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Opposition Leaders Tours Ukambani Area, Promises To Make Ruto A One Term President


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Some Of The Moments As Captured In Pictures


Political leaders allied to the opposition on Friday made a whirlwind tour of Ukambani region with a clarion call of ensuring President William Ruto will serve just one term. The leaders, hosted by former Vice President Kalonzo Musyoka and led by former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua addressed numerous impromptu roadside public meeting where they castigated the current administration for neglecting Kenyans. The leaders vowed to remain united, front a single Presidential candidate who will face off with President Ruto.



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The Senate Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries visited the Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) - Dairy Research Institute (DRI), Naivasha, led by the chairman Sen. David Wakoli Wafula. The committee was welcomed by Dr. Samuel Mbuku, the Institute Director, on behalf of the KALRO Director General Dr. Eliud Kireger. The committee has been visiting agricultural organizations within the country in an effort to enhance collaboration between government and other key national players in the agricultural sector to enable improved productivity in the country. Dr. Samuel Mbuku, with a team of senior researchers, gave the senate team a presentation of an overview of the whole organization and institute and thereafter took them on a farm tour and tree planting session later.



Yesterday, Jubilee party Secretary General Jeremiah Kioni led other officials and supporters for a consultative meeting with the party officials from Embu county. The team supported majority of Kenyans clarion call of ensuring the President William Ruto's regime serve just one term. Kioni noted that Kenyans are tired of empty rhetoric, hollow promises, and endless blame games. He added that the current government has mastered the art of talking without delivering, while the cost of living keeps skyrocketing. Officials noted that Jubilee remains the party of choice across the board, grounded, tested, and focused on real solutions.

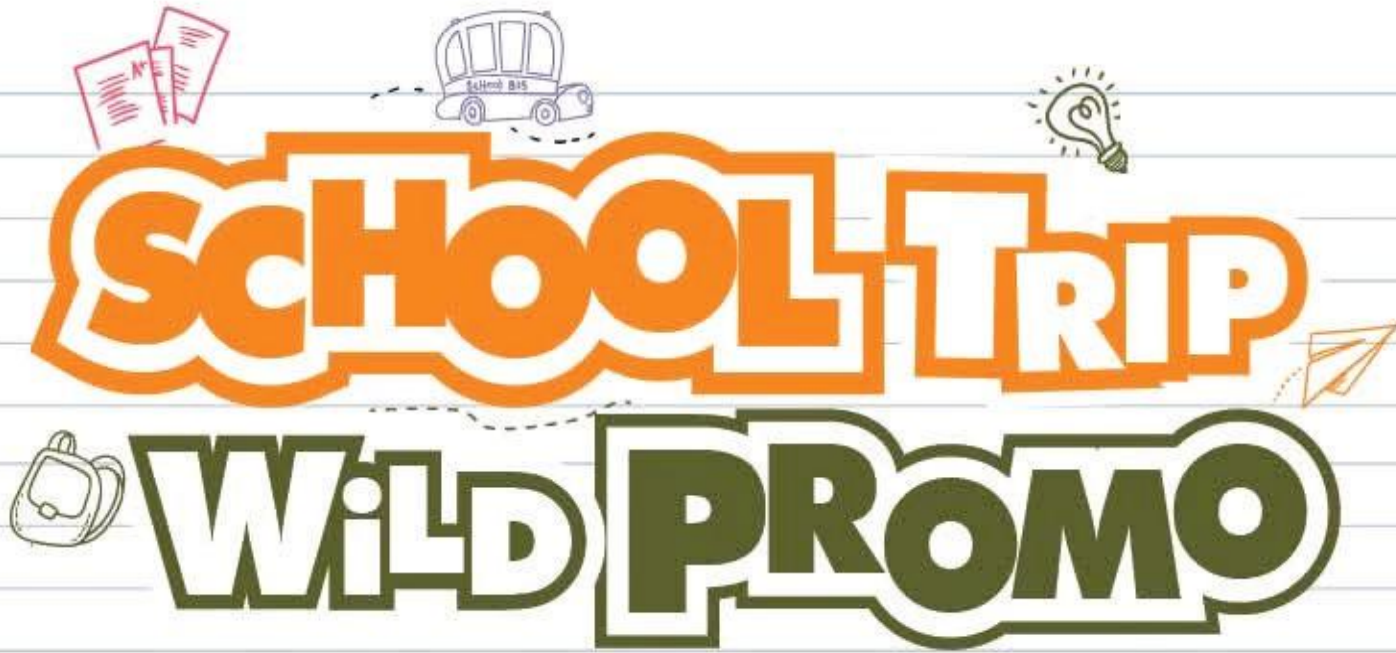


Bilateral Engagement on Horn of Africa Gateway Development Project commits to resume deliberations on the River Daua Basin Development Initiatives that will irrigate 120,000 acres in Kenya and Ethiopia. The Principal Secretary, State Department for Irrigation, Ephantus Kimotho, participated in the bilateral engagement between the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and the Republic of Kenya on the Horn of Africa Gateway Development Project. The meeting was organized by the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD). The PS, accompanied by the Irrigation Secretary for Programs, Eng. Michael Thuita, facilitated the resumption of deliberations on the River Daua Basin Development Initiatives under the auspices of IGAD. The initiative aims to build a dam that will: Control floods, Irrigate 120,000 acres for food production, Generate hydroelectric power and Enhance regional economic integration. The Daua River, which forms part of the Kenya-Ethiopia-Somalia border, is a vital transboundary water resource supporting the livelihoods of thousands of pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities in the region. Its seasonal flooding and untapped hydrological potential offer a unique opportunity to address water scarcity, improve food security, and promote sustainable development in the arid and semi-arid lands (ASALs) of northern Kenya and southern Ethiopia. The meeting was attended by senior government officials from both countries.



The Principal Secretary for Public Health and Professional Standards hosted Mary Muthoni and Dr. Sarah Imam, Director of Health Sciences at The Citadel Military College in South Carolina, USA, for a consultative meeting on strengthening collaboration in community health outreach. The discussion focused on aligning the Citadel Free Medical Camp initiative with Kenya's national health priorities, particularly in underserved urban settlements such as Kibera, Kayole, and Kariobangi, where the programme has provided critical services over the past four years. The Ministry welcomes strategic partnerships that enhance community-based interventions, promote equitable access to healthcare, and support capacity building through skills exchange between Kenyan health professionals and international medical volunteers. Strengthening such collaborations is integral to the Ministry's commitment to building resilient, inclusive, and people-centred health systems.

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Emirates Logistics To Establish New Hub At Tatu City

By: Hellen Lunalo

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Worth Noting:

The logistics giant maintains its own warehousing offices and transport fleets across 14 countries, namely the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Saudi Arabia, Oman, Bahrain, Egypt, Morocco, Algeria, Ivory Coast, South Africa, Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, and Malaysia, with Kenya as its newest addition.

On his part, Tatu City Chief Financial Officer George Kapanadze noted that the investment hub provides a conducive business environment for global investors, encompassing housing, retail, schools, parks, and recreation facilities.

“We warmly welcome Emirates Logistics to its new home in Kenya, where we believe they will flourish in a supportive business environment,” he noted.



Emirates Logistics, an international logistics service provider, has disclosed its intentions to boost its Kenyan operations through the development of a cutting-edge facility within the Tatu City Special Economic Zone (SEZ).

Steven van der Vliet, Emirates Logistics' Chief Commercial Officer, stated that the new facility will play a crucial role in supporting the company's expansion throughout sub-Saharan Africa by enhancing continental trade in Kenya and the wider East African Region.

“We have chosen Tatu City as our location, as it is at the core of Kenya's economic activity and will therefore allow us to deliver customised logistics solutions that help both our existing and new customers succeed.” He

said.

Construction of the establishment is scheduled to commence this year, adding to the company's global presence in 15 countries and an international network of agents.

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The SEZ located in Kiambu and a flagship project of the Kenya Vision 2030 blueprint provides secure, predictable, and proven environments for both individuals and businesses while accommodating over 6,000 students and families in its 10,000 mixed-income home units.

Tatu City is home to over 100 businesses, including major international brands like Heineken, Cold Solutions, CCI Global, Dormans, FullCare, Kärcher, CKL, Naivas, NCBA, Grit Real Estate Income Group, Hewatele, Freight Forwarders Solutions, Tama-

rind Group, ADvTECH, Friendship Group, Bakels, Dr Mattress, Novis, and Davis & Shirtliff.

Companies choosing to operate within the Tatu City Special Economic Zone (SEZ) are eligible for attractive incentives designed to foster business growth.

These include a significantly reduced corporate tax rate of 10% for the first 10 years, followed by 15% for the subsequent 10 years, a substantial decrease from Kenya's standard corporate tax rate of 30%.

Beyond corporate tax benefits, businesses in the Tatu City SEZ also enjoy VAT zero-rating on goods and services, along with exemptions on import duty and stamp duty.

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Women Adopt Vertical Gardens To Boost Food, Income

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Worth Noting:

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- With just a small amount of water, households can produce enough vegetables for their household needs,” he noted.

- The project officer said over 100 households have already benefitted from the vertical garden materials, reiterating that the project has significantly enhanced food security.

- He said following the launch, they plan to conduct follow-up training sessions to ensure each beneficiary correctly installs their gardens.

In an effort aimed at empowering women hard hit by drought in West Pokot County, the International Tree Foundation, in partnership with the Perur Rays of Hope organisation, has distributed vertical kitchen garden materials to 100 to enable women to grow vegetables for subsistence purposes and income generation.

The move is aimed at fighting food insecurity and malnutrition, hence improving the general human health within the region that has been labelled with the challenges for long.

Speaking after the distribution of the materials at Kapkanyar in Pokot South Constituency, the ITF Western Region Project Officer Joshua Mutambuki said the organisation has partnered with Perur Rays of Hope to implement the FR100 project in West Pokot County as part of the initiative to support women in establishing kitchen gardens.

He disclosed that vertical gardens are an important livelihood activity, adding that they have supported the women groups with beehives, fruit trees and tree nursery training for income generation.

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He said when they plant vegetables, within approximately three months they will have harvested, thus putting food on their tables and the surplus sold in the neighbourhoods for some income.

He ascertained that the materials entail locally available resources such as sacks to support household kitchen gardens.

‘We are committed to employing various approaches to ensure that even more households benefit from the kitchen initiative,’ stated the Project Officer.

Caroline Menach, the Director of Perur Rays of Hope and Principal of St.Elizabeth Girls’ Secondary School Morpus, said her organisation was blessed to be supported by the International Tree Foundation in their efforts to improve livelihoods, especially among women within Kapkanyar, especially in Kaprech village.

‘Thanks to this partnership, 100 women representing 100 households have benefitted from the distribution of vertical gardens,’ she said.

She singled out that West Pokot

County is a dry region, and supporting women is crucial because they play a central role in ensuring food security at the household level.

She said the vertical garden initiative, supported by ITF, provides innovative ways for the community to grow food with minimal water, especially during the dry season.

She said women are often responsible for fetching water and sourcing vegetables for their families, which is physically demanding and sometimes dangerous, noting that women have fallen from trees while collecting vegetables.

She said with the introduction of vertical gardens, women can irrigate crops using less water right at their homes, reducing the risk of accidents and ensuring their children have access to nutritious food.

‘Vertical gardens will not only improve household food security but also enable children to attend school and focus on their education,’ Menach said.

She said ITF support goes beyond vertical gardens to include beehives and Eco-stoves which are all aimed at empowering women and strengthening livelihoods.

‘When women are empowered, communities thrive,’ she said

She said they look forward to expanding the vertical garden initiative to reach more women, fostering community development, better education opportunities for children, and overall household well-being.

She mentioned that a happy, food-secure household means a

happier community, with surplus produce that can be sold to improve economic stability.

Eliza Apollo, the chairlady of the Sindenden Women’s group, said, ‘I thank ITF for visiting our village; your support has enabled us to establish a tree nursery project, which has provided us with tree seedlings. Some of these seedlings have been planted in the forest to help restore areas affected by deforestation due to charcoal burning. We are grateful for ITF’S support in this effort to plant trees and conserve our forest cover.’

Additionally, she noted that ITF has supplied water tanks to support the nursery and nearby schools around Kaprech, Sinenden, and Kaptaboswa have received water tanks as well.

She said ITF has also donated to them 100 eco-stoves, which have greatly improved their cooking and helped save the environment.

‘These eco-stoves use only three pieces of firewood, saving energy, reducing deforestation, and promoting environmental conservation,’ Mrs. Apollo said.

She acknowledged that the donated 100 beehives will enable them to harvest honey and generate income.

‘We appreciate ITF and its donors for their ongoing support, which has positively impacted our lives. The Vertical garden materials they have received will help them grow vegetables during the dry season, ensuring food for their families,’ she said.

‘Mt. Kenya Analeta Ksh.500 Ya Pombe, Rift Valley Ni Bodaboda!’ Gachagua Slams Ruto Over Empowerment Bias

By: Emmanuel Too
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Opposition leaders now say President William Ruto has been hoodwinking the Mt. Kenya residents and those opposed to the government by giving them less lucrative goodies while taking impactful community empowerment projects to his Rift Valley backyard.

Led by former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua and Wiper leader Kalonzo Musyoka, the leaders say the President has been favouring his Rift Valley backyard at the expense of the Mt. Kenya region and Ukambani.

They were speaking during a Friday tour of the Coastal region, which snaked through different towns in Makeni County with roadside rallies from Malili, Salama, Sultan Hamud, Emali, Makindu, and finally Mtito Andei, as they continued to popularise their outfit.



“Hapa Ukambani na pale kwetu kwa Mlima anatuma mtu wa soprano, pelekea watu 500 wakunywe pombe na maharagwe. Pale kwake tumeona leo ametuma mtu ya soprano pelekea vijana bodaboda, pelekea posho mill, mtungi ya maziwa, cherehani, vitu ya maana,” said Gachagua, who is the Democracy for Citizens Party (DCP) leader.

Kalonzo, on his part, said he will not join the government, following calls by some pro-government leaders for him to change tack.

“Inaitwa blood-based government



na sisi hatutaingia kwa hiyo serikali...” he said, vowing not to board the government bandwagon after a section of Kenya Kwanza leaders wooed him to jump ship.

DAP-K party leader Eugene Wamalwa added: “Mnaweza kubali mtu ako na mkono safi kushikana na watu wako na mikono ya damu, mikono ya wizi na ufisadi?”

Kalonzo and Gachagua joined their opposition generals in sustaining their onslaught at President Ruto, saying they will unseat him come 2027.



MP Oscar Sudi Massive Economic Empowerment Initiative For His Constituents In Kapseret

“Hata Ruto akijiweka chairman wa IEBC, ataenda nyumbani, ama siyo? Tarehe 25 itakuwa Gen Z Day,” said Kalonzo.

Gachagua added, “Harambee, one term, wewe Kasongo. One term, wewe Kaongo one term...”

Makeni Governor Mutula Kilonzo Junior reiterated his support for Kalonzo’s presidency come 2027, saying: “Sisi tumewatuma haraka kama

viongozi mtupee candidate. Sisi kama Makindu tumesema Dr. Stephen Kalonzo Musyoka.”

The Wiper Democratic Movement party is in the process of rebranding into the Wiper Patriotic Front by the end of June.

UDA Summons Two Mcas Over Association With Gachagua’s DCP Party

By: Joseph Muia
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The United Democratic Alliance (UDA) Party’s Disciplinary Committee has summoned two Nominated members of the county assemblies of Nyeri and Nairobi over their alleged involvement with former Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua.

In a letter dated Friday, the committee’s chairperson Charles Njenga accused Nyeri’s Ann Thumbi and her Nairobi counterpart Joy Muthoni Mwangi of insubordination to the ruling party after allegedly engaging in the political affairs of Gachagua’s newly formed Democracy for the Citizens Party (DCP).

While labelling their actions as an “incitement of party members to leave the UDA party,” Njenga ordered the MCAs to appear before the disciplinary committee on June 20 to answer to the charges.

He outlined the relevant violated laws and their duties according to the Political Parties Act, warning that if found guilty of the offences, the two risk suspension, expulsion or fines.

“The UDA party disciplinary committee is in receipt of information and evidence of your activities relevant to party discipline as provided in law and its constitution, which were widely circulated in both mainstream and social media and otherwise in the public domain,” read the letter.

“Accordingly, and pursuant to Article 29 of the UDA constitution, you are hereby summoned to appear before the disciplinary committee of the UDA party on 20th June 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at Hustler Plaza, for the hearing of this complaint against you. You can appear by yourself or with your duly appointed advocates.”

The letter added: “Please note that if the committee finds you liable, it shall impose such sanctions as are provided for in the constitution, including suspension, expulsion, fines,

etc., and forward the decision to the National Executive Committee of the party for its concurrence and further action.”

According to the committee, Thumbi and Muthoni are accused of actively participating in a DCP rally on May 15, wearing the party’s branded merchandise and endorsing it in the region while encouraging residents to join the political outfit.

Thumbi is also accused of participating in another DCP rally on May 24.

“Evidence of your participation in the political activities of another party, specifically the Democracy for the Citizens Party, on 15th May 2025, where available evidence shows your active association with and participation in that event—particulars whereof being well within your knowledge—including, but not limited to, wearing branded merchandise for the said party,” the letter stated.

“Your attendance at a DCP public rally on 24th May 2025, where you endorsed and encouraged members



Police officers manning the UDA party headquarters. PHOTO | COURTESY

of the public to join that party and leave the UDA party.”

Muthoni is further accused of sharing a message in support of DCP on her Facebook page where she, “clearly and by implication demonstrated your association and support of the said DCP party and encouraged

members to leave the UDA party.”

“Your actions outlined above amount to incitement of party members to leave the UDA party and total disregard of the party constitution, rules and the code of conduct,” noted the committee.

County Invests KSh13M In Plastic Reuse Centre

By: Peter Gitonga
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The Turkana County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Natural Resources, Mining, Energy, and Climate Change, Leah Audan Lokaala, has said the county government plans to invest KSh13 million in completing and operationalising a plastic reuse centre.

Speaking when she led the commemorations for World Environment Day at Muli Christian Primary School in Lokaparaparae village, Turkana Central, Lokaala said the centre will assist in job creation and reduce environmental degradation.

The County joined the rest of the world in marking World Environment Day 2025, themed 'Tackling plastic pollution', with calls for urgent action to end plastic pollution and protect natural ecosystems.

CECM Lokaala emphasised the im-

portance of collective responsibility in reducing plastic waste, which she said now affects even human health through microplastics.

"Plastic pollution is a problem we can fix. Change happens through all of us," said the county executive.

The day's event included tree planting and plastic collection activities organised in partnership with national agencies and civil society groups.

Chief Officer for Climate Change, Imoni Ekalale, highlighted the benefits of plastic in energy-saving and other applications but warned that the growing pollution crisis threatens both human and planetary health.

"The choices we make can shape industries, shift markets, and redefine our collective future," said CO Ekaale.

Director for Environment Phoebe Ekal highlighted that the circular economy for plastics offers a sustainable path forward. "This means we need to rethink how we design, make, use, and reuse plastic," she noted.

Among those in attendance were



Leah Audan Lokaala watering a tree on World Environment Day

representatives from the Kenya Red Cross Society, Wetlands International, Kenya Forest Service, National Environment Management Authority,

Kenya Wildlife Service, Kenya Maritime Authority, BOMA Project, LOKADO, Kenya Fisheries Service, and various community organisations.

The national government was represented by Assistant County Commissioner Daniel Mutemi.

Farmers Empowered To Preserve Indigenous Seed Varieties

By: Peter Gitonga
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To strengthen community seed systems in enhancing food security in Turkana, government officials from the Department of Agriculture and Land Reclamation joined farmers from Loima, Kangelita, and Katilu for a capacity-building workshop.

The training focused on the production of indigenous seeds and the development of a farmer-managed seed system.

The County Executive committee Member for Agriculture, Livestock Development, and Fisheries, James Wangiros, highlighted the importance of collaboration among the county government, local communities, and development partners like Seed Savers Network.

He noted that such partnerships are essential for addressing the challenges facing food security in the region.

"The County Government of Turkana provides grassroots support through staffing, capacity-building training, continuous extension ser-



vices, and annual seed distribution," Wangiros stated.

He also emphasised the significance of collaboration with research institutions, including Turkana University College, in developing knowledge and policies that address climate change and promote sustainable food

systems. Daniel Wanjama, Chief Executive Officer of Seed Savers Network, reiterated the organisation's commitment to working with communities and the government to empower farmers to produce and store their own seeds in community seed banks.

This will reduce dependency on external seed aid.

"Historically, we have faced seed shortages due to reliance on conventional seed aid, which has fostered a mindset of over-dependency," said Philip Ebongon, a farmer from Katilu.

Present at the training were Emmanuel Esau (Deputy Director of Agriculture), Joseph Ekalale (Deputy Director, Irrigation and Land Reclamation) and Jackson Ewat (Assistant Director, Irrigation).

Eid Ul-Adha: CS Joho Rallies For Peace, Affordable Housing

By: Sadik Hassan
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Messages of unity, compassion and care for the less fortunate dominated Eid ul-Adha prayers in Mombasa, where Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy, and Maritime Affairs Hassan Joho urged residents to register on the Boma Yangu platform to become homeowners.

During the prayers led by Sheikh Islam Salim at Masjid Ummu Kulthum grounds, worshippers were urged to unite, show love, and assist the needy during the celebrations.

The faithful were also reminded to observe the teachings of the Qur'an in performing the ritual sacrifice.

CS Joho called for unity, forgiveness, and compassion among Kenyans. He also prayed for the pilgrims to be safe as they continued with acts of worship.

Eid ul-Adha, the Festival of Sacrifice, is observed on the tenth day of Dhul Hijja in the Islamic Lunar Calendar, coinciding with the culmination of the annual Hajj pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca in Saudi Arabia.

The pilgrimage is one of the five pillars of Islam, and it is obligatory only for those who are capable financially and in good health.

The festival of sacrifice is important in the Islamic faith since Muslims commemorate the Prophet Ibrahim's consecration and willingness to sacrifice his son. This was a command from God to test Prophet Ibrahim's commitment. At last, he slaughtered a ram in place of his son.

Muslims, after the Eid prayers, slaughter an animal as a remembrance of Prophet Ibrahim's readiness to slaughter his son. The animal must be of good health and attain a certain age to be slaughtered.

The meat is distributed in three portions: one for the family, another for friends and neighbours, and the final portion for the less fortunate.

The CS further urged Mombasa residents to register for the upcoming Nyali Affordable Housing project to secure decent houses where construction of 1976 housing units is rapidly taking shape at the 23-acre prime land along the Mombasa-Malindi highway bordering the upmarket Nyali suburb.

The 1,976 housing units are categorised into Social Housing, Affordable Housing, and Market Rate Housing where additional amenities will include a Level Four hospital, an Early Childhood Development Education Centre (ECDE), and primary and secondary schools.

"I urged with utmost respect for locals to log onto the Boma Yangu platform and register. We don't want to create a situation where they have not registered, and what is meant for them goes elsewhere; there will be problems," appealed the CS.

The development also includes a dual-purpose component with both residential and public sections. The public area will feature a commercial centre and a municipal market with



Cabinet Secretary for Mining Hassan Joho with other Muslim faithful yesterday.

1,000 stalls. Originally planned as an Economic Stimulus Project, the market was later converted into a municipal facility.

"I want to appeal with a lot of humility: go and register to be a homeowner in these projects. This is a lifestyle upgrade," urged the CS.

The CS steered away from politics, saying his focus is to deliver on his ministerial mandate to improve the lives of Kenyans.

County Commissioner Mohamed Noor confirmed that the Port City of Momba-

sa is safe, days after nine suspects were arrested at their hideout in Mtwapa for targeting bank customers.

The CC further encouraged Mombasa youths to apply for the 3000 Climate Worx job opportunities as announced by the government during the 62nd Madaraka Day celebrations in Homa Bay.

President William Ruto announced the nationwide rollout of the ambitious Climate Workx initiative, which aims to engage 110,000 youths across all 47 counties. The programme was initially

launched in Nairobi last year.

Designed as a social protection initiative, Climate Workx will involve youth in delivering essential public goods such as road construction and maintenance, tree planting, and environmental sanitation improvements within their communities.

"The application link has been provided. We are giving a ten-day application window, then we shortlist."



Muslim faithful observe Eid-ul-Adha prayers at Masjid Ummu Kulthum, Kizingo. Photo/Andrew Hinga

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Make Kenya Great Again Through Inter-Generational Mentorship



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This article divides Kenyan population into 5 cohorts of 20 years each.

The author, being a demographer, has developed the 5 categories with Mau Mau rebellion as the foundation event shaping our historical foundation.

Group A: The current senior most parents in Kenya born in or before 1955

These are the current eldest group of parents, who were born way before independence (1955 backwards). They have clear witness about struggle for independence, and they tell stories of life before and after 1963. The youngest person in this group is 70 years old. Most of them are grandparents and great grandparents. They are therefore parents to adult children. This cohort has a lot of pre-independent history that they need to share with their children and grandchildren. They hold the national values and traditions of our nation. They need to hold regular family re-unions in order to pass on the information to the next generation. Mothers of this group needs to sit regularly with younger mothers, and likewise fathers to sit with younger sons and transfer values to their younger ones. They need to remind the younger ones that we are Africans and we have values that should never die. Like how to talk and behave in public, and in the family.

We need to create platforms to pass these values, traditions and national historical stories to the next generation. All counties should have a museum about our country. Then the counties should ask group A members to write letters of what they wish to pass on to the future. Then these letters are stored as history written and reserved as national heritage. This can be made into a policy for all 47 counties. Some group A stories should be how natives used handmade guns against real guns in the Mau Mau rebellion. What materials they used, and how they hid in the forests at day time and attack colonialists during night time. How natives would be forced to live in consolidated villages that had one main gate and a wide trench as the wall to ensure no one escaped at night.

In America, one can trace history of as far back as 400 years ago when people migrated and occupied the land as their own, then slave trade reached there and that adds to the history of the African Americans. We need to have books and books written by Kenyans of group A, while they are still alive.



What they know group B does not know, and therefore it can be lost.

I know many of this group members, and I know the stories they have.

Group B Parents: Born during and around independence

This cohort has Kenyans who were born just before or soon after independence; between 1956 and 1976, two years before Mzee Kenyatta died. They are also beneficiaries of the coffee boom, when the world had a shortage of coffee, and the national economy boomed with coffee export.

The members of this group are currently parents to adults, and grandparents. This cohort enjoyed the fruits of independence in the sense that there was true integrity in our land. A yes was a yes, and government systems were super effective. The ones I interviewed, from all regions of our beloved country, still remember general hospitals had the best systems. Public hospitals used to be called "Genuru" for general. The childhood era of group B had the best time with education. Grades of candidates took students to the school different schools. "There was no "searching for a school for my child". If you performed well you were picked automatically to a good school. Teachers taught with a stick to instill discipline and knowledge. The teachers beating the most were the most respected by the parents. Results based judgement. Population then was very low. So even jobs were readily available.

After A-Level education it was a big decision whether to go to University or get employment. University education was totally free. In fact students used to get "Boom", that is allowance to help them stay well, even after getting free accommodation and free food. Chapatis used to be cooked in bulk, and chicken was in plenty. Breakfast would be served with sau-

sages, eggs, and a lot of bread. Most students used the boom to educate their younger siblings because one never needed the boom. Others would use boom to drink their heads-of.

Group B was a confused lot because they entered a working place that did not prepare them to pay for university for their children; they were not ready to look for high schools for their children. However, they still managed with the new life very well. They are now parents of adult children, and most of them are actually grandparents. They need to harvest values and traditions from Group A and record them for future generations.

This group is the one with the biggest responsibility to nurture, mentor and coach group C, their children, who are future of our country. They need to adopt parenting styles that are super effective as described below.

Group C: Future of Kenya

The author considers this cohort as the group born between 1977 and 1997 (Just before turn of century). The oldest in this cohort is 47 and the youngest is 27 years old. This is the most crucial age in Kenyans social welfare. Most of group C members have very young adult children, teenagers, or young children. While group A has its history of witnessing the struggles of independence, and group B witnessing post-independence, group C has a lot going on. They grew up in the new century. Heard about a Kenyatta-one they never knew, saw Moi for 24 years, saw Kibaki, saw Uhuru, and are now seeing Ruto. They also saw a new constitution; they have witnessed all the political chaos. What haven't they seen. But the worst they have seen and continue to see is having children in the era of social media. They are never sure what their children are likely to know from TV and social

media. Their children are unsafe with all the femicide and other social evils taking place that never used to exist.

Yet, they are not only raising their children but they are raising future adults of Kenya. They are the ones to determine what kind of Kenya we shall have in 2050. Why them? Because group C is the current parents of the Kenya ya kesho. If they read this article and decide to embrace "Purpose Driven Parenting", then we shall have happy children who will be happy adults. Happy adults make good productive citizens. The way group C parent their children will influence how Group D raises their children. If well parented their children will be self driven, empowered, sound in their faith, alcohol-free, and full of integrity. This would make a new dawn for Kenya.

Call to Action

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Then group D, the Kenyans born between 1998 and 2018 will copy group C, and make the "next generation" greater, and group E, born between 2019 and 2039, will find a great country, like the Kenya of the 70s. Let us all take our positions, whichever cohort you belong to, and make Kenya Great Again Through purpose Driven Parenting!

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Philanthropic Meru Lawyer Shares Eid Al Adha With Hundreds Of Residents

By: Dennis Dibondo

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Prominent Meru Counsel Kiogora Mugambi has urged Muslims to share whatever little they have with family, friends, neighbours and other residents.

He spoke on Friday during Eid Al Adha celebrations at his home in Gikumene.

He gave out goat meat Biriani, Pilau and drinks to hundreds of residents.

The Meru based lawyer who is known for his philanthropic gestures said he had been giving out food to residents for the past ten years.

"I have been cooking pilau, Biriani and other delicacies and sharing with residents for a decade, I urge other Muslims and all Kenyans to be shar-



Butchersmen slaughter goats to mark the Eid Al Adha celebrations on Friday at the home of prominent counsel Kiogora Mugambi in North Imenti Constituency Meru County. Photo/Dennis Dibondo.

ing with others and especially the less fortunate those are teachings of the Koran," Kiogora said.

Kiogora had slaughtered a number of goats and bulls for preparing the coastal recipe that leaves residents asking for more as it's cooking yum-

my.

The lawyer said he even distributes the food to police officers and prisoners at Meru Prison.

He introduced take away services during the COVID 19 pandemic where he also takes food to other



Lawyer Kiogora Mugambi stirs a sufuria of Biriani at his home in Gikumene North Imenti to mark Eid Al Adha celebrations he shared food and drinks to tens of residents. Photo/Dennis Dibondo.

North Imenti residents who fail to show up at his home because of space.

In Meru, Muslims celebrated the public holiday especially in Mjini and Majengo areas by conducting prayers at Mosques after which they went to their homes to enjoy goat meat, Pilau, Biriani and other delicacies.

Kiogora had invited professionals including his fellow lawyers, journalists, national government administration officers (NGAO) who are mostly Christian's.

Qatar Charity Distributes Meat to 40,000 Families Across Kenya During Eid al-Adha

By: James Ndolo

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Thousands of vulnerable households in the Kibera area of Nairobi on Friday received meat donations during Eid al-Adha, thanks to a large-scale distribution project led by Qatar Charity. The initiative, which coincides with the first day of the Islamic festival, aims to reach 40,000 families across 15 counties and 19 towns in Kenya.

Speaking during the launch event in Nairobi, Ms. Fatma Hassan, who is in charge of social protection at Qatar Charity, confirmed that 10,000 sheep had been sacrificed as part of the annual Eid meat distribution program.

"Today we are here, and we have sacrificed so many animals. In Nairobi alone, we have targeted around 20,000 families," said Ms. Hassan. "In total, the project is supporting 40,000 households with meat."

In Nairobi, the distribution is being carried out in low-income neighbourhoods including Kibra,

Kawangware, Korogocho, Tasia, Mihango, and other informal settlements.

Each sheep is shared among four households, with each family receiving approximately two kilograms of meat.

"This project supports the community, especially now that life is very expensive in Kenya. Many households cannot afford to buy meat even once a day," Ms. Hassan said. "We are happy to be of help."

She added that Qatar Charity's initiative is inclusive and not limited to Muslims alone.

"We don't discriminate in terms of faith, religion, or political views. Qatar Charity is for all," she emphasized.

Outside Nairobi, the project is reaching families in counties such as Kisumu, Kakamega, Nyamira, Nakuru, Uasin Gishu (Eldoret), Lamu, Mandera, Mombasa, Kilifi, Garissa, Tana River, Kajiado, Machakos, Makeni, Kiambu, and Thika.

Ms. Hassan also called on Muslims and other Kenyans to extend generosity to their neighbours during Eid. "If you slaughter, kindly remember your neighbour," she urged.



Kibera residents receive meat donations from a Qatar Charity representative in Nairobi on Friday. The organization announced plans to support 20,000 families with meat during this Eid season.

Qatar Charity is a non-governmental organization headquartered in Doha, with 60 field offices globally, including 36 in Africa. In East Africa, the charity is active in Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Ethiopia, and other countries.

In addition to seasonal aid, the organization runs various humanitarian and development programs such as emergency relief, income-generating initiatives, and sponsorships for orphans, students, and persons living with disabilities.

The Eid al-Adha meat distribution is part of Qatar Charity's broader mission to promote compassion, community support, and dignity for all during religious and cultural celebrations.

The Path Of Creativity



Whenever I take a pen into my hand,
A thousand thoughts begin to crowd my
mind.
So glad I always have this pen of mine—
Without it, where would all my sorrows
land?

I write and write, intoxicated with bliss,
At times, deep grief turns soul to
bitterness.

Until the final page is filled and done,
It's as if in my poems I am lost, alone.

The artist's path is never smooth or
straight,
It winds through countless trials, every
gate.

Around them envy surely may exist,
Yet loving readers also do persist.

Jo'rayeva Marjona Baxtiyorovna
was born on October 18, 2003, in the
Termiz district of Surxondaryo region,
Uzbekistan.

Taran Turan Rahimli Was Awarded With The Medal Of The Turkish Literature Foundation



By: Jakhongir NOMOZOV

The well-known Azerbaijani poet, Doctor of Philology, Associate Professor Taran Turan Rahimli was awarded the medal of the prestigious international literary organization, the Turkish Literature Foundation, in Istanbul, Turkey. The medal, established on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the birth of the prominent Turkish writer and journalist, Sheikhu Muharrir Ahmet Kabakli, was presented to the Azerbaijani poet by the great Turkish intellectual, well-known poet, and head of the Foundation, Serhat Kabakli.

Taran Turan Rahimli expressed her great honor to be awarded this valuable award, and emphasized that valuable writers and scholars from Turkey and Azerbaijan participated in the event where the medal was presented. She noted that it is particularly meaningful and significant that this medal was presented in Istanbul, on May 28 – the National Independence Day of Azerbaijan, at the Turkish Literature Foundation. Taran Turan Rahimli noted: "The outstanding public figure, writer, journalist Ahmet Kabakli is an intellectual who has made great contributions to the national and cultural history of Turkey. The Turkish Literature Foundation, which Ahmet Kabakli founded in 1978 together with a group of intellectuals (Me kure Kabakli, R fat zzet Çokum, Sevinç Çokum, skender Öksüz, Emine nsu, Tahir Kutsi Makal, rfan Atagün, Cahit Dodanl and smail Gerçeksöz), has implemented major literary projects to this day.

On December 14, 1996, a large army of intellectuals marched with the traces of the meaningful life of Ahmet Kabakli, who was named "Sheikhu Muharrir" at the ceremony held with the support of the Aydınlar Oca and 55 volunteer organizations, at the Atatürk Cultural Center.

Ahmet Kabakli, the author of a magnificent publication such as the 5-volume "Turkish Literature", authoritative research on Mevlana, Yunus Emre, Mehmet Akif Ersoy, Necip Fazil K sakürek, and dozens of books such as "Cultural Imperialism", "Southern Do u y ld n", "Muslim Turkey", "Dragon Stone", and "Poet Cahan Nedim", expressed his own unique literary and scientific attitude towards the development of Turkish literature.

In today's Turkey, young people study in many

primary, secondary and high schools named after him, and in 2011, they study in the library named after him in the Ali Emiri Efendi Cultural Center in the Fatih district of Istanbul, which contains Ahmet Kabakli's personal book collection and about 30 thousand books. In Elaz , a 2812-person student dormitory for boys named after Ahmet Kabakli, part of the Credit and Dormitory Organization, is also at the service of students and young people. As can be seen, Ahmet Kabakli has always served the development of Turkish science, culture and education with his writings and creations during the years he lived and worked, and with the institutions, organizations, libraries and schools that bear his name after his death. Today, in the center of Istanbul, near the great Sultan Ahmet Mosque and the magnificent Hagia Sophia, the Turkish Literature Foundation, which sheds light on the path of Turkish word art, inspires writers to new successes, values and instills value, is a magnificent work that Ahmet Kabakli worked on together with his colleagues. Therefore, being considered worthy of a medal dedicated to the memory of the great word master Ahmet Kabakli in this sacred place has a special spiritual value for me."

Summer Plates!!



The South is wearing green,
The North is wearing a sign...
The flood of rivers is waking you up,
Work is already falling on your
shoulders...

The paths of the village will make you
tired, The roads of the city are winding...
The shepherd's "el bayat s" on the
slope,
A first question spreading across the
deserts...

The girls' faces, flushed with chastity,
remind us of old times...
The touching of hands in a tender
embrace, ignites the feeling of love...

Everyone is filled with the fragrance of
flowers,
They fall in love with daffodils and
violets...
The "grainy" snow that remains on the

mountain tops,
Falls on the sick, who will find healing...

The sound of spring comes to my heart,
If it were to be carried, a thousand
beauties would not be able to carry it...
Beauty has always been my worship:
--WORSHIP CANNOT LIVE WITHOUT
FAITH!!

Majnun MAMISHOV

Majnun Mamishov was born in 2003 in Shamkir district, originally from Kalbajar, a charming corner of Azerbaijan, from Karabakh. During the occupation period, he studied at the lower Chaykend school in Shamkir district from the 1st to the 9th grade. Since the school is 9 years long, in 2020 he graduated from Kalbajar secondary school No. 1 in Ganja city and entered the faculty of philology of Ganja State University, specializing in teaching Azerbaijani language and literature. In 2024, he graduated from this specialty with honors and received a master's degree. He is currently a 1st-year master's student at Moscow State University. His poems "Yükseli" and "Saba yeli" were published during his studies at GSU, and later in "Adebiyyat ve Qaf'atlar", "Manera.az", "Manevraz" and other magazines and newspapers. The 2025 book published in the almanac "Ganjliyin s si" contains several of his poems and information about himself. He intends to continue his future activities in literature and civil service.



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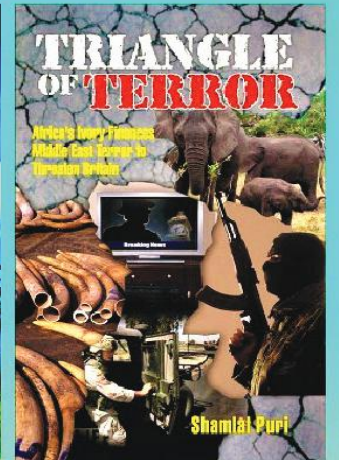
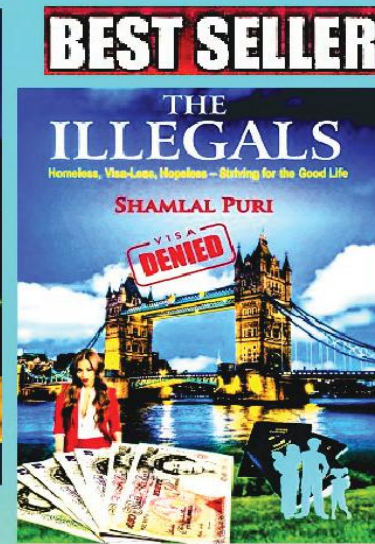
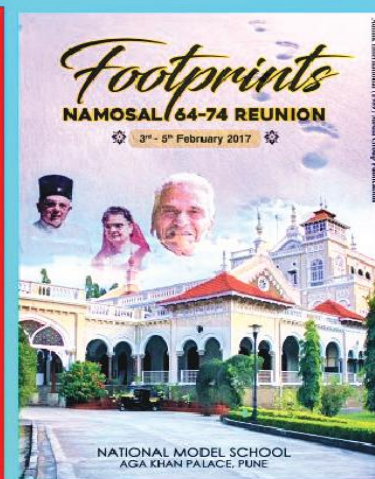
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Kisii County Takes Bold Steps Towards Environmental Sustainability On World Environment Day



By: Elizabeth Angira

As part of this year's World Environment Day celebrations, Kisii County is demonstrating strong leadership in environmental conservation and sustainable development. The County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Environment, Climate Change, and Natural Resources, Leah Bwari, announced that the county government is in the process of establishing three tree nurseries across several wards.

Bwari said that the nurseries are expected to serve as a long-term source of seedlings to support water catchment restoration efforts across the region.

"Through the Directorate of Climate Change, Environment, and Natural Resources, we are implementing innovative solutions to promote the sustainable use of natural resources," Bwari said.

She added that the county is currently solarizing water projects to reduce dependence on non-renewable energy and support the transition to clean energy.

According to Bwari the county government is promoting roof water catchment and harvesting initiatives.

So far, 197 water tanks have been distributed to public institutions to enhance water security and resilience against climate change.

To further address the solid waste management challenge, the county has collaborated with the private sector to improve the Material Recovery Centre at Kisii Agricultural Training Centre.

Bwari said that the facility now plays a crucial role in recycling plastic waste and promoting waste segregation at the source a vital step in protecting the environment.

During the celebration, various stakeholders gathered to mark the day with a strong focus on ending plastic pollution. Tabitha Mogonchi, the Principal of Kereri Girls High School, expressed her appreciation to the county government and the organizations that participated in the event.

"We are very happy as a school because we have learned a lot today about our role in addressing plastic pollution," she said. "We have active clubs such as the environmental club and the scouting club, which play a key role in making our school a cleaner and greener environment."

She further noted the school's proactive steps, including the installation of



CECM for Environment, Climate Change, and Natural Resources, Leah Bwari



Tabitha Mogonchi, the Principal of Kereri Girls High School

litterbins across the school compound to encourage proper waste disposal.

"Our students are responsible and involved in managing waste plastics, food leftovers, and paper all sorted and collected in designated bins. This effort helps maintain a clean school environment and supports broader conservation goals," Tabitha stated.

Cynthia Akoth, Assistant Director at the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) Kisii County, emphasized the critical role of individual responsibility in environmental conservation.

"Preserving the environment should begin with us not by waiting for enforcement officers or government intervention," she said. "How we manage waste at home, especially

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plastics, reflects our personal commitment to protecting the ecosystem," she said.

Akoth further stressed that waste segregation using separate bins for plastics, paper, and organic waste is a simple yet powerful action that everyone can take to contribute to a

cleaner, healthier environment.

As Kisii County intensifies its environmental protection measures, such grassroots and institutional efforts continue to amplify the message that sustainability begins at home, in schools, and within the community.

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A Storm In The Political Sphere: The Unraveling Of The Trump-Musk Alliance And Its American Implications



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Worth Noting:

- Elon Musk has emerged as an unexpectedly fierce and vocal opponent of this key piece of Trump's legislative agenda. He has taken to X with characteristic ferocity, labeling the bill a "disgusting abomination" and a "pork-filled" disaster that will significantly balloon the national debt. His primary contention, according to reports, revolves around the bill's proposed elimination of federal electric vehicle (EV) tax credits. For Tesla, Musk's flagship company, these credits are a crucial incentive for consumers, and their removal could directly impact the company's profitability and market competitiveness.
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In a political landscape often characterized by shifting allegiances and public spectacle, the recent and dramatic rupture between President Donald Trump and tech titan Elon Musk has sent shockwaves through Washington D.C. and beyond. What began as a seemingly burgeoning alliance, with Musk becoming a significant financial and vocal supporter of Trump and even taking on advisory roles, has dissolved into a bitter public feud played out on social media and in the halls of power. This unraveling is not merely a clash of titans but a revealing moment with potentially profound implications for American politics, the technology sector, and the very nature of influence in the digital age.

For months, the bond between Donald Trump, the populist firebrand, and Elon Musk, the visionary entrepreneur, appeared to solidify. Musk, once known for his more centrist or even socially liberal leanings, had increasingly gravitated towards the Republican side of the political spectrum. His public endorsement of Trump following an assassination attempt in July 2024, his hosting of Trump for an interview on X (formerly Twitter), and his reported multi-million dollar financial contributions to Trump's campaign and allied PACs cemented his status as a formidable new force in conservative circles. Indeed, by late 2024, Musk was even appointed to co-lead a "Department of Government Efficiency" (DOGE) within the Trump administration, a move that underscored his perceived influence and direct access to the highest levels of power.

However, the edifice of this alliance began to crumble, and the cracks have now widened into a chasm. The immediate catalyst for this very public falling out appears to be Trump's sweeping "Big, Beautiful Bill" – a monumental tax and spending package currently winding its way through Congress.

The "Big, Beautiful Bill": The Spark that Ignited the Fire

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This threat is not merely rhetorical. Both Tesla and SpaceX are heavily reliant on government contracts and subsidies. SpaceX, in particular, has billions of dollars in contracts with NASA and the Department of Defense for rocket launches, satellite deployments, and astronaut transport. The prospect of these contracts being jeopardized sends shivers down the spines of investors and raises serious questions about the vulnerability of even the most powerful private enterprises when they

become entangled in high-stakes political disputes.

Beyond the Bill: Deeper Fissures and Personal Attacks

While the tax bill serves as the immediate flashpoint, the public feud has quickly spiraled into a broader exchange of accusations and personal insults, revealing deeper fissures in their relationship.

One significant point of contention revolves around Musk's perceived influence in Trump's 2024 election victory and his subsequent role in the administration. Musk has boldly claimed that Trump "would not have won the election without" his support, suggesting he was instrumental in the Republican triumph and accusing Trump of "ingratitude." This assertion speaks to Musk's belief in his own political power and his desire to be recognized as a kingmaker. Trump, ever keen to assert his own agency, has dismissed Musk's claims of indispensability, alleging that Musk was "wearing thin" and that he "asked him to leave," even claiming to have taken away Musk's "EV Mandate." This back-and-forth reflects a classic power struggle, with each man seeking to diminish the other's importance and assert their own dominance.

Another, more sensational, accusation leveled by Musk involves the Jeffrey Epstein files. Without providing concrete evidence, Musk has publicly insinuated that Trump's name is present in the unreleased,

classified files related to the convicted sex trafficker, suggesting this as a reason for their continued secrecy. This allegation, highly charged and potentially damaging, marks a significant escalation in the personal animosity between the two figures. While Trump's camp has largely sidestepped this specific accusation, its very utterance underscores the depth of the animosity and the willingness of both parties to deploy inflammatory rhetoric.

Furthermore, the abrupt withdrawal of Jared Isaacman's nomination for NASA Administrator is reportedly another point of friction. Isaacman, a private astronaut and ally of Musk, was seen by many as Musk's preferred choice to align NASA's policies with SpaceX's commercial interests. Trump's decision to rescind Isaacman's nomination, citing "prior associations," is believed to have further alienated Musk and fueled his current disillusionment with the administration. This suggests that beyond policy differences, personal slights and perceived betrayals are playing a significant role in the escalating feud.

What These Differences Mean for America: A Multifaceted Impact

The public disintegration of

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the Trump-Musk alliance carries far-reaching implications for various facets of American society:

For American Politics and the Republican Party

The Power of Influence and Donor Dynamics: Musk's substantial financial contributions to Trump's campaign and his allies made him an unprecedented force in Republican fundraising. His public break with Trump raises questions about the future of his political donations and whether other high-profile, wealthy individuals will be as eager to align themselves so closely with a specific political figure, given the potential for rapid and damaging fallout. It also highlights the precarious nature of relying on a single, albeit powerful, donor.

Internal Republican Divides: While Republican senators have largely avoided direct criticism of Musk, the public spat could expose internal divisions within the party. Some Republicans may share Musk's concerns about fiscal responsibility and the national debt, while others remain fiercely loyal to Trump and his legislative agenda. The feud forces Republicans to navigate a difficult terrain, balancing allegiance to their leader with the interests of a key figure in the tech and business world.

The Weaponization of Social Media: The entire drama has unfolded largely on social media, demonstrating the potent, and at times unpredictable, nature of these platforms as arenas for political battles. Both Trump and Musk wield immense influence on platforms like X and Truth Social, using them to directly communicate with their respective audiences, hurl insults, and shape public opinion. This raises concerns about the potential for unverified accusations and personal attacks to dominate political discourse, bypassing traditional media filters.

For the Technology and Business Sectors

Regulatory Uncertainty and Corporate Vulnerability: Trump's threat to cut government contracts and subsidies sends a chilling message to businesses, particularly those heavily reliant on federal funding. It demonstrates how swiftly personal political disagreements can translate into tangible economic risks for companies, impacting stock valuations (as seen with Tesla's recent plunge) and investor confidence. This creates an



President Donald Trump and tech titan Elon Musk

environment of regulatory uncertainty for tech companies, especially those involved in space exploration and green energy, where government support is often critical.

The "Woke" vs. "Anti-Woke" Divide: Musk's increasing alignment with conservative viewpoints and his public pronouncements against what he perceives as "woke" ideology have resonated with a segment of the Republican base. His break with Trump, however, complicates this narrative. It suggests that even within the "anti-woke" movement, there can be significant policy disagreements and personal clashes. This could lead to a re-evaluation of how tech leaders choose to engage with political movements and the potential for their personal beliefs to impact their corporate standing.

The Future of Innovation: SpaceX and Tesla are at the forefront of critical innovations in space travel, renewable energy, and artificial intelligence. Should Trump's threats materialize, the potential disruption to these companies' operations could have broader implications for America's technological leadership and its ability to compete on the global stage. This raises questions about the balance between political expediency and fostering a stable environment for technological advancement.

For the American Public and Demo-

cratic Process

Erosion of Trust: The public spectacle of two immensely powerful figures engaging in personal attacks and accusations, including potentially grave ones like those related to the Epstein files, could further erode public trust in both political leaders and the institutions they represent. When the discourse devolves into schoolyard taunts and unverified claims, it becomes more difficult for citizens to discern truth from fiction and to engage constructively with complex policy issues.

Accountability and Transparency: Musk's unverified claim about the Epstein files, while perhaps a desperate gambit in a heated exchange, nonetheless highlights lingering questions about transparency and accountability surrounding such sensitive government documents. The public's desire for full disclosure on such matters can be exploited or genuinely served by such public allegations.

The "Billionaire Class" and Democracy: The feud also puts a spotlight on the outsized influence of billionaires in American politics. When individuals with immense wealth can wield such power, both through financial contributions and direct engagement with political figures, it raises fundamental questions about the nature of democracy and whether the voices of ordinary citizens are

being adequately heard. The shifting allegiances of figures like Musk underscore the fluidity and potential for rapid change in the landscape of political influence.

In conclusion, the very public and acrimonious split between Donald Trump and Elon Musk is more than just a personal squabble. It is a microcosm of the intense political polarization gripping America, where deeply held ideological positions intersect with personal ambition, corporate interests, and the volatile dynamics of social media. The specific disagreements over the "Big, Beautiful Bill," the battle for political credit, and the sensational accusations paint a vivid picture of a relationship that has spectacularly flamed out. The fallout from this feud will undoubtedly continue to reverberate, shaping the political landscape, influencing market dynamics, and prompting a deeper examination of the role of powerful individuals in the ongoing American experiment. The world watches, keen to understand not just the differences between these two powerful men, but what those differences ultimately mean for the future direction of the United States.

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Trauma-Based Approaches In Working With Children And Adolescents At Risk



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- Additionally, adapted psychological tests and observation methods were applied to assess the mental state of children and adolescents. The qualitative data were analyzed to identify key themes and trends, while quantitative results were summarized using statistical tools. This combined approach allowed for a comprehensive and in-depth study of the topic and served as a basis for practical recommendations.

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Abstract: This article explores the importance and effectiveness of trauma-informed approaches when working with children and adolescents at risk. A trauma-informed approach considers psychological and emotional injuries, stress, and their impact on personal development, offering methods for healing and social adaptation. The article reviews the theoretical foundations, practical application techniques, and the role of this approach in improving the psychological well-being and interpersonal relationships of children and adolescents. It also presents recent research and practical examples aimed at preserving mental health and facilitating the successful social integration of at-risk youth. This article serves as a valuable resource for professionals, educators, and psychologists working with this vulnerable group.

Keywords: trauma-informed approach, at-risk group, children, adolescents, psychological support, mental health, trauma, social adaptation, stress, emotional injury, treatment, safety, social support, psychological resilience, psychotherapy, vulnerable youth.

INTRODUCTION

Children and adolescents belonging to the at-risk group are considered the most vulnerable and defenseless segments of our society. Their lives often involve family conflicts, economic hardships, violence, substance abuse, orphanhood, or other social problems, which negatively affect their mental and physical development. Young people growing up in such conditions frequently face emotional wounds, trauma, and stress, hindering their education, socialization, and healthy personality development. Therefore, working effectively with children and adolescents in at-risk groups has become an urgent and important issue.

Traditional psychological and social support methods often do not sufficiently consider or address the deep traumatic experiences of such youth. For this reason, the trauma-informed approach has gained importance as a new, modern methodology designed to better understand and address the psychological injuries of young people, along with the internal and external problems arising from their harmful experiences.

LITERATURE REVIEW

In recent decades, trauma-informed



approaches in working with at-risk children and adolescents have received extensive scientific and practical attention. Research shows that psychological and emotional traumas directly impact the psychological development, learning efficiency, and social relationships of young people (Herman, 1992; van der Kolk, 2014). Moreover, trauma-informed approaches include effective methods aimed at ensuring youth safety, increasing stress resilience, and strengthening social support systems (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration [SAMHSA], 2014).

Interest in this approach has been growing in Uzbekistan in recent years. Trauma-based support methods are developing within the national psychological service system, and preliminary studies on their effectiveness are underway (Islomova, 2020). However, it is important to have sufficient scientific sources concerning the specifics and practical application of trauma-informed approaches in addressing the psychological needs of at-risk children and adolescents.

Western literature, especially the works of scholars such as Herman, van der Kolk, Perry, and Saul, comprehensively address the theoretical and practical aspects of trauma-informed approaches. Their research explains how traumatic experiences affect the brain and behavior of young people and details effective psycho-

logical intervention methods. Thus, these works are important scientific resources when working with at-risk children. The significance of training programs and workshops for psychologists, educators, and social workers in applying trauma-informed approaches is also emphasized (Bloom, 2013). This highlights the need for an integrative approach to healing psychological wounds and improving social adaptation in youth.

For example, creating a safe and supportive environment in schools can reduce behavioral problems stemming from traumatic experiences (Bath, 2008). Therefore, collaboration between schools and families, as well as integrated work with social services, plays a crucial role in this approach. International literature notes that trauma-informed approaches include prevention, early identification, and treatment phases to maintain the mental health of children and adolescents (Perry, 2006). Each phase is tailored to the unique needs of youth, maximizing their protection and support.

In Uzbek literature, especially in recent years, scientific work in the field of mental health and psychological support has begun gradually integrating trauma-informed concepts. However, the literature also notes challenges in practical implementation, such as shortages of trained personnel, limited resources, and social stereotypes (Bloom, 2013; SAMHSA,

2014). Addressing these issues requires deepening scientific research, preparing qualified specialists, and increasing public awareness.

Overall, the literature review shows that trauma-informed approaches are highly effective tools for working with at-risk children and adolescents, and further research and practical implementation are necessary in this field.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This study employed both qualitative and quantitative methods for data collection and analysis. First, theoretical literature, scientific articles, and advanced practices related to the topic were reviewed, analyzing the theoretical foundations and practical applications of trauma-informed approaches.

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The effectiveness of trauma-informed methods applied in practice was also evaluated. Changes in the mental state of at-risk children and adolescents, their social adaptation, and positive behavioral trends were studied. Based on observations and survey results, effective support strategies and shortcomings were identified, and recommendations for improvement were developed.

Data analysis integrated qualitative and statistical methods, including content analysis, thematic analysis, and comparative techniques. These methods helped explore not only the characteristics of current situations but also the role and impact of trauma-informed approaches in working with at-risk youth.

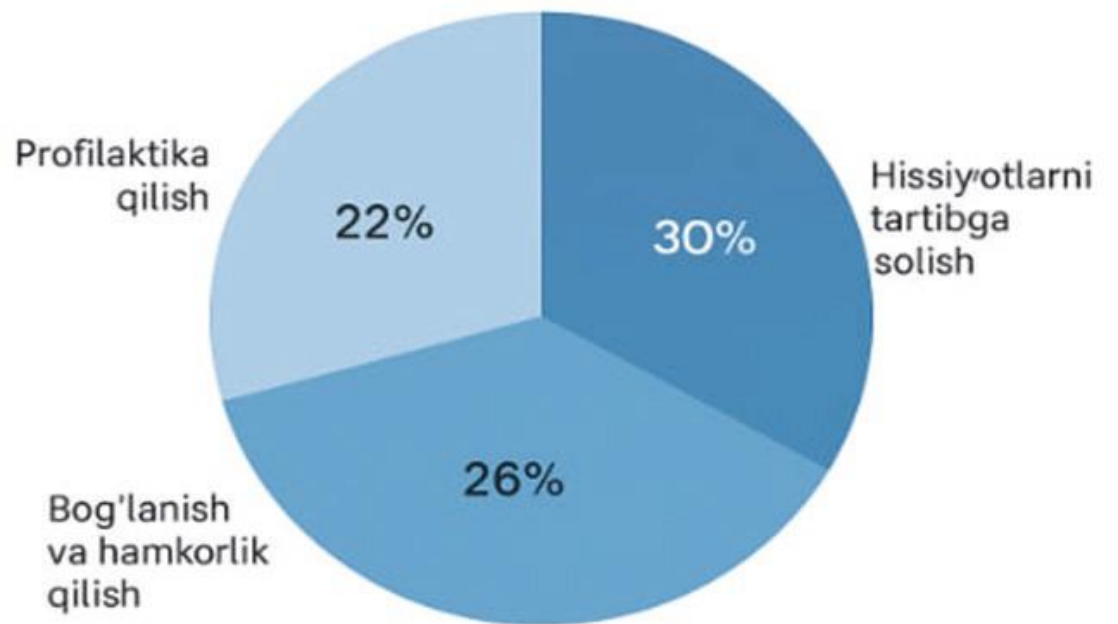
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However, some practical challenges were identified, including insufficient resources, a shortage of qualified personnel, and lack of experience in implementing trauma-informed approaches. Addressing these problems requires continuous training, learning new methods, and systematic introduction in practice.

Consequently, trauma-informed approaches, when combined with modern psychology and pedagogy, demonstrate high effectiveness in restoring mental health and ensuring social adaptation of at-risk children and adolescents. It is thus important to further refine and expand the application of these approaches.

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Diagram 1. Trauma-Informed Approaches in Working with At-Risk Children and Adolescents

ANALYSIS AND RESULTS

Analysis of the collected data confirmed the significant importance of trauma-informed approaches in working with at-risk children and adolescents. Specialists noted that this approach effectively supports improving mental health, increasing the sense of safety, and fostering social adaptation processes among youth.

Interviews and surveys revealed that psychologists and educators often prefer using trauma-informed approaches to better understand traumatic experiences of youth and provide tailored assistance. Psychological test results showed that many children and adolescents suffer emotional and psychological problems caused by trauma. However, the application of trauma-informed approaches led to notable improvements in mental stability and social activity among them.

Observations indicated that programs based on trauma-informed approaches help participants develop self-awareness and self-regulation skills, contributing positively to their social integration. This approach also increased youths' feelings of safety and trust in supportive environments.

Among identified challenges were staff training gaps, insufficient resources, and misunderstandings about

applying trauma-informed approaches in some areas. This underscored the need for preparing qualified specialists and raising public awareness.

Furthermore, the integration of trauma-informed approaches into social and psychological support systems significantly improved the effectiveness of working with youth. Specialists emphasized that these approaches are effective not only at the individual level but also through group and community programs, enhancing peer relationships and support levels.

Challenges in Implementing Trauma-Informed Approach.

Several challenges have been identified during the implementation of trauma-informed approaches in practice. These include limited financial resources, a shortage of qualified personnel, and insufficient understanding of the trauma concept in some regions. These shortcomings hinder the provision of quality support to young people and reduce the overall effectiveness of the process. However, practical outcomes of this approach have demonstrated that it is an important step toward improving the social environment and developing support systems for youth. Trauma-informed approaches help strengthen the mental health of

young people, assist them in finding their place in society, and foster the development of necessary skills for a positive lifestyle in the future.

Conclusion and Recommendations.

Trauma-informed approaches play a crucial role in working with at-risk children and adolescents. Such approaches help restore their mental and physical health, facilitate their adaptation to the social environment, and lay the foundation for a healthy life ahead. Research shows that trauma-informed methods include both individual and group psychological support and focus on addressing the traumatic experiences of children. Additionally, these approaches increase children's self-confidence, restore social activity, and protect them from negative influences. The effectiveness of these methods depends on the expertise of specialists and the correct selection of techniques and tools. Therefore, it is essential to further develop and widely implement trauma-informed approaches when working with at-risk children.

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Where Next For Grealish If He Leaves Man City As Expected?



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City paid a British transfer record fee of £100m to sign the England midfielder from Aston Villa.

Since then Grealish has become a three-time Premier League winner, playing a key role in City winning the Treble in his second season at the club.

However, over the past two years the 29-year-old's experience in Manchester has been more of a nightmare.

A mixture of injuries and sub-par performances have limited Grealish to only 17 Premier League starts in two seasons, with the lack of minutes also costing him a place in England's Euro 2024 squad.

As dethroned champions City played out their worst season under Pep Guardiola, which saw them struggle into a Champions League spot, Grealish was an unused substitute on 10 occasions during the second half of the campaign.

Now, 24 months after celebrating the Treble, he is set to leave City.

The right time to move on Grealish's future at City is an issue that has never really gone away since a mixed debut season.

While his second season somewhat silenced the critics, in his third he looked a shadow of himself.

Grealish's fourth campaign ended with him being left out of City's matchday squad for their final, must-win Premier League game.

The signing of midfielder Tijjani

Reijnders, and City being linked with playmaker Rayan Cherki, suggest Grealish's time is up.

And the England international is expected to be left out of City's squad for the Fifa Club World Cup in the United States later this month.

It should be noted Guardiola and the City board still love Grealish, as much for his attitude and popularity within the squad, as his quality on the pitch.

But there is now a consensus that this is the right time to move on, particularly given Guardiola has said he wants a smaller squad next term.

Grealish is in agreement. After a difficult season on and off the field, he believes it would be best for him to focus on his future and find a new club.

That raises the question of where Grealish – who has two years remaining on his contract – could go next.

The player is open to all options, though of course he has preferences. Grealish wants a clean break and a permanent new home – rather than a loan move, a route taken by the likes of Manchester United duo Marcus Rashford and Jadon Sancho last season.

City would sanction a loan, although they'd prefer to sell in order to get Grealish's wages off the books and recoup part of the £100m fee they shelled out. They accept they will get nowhere near what they paid for him.

Grealish would of course be open to staying in the Premier League, with Tottenham Hotspur, Newcastle, Everton and former club Villa all

linked with him.

He wants to keep playing at the highest level possible, ideally in the Champions League, which Newcastle and Spurs can provide next season.

Grealish also wouldn't rule out a move to the continent – Barcelona, AC Milan and Napoli have all been mentioned, although the former's initial interest has now waned. Borussia Dortmund and Inter Milan would seem potential options too.

The last resort would be a move to Saudi Arabia. Such a switch would lead to many suggesting his career is on the decline and questioning his England future. That said, Al-Ahli striker Ivan Toney received a recall from England manager Thomas Tuchel last month.

Financial obstacles could dictate move

With City and Grealish on the same page regarding a departure, that leaves finances as the main obstacle. There is going to be need for compromise.

Grealish is reported to earn £300,000 per week at City, a figure few clubs in world football could match.

Manchester United and Liverpool are arguably the two Premier League clubs that could, but neither are interested in the 29-year-old.

Grealish is contracted at Manchester City until 2027 but could a financial agreement be decided between the two to pave the way for an exit?

Even if Grealish took a substantial pay cut, a permanent return to boyhood club Villa is unlikely.

Villa have the biggest wage issue in the league – in 2024 their wage to revenue ratio was 91% – and are focused on reducing their wage bill over the summer, not increasing it, having missed out on Champions League football.

Then there is the question of whether or not he is the type of player wanted by Villa boss Unai Emery, despite being a former favourite of the Villa fans.

Newcastle would probably be the best bet in terms of wage capacity – a cut would still be necessary – though they don't have a huge amount of profit and sustainability rules (PSR) headroom to play with in terms of a transfer fee.

Spurs have long been linked with Grealish, but their summer outlay could be shackled by the more than £330m in unpaid transfer fees they owe, a considerable portion of which are due this summer.

Everton, again, would be unable to match Grealish's current wages.

Barcelona's interest has evaporated because of their financial issues and focus on other areas of recruitment, while it would be a stretch for AC Milan and Napoli – the latter are expected to sign Grealish's former City team-mate Kevin de Bruyne on a free transfer – to meet his wage demands.

That brings us back to the loan scenario – not ideal for either party, but possibly the most likely option. This would likely involve City subsidising a significant part of his wages, or a substantial loan fee being paid, opening up the potential for those mentioned above to get a deal over the line.

If City decided to take a massive hit on the £100m they paid for Grealish four years ago, then perhaps a suitor could afford to pay him a large sign-on fee to compensate for a drop in his wages.

If Grealish wants to keep his current salary – or even increase it – then perhaps Saudi Arabia is the only option.

All parties need to compromise to make a summer move happen, and bring an end to Grealish's mixed City story. One thing is for sure – it's complicated.

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Harambee Stars Technical Bench Seeking More Talents Ahead Of CHAN



Harambee Stars Head Coach Benni McCarthy converses with players during a training session in Abidjan. PHOTO/FKF

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Kimani says the technical bench are keen to build a formidable team for the Africa Nations Championships (CHAN) in August this year.

"As the coach (Benni McCarthy) said earlier on, there is more room for players to come into the team. Those who have been selected this time round have a good opportunity to show the coach what they can do and become a part of the team going forward. That does not shut the door on those who have not made the team this time round... the national team is always a revolving door," Kimani said.

He added: "Any player that is still doing well out there I am pretty

sure he will catch the eye of the coach and will be part of the team going forward."

Stars are currently in Morocco preparing for a double international friendly against Chad, first on Saturday (June 7) before meeting again three days later.

Head coach Benni McCarthy named a 25-man squad that majorly consists of local players as he strives to build a side for the upcoming CHAN, which Kenya will co-host with Uganda and Tanzania.

Kimani is delighted by the competitive attitude he has witnessed in training and is confident this will translate into good results when they step onto the pitch against the central Africans.

"The mood in the camp is great and every player that has been selected is trying to give his best.

I think they are giving us a very good headache as a technical bench on who to select. Everybody is raring to go and are showing the coach why they deserve to be selected come the friendly against Chad," the former Bandari and Ulinzi Stars head coach said.

McCarthy is still searching for his first win as national team boss, having only been in charge for two games.

His first was a thrilling 3-3 draw against the Gambia in a 2026 World Cup qualifier in Abidjan in April before losing 2-1 to Gabon in another qualifier at the Nyayo Stadium.

The winless run notwithstanding, the South African has won admirers with the brave attacking style he has tried to implement in the national team, which has been for years more synonymous with a

cautious, defensive approach.

Kimani is confident Kenyans are in for a treat and has encouraged them to continue rallying behind them.

"They have always pushed the team... stood by us and supported us. I'd urge them to continue doing the same. The players are giving their best as are the technical bench. I'd urge them to continue supporting the team and I am sure we are not going to disappoint them," he said.

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EACC Recovers Grabbed Loresho Water Reservoir Land Valued At Sh400mn

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The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission(EACC)has recovered public land worth over Sh400 million in Nairobi's Loresho area.

EACC said that the parcel of land registered as NAIROBI BLOCK 90/229 and which measures 4.9 acres, forms part of the Loresho Water Reservoir that was illegally subdivided and allocated to private persons.

In a judgment delivered by Justice Ogutu Mboya of the Environment and Land Court on May 9, the court noted that the land was not available for allocation to private persons as the same had been reserved for the expansion of the public water reservoir.

"In particular, the court stated that the titles issued following the initial sub-division and subsequent transfers bore no legal rights and were therefore null and void," EACC disclosed Thursday.

Following a complaint by the Lo-

resho Residents Association that part of the Loresho Water Reservoir, NAIROBI BLOCK 90/229, had been grabbed, and a contractor was on the ground preparing the site for the construction of a shopping mall.

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These plots were later allegedly grabbed by Fredrick Kimemia and transferred to his associate, Samuel Gathogo Mwangi.

The subdivisions occurred in the year 1995.

The Commission moved to the Environment and Land Court seeking orders, among others, a declaration that the parcel NAIROBI BLOCK 90/229 had already been earmarked and reserved for public purposes and therefore not available for allocation to private individuals.

Further, the Commission sought for cancellation of all subsequent titles as the first allottees could not pass a good title to the new owners.

The Commission obtained an in-

junction in June 2022 restraining the parties from disposing of or in any way dealing with the properties pending the hearing and determination of the case.

During the trial, EACC presented testimony from 10 witnesses representing various government bodies, including the Director of Surveys, Nairobi County Government, the Department of Physical Planning, and Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company.

With the court's judgment, the recovered land will be handed over to the government for public use, as originally intended.