ways.

"Recovery is possible. For someone

in addiction, we say, he is down but not out. I drank changaa, and others, but I am now 19 years sober," she said.

Since rehabilitation from alcohol, Mr Mwangi went into the business of selling animal feeds and has even invested in a vehicle to help him ferry the feeds to customers.

This is the second wedding under the Boy Child program under the

leadership of Pastor Dorcas. The first was held in Githunguri, Kiambu County, where both the man and woman were reformed addicts under the community-based rehabilitation program.

Community-based rehabilitation is an accepted practice worldwide, and ensures a smoother and faster reintegration into society.

The Fourth Senate Mashinani To Be Held In Busia County

By: PSCU

The fourth Senate Mashinani will be held in Busia County in September 2024, following a resolution passed by Senators through a Motion tabled by Majority Leader Sen. Aaron Cheruiyot.

The Senate resolved to hold its Plenary and Committee sittings in Busia County from September 23 to 27, 2024, in accordance with Article 126 (1) of the Constitution.

While tabling the Motion, Cheruiyot highlighted the significance of the Senate engaging at the grassroots level to better understand the challenges and successes of Devolution.

"The Senate plays the interlinkage role between the National and County levels of government, there is need to enhance the interaction between

the Senate and County Governments, as a means of bringing the Senate closer to the Counties and the general public," stated Cheruiyot.

The Senators unanimously supported the Motion, underscoring the importance of holding sittings outside Nairobi to bolster Devolution for the benefit of Kenyans across the country.

A resolution made on March 8, 2023, permits Senators to hold plenary and committee sittings in the counties for one week in September each year, except during an election year.

The objectives of these sittings outside Nairobi include promoting the Senate's role and work, increasing public awareness about the Business of the Senate and Parliament, and highlighting opportunities for public engagement in the legislative process.

Additionally, these sessions aim to develop and strengthen partnerships at the county level of government



and provide an opportunity for members and staff of county assemblies to learn and share best practices with

Senators and parliamentary officers. Previous Senate sittings outside Nairobi were held in Uasin Gishu, Kitui

and Turkana Counties in September 2018, 2019, and 2023 respectively.

President Ruto: Kenya's Change Agenda Still On Track Despite Recent Challenges

By: PCS

Kenya's change agenda is still on track despite the recent challenges the country has witnessed, President William Ruto has said.

The President pointed out that Kenya is on the right track, saying plans are underway to form a broad government to speed up efforts to unify the country.

He said the government is and will continue to be strong and decisive in the management of the country's affairs.

"We will not allow this country to be destroyed. We cannot allow our country to be run by chaos and violence," said President Ruto.

Speaking at the African Independent Pentecostal Church of Africa (AIPCA) Ndogino in Ndaragwa Constituency, Nyandarua County, on Sunday, the President asked Christians to pray for peace and unity among Kenyans.

He assured Kenyans that the next Cabinet will reflect the face of Kenya, asking the Church to pray for him to have men and women who have the interest of Kenyans in serving the country.

President Ruto explained that the biggest challenge facing Kenya is the repayment of large debts that were

borrowed in recent years, saying it is setting back development efforts.

"This is why I recently created an independent task force to conduct a comprehensive review of our public debt," he said.

At the same time, the President said the fight against illegal alcohol and drugs will be strengthened. He pointed out that the recent changes in the police force are part of efforts to ensure that the war against illegal alcohol and drugs ends without cessation.

"Regional leadership, starting from assistant governors to regional governors, should always be vigilant to ensure that there is no illegal alcohol and drugs in the areas under their jurisdiction," the President said.

Furthermore, he put on notice those who sell drugs to Kenyans, saying their days are numbered.

He urged parents to take the lead in educating their children against evils such as the consumption of illegal alcohol and drugs.

"Parents should play a greater role in correcting the behavior of their children," he said.

President Ruto also took the opportunity to mention development projects that have been initiated by the government in Nyandarua County.

Saying that the construction work in the Ndaragwa produce market has been completed, President Ruto explained that 200 million shillings



Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua, President William Ruto and Nyandarua Governor Kiarie Bandilisha at AIPCA Ndogino in Ndaragwa Constituency, Nyandarua County.

have been allocated for the construction of four other markets in the county, including Shamata and Ndogino.

The President revealed that KSh1 billion has been allocated for the final plan to connect electricity targeting 3,000 houses in Nyandarua.

In order to improve the dairy sector and pay farmers better, President Ruto announced that the government has allocated KSh1 billion to the New KCC to enable paying KSh50 per liter of milk from KSh40.

He said the government will not

allow the importation of goods and services produced in the country. Instead, local companies and producers will be helped to produce more for domestic consumption and export.

"We cannot allow this country to become a major market for other countries. We must encourage and support local producers so that they provide enough for consumption and export," said President Ruto.

Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua said he will not relent in the fight against illegal alcohol and drug use.

He claimed that some leaders were interrupting his efforts to eradicate the threat in the Central region.

"We must not allow a few people to poison our children by allowing the consumption of illegal alcohol and drugs," he said.

He praised the President's move to dissolve the Council of Ministers saying some leaders have been violent in the execution of their duties.

"We need a great team that will help President Ruto run the country and respect the people," he said.

Kware Police Station Officers Transferred As Probe Begins

By: Christine Muchira

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The Acting Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja has transferred officers from Kware Police Station to ensure a fair and balanced investigation into the Mukuru Kwa Njenga murders.

Speaking at a press briefing Sunday afternoon, the IG noted that the preliminary investigations show that all the eight bodies recovered at Kware dumpsite in Mukuru kwa Njenga were female and were severely dismembered.

"I have moved officers from Kware Police Station to ensure a fair and balanced investigation." Said Ag. IG

Kanja.

He reiterated the commitment of the authorities to conducting transparent, thorough, and swift investigations.

"Our departmental resources and officers in collaboration with Office of the Director of Public Prosecution (ODPP) are working tirelessly to conclude the investigations in 21 days," He noted.

Similarly he said the police were committed to ensuring transparency in the postmortem examination process by collaborating with various stakeholders, including the media and civil society.

"In these difficult times, we stand with the community and remain committed to uncovering the truth and bringing those responsible to book."

Kanja appealed to members of public to avoid any speculation and in-

stead give room to investigation and volunteer information with the authorities to help with the probe.

"I appeal to residents of Kware and public at large to be patient and wait for investigations to be concluded." He said.

Speaking at the same briefing the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) boss Amin Mohamed said the bodies that were recovered were eight in number of women aged between 18-30.

"We recovered eight bodies from Kware dumpsite in Nairobi. Their age is between 18-30. All are female. Are we dealing with a cult, serial killers, rogue medical practitioners? We have deployed our best investigators." He noted.



Bodies recovered at Kware dumpsite in Mukuru kwa Njenga .

Kenyan Political Situation: What President William Ruto Should Do To Save His Failed Presidency

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President William Ruto

The presidency of William Ruto stands at a precipice. Kenyan politics may be at crossroads, but the Kenyan people are not. Their voice, held in disdain by the ruling elite for so long, has reverberated throughout Kenyan territory and beyond. Loud and clear the message is: "Mr President we have no confidence in you and your administration". Key grievances include rampant corruption, excessive taxation, a docile parliament, extrajudicial killings and abductions, a lack of coherent planning, and unfulfilled promises. To secure his crumbling presidency and leave a positive legacy, Ruto must take decisive actions.

Rampant Corruption

Corruption has been a persistent thorn in Kenya's side, and under Ruto's administration, it has seemingly worsened. High-profile scandals and the apparent impunity, hubris, arrogance of those in power have eroded public trust. The President must initiate a robust anti-corruption campaign, prioritizing transparency and accountability. Legal framework should be put in place to empower independent

institutions like the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) to investigate and prosecute without interference.

Excessive Taxation

The burden of excessive taxation since he assumed office has crippled businesses and strained households. The recent proposed tax hikes that triggered protests and widespread discontent was the final straw that broke the camel's back. The Ruto administration should seek alternative revenue streams and show ingenuity in spurring growth. Encouraging foreign investment and fostering a business-friendly environment could stimulate economic

growth and increase tax revenues without overburdening citizens.

Docile Parliament

A parliament that fails to check executive excesses undermines democracy. An opposition that is clueless and interested in quick gains makes the current August house a sick joke. The current parliament is compliant and ineffective.

A house of wheeler dealers and not people's representatives. Legal mechanisms should be sought to recall this bunch of people.

Extrajudicial Killings and Abductions

Reports of extrajudicial killings and abductions have tainted Ruto's presidency. To address this, he must prioritize human rights and the rule of law. Instituting an independent commission to investigate these allegations and ensuring justice for victims can help restore public confidence. Additionally, training security forces on human rights and professional conduct is essential.

Lack of a Coherent Plan and Empty Rhetoric

The absence of a coherent developmental plan and reliance on rhetoric have left many disillusioned. Ruto should articulate a clear, actionable plan for national development. This plan should address critical issues such as unemployment, healthcare, education, and infrastructure. Concrete steps, rather than promises, will resonate with the populace.

What Ruto Should Do

Announce He Will Not Seek Re-election in 2027

To demonstrate genuine commitment to national interest over personal ambition, Ruto should announce he will not seek re-election. This bold move could restore some public trust and create a conducive environment for genuine reforms.

Constitute a Respected IEBC

Reconstituting the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) is crucial. Ruto should constitute a commission comprising highly respected and reputable individuals to oversee fair and transparent elections. This can help restore electoral integrity and public confidence.

Form a Lean Government of Eminent Persons

A bloated government drains resources and breeds inefficiency. Ruto should form a lean government, appointing eminent persons with proven track records of integrity and competence. This can improve governance and service delivery.

Return Looted Wealth

To etch his name positively in history, Ruto should genuinely initiate the process of returning looted wealth. Collaborating with international bodies to trace and recover stolen assets can send a powerful message of accountability and justice.

By taking these decisive actions, President William Ruto can address the grievances of the Kenyan people, restore trust in his leadership, and secure a more positive legacy.

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Lamu Fishermen Call For Speedy Conclusion Of Compensation Payout

By: Kenya News Agency

At least 4,000 fishermen have so far received compensation payout from the national government through the Kenya Ports Authority over their displacement from the Kililana fishing grounds following the construction of the Lamu Port.

In May 2018, a Malindi High Court awarded 4,734 fishermen Sh1.76 billion as compensation for the displacement.

The payout translated into each fisherman receiving a Sh240,000 payout from the 65 per cent of the total compensation amount allocated for cash.

The remaining 35 per cent share was reserved for training and improvement of blue economy facilities and sustainable development of fishing as well as the establishment of fishermen cooperatives within the county.

Speaking Friday in Amu Island, Lamu Beach Management Unit

Chairman Fuad Sheyumbe commended the national government for facilitating the Sh1.1 billion payout stating that the payout had so far aided in alleviating the plight of the affected fishermen.

He however acknowledged that a substantial number of fishermen have yet to receive their reparations stating that the continued hold up in payment is likely to hold up to a 35 percent share of the compensation terms.

"As Lamu fishermen we would like to urge the national government to move with speed in ensuring that all fishermen receive their dues," he stated.

According to KPA, the compensation process commenced a few years ago with the validation and verification process, including confirmation of ID and bank account details, after which 4,167 out of the 4,734 fishermen were slated to sign compensation agreements. However, 567 people were categorized disputed on the list.

Sheyumbe further stated that in the case of affected fishermen who had passed on, their next of kin had al-

ready been considered and would be receiving compensation forthwith.

Sentiments echoed by Matondoni BMU chairman Abdu Mamoud, also a beneficiary, said that the fishermen were now counting on the 35 percent payout that would enable them to develop better boats that would aid in deep sea fishing.

He said that the fishing sector in Lamu is still a cottage industry with a lot of potential if the national and county governments work towards supporting the fishermen for the industry to grow.

"The county government has especially been at the forefront of ensuring the fishermen compensation issue is resolved albeit a few hurdles along the way," Mamoud said.

He urged the national government to speed up efforts in ensuring that all the fishermen receive their dues in a bid to finally close the chapter to the process which he added has taken more than 8 years to reach its conclusion.

Amu Beach Management Unit Chairman Abubakar Ali Mohammed



on his part commended Save Lamu, a local NGO in conjunction with the Katiba Institute for facilitating the compensation process stating that having the civil society groups as an ally in resolving the compensation issue has been a godsend.

He stated that the process despite taking long has been above board, noting that EACC were forced to withdraw their case against the fish-

ermen list.

Save Lamu board member Mohammed Athman in his remarks stated that his organisation was keen on ensuring that the plight not only of the fishermen but of Lamu residents is addressed especially with the discovery of Titanium deposits being found in parts of Lamu.

Were The Generation-Z Protests A Blessing In Disguise For President Ruto?

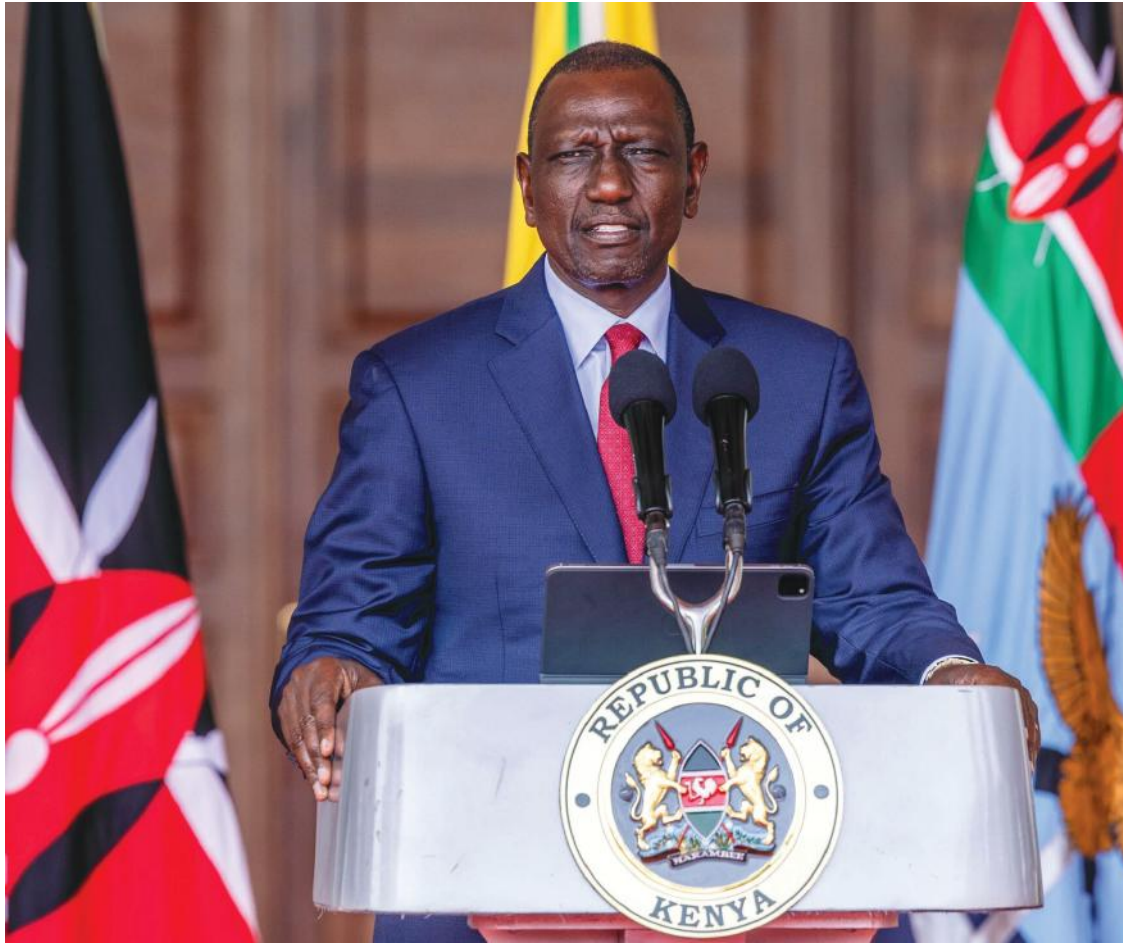


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President William Ruto

A lot has said and written about the recent street protests led by Generation-Z and millennials.

For me, these protests were a blessing in disguise for President William Ruto.

The writing was already on wall that the President was uncomfortable with several things that were happening in the country.

To avoid a political back rash, he knew that he needed to undertake some of these reforms with caution.

A case in point is the push to remove Agriculture Cabinet Secretary Mithika Linturi.

Despite his name being adversely mentioned in procurement and supply of the fake fertilizer, he survived bid to oust him through impeachment.

This is because the MPs from Mount Kenya region blindly rallied behind him.

For them, the issue of integrity and other qualities of a good leader will not matter.

Hon Linturi is one of our own. So we cannot abandon him in this hour of need.

This is the reasoning even in other parts of the country.

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The other concern raised by Gen-Z protestors is that President Ruto was allegedly being held hostage by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

This is not the first time we would hear these stories.

The Finance Bills drafted by previous administrations of Presidents Daniel Arap Moi, Mwai Kibaki and Uhuru Kenyatta encountered similar hurdles.

Unlike his predecessors, President Ruto is running the country in the era of advanced digital technology. This explains why the mobilization of Gen-Z protestors happened very fast. As President Ruto noted, the issue of youth bulge also came into play.

On IMF prescriptions, there was no doubt that he was opposed to some of them.

His decision to reject the Finance Bill 2024 was a bold move.

On reconstitution of his cabinet, the President had earlier read several riot acts to his cabinet secretaries (CSs).

In the eyes of the public, your perfor-

mance is below expectation.

Some of you are totally clueless about what you are supposed to do.

I even know more than you regarding the mandate of your respective ministries.

So, I don't see the point of having you in my cabinet.

With this, the President had drawn the line and it was only a matter of time before the he cracked the whip and sent them home.

As per the constitution, the prerogative to hire and fire members of the cabinet lies squarely with the President. The role bestowed on them is delegated. The President is the CEO of Kenya and he hires them to help him discharge the constitutional mandate of his office.

Since he assumed office, the President curvies a niche of being a strong believer in the tenet of democracy and rule of law.

Already, the talk is rife that he is poised to form a government of national unity.

If this happen, President Ruto will follow the footsteps of former President Mwai Kibaki.

In the aftermath of 2007/2008 post election violence, Kibaki caved in to pressure and agreed to form a unity government with ODM leader Raila Odinga.

The only difference at the time was that the pressure came from the international community.

For President Ruto, he has so far managed to use his wisdom to contain pockets of violence and prevent Kenya from

sliding into a full blown anarchy.

The other key demand raised by Generation-Z and millennials touched on reconstitution of the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC).

A few days ago, the President signed the IEBC Bill into law paving the way for the recruitment of the commissioners.

The Bill emanated from the talks held at the Bomas of Kenya.

The 10-member national dialogue committee (NADCO) was co-chaired by national assembly majority leader Kimani Ichungwah and Wiper leader Kalonzo Musyoka.

The President was flanked opposition leaders led by Raila Odinga during the signing ceremony held at KICC.

The new law to reform the IEBC is a product of the views and memoranda presented by the people of Kenya during the public hearings.

So, we have no reason to doubt that this process will lead to formation of a truly independent commission.

We want to assure Kenyans that the commissioners will conduct a free, fair and credible polls in 2027, the opposition leaders reiterated.

I have heard some members of Gen-Z expressing reservations to the steps that President Ruto has so far made.

A friend of mine told me. Those were extremists who had coined a Hastag of 'RutoMustGoNow'.

We know their ultimate goal was to attempt to overthrow President Ruto through popular uprisings.

So, they won't see anything good that the President was doing.

Why their bid won't see the light of day? Majority of Kenyans abhor use of unconstitutional means to remove a democratically government from power.

It is worth to note the protests were triggered by Finance Bill 2024.

After Gen-Z failed to stop MPs from passing the Bill they turned the heat on the President. The President conceded and declined to sign the Bill into law. Besides, he rolled out a raft of austerity measures.

But some of the young leaders, who were perceived to be hardliners, would not call off protests.

For two days, the protests were infiltrated by goons and criminal gangs. The turnout was however low.

As majority of young leaders distanced themselves from these protests, they would pose. These criminal minded protestors, what were they up to?

The President has already conceded. We are contented.

He is our President until 2027 general election. In these elections, we will either renew his contract of five years or terminate it.

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National Assembly Committees To Begin Consideration Of The 2024/25 Supplementary Estimates No.1

By: PSCU



The Speaker of the National Assembly, Moses Wetang'ula has directed Departmental Committees and the Budget and Appropriations Committee to commence consideration of the Supplementary Estimates No. 1 for the 2024/25 financial year.

This follows submission of the Supplementary Estimates (No.1) by the National Treasury for consideration by the House.

The Supplementary Estimates seek to rationalize the 2024/25 Budget Estimates to align to the Revised Fiscal Framework and actualize expenditure cuts across the three arms of Government, Constitutional Commissions and Independent Offices.

Notably, the Budget was to be funded through additional revenue measures amounting to KSh.344.3billion contained in the Finance Bill, 2024, which was not assented to. This created a financing gap of a similar amount and implies that funding of

expenditures to the tune of KSh.344.3billion is not tenable.

The FY 2024/25 Supplementary Estimates No.1 has therefore been prepared pursuant to Article 223 of the Constitution and Section 44 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 (PFMA) CAP 412A.

The Supplementary Estimates seek to address;

Rationalization of the Budget Estimates to align to the Revised Fiscal Framework; and Realignment of the Budget to cater for the FY 2023/24 Carry Overs.

Through a notification to members of the National Assembly dated last Friday the Speaker has directed that the Supplementary Estimates and all attendant documents submitted by National Treasury be referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee and the Departmental Committees for expedited consideration.

Key highlights of the supplementary estimates are; Ministerial Expenditure has decreased by 6.6 per cent from the original approved Ministerial Budget Estimates, The Recurrent Expenditure has decreased by

2.1% while the Development Expenditure has decreased by 16.4%. This is within the allowable threshold for variation of a Supplementary Budget from the original Budget as appropriated by Parliament in accordance with the requirement of the Public Finance Management Act, (PFMA) CAP 412A.

The change in the National Government Ministerial Budget (excluding Consolidated Fund Services and County Transfer Allocation) from the original approved Ministerial Budget is a decrease of Ksh156.4 billion which reflects a 6.6% reduction. The reduction is on account of budget rationalization.

The total gross change of the Ministerial Estimates, County Sharable Transfer Allocation and Consolidated Fund Services (interest, pension, salaries for State Officers and Net lending) amounts to a reduction of KSh. 121.9 billion or 1.9% decrease. This is within the provisions of Article 223 of the Constitution.

The Speaker also directed the Clerk of the National Assembly, Mr. Samuel Njoroge to notify all members of the National Assembly and publish

the Supplementary Estimates and all attendant documents submitted by the National Treasury on the parliamentary website,

“In line with the current austerity measures and the expenditure reductions, the attendant sittings of Committees are held within the precincts of Parliament. Should the available meeting rooms be inadequate, any affected Committee(s) is to hold its sittings in other government facilities,” stated Wetang’ula.

The Departmental Committees are expected to engage with Ministries, State Departments and Agencies to review the Supplementary Estimates next week.

The Budget and Appropriations Committee is also required to guide the process, seek public views and report to the House on or before Wednesday, 24th July, 2024, to enable the National Assembly to subsequently consider the Supplementary Estimates and the Supplementary Appropriation legislation so as to give effect to the Revised Fiscal Framework and the proposed expenditure reductions.

Governor Urges Households To Register For Affordable Healthcare Scheme

By: MKT Correspondent

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Elgeyo Marakwet County Governor Wisley Rotich has announced an ambitious goal for every household in the county to be registered with the Social Healthcare Authority (SHA) by December 2024.

This move is intended to ensure that all residents benefit from the scheme and reduce the need for fundraising events, commonly known as Harambee, to cover healthcare expenses.

During the SHA registration drive launch Friday at Moi Girls Kapsowar in Marakwet West Sub County, Governor Rotich expressed his satisfaction with the SHA’s inclusive and affordable approach to healthcare.

“I am glad that the Social Healthcare Authority takes stock of everyone and caters to the needs of every individual as it is affordable,” he stated.

Governor Rotich highlighted the financial hardships that arise from

extreme healthcare bills, which often plunge families into poverty.

“Many have to sell their land to cater for huge bills, especially in cases where a family member is diagnosed with cancer,” he noted.

He emphasised the scheme’s affordability, saying, “You pay your three hundred and the rest will be settled if you need help.”

The Governor also pointed out the significant benefits at the primary healthcare level.

“The most beautiful thing is that at the dispensaries and health centres, care will be free as money for primary healthcare will be trickled down to the hospitals. For this to happen, you have to be registered,” he added.

Dr Patrick Amoth, the Acting Director General for Healthcare Services, echoed Governor Rotich’s sentiments, emphasising the transformative impact of the SHA on Kenya’s healthcare system.

“The services we are unveiling today will enhance the healthcare department and enhance the lives of Kenyans considering the law,” Dr.



Amoth stated, highlighting the legal framework supporting the initiative.

He urged critical partners, stakeholders, teachers, political leaders, religious leaders, and the youth to join hands in this initiative. “We need to walk this journey together for us to be able to succeed as a country.”

Dr Amoth also emphasised the importance of political commitment to achieving universal health coverage.

“The greatest ingredient required for countries globally to be able to achieve universal health coverage is political enlightenment, as the President has exhibited. Therefore, failure is not an option as we progress on this journey,” he concluded.

Elijah Wachira, CEO of SHA, highlighted the financial prudence of health insurance.

“It is important to get health insurance as one pays small, manageable

payments. In the event of a large medical bill, the little you have been paying will cater for it,” he noted.

He assured residents that their payments would support others in need, preventing them from financial distress due to medical expenses.

Residents can register for SHA through the USSD code *147#, the website sha.go.ke, or at SHA offices, formerly NHIF offices.

IGAD Gives Red Cross Sh20 Million For Flood-Hit Counties Healthcare Improvement

By: MKT Correspondent

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The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) has handed over financial support of Sh20 million to the Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) to bolster health services to communities affected by floods.

In April, the country witnessed devastating floods that wreaked havoc and left more than 200 people dead, scores injured, and loss of properties and destruction of infrastructures.

IGAD Executive Director (ED) Dr Workneh Gebeyehu's speech was delivered by the Director of Administration and Finance Josephat Onyari at a Mombasa Hotel.

The recent floods, Dr Gebeyehu noted have wreaked havoc, displacing over 300,000 people, destroying 10,000 homes, and crippling essential services, including healthcare.

"This immense disaster demands urgent and decisive action. IGAD, in collaboration with our esteemed partners, recognises the pressing need to address the healthcare challenges the affected communities face," said Dr Gebeyehu.

The financial support will be channelled towards the enhancement



of medical facilities, ensuring the availability of essential medicines and supplies, and providing critical training to healthcare professionals in flood-affected counties.

The assistance was made possible through contributions of IGAD member states: Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan and Uganda, development partners to rebuild and strengthen healthcare systems in flood-affected counties.

Dr Geneyehu extolled the Red Cross for their dedication and effectiveness in responding to humanitarian crises

across the country.

"Over the past year, they have provided emergency assistance to over one million people, showcasing their capability to mobilize resources swiftly and efficiently," said Dr Geneyehu.

"Their compassionate actions have delivered life-saving medical care, shelter, clean water, and food to those in dire need, embodying the spirit of solidarity and humanitarian service," he added.

The Executive Secretary further commanded the Red Cross for the setup of over 50 temporary health clinics, dis-

tributed more than 100,000 hygiene kits, and ensured clean water and sanitation for 200,000 individuals.

"The contribution is more than a financial transaction; it is a testament to our shared commitment to humanity. It reflects our belief that no community should be left behind, especially in times of crisis," said Dr Geneyehu.

He added that the support also underscores IGAD's dedication to strengthening health systems and building resilient communities capable of withstanding future challenges.

On his part, Red Cross Secretary

General Dr Ahmed Idriss said the IGAD region has experienced a cyclic pattern of emergencies in recent times.

He noted that there is 83 per cent of climate change-induced disasters globally as a result of climate change.

"We are moving from a cycle of drought to floods and now floods to floods. It is only during this rainy season of October-December that we had to respond to the el-nino-induced flooding period. Just before communities resettled to their homes in February they were displaced by another flood season of March-April season," explained Dr Idriss.

As a result of the unpredictable weather pattern Dr Idriss noted that the capacity of communities to withstand emergencies is being reduced by each emergency, the recovery period is short, and drought has a massive impact by reversing gains on infrastructures.

"In the last flood period about 73 health facilities were completely under water losing medication and equipment. Even after floods, we have to make investments back to the facilities to make them operational," said Dr Idriss.

Azimio Urge Ruto To Dismiss Police Commander Bungei

By: KBC Digital

Azimio allied Political leaders have urged President William Ruto to dismiss Nairobi County Police Commander Adamson Bungei and prosecute former Security Ministers Prof. Kithure Kindiki and Japhet Koome.

The leaders have expressed outrage following the recent discovery of dismembered bodies of young females wrapped in sacks at Kware dumpsite in Mukuru kwa Njenga slum.

Speaking in Butere, leaders including Wiper leader Kalonzo Musyoka, Eugene Wamalwa, James Orenge, and Jeremiah Kioni, among others, condemned the killings as barbaric.

They called for the inclusion of these youths in discussions between the opposition and the government.



Wiper leader Kalonzo Musyoka

The Butterfly Cocoon: A Fiction Of Patience And Transformation



In the city of Vadodara, lived a young politician named Saachi. With fire in her eyes and a heart full of ideals, she entered the political arena, determined to change the world. Saachi's speeches echoed through crowded halls, promising transparency and justice. But as Saachi climbed the ranks, she glimpsed the underbelly of politics—the backroom deals, whispered alliances, and compromises. The accomplished politicians whispered, "Wait until you've been here a decade." Vadodara's MLA, Jai, took Saachi under his wing. He taught her the art of compromise—the delicate dance between principles and reality. "Change," he said, "requires sacrifice." Saachi wrestled with her principles. The education reform she championed faced opposition from powerful unions. Each decision felt like a betrayal of her ideologies. One rainy night, in the dim glow of her office,

Saachi stared at the framed photo of her younger self—a girl who believed in principles. Jai knocked on her door. "Saachi," he said, "you're not alone in this struggle. We all confront our demons."

She looked into his eyes, seeing the weight of years etched there. "Why did you stay?" she asked.

He chuckled. "Because change isn't a race, my dear. It's a marathon. And sometimes, you must crawl before you can run."

Saachi made her choice. She compromised, but not her integrity. She pushed for reforms, knowing that small victories paved the way for larger ones.

Years passed. Saachi's hair greyed, and lines etched her face. She'd learned that politics was about progress. And sometimes, progress came in shades of grey.

As she stood on the podium, addressing a crowd, she remembered her youthful zeal. The rain fell, washing away Vadodara's grime. She spoke of hope, not as a distant dream, but as a daily choice—a commitment to inch forward, even when the path seemed murky. And so, Saachi—the once-idealistic politician—raised her voice. She knew that change required both fire and patience and that sometimes, the greatest battles were fought within.

-Kshama Rao (Author)

Spring Of Life



Childhood from the dirt streets
The dust of the years has gradually disappeared
Childhood is gone and in cheerful lines
I remember him with a smile
Erkin Vahidov

The caressing rays of the sun come in from the window of the maternity ward with a blue curtain, the sound of the babies hitting the wall to wall in the corridor is exciting, the happiest news in the world, the words "I have a child" are repeated over and over again, this is the joyous laughter of happy people, a his greetings and shouts brought an involuntary smile on person's face. From the outside yard, the sound of trumpets and trumpets could be clearly heard from the families who come to take away the angel of their family.

Sherzod, who was standing at the end of the corridor, was busy with his dreams while lowering his head. Hearing the sound of children playing, he remembered his childhood...

...the month of March was approaching, and the weather had warmed up a lot. Like this air, the sun of a house was born. Yes, this is Sherzod. This sun is the fruit of long-awaited years, the home's favor, blessing, the smell of heaven; a little angel.

He is a tiny person who does not believe in the earth and sky of his parents. As days went by, this man came together, walked, ran, and spoke. The word "dad, mum" which is a pleasant life for every parent, was given to Sherzod's parents by cooperation. It was true; they were patient for nine years. They were patient as if Allah said he is a teacher. The days flowed like alter and never stopped. As for Sherzod, he was living his childhood, his parents were black and white. My childhood was a mess. What came out of his mouth was a blessing. It's not just him, but his whole life. His parents always pampered him, pampered him the best. When he was a boy, he was the man of a happy family. Months and years later he used to chase after them. That year, Sherzod also went to school, he was at the top of his class. He always sought to study and learn. As they say that life does not pass without trials, these trials didn't escape this family. Unfortunately, Sherzod's father left the world early. From that moment on, he became a thirteen-year-old "adult" person, now he has to look after his mum and sister, and help them with their livelihood. From that day, his innocent childhood came to an end and a big life path began. Although he is young—despite the "stones" thrown at his family after his father's death, and his "relatives" who changed his appearance, he worked and worked only for himself

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Environmental Problems



The world is facing many environmental problems day by day. Some of these problems include, for example, global warming, acid rain, air pollution, and water pollution. The biggest cause of these problems is that humans quickly consume resources once they become the world's dominant species. With such rapid consumption and population growth, the environment is damaged.

These environmental issues need to be addressed and resolved separately. Otherwise, people will jeopardize their intentions.

Water pollution

Most of the world is made of water. Some of these waters are sufficient for long-term and clean drinking water for people. But there is a problem: the composition of this drinking water varies from day to day and these waters are as polluted as non-drinking water. One cause of water pollution is human waste.

Although some non-human factors can cause water pollution, human factors directly or indirectly affect water pollution.

Air pollution

Like water pollution, the human impact on air pollution is significant. In addition, there are natural phenomena that cause air pollution. Examples of these events are volcanic activity and forest fires (which can also be caused by humans).

There are more examples of human-made air pollution than natural air pollution. The period that begins to grow with high acceleration of atmospheric pollution is certainly the period that begins with industry. Smoke and chemicals released from the chimneys of factories pollute the air in large quantities.

Along with factories, another factor that causes air pollution is motor vehicles. The gases emitted by these vehicles are very harmful to life.

Climate change

Climate change is an environmental problem. The atmosphere is responsible for these climate changes. The people who created this atmosphere. Man-made gases build up in the atmosphere, making the world warmer over time. As a result of this warming, the glaciers melt, causing many climate imbalances.

As a result of the increase in temperature, people living in the same climate in some parts of the world may always face different climates. It will not be difficult to predict the consequences.

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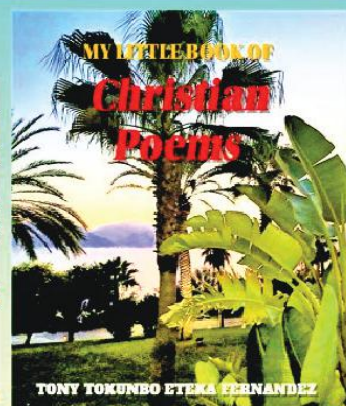
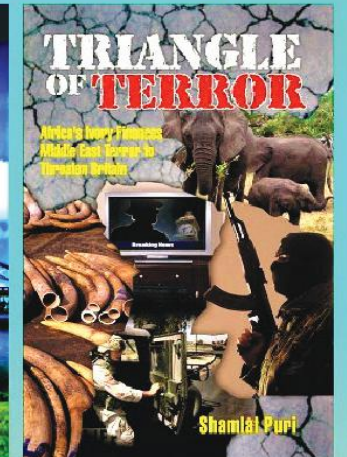
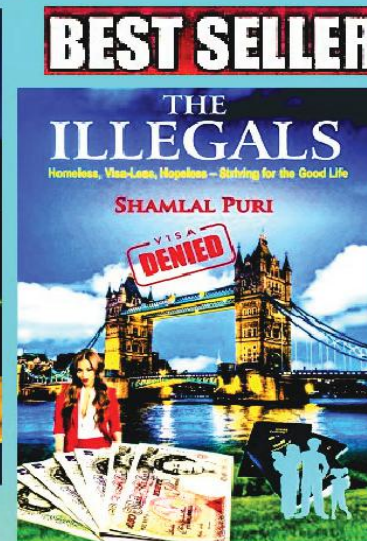
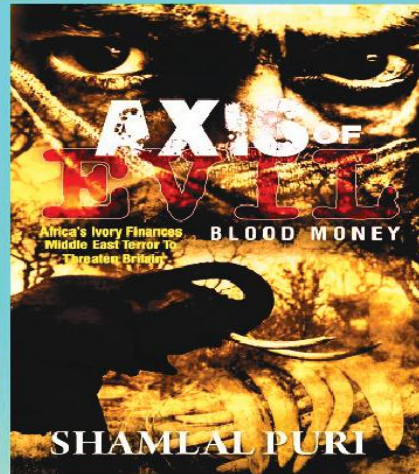
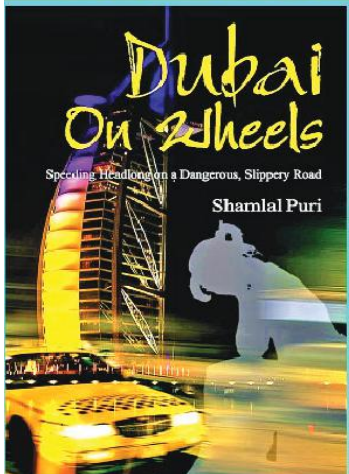
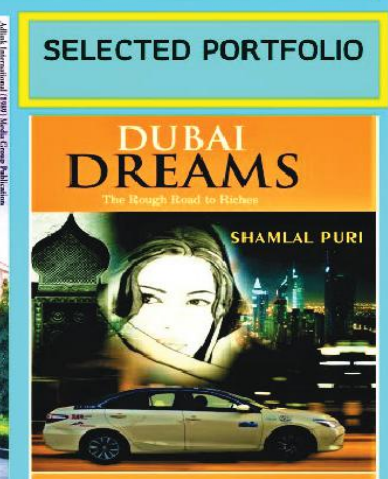
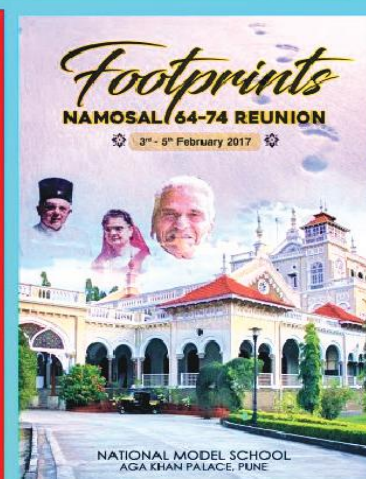
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We Will Adopt GEN Z's Formula If The Government Fails To Address The Plight Of Private Security Officers

By: Our Reporter
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The Union guards led by Dr. Isaac GM Andabwa - National General Secretary - are vowing to adopt the GEN-Z's modus operandi if the Government continues to ignore their plight.

While addressing the media early at Under the radar restaurant in Nairobi the workers representatives (Shop stewards) from Nairobi County thanked the President William Ruto for agreeing to listen to Kenyans and in particular the GEN-Z's concerns. They lauded the move by the President to initiate a multi-sectorial national dialogue course to address the pertinent challenges facing the Nation citing the genesis back to the Koffi Annan accord on: electoral (IEBC) malpractices, inequality, youth unemployment, land and historical injustices as the key root causes of what is bedeviling the country.

We support the move by ODM leader Raila Odinga in calling for national dialogue and the need to embrace the Government of National Unity irre-



KNPSWU National General Secretary - Dr. Isaac GM Andabwa (OGW) addressing the media.

spective of the political or coalition side that wins the General election, said Dr. Andabwa

The guards appealed to the president to address corruption, nepotism, tribalism and enforce a balanced national outlook in appointing state officers and parastatal chiefs.

The Guards called on the head of state to embrace professionalism and shun

cronyism that has seen him being held hostage and a hindrance in delivering Kenya Kwanza BETA policies.

Private security officers are the real hustlers but remain highly marginalised by those in authority in particular by the ministries of interior and labour where the cadre belongs.

We are tired of undercutting and corruption in the private security industry



KNPSWU shopstewards from Nairobi County.

in terms of bidding and unfair award of tenders to non-complying firms in the industry.

The guards have now vowed to Occupy PSRA, Harambee HSE and NSSF building in demanding for their rights and general welfare. They want the immediate implementation of the 30K salary increment decree by PSRA.

The Union welcomed and unveiled

Steve Kay, a luminary artist as their brand ambassador in their efforts to boost Union visibility and membership recruitment drive.

Makueni Governor Unveils Water Projects In Kikumbulyu North Ward

By: Kenya News Agency

Makueni Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr has unveiled three water projects in Kikumbulyu North Ward set to benefit about 111,000 people that will cost over Sh77 million.

In Kiaoni area, Mutula inspected the extension of Makaani-Kiaoni water pipe line by 4.4 kilometers that included rehabilitation of Kiaoni Water kiosk and elevation of tank tower and installation of 10 cubic meter tank at a cost of Sh4.3 million.

The Governor also commissioned a concrete reservoir tank with a capacity of 225,000 cubic meters by KIBMASCO Water Company in Kathyaka at a cost of Sh4.5 million and will serve 6,300 people in Ngulu and Nyayo clusters.

"The commissioning of these wa-



ter development projects is aimed at ensuring safe and adequate water supply across Makueni County for domestic, irrigation and industrial use," said Mutula at Kiaoni market during the unveiling of the Makaani-Kiaoni water project on Friday.

At Athi, the Governor commissioned Athi-Kilema-Tunguni water

project where Sh68 million has been spent and it is projected to benefit over 100,000 people in Kikumbulyu North, Makindu, and Nguumo wards.

Among the scope of works includes construction of 250,000 cubic meters water tank at Mukononi hill, composite filtration, electromechanical

systems for water treatment plant, distribution networks for Makindu, Kikumbulyu North, and Nguumo wards and the construction of four water kiosks.

Other works included installation of three panels of 100W of solar, streetlights, installation of chemical injector pump and painting of the elevated tank components and gauge repair.

During the tour, Mutula also commissioned two Early Childhood Development Education (ECDE) projects where classrooms, stores, three door toilets and offices were constructed at Sh7 million.

In Kyaani and Katilani ECDE centres, two class rooms, a store, an office and three door toilets for each was constructed.

"My government has embarked on ensuring the ECDE learners learn in a good and conducive environment," said Mutula while unveiling the projects.

Speaking at the same function, Kibwezi Subcounty Deputy County Commissioner (DCC) Paul Wanyonyi asked the public to guard the projects against vandalism that is rampant in the area.

Wanyonyi urged residents to provide security personnel with intelligence information that will enable the arrest of criminals behind the vandalism of implemented projects.

On defilement, he challenged parents to offer good parenting to their children and also report those who abuse children so that they can be prosecuted.

Present at the function included Deputy Governor Lucy Mulili, Water Sanitation and Irrigation Executive Committee Member (ECM) Eng. John Kieti, his counterparts for Devolution, Infrastructure and Trade Japheth Mang'oka, Sabastian Kyoni and Eng. Peter Mumo respectively among other senior officers.

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Kenya's Political Odyssey: A Journey Of Five Presidents With Broken Dreams And Unfulfilled Promises

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Kenya's Five Presidents From left: Jomo Kenyatta, Daniel Arap Moi, Mwai Kibaki, Uhuru Kenyatta and William Ruto

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Kenya's political history, marked by the leadership of Jomo Kenyatta, Daniel Arap Moi, Mwai Kibaki, Uhuru Kenyatta, and now William Ruto, paints a vivid picture of a nation grappling with the complexities of governance and the perpetual quest for a leader who can fulfill the aspirations of its people. Each leader has brought with them a unique set of promises, yet the journey has often been one of failed dreams, disappointment, and national disillusionment. Reflecting on this trajectory, it becomes apparent that Kenya's struggle for exemplary leadership may persist for some time. Jomo Kenyatta, the nation's founding father, ascended to power with the hopes of steering Kenya into a new era of independence and prosperity. His tenure, however, was marred by allegations of favoritism, corruption, and the entrenchment of a political elite that prioritized personal gain over national development. While Kenyatta is credited with stabilizing the young nation and laying the foundations for its economic growth, his administration also set a precedent for political patronage and the marginalization of certain communities. This period marked the beginning of a painful realization that independence alone was not a panacea for the country's myriad challenges.

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The election of Uhuru Kenyatta in 2013 brought with it the expectation of a youthful and dynamic leadership. Kenyatta's presidency focused

on large-scale infrastructure projects, such as the Standard Gauge Railway and significant road networks, aiming to modernize the country. Yet, his administration faced criticism for rampant corruption, rising public debt, and increasing economic inequality. The unresolved issues of tribalism and nepotism continued to plague his government, perpetuating the cycle of public disenchantment.

Now, under William Ruto's leadership, Kenya finds itself at another crossroads. Ruto, who campaigned on a platform of empowering the "hustler" nation, addressing unemployment, and ensuring economic equity, carries the weight of heightened public expectations. However, skepticism remains high, given his involvement in previous administrations marred by allegations of corruption and the contentious 2007-2008 post-election violence. Early signs of his tenure will be crucial in determining whether he can break the cycle of disillusionment or whether his leadership will follow the well-trodden path of unfulfilled promises.

The journey from Jomo Kenyatta to William Ruto underscores a profound struggle in Kenya's quest for exemplary leadership. The persistent issues of corruption, ethnic divisions, economic disparity, and political patronage have continually undermined the nation's progress. This tumultuous history suggests that the road to

finding a genuinely transformative leader may be long and fraught with challenges.

Kenya's political odyssey reflects a broader narrative familiar to many post-colonial African states, where the euphoria of independence has often given way to the harsh realities of governance. For Kenya to realize its potential, there must be a concerted effort to cultivate a new breed of leaders who prioritize national interest over personal or ethnic gain, uphold the rule of law, and foster inclusive economic development. Until such a paradigm shift occurs, the journey of broken dreams and unfulfilled promises is likely to continue, leaving Kenyans in a state of perpetual hope and disillusionment.

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Trump Assassination Attempt Suspect Named By FBI

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Former US President Donald Trump .

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- The FBI statement added that the incident is an “active and ongoing investigation”.

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The man suspected of shooting at former US President Donald Trump has been named by the FBI as Thomas Matthew Crooks.

He was 20 years old and from Bethel Park, Pennsylvania, they said in a statement.

Trump was shot at during a rally in Pennsylvania, with Secret Service agents swarming the former president after a series of gunshots. He was quickly bundled off stage and into a waiting vehicle and has since returned home to New Jersey.

The FBI say they are treating the incident as an assassination attempt.

In a post to his Truth Social network, Trump said a bullet pierced the “upper part” of his right ear. Earlier, his spokesperson said he was receiving treatment at a local medical centre.

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Officials later revealed that all three victims were male.

Law enforcement sources told the BBC’s US partner CBS News that Crooks had been armed with a rifle and had fired from an elevated structure a few hundred metres away outside the venue.

Earlier, agents told reporters in Butler they had yet to establish a motive for the assassination attempt.

Special Agent Kevin Rojek confirmed the agency was treating the shooting as an assassination attempt.

He added that the suspect had not been carrying ID and that investigators were using DNA in an attempt to formally identify him.

The Republican candidate for president had just started addressing his supporters in Butler, Pennsylvania – a crucial swing state in November’s election – when the shots started.

Multiple bangs rang out as Trump spoke about his successor, President Joe Biden, and his administration.

Several supporters holding placards and standing behind Trump ducked as the shots were heard.

Bystanders who spoke to the BBC suggested the gunshots may have come from a one-storey building to the right of the stage where Trump was speaking.

One witness – Greg – told the BBC that he had spotted a suspicious-looking person “bear crawling” on the roof of the building about five minutes after Trump took to the stage. He said he pointed the person out to police.

“He had a rifle, we could clearly see him with a rifle,” he said. “We’re pointing at him, the police are down there running around on the ground – we’re like ‘hey man there’s a guy on

the roof with a rifle’ and the police did not know what was going on.”

Tim – who was also at the rally – told the BBC that he had heard a “bar-rage” of shots.

“There was a spray which we initially thought was a fire hose, and then the speaker on the right-hand side started coming down,” he said.

“Something must have hit the hydraulic lines [which caused it to fall]. We saw President Trump go to the ground and everyone started dropping to the ground because it was chaos.

Warren and Debbie were at the venue and told the BBC they heard at least four gunshots.

They said they both got on the ground as Secret Service agents came through the crowd, shouting for the attendees to get down. People remained calm, they said.

“We couldn’t believe it was happening,” Warren said.

Debbie said a little girl beside them was crying that she didn’t want to die and saying “how is this happening to us?”

“That broke my heart,” Debbie said. Republican Congressman Ronnie Jackson told the BBC that his nephew was injured in the shooting. He sustained a minor wound to his neck and was treated at the scene, Mr Jackson said in a statement.

Speaking from his home state of Delaware, President Biden deplored the attack, calling it “sick”.

“There’s no place in America for this kind of violence,” he said. “Everybody must condemn it.”

The White House later said President Biden had spoken with Trump before returning to Washington DC.

Trump remains locked in a tight contest with President Biden – the presumptive Democratic nominee – in a re-match of the 2020 election.

Politicians of both parties joined Mr Biden in condemning the apparent attack.

Former President Barack Obama said there “is absolutely no place for political violence in our democracy” and that he was “relieved that former President Trump wasn’t seriously hurt”.

Trump’s former vice-president Mike Pence said he and his wife were praying for his former ally, adding that he urged “every American to join us”.

House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries said in a statement: “My thoughts and prayers are with former President Trump. I am thankful for the decisive law enforcement response. America is a democracy. Political violence of any kind is never acceptable.”

UK Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer led international condemnation of the shooting, saying he was “appalled by the shocking scenes at President Trump’s rally”.

“Political violence in any form has no place in our societies and my thoughts are with all the victims of this attack,” he said in a statement.

Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida called on people to oppose violence that “challenges democracy”.

And Canadian leader Justin Trudeau said he was “sickened by the shooting at former President Trump”.

Trump was set to accept his party’s nomination for president at the convention in Milwaukee on Monday. Some had speculated that he had been set to reveal his running mate at the Butler rally.

Some Republicans were quick to blame President Biden over the shooting, accusing him of stoking fears about Trump’s potential return to office.

Senator JD Vance, who is thought to be on the shortlist to become Trump’s vice-presidential candidate, said the rhetoric from the Biden campaign had led directly to this incident.

Mike Collins – a Republican congressman – accused the president of “inciting an assassination”.

Meanwhile James Comer, the chair of the powerful House oversight committee, said he would summon the director of the Secret Service before his panel

Scientific And Pedagogical Views Of Eastern Scholars On Music-Rhythmic Education



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Music-Rhythmic Education

Worth Noting:

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Annotation:

In the content of this article, opinions were expressed on the specific aspects of the scientific and pedagogical views of the scholars of the East on musical and rhythmic education.

Keywords: thinker , rhythm and music , children's songs, family songs, mourning songs, gods, harvest holiday songs , instruments music, folk dances.

Abstract: The content of this article expresses opinions on certain aspects of the scientific and pedagogical views of Eastern scientists on musical and rhythmic education.

It requires relying on the work of the great thinkers of the East in the field of rhythmic. This is due to the fact that the works of great scientists of the first and second renaissance contain very valuable methods that have not lost their importance today. A pedagogue who develops innovative technologies for training rhythmic feeling and thinking should definitely study the legacy of great scholars, the treatises of scholars such as Abu Nasr Farabi, Abu Ali ibn Sina. Because these tracts contain very valuable laws. In Central Asia, it is of particular importance to stop at the development of music-theoretical science. The science of music was founded in the 9th-11th centuries, and almost all the scientists of Central Asia who lived in the middle

ages are engaged in this issue. In the Near and Middle East, thinkers such as Khorezmi, Farabi, Beruni, Ibn Sina, Omar Khayyam created scientific didactics. Among them, there are not only didactic works of Khorezmi, Farabi, Ibn Sina, but also treatises and masterpieces on music and art. Abu Nasr Muhammad b Muhammad ibn Oslug Tarkhan Farabi - a great scientist, thinker, encyclopedist was born in 873 in the village of Wasij on the Syr Darya near the city of Farab (Otrar). His father was a Turkish military leader. Farabi studied in Shosh (Tashkent), Samarkand and Bukhara. In order to improve his knowledge, he goes to the city of Baghdad, the center of the caliphate. Farabi knew about 70 languages. Farabi is called "al-Muallim al-Sani" - "the second teacher after Aristotle", "Aristotle of the East" because he knows and interprets the works of a great scientist like Aristotle very well. In 941, poverty forced the scholar to come to Damascus and work as a garden supervisor in its suburbs. Nevertheless, he continues to work actively in the field of philosophy and other sciences.

Farabi comes to the attention of the ruler of the city of Aleppo (Aleppo) Hamdamid (reigned 943-967 years). He invites the scientist to his palace to live and work. However, Farabi refuses this offer, wanting to be free in life and creativity. He continues his effective activity in the city of Aleppo (943-949). Farabi lived in Egypt in 949-950, then spent the last

days of his life in Damascus. He was buried in the "Bab al-Saghir" cemetery in Damascus. Farabi's contribution to science is huge, and now about 200 of his works are known. Among his surviving books, the following are famous: "Qualities of Wisdom", "Thoughts of the Virtuous City Residents", "Treatise on Reason", "Introduction to Logic", "Treatise on the State", "Book on the Classification of Sciences", "On Music". big book". As mentioned in the first chapter, in addition to having fundamental theoretical knowledge, Farabi was also able to skillfully play musical instruments. People were impressed by his performance skills. Deep knowledge of natural and humanitarian sciences, sensitive feeling and understanding of the specific aspects of music reception by listeners, practical engagement with music, formed Farabi's musical and pedagogical views and they were reflected in the scientist's works.

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musical instruments, although they do not have all the characteristics of vocal notes, give peace like a voice. In this book, Farabi focuses on special types of rhythms that are of great importance in the formation of students. He also emphasized that rhythm and music, poetry and rhythm are inseparable, one complements the other.

By studying works of Farabi music types structure Farabi's rhythmic style developed should . This structure consists of : folk songs and their different genres ; instrument music ; folk dances.

All types of music are related to poetry, poetry itself helped people to understand the essence of music, especially music in songs. Music and poetry developed in close connection with each other, and this is confirmed by this fundamental work of Farabi. Al-Farabi's (873-950) "Big Book of Music", Ibn Sina's (980-1037) "Treatise on Music" in the "Book of Healing", Al-Khwarazmi (Khasr) "The Key of Knowledge", Safiuddin Urmawi's (1216-1294) "Nobility" about book" or "Sharafiya" book, A. Yami's (1414-1492) "Treatise about Music" books contain important information about music performance and folk instruments [8.37].

A classification of music genres and forms was developed in Farabi's treatises. These are, first of all, genres such as: folk songs, ritual, seasonal songs, Nowruz, spring songs, children's songs, family songs, mourning songs, allas; harvest festival songs, songs related to religious holidays (melodic songs performed during Ramadan, Eid); genres of instrumental music - instrumental melodies associated with images of nature, lyrical melodies, especially flute navos. Chime tones usually express the state of the heart, feelings of love and sadness. Dutor tunes have a dance quality and are of particular importance in the development of rhythm. For example, a click tone develops a rhythm. And Lapar gives the listener a rhythmic spirit.

The improvement of the process of teaching students to musical rhythms based on historical and theoretical information and the optimization of modern rhythmic education methods creates rhythmic patterns. By referring to Farabi's works, the teacher should choose his

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own method of teaching and instill in students the high moral and spiritual values of the people's heritage. All this requires continuous improvement of the musical education system. The rules of movements and dances in the Farabi tracts are of great methodological importance for a music teacher. Studying them has a positive effect on the entire mental state of a person and educates him as a comprehensively developed person. Farabi said that movement is very important in human life. It forms correct breathing, cypress figure and beautiful walking.

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During the study of Farabi's works, the teacher forms his pedagogical system and methodical principles in accordance with the modern requirements of musical education. In this regard, it is necessary to pay attention to the structure of melody and classification of rhythms in Farabi's works. The scientist proposed a whole series of the structure of tones, on the basis of which the teacher can form monodic thinking, combine them with monodic traditions, develop monodic hearing, master intonation rhythmic derivatives and learn to hear and feel their appeal. should learn. In the course of teaching, the teacher should draw the student's attention to the beauty of the decoration of the monody, the phraslags, singing, voice vibrations and melismatics (all these are called "ornamentation").

The study of rhythms and their structures in Farabi's works is of great methodological importance. They divide rhythms into simple and complex. Two-part, three-part, ostinato rhythms, copied rhythms. The boom-baka boom rhythm formula itself has many variations and variations, and it is useful to introduce students to ufor rhythms or techniques (in 6/8 time). Ufor rhythm is often considered to be a positive rhythmic form, and it especially exaggerates festive moods. Series instrumental tracks of maqam usually end with Ufor parts [6.131]. Based on the capabilities of the students (students), it is necessary to choose



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monodies and rhythm methods that are easily accepted by them. Therefore, it is advisable to use them widely in the educational process.

It is known that Uzbek traditional music has two directions from the past, i.e., emerging from each other, complementing each other, and at the same time, it has its own special characteristics and qualities. made up of directions. According to Farabi, the maturity of a person in any theoretical art is determined by his having three qualities. The first of them is to fully understand the basics of this art, the second is the ability to learn the necessity arising from the basics of the existing subjects of this art, the third is to master the philosophical information in this discipline, to confirm the correctness of the views of other theorists. the ability to check, to identify the sound points in their erroneous judgments, and to correct the mistakes of those who are mistaken.

As for man's mastery of this art, man first mastered the practical aspects of this art. The main content of each piece heard is stored in the mind of the listener as a melody [4.14]. That is, by moving the organs of speech with the help of voice, by playing tunes, while imitating those who mastered these tunes and sounds before him, he also improved his hearing and sight.

Independent work processes of students are aimed at developing knowledge and skills. As a result of

regular training, a person acquires this skill either completely, or at the level of the ability given to him by nature.

It is necessary to pay attention to the classification of rhythmic structures in Farabi's treatises, which should be adapted to use in the musical practice of the present time. Scientists of Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan made a great scientific contribution to the research of musical rhythms. Among them are the works of O. Matyokubov "Faroabi and Eastern Music" and Kazakh scholar Saida Daukaeva. Saida Daukaeva clearly explained all aspects of the rhythmic aspects of Al Farabi's poetry in her book "Al Farabi's Theory of Rhythm and Aruz". His extensive study of a number of works by Al Farabi, including works dedicated to this topic, is evidence of Farabi's continuing interest in rhythm theory. The unique aspects of the doctrine of rhythm described in them are understandable from the perspective of Arab traditions.

In Farabi's teaching, the mutual necessity of musical and poetic rhythm is manifested both in the level of their joint action in the composition and in the use of common concepts and terminology. For example, voiced and unvoiced sound symbols (harf mutaharrik, harf sokin) are transferred to the names of specific rhythmic beats (chorus), and types of durations are different forms of syllables (maqta) and stops in poet-

ry. Interacts with (cause, wata, fasilah). The teacher should be sure that the deeper the poetic text is revealed and understood, the easier, correct and expressive the performance of the song will be [7.44].

Vocal - instrumental music pure instrumental performance aesthetic superiority poetry and more wider when, in Arabic culture artistic word rhythmic with separate relation in context obviously will be [9. 82].

I was born on April 4, 1999 in Kattakorgan district of Samarkand province, the son of Boboyev Abbas Kurvanmurad. I was interested in art from my youth. Since I was in school, I have been singing and performing at events and holidays. Later, in order to further develop my interest and enrich my creativity, I studied at BSM No. 2 in Kattakorgan city, and then at the current specialized art school of Samarkand Art College named after Haji Abdulaziz Abdurasulov with the help and support of several teachers. I learned the secrets of status and the secrets of the traditional executive direction. Later, I was accepted to study music education at Jizzakh State Pedagogical University and I graduated from this higher education institution with excellent grades.

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Yamal's Unbelievable Year Of Records... Will He Add One More?

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It is fair to say Lamine Yamal has shaken up the game of football in the past year – and he could have his finest moment yet on Sunday.

The youngest person to play at the Euros, to assist a goal at the Euros and to score a goal at the Euros is bidding to become the youngest person to win the Euros when his Spain team take on England in Berlin.

Not only is he breaking those records, but he is doing it with style. With one goal and three assists, only team-mate Dani Olmo has been involved in more goals at Euro 2024.

It is not just potential, he already seems like one of the most exciting players in the world.

After his goal-of-the-tournament contender in the semi-final win over France, former England striker Gary Lineker said "a superstar is born".

So what has Barcelona winger Yamal, who turned 17 on Saturday, achieved so far in his career – and why is it so special?

How rare has Yamal's breakthrough been?

Before turning 17, Yamal had played 51 times for Barcelona, scoring seven goals and setting up another seven.

For Spain he has 13 appearances, three goals and six assists.

By comparison, neither Argentina's Messi nor Portugal's Ronaldo – the two greatest players of this generation – had played a single first-team game for club or country when they were 16.

And when we look at the players expected to replace Messi and Ronaldo as Ballon d'Or rivals – France's Kylian Mbappe and Norway's Erling Haaland – their stats at this age cannot compare to Yamal either.

Mbappe had played four games for Monaco, making one assist before turning 17 – while Haaland had played 23 times in Norway for second-tier Bryne and top-flight Molde, scoring once.

Even one of the most famous players to make their breakthrough at 16, Wayne Rooney, had only played 10 times for Everton and scored three goals before reaching 17.

The club records Yamal has broken

Not all of Yamal's appearances so far have come aged 16... because he was 15 when he made his Barcelona debut.

Aged 15 years and 290 days he became Barcelona's youngest player in the La Liga era when he replaced Gavi with six minutes to go in a 4-0 win over Real Madrid. Scroll to continue reading.

On 20 August, at the age of 16 years and 38 days, he became the youngest player since 1939 to start a La Liga game when he lined up in a 2-0 win over Cadiz.

One week later he became the youngest player to assist a La Liga goal in the 21st century when he crossed for Gavi to head in during a 4-3 win at Villarreal.

He became the youngest player to start a game in the Champions League, at 16 and 83 days, in a 1-0 win at Porto on 4 October.

Four days later he became the youngest goalscorer in La Liga history when he netted in the first half of a 2-2 draw at Granada.

He became the youngest player to play in El Clasico, the youngest player to set up a Champions League goal, aged 16 years and 153 days at Antwerp, and the youngest player and scorer in the Spanish Super Cup.

Yamal also became the youngest player to score in the Spanish Cup this century, the youngest player to score twice in a La Liga game, the youngest player in a Champions League knockout game and a quarter-final.

Unsurprisingly he is the youngest player to make 50 appearances for Barcelona and the youngest player to play 10 Champions League games.

Even Lamal could not match the records of Armand Martinez Sagi, though. He was Barcelona's youngest ever player and scorer at the age of 14 in the Catalan Championship in 1920 – nine years before Spain had a



Lamine Yamal

national league.

Among the few major records he has missed out on are youngest player in the Champions League (Youssoufa Moukoko was 16 years and 18 days for Borussia Dortmund against Zenit St Petersburg in 2020) or La Liga (Luka Romero was 15 years and 219 days old for Mallorca against Real Madrid in 2020).

He has yet to net in the Champions League and will not have the chance to break Ansu Fati's record as youngest scorer, aged 17 years and 40 days for Barcelona against Inter Milan in 2019, in that tournament now.

The Spain records Yamal has broken

On 8 September 2023, Yamal became Spain's youngest player and goalscorer in the same game – a 7-1 win over Georgia in Euro 2024 qualifying.

He was aged 16 years and 57 days when he came on for Dani Olmo just before half-time.

That was before he had even scored for Barcelona.

Only Martin Odegaard, who was 15 years and 300 days when he played for Norway in 2014, has ever been younger while playing a European Championship qualifier.

In this summer's finals, Yamal has broken nearly every record there is to break – even though he has been doing school homework during some of his downtime in Germany.

He became the first 16-year-old to play at a men's Euros when

he started their group opener against Croatia.

Yamal set up Dani Carvajal's goal for 3-0 in that game making him the youngest assister in Euros history.

In the semi-final against France he became the youngest goalscorer in European Championship history – aged 16 years and 362 days.

In that game he passed two Pele landmarks that stood since 1958 – the youngest player to score at a Euros or World Cup – and the youngest to feature in the semi-finals of either.

What else can Yamal do this summer?

Now can he become the youngest player to win the Euros?

He could also achieve another quirky record... becoming the first 16-year-old and the first 17-year-old to score at a Euros.

He turned 17 the day before the final – and the previous youngest Euros goalscorer was Johan Vonlanthen at the age of 18.

In theory the Spanish FA could be fined if the game goes to extra time and Yamal is still on the pitch. Germany's Youth Employment Protection Act prohibits under-18s from working beyond 23:00 local time.

It does, though appear very unlikely any such action would be enforced.

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Wanja's Transition To A Second Dream Career A Surreal Experience At Paris Olympics



Former Kenya's national women's volleyball team Malkia Strikers setter Janet Wanja, who is now the team's trainer, in action at the Team Kenya Pre-Olympics camp in Miramas, France. Photo/JAIRUS MOLA -NOC-K

One facet of sport a myriad athletes share time and time again is that their playing career will end, and that they'll transition into something new upon retirement. Malkia Strikers' retired setter Janet Wanja has always wanted to sit on the technical bench during her active days on the court. And her dream couldn't have come at a better time when the national women's volleyball team is preparing to grace the 2024 Olympic Games in the French Capital. Granted, the erstwhile poster girl of Kenyan volleyball terrain ultimately found her way back into the team she was a part of for donkey's years, but this time in a

different capacity. After asserting unmatched authority on the court for close to 10 years and representing Kenya at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics in Japan, Wanja feels her dream as the team's trainer has come too soon. "Being here as a trainer feels awesome, something that I didn't expect to come so soon. I have always dreamt of being on the technical bench after my playing career, and it came sooner than I expected which is a good thing. I'm so proud of myself and I feel great about it," Wanja said. Wanja was among the Malkia Strikers' entourage who waltzed into the city of Miramas Friday

for pre-Olympics training. "It has been a while since I represented Kenya and Paris 2024 is a big deal, a dream come true to be on the technical bench. Our target is to perform better than in other competitions. If we perform well, that will be great, but we can't put pressure on the girls, we just want them to enjoy playing." Kenya is in Pool B alongside Brazil, Poland and Japan. Pool A will feature France, USA, China and Serbia while Pool C has Italy, Türkiye, Netherlands and Dominican Republic. The Olympic volleyball tournaments at Paris 2024 will be conducted under a new format, start-

ing with three round-robin pools of four. The pool winners, the pool runners-up and the two best ranked third-placed teams will advance to the quarterfinals for the start of the single elimination bracket that will lead to the semifinals and eventually to the medal matches to determine the Olympic podium. The Paris 2024 volleyball matches will be held at the South Paris Arena in the French capital from July 27 to August 11 to produce the 16th Olympic volleyball champions in each gender. -Alex Isaboke is reporting from Miramas, France-

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Formation Of Human Qualities In Students Through The Reading Of Works Of Art



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Worth Noting:

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Works Of Art

Today, in our country, increasing the interest of young people in reading, keeping them occupied with reading literary works is becoming one of our most important goals. In this regard, the current measures have an impact on young learners. "Five Important Initiatives" project was launched to meaningfully spend free time of students, to educate them as intellectually and physically mature individuals. Through this project, we were able to provide employment not only to students, but also to any stratum of the population that needs help, our women and girls.

If we focus on the fourth direction of this project, we will see that this is our weakest point today. That is, the fourth initiative is aimed at organizing systematic work on raising the morale of young people and widely promoting reading among them. In this regard, a number of events are being held in schools and higher education institutions.

For thousands of years, it has been showing people the right path, and an important factor in their being educated, educated, professional

and, of course, happy is to be friends with books and to read books. is not to do. Books have a special place in the lives of young people. Because a good book increases a person's feelings of love for the Motherland, respect for national and universal values, and encourages goodness and goodness.

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For this purpose, the "Reading Lit-

eracy" textbooks include various topics such as mother nature, the world around us, the history and present image of our country, the lives of adults and children, hard work, independence and national-spiritual values, friendship between peoples and peace.

Artistic, moral-educational, scientific-popular works intended to provide comprehensive understanding of in the period of literacy training, students are introduced to syllables, words and sentences and organized in the way of reading them, telling stories based on pictures, after mastering the reading technique, reading on certain topics it is conducted on the basis of selected artistic, scientific and popular texts.

Specific topics included in the elementary school "Reading Literacy" textbooks are defined by the fact that they introduce students to the magical world of fiction and focus on the correct formation of their worldviews based on the ideology of national independence.

Accordingly, the main feature of the reading classes is to ensure the

literacy of the students and educate them in the spirit of high moral values based on the national ideology. The subject range of the works studied in the reading lessons of primary grades is quite wide, they are within the framework of general topics such as Mother Nature, seasons, folklore, and love of work, major holiday dates, national independence and spirituality combined.

The subjects chosen for the reading classes are intended to provide students with knowledge and education on everyday life, strengthening of independence and human relations. Among them, the themes of independence, homeland, spirituality and nature stand out. Their goal is to realize one's identity, to awaken feelings related to independence, homeland and nature.

Topics of socio-historical content give a certain idea about the past of our country, the life of our people, heroic struggle, works done by great figures, historical dates. Among them are texts about Beruni, Amir Temur, Alisher Navoi, Babur and other ancestors.

This type of works not only introduces the students to our past, but also helps them to deeply understand their filial duty and responsibility towards the Motherland. This is how the feeling of love for the Motherland is formed in them. In the process of familiarizing with and analyzing the works that tell about the past of our country, the students will have the opportunity to compare the past with the present day, and form a brief understanding of the development of society.

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