



Inside Safaricom's Sh101b cash cow

Pacesetter. Kenya's most profitable company reported Sh101 billion before tax in 2019, earning Sh12.5 million every hour and Sh300m daily driven by M-Pesa, Fuliza and data services. **Pages 4&5**

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Politics. Jubilee Deputy Secretary General Caleb Kositany claims eight parties had been approached to endorse government of national unity, Narc-Kenya, Kanu and Maendeleo Chap Chap say this is outrageous and unfounded.

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How Ntimama shared his Sh2b estate in Kenya and UK

Former Cabinet minister decreed that his property should never be sold to outsiders but handed down to generations. He owned vast land in Narok, and homes in Nairobi and London.

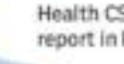


Where Corona millions went



Spending spree. State has spent Sh1.3 billion of the money received from the World Bank to fight against the Covid-19 pandemic. Notable expenditures include Sh278m on PPEs, Sh70m on communication, Sh42m on leasing ambulances, Sh12m to house health workers and Sh4m for tea and snacks. **Page 2**

How World Bank cash was spent

Description	Initially Approved Proposal	Procuring Entity	Funds used (in shillings)
 Leasing of 15 ambulances	42,000,000.00	MOH	42,000,000
 Accommodation of 30 HCW needing quarantine services for 90 days	13,500,000.00	MOH	12,000,000
 Teas and snacks for varied teams	10,125,000.00	MOH	4,000,000
 Communications	70,000,000.00	MOH	70,000,000
 PPEs	132,595,000.00	KEMSA	277,941,475
 Lab equipment	301,175,795.00	KEMSA	330,375,795
 Roche test kits	196,924,208.25	KEMSA	196,924,208
 Equipment	98,795,580.00	KEMSA &	98,795,580
		Gradian (World Bank)	160,000,000
 Assorted PPEs	58,205,470.00	UNICEF	58,205,470

Health CS Mutahi Kagwe tabled report in Parliament yesterday.

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Funding. Ministry awaiting release of additional Sh2.3 billion to support response to virus

Sh48m spent on airtime, tea and ambulance hire

Cash is a breakdown of Sh1 billion donated by the World Bank for the Covid-19 emergency response in Kenya.

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A breakdown of Sh1.3 billion spent in the fight against Covid-19 pandemic includes Sh42 million for leasing ambulances, Sh4 million for tea and snacks, and Sh2 million for airtime.

The expenditure is from the Sh1 billion donated by the World Bank for emergency response, including procurement of Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs), medicines and setting up of isolation facilities. Although the approved budget was Sh976.8 million, the Ministry of Health has spent Sh1.3 billion since the outbreak in mid-March, a government document shows.

"The excess expenditure will be drawn from additional funds from the World Bank. Contracts have already been entered into for the above procurements," states the document.

Currently, the ministry is awaiting release of additional Sh2.3 billion from the World Bank to support the response for the remainder of this financial year. The Health Ministry has spent Sh42 million to lease 15 ambulances at Sh2.8 million each. At least Sh10.1 million has been earmarked for tea and snacks for various teams involved in combating the pandemic, with Sh4 million already spent.

And, the government has spent Sh9 million in printing of travellers' quarantine and discharge forms against the Sh900,000 initial budget.

Another Sh14.4 million has been spent on fuelling and maintaining vehicles. Some Sh40,000 was spent per week in running each of the 30 vehicles. At the same time, Sh6 million has been earmarked for airtime for 500 critical staff, with the ministry estimated to provide Sh4,000 for each of the officers per month for three months. Up to Sh2 million has since been spent since the outbreak in mid-March. The document by Health Cabinet Secretary



Health Chief Administrative Secretary Mercy Mwangangi during yesterday's briefing at Afya House. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

The breakdown

Description	Initially Approved Proposal	Procuring Entity	Funds used
Leasing of 15 ambulances	42,000,000.00	MOH	42,000,000
Accommodation of 30 HCW needing quarantine services for 90 days	11,500,000.00	MOH	12,000,000
Airtime (500 staff, for 3 months at 4000/month)	6,000,000.00	MOH	2,000,000
Fuel and maintenance (@40,000 per week, estimated 30 vehicles)	14,400,000.00	MOH	14,400,000
Tea and snacks for varied teams	10,025,000.00	MOH	4,000,000
Stationery (Printing papers, toners, etc.)	2,500,000.00	MOH	6,500,000
Communications	70,000,000.00	MOH	70,000,000
Procure and install call centre for grievances and complaints management (A mandatory safeguard requirement by the WB)	11,800,000.00	MOH	11,800,000
Printing of travellers forms, quarantine forms, discharge forms	900,000.00	MOH	9,000,000
PPEs	132,595,000.00	KEMSA	277,941,475
Lab equipment	301,775,795.00	KEMSA	330,375,795
Roche test kits	196,924,208.25	KEMSA	196,924,208
Equipment	98,795,580.00	KEMSA &	98,795,580
		Gradian (World Bank)	160,000,000
Assorted PPEs	58,205,470.00	UNICEF	58,205,470
Handling and delivery fees for UNICEF (20%)	11,641,094.00	UNICEF	11,641,094
	976,776,847.25		1,305,583,622

Mutahi Kagwe to the National Assembly Health committee, also shows the ministry spent Sh70 million in communications. The ministry had approved a budget of Sh2.5 million for printing of papers, but has since spent Sh6.5 million since the outbreak. The ministry further spent Sh11.8 million to procure and install call centres for grievances and complaints. It said the installation of the centres was a mandatory safeguard require-

ment by the World Bank. The ministry has also earmarked Sh13.5 million to provide accommodation for 30 health-care workers who require quarantine services for 90 days. A total of Sh2 million has already been spent.

From the same kitty, Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (Kemsas), which is under the Health ministry, has also spent Sh277.9 million in procurement of PPEs. The agency had planned to spend Sh132.6

million to purchase the equipment. It has additionally spent Sh197 million to purchase Roche test kits, while another Sh98.8 million has also been spent to procure other testing equipment.

A spending plan of an additional Sh2.3 billion the ministry will receive from the World Bank shows Sh975 million is earmarked for isolation and treatment facilities. Some Sh573 million will be spent on case management, surveillance and rapid response (Sh190 million), blood safety (Sh154 million) and waste management (Sh48 million).

Other expenses are lab reagents and sample collection kits (Sh101 million), Facility PPE (Sh11 million), lab PPE (Sh10 million), lab equipment (Sh65 million), and operations Sh38 million. "Negotiations with the World Bank are on-going," the report adds.

On mass testing, the report projects testing of initial 50,000 individuals in the next two weeks (April 27 to May 3).

Four labs

Five counties with confirmed local transmission target supermarket and Public Service Vehicles workers, market vendors and individuals who interact with a high number of people per day. The report says the Ministry of Health plans to ensure the testing capacity exceeds 37,000 per day. In Kenia, the laboratories have capacity to test 15,000 per day. At the moment, Kenia has four automated laboratories and several manual ones. They are all distributed in Kenia branches in Nairobi, Kisumu (Kisumu Campus and John Waitumbi lab), Kericho, Busia (Alupe campus). Among challenges identified is that the staff deployed in Kenia Labs are not government employees but 41 volunteers while the rest 100 are project employees who started as interns on Sh118,000 per month.

MPs were told that the Ministry of Health will avail to Kenyans an effective vaccine against the Covid-19 once it is available and has been determined to be safe and effective.

"While Kenia continues to improve infrastructure and capacity in developing vaccine candidates, human vaccine development and manufacturing is a future aspiration for Kenia," the report adds.

Meanwhile, Kagwe said the transfer of Kenia Director of Rapid Response Team Joel Lutomiha had been politicised. He said it was curious that "a small administrative matter" would make it to front pages of local dailies. "The director was not sacked. He was just transferred to another responsibility," Kagwe told the committee.

Stimulus package

Treasury seeks Sh275 billion loan to help mitigate Covid-19 impact

The government will borrow Sh275 billion from three international financial institutions to cushion Kenyans and the economy from the negative impact of Covid-19.

National Treasury is in the final stages of sealing deals with World Bank (Sh100 billion), European Union Investment Bank (Sh100 billion) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) Sh75 billion to bridge the deficit in the country's revenues created by the pandemic effect on the economy.

Additionally, the National Treasury has awarded Sh20 billion by the European Union (EU) and another Sh6 billion from World Bank in grants.

Yesterday, Treasury Cabinet Secretary Ukur Yatani downplayed the concerns of the rising debt, saying the government was more concerned about saving lives as opposed to the resulting debt as he painted a gloomy picture of the economy.

"We expect to receive the EU grant in two days. We are finalising the paper work for concessional loan with the EU Investment Bank to help not only the agricultural sector, but boost tourism, infrastructure among others," Yatani said.

The request to the IMF was made yesterday and the CS said they expect a response in 10 days. The World Bank had already given Kenya Sh6 billion.

He explained that the government had received Sh6 billion from WB to mitigate the effects of the virus.

"We received Sh1 billion in the week we announced the first case and an additional Sh5 billion later towards the Covid-19 prevention measures. We are also engaging the firm for additional Sh100 billion loan," Yatani said.

He said the government had released Sh1.3 billion via M-Pesa to vulnerable Kenyans in slums to mitigate the effects of the pandemic, a process that will eventually take Sh10 billion. This is separate from the Sh8.5 billion, part of the Sh26 billion annual disbursement through the normal cash transfer.

Raise more funds

Appearing before the Senate Ad Hoc committee on Covid-19 pandemic, chaired by Nairobi Senator Johnstone Sakaja, the CS disclosed they were engaging with multi-lateral and bilateral partners to raise funds to plug the gap in the budget.

He welcomed the seven months moratorium by the G-20 nations on repayment of loans, as he announced plans to negotiate with China, Kenya's leading lender, through the Export-Import Bank of China to restructure the country's debt with China.

"We are engaging all donors (bilateral and multilateral partners), the IMF and also World Bank for emergency support. We have space to still to borrow from the domestic money market as well as our development partners to bridge the shortfall that we have noted in the revenues," Yatani told the committee yesterday.

A third of all the debt that fall due this year belong to China, with Kenya expected to hand in Sh78.4 billion this year.

Kenya's debt has risen to Sh6.2 trillion or 58 per cent of the country's GDP. However, last year Parliament raised the debt ceiling to Sh9 trillion to allow government to buy off expensive loans.

Yatani disclosed that this had been factored in the two financial years of 2019/20 and 2020/21 as new measures to cushion the economy from the Covid-19 shock.

"The reprieve from G-20 is a drop in the ocean, though it's significant and we appreciate. We will be engaging other partners for a suspension of two years or one," he said.

The CS told the senators they were also looking at lowering fiscal deficit from the 2016/17 high of 8.9 per cent to 3.5 per cent by 2022/23, reducing commercial borrowing by gradually shifting to concessional loans. It will also shift from Treasury bills to Treasury bonds and cancellation or re-allocation of external loans to priority projects.

Besides the Exim Bank of China, other significant creditors Kenya has are Sh43.3 billion for Trade Development Bank, Italy (Sh8.9 billion), IDA (Sh27.3 billion), Germany (Sh2.9 billion) and Spain (Sh2.2 billion). Others are France (Sh17.5 billion), Japan (Sh5.7 billion) and ADB/ADF (Sh8.1 billion). [Roselyne Obala]



Treasury Cabinet Secretary Ukur Yatani. [David Njau, Standard]

Property. The house in London that no one will sell

How William ole Ntimama shared out Sh2b wealth of land, cash and houses

In his will, veteran politician tied all the loose ends to forestall inheritance battles and ensure every single coin remained in the family.

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In his final will, veteran politician and former minister William ole Ntimama directed that a property in London should not be sold but handed down his descendants.

The property is part of a multi-billion treasure chest that Ntimama wanted protected for his children and grandchildren.

In his lifetime, Ntimama (pictured) chaired the Narok County Council for 15 years. He then served in government as an MP and a minister for 25 years before taking a backseat in politics. He died on September 1, 2016, aged 88.

In a will filed before the High Court in Narok, the patriarch directed that none of his Sh2 billion properties should be sold to outsiders. Instead, he directed that these should be passed down from one generation to another.

"I wish to state that all my property in land must not be sold out completely either in part or the whole. My heirs or my beneficiaries should hold onto the properties bequeathed to them in the course of their lives," the will dated June 12, 2015, read in part.

The former politician's interests were mainly in land, real estate and some Sh1.2 million he had accumulated at Britam Holdings Limited.

Ntimama bequeathed his house in Lavington to his wife, Dorcas Perdelai Ntimama. After Dorcas, Ntimama directed that the house goes to the couple's last-born daughter, Vivian Talash Ntimama.

However, the Lavington House will

now be inherited by Talash's children. Talash died in February this year, at 40.

Ntimama also wished that after part of his wealth was used to settle his debts and pay for his final sendoff, his wife would inherit 352 acres of land in Mara and would thereafter pass it on to Vivian.

Although Ntimama never revealed how much the London property was worth, he left Dorcas and his two daughters, Sanaipai and Vivian, to share it. Sanaipai got the lion's share in the London property at 50 per cent, while his wife and Vivian were to share the remainder in equal shares of 25 per cent.

He also willed that Vivian takes care of her mother.

"In consideration, I instruct my daughter Vivian Talash Ntimama to make provision of her mother's upkeep, comfort, and maintenance, pay for her mother's medical expenses, and generally take care of her mother's cause of life," the will stated.

Ntimama bequeathed his son, Timothy Tempes Ntimama some 468 acres in Narok while Sanaipai and Amos Ntimama were to equally share 367 acres in Mara.

Sanaipai was also bequeathed

NAME	SCHEDULE OF PROPER-	SHARE OF HEIRS
Dorcas Perdelai Ntimama	L.R.No.209/1498 and 18/24524	To hold 100% in her life interest and upon her death, the same to revert to VIVIAN TALASH NTIMAMA, in its entirety
Dorcas Perdelai Ntimama	CG MARR/OLO/PTD/3	To hold 100% in her life interest and upon her death, the same to revert to VIVIAN TALASH NTIMAMA, in its entirety
Timothy Tempes Ntimama	NAROK/OLO/HORO/52	Absolutely
Sanaipai Ntimama Amos Ntimama	CG/MARR/T/NABE/ BEL-ENENGETTA	Equally
Sanaipai Ntimama	L.R.No.3734/1034 L.R. No.53400	Absolutely
Sanaipai Ntimama Vivian Ntimama Dorcas Perdelai Ntimama	London Property	50% 25% 25%
Lydia Ntimama Sanaipai Ntimama Terry Anne Ntimama Semerian Ntimama	CG/MARR/OLO/HORO/25	Equally
Lydia Ntimama Amos Ntimama Semerian Ntimama	Land under MORAN SAFARIS LIMITED	33.3% 33.3% 33.3%
Sanaipai Ntimama Timothy Ntimama Terry Anne Ntimama	NAROK TOWN/1/57 also known as MAA TOWERS	33.3% 33.3% 33.3%
Dorcas Perdelai Ntimama Lydia Sanaipai Sanaipai Ntimama Vivian Ntimama Amos Ntimama Timothy Ntimama Terry Anne Ntimama Semerian Ntimama	Benefits under BRITAM Portfolio code UMC722	50% in her lifetime 50% to be shared equally
Dorcas Perdelai Ntimama	Account No. Britam SA 034872M	Absolutely in her lifetime
Dorcas Perdelai Ntimama	Residue of the estate	

another property in Lavington.

Ntimama directed that his daughters, Lydia and Sanaipai, as well as his grandchildren, Terry Ann Ntimama and Semerian Ntimama, equally share

some 887.5 acres of land at Olchoro, Mara.

"The same must be shared equally among the four starting from South to the North," states the will.

At least 33 per cent of another piece of land under Moran Safaris Limited was left to Lydia, his son Amos and Semerian.

Ntimama also owned a house at Narok named Maa Towers. He bequeathed 33 per cent of this to Sanaipai, Timothy and Terry Ann.

"In the event any of these beneficiaries is deceased or is unable to obtain the vested interest, then a gift shall be paid to his or her children, who if any is a minor, the same shall be held in trust for them until they are of mature age in equal shares," stated the will.

It continues: "If any child of mine is deceased or is unable to obtain the vested interest leaving no child or children living, then the share of residue which such a child of mine would have taken shall be distributed among my surviving children."

Ntimama left his wife 50 per cent of his benefits held by Britam Insurance while the other half would be shared among his seven children. His wife was bequeathed all benefits in a second account at Britam.

He stated that his children and wife were free to decline the share he had awarded them as long as this did not affect what other siblings received.

Moreover, Ntimama directed that in the event a dispute arose, his family must seek arbitration instead of rushing to court.

"Any award shall be final, binding and conclusive upon the parties, subject only to appeal on questions of law. Notwithstanding and foregoing, the beneficiaries shall before undertaking the aforementioned arbitration submit all disputes, claims, and or controversies to a mutually agreeable mediator in an attempt to informally resolve the said disputes," Ntimama wrote.

He appointed Anglican Church Bishop Jackson ole Sapit and Rev Peter Nakola as the arbitrators.

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Revenue

Airtime beats beer as top source of excise tax

A day before Safaricom announced a record Sh72 billion net profit, the national statistician unveiled yet another milestone recorded by three players in the telecommunications sector.

The *Economic Survey 2020* by the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS) showed that last year, airtime overtook beer to become the government's leading source of excise duty, what is informally known as a 'sin tax.'

Safaricom is by far biggest dealer in airtime, and the government earns a lot from it because Kenyans cannot operate without it yet. This means a lot of the tax revenue earned comes from Safaricom, which controls close to 70 per cent of the voice, SMS and data markets.

Last month, when KNBS unveiled the new consumer price index (CPI), or more simply the cost of living index, airtime emerged as the single-largest expenditure item for most Kenyans.

"Mobile airtime has the highest expenditure in the new CPI, with an overall weight of 5.496 per cent, having changed from the 3.08 per cent recorded in the previous CPI," said KNBS Director General Zachary Mwangi.

Chunk of income

Matatu fares and rent for single rooms are the second and third-biggest consumer items, respectively. Other items that take a chunk of people's incomes are white bread, milk and beef with bones.

Further, a 2012 study on mobile usage among low-income earners found that some Kenyans will forego spending money on food and other essential expenses so as to buy airtime.

"One in five respondents interviewed had foregone some usual expenditure in favour of reloading their phone with credit," read part of the study commissioned by the World Bank.

The respondents who sacrificed their usual expense to buy airtime went without as much as Sh999 per week, according to the study.

"The most common expenditure foregone was the purchase of food, followed by the purchase of bus fare. During the focus group discussions, it emerged that the meals foregone were sometimes entire meals, meals for the family, or were cheaper meal options chosen," said the report.

Safaricom has benefited from this airtime craze, consistently coming up with new products aimed at nudging subscribers into spending more on airtime.

About a third of Safaricom revenue on airtime in 2017, or about Sh43.5 billion, was earned through Okoa Jahazi, a service that lets subscribers access

airtime on credit.

Moreover, as lifestyle, consumer behaviour, tastes and preferences changed, some products were discarded from the basket by KNBS, which also meant some businesses had seen their relevance wane.

Other items, such as mobile money transfers found their way into the CPI. Other additions were TV subscription fees, decoder charges, courier services and garbage collection.

Before airtime, the government's lead source of excise duty, which got the moniker sin tax due to the fact that it follows people's behaviour, was alcoholic drinks. Not anymore.

Last year, the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) collected Sh28.6 billion in excise duty on airtime from the country's three telcos. This overtook the Sh27.7 billion the taxman extracted from beer.

Mobile money transfer services are yet another of Safaricom's products that have become a cash cow for the government.

A move by the National Treasury to slap mobile money transfer services with an excise duty of 15 per cent, up from 10 per cent, saw the government squeeze Sh27.4 billion from financial transactions last year. This was an increase of 172 per cent from Sh10.1 billion collected from financial transactions, which also includes levies on bank charges, in 2018.

The Finance Act, 2018 also increased excise tax on airtime to 15 per cent from 10 per cent, making data, calls and SMS services more expensive for consumers. Overall, Safaricom last year paid Sh35 billion in taxes.

Although Safaricom has diversified its revenue stream from traditional telecommunications services like calling and sending messages, it is through airtime that it has its strongest grip on consumers.

"Airtime is so critical," said Bitange Ndemo, a former ICT Permanent Secretary. "Some people are using the airtime to call so they can find a kibarari (merit work)."

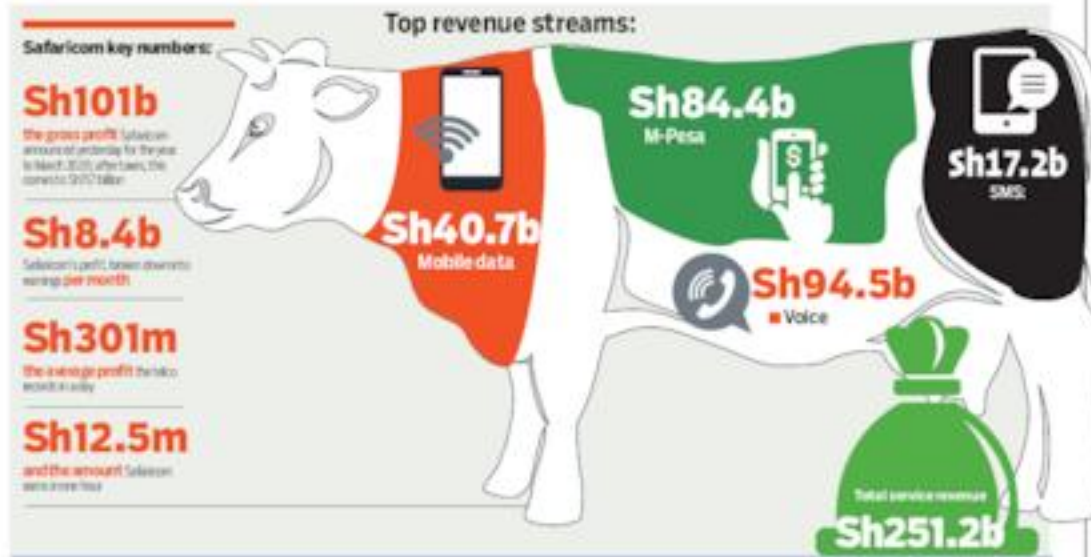
Census data for 2019 showed that 20,694,315 individuals aged three and above owned a mobile phone. Most of them were actively using these gadgets to call, text or just browse on the Internet.

Total domestic traffic increased from 55.9 billion minutes in 2018 to 58.7 billion minutes last year.

It is not just on calling that Safaricom has been active, but also on providing Internet services. It has teamed up with Google and Teleone to offer consumers 4G-enabled phones that they can pay for slowly.

"Lipa Mdogo Mdogo will help the mwananchi who earns their wages daily acquire a range of smart-phones and pay in easy daily instalments for as low as Sh20, while enjoying all the benefits that comes with being digitally connected," said Safaricom CEO Peter Ndegwa during the release of the company's results yesterday. [Dominic Omondi]

Financials. Company becomes first in East and Central Africa to cross Sh100b profit mark



The making of a Sh101b cash cow

As a major Safaricom shareholder, the Treasury will pocket Sh20b from the telco's dividend payout.

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Between 8am yesterday when it released its results and the time you are reading this article, the country's most valuable company has earned at least Sh301 million in profit - before the taxman takes his cut.

Yesterday, Safaricom became the first company in East and Central Africa to hit gross profit that crosses the Sh100 billion-mark. The telco powered past earlier projections to record Sh101 billion before tax.

This means Safaricom earns Sh12.5 million every 60 minutes, or Sh300.6 million in 24 hours.

To put Safaricom's net profit in further context, the country's top four banks' profits combined - KCB (Sh25.1 billion), Equity Bank (Sh22.6 billion), Co-operative Bank (Sh14.3 billion) and Standard Chartered Bank (Sh8 billion) - add up to Sh70 billion, and still fall short of the giant telco's 2019-20 financial earnings.

The result is eight times the Sh8.9 billion the entire insurance industry earned last year.

The profits that beat market expectation came on the back of increased mobile lending and uptake of data services, the star earners of Safaricom's revenue.

Shareholders will pocket Sh56 billion in dividend once they approve the accounts, with the National Treasury earning Sh19.6 billion.

But alive to the economic impact of the coronavirus pandemic, which has shuttered several businesses already, the telco for the first time refrained from giving future earnings projections due to uncertainties in the business environment.

Profit for the 2019-20 financial year grew 19 per cent from Sh62 bil-



"We have decided to postpone giving guidance for a few months until visibility on the situation improves."

Safaricom CEO Peter Ndegwa

lion recorded in a similar period the previous year.

M-Pesa continues to be the company's golden goose, posting Sh84.4 billion in revenue last year up from Sh74 billion. It was boosted by new lending products, including Puliza, M-Shwari and KCB M-Pesa.

"This growth was driven by savings and lending, which make up two-thirds of the total growth," explained Safaricom's outgoing CEO Michael Joseph.

"However, we have seen a slowdown in growth rates across withdrawals and payments, partly driven by a general economic slowdown, and this is likely to get worse as we face the coronavirus pandemic."

The number of active M-Pesa users grew from 22.6 million to 24.9 million, with the company earning Sh294 on average from each user monthly.

Overall, service revenue rose by 4.8 per cent from Sh240 billion reported at the end of March 2019 to Sh251 billion this financial year.

Revenue from voice and SMS, traditionally the company's bread and butter, declined by 1.4 per cent and 12 per cent to stand at Sh94 billion and

Sh17 billion, respectively.

Safaricom attributes the decline to competitive pressures and customers' migration to newer technologies, including messaging platforms like WhatsApp. At the same time, the introduction of measures to make it easier for subscribers to opt out of promotional SMSs resulted in Sh1.2 billion revenue drop.

While it would not project future earnings, the company noted that its plans to launch M-Pesa in Ethiopia, which has a population of above 100 million people and are awaiting regulatory approval.

"The agreement by Safaricom and Vodacom was meant to bring the M-Pesa brand to the rest of Africa and we have investments in the pipeline in Ethiopia awaiting the decision by the government of Ethiopia," said Mr Joseph.

Long-term investment

Safaricom Chief Financial Officer Sateesh Kamath said the firm was also awaiting decisions by the Communication Authority of Kenya (CA) on the rollout of 5G, adding that the investment is long term.

"We are well positioned to deploy 5G, but our focus at the moment remains increasing our 4G footprint," he said.

The company invested Sh36 billion in capital rollout last year, down from Sh37 billion. Safaricom CEO Peter Ndegwa said the uncertain economic conditions have clouded future investment prospects.

"We are operating in unpredictable times due to the Covid-19 pandemic and many parameters that would normally be factored in for prudent guidance are constantly changing due to the social restrictions and economic measures being taken to manage the virus," said Mr Ndegwa.

"As a result we have decided to postpone giving guidance for a few months until visibility on the situation improves."

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

Full-year earnings outperform projections

Service revenue growth of
4.8% to Sh251.2b

Voice service (incoming and outgoing) revenue shrank by
1.4% to Sh94.5b

M-Pesa revenue grew by
12.6% to Sh84.4b

One month active M-Pesa customers increased
10% to 24.9m

Mobile data revenue increased by
12.1% to Sh40.7b

One month active chargeable mobile data customers increased
10.2% to 19.6m

Fixed service revenue increased by
10.7% to Sh8.9b

One month active overall customer base increased by
9.5% to 28.6m

Messaging revenue declined by
12.3% to Sh17.2b

Strong financial performance

Sh56b

The amount Safaricom will pay out in dividends, with Vodafone earning Sh22 billion, the Treasury Sh19.6 billion, and listed shareholders Sh14 billion

Free cash flow increased
11.4% to Sh70.3b

What Safaricom profits can buy:

6 million

Covid-19 test kits of the brand approved for home-based use, which costs Sh12,000 a unit.

144,000

ventilators, with a basic unit costing Sh500,000

27km

of Kenya's most expensive highway, Dongo Kundu, or two 45-kilometre Thika Superhighways, with Sh8 billion left over in change

96,000

standard 6m-by-8m classrooms, at an estimated cost of Sh750,000 each

Sh47.8b

The 2019-20 Budget set aside this amount for the Universal Healthcare (UHC) programme in four counties - Safaricom profits can extend UHC to two more counties, assuming Sh12 billion for each county

Sh70b

Safaricom net earnings are higher than the combined profit earned by the top four banks last year - KCB, Equity Bank, Co-operative Bank and Standard Chartered

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Number of ministries - combined - that the cash can support for the three months to the end of the 2019-20 financial year: Lands, Public Works, the Presidency, Correctional Services, Immigration and Citizen Services, Devolution, and the Development of ASALs

Missed call

Ban on betting costs Safaricom Sh1.9b

Mobile service provider Safaricom lost Sh1.9 billion in revenues after the government banned sports betting last year.

This comes even as the company made Sh84 billion from M-Pesa in the 2019/2020 financial year. This is against another Sh600 million revenue loss due to waiver of sending charges on transaction amounts of less than Sh1,000.

"Service revenue increased by 4.8 per cent, driven by sustained customer acquisition and recovery of mobile data growth, which is now back to double digit, along with sustained M-Pesa and fixed data growth," said outgoing CEO Michael Joseph. "The growth was partially offset by contraction of the betting industry and the free transaction fees associated with our Covid-19 response."

Last year betting companies Betin and SportPesa closed shop locally following protracted battles with the Kenya Revenue Authority.

In August, Interior Cabinet Secretary Fred Matiang'i said sports betting firms owed the taxman more than Sh26 billion in backdated taxes. Dr Matiang'i also threatened to immediately deport any foreigners engaged in the business under a false visa.

The Safaricom's financial report also indicates that the waiver of transactions fees on amounts less than Sh1,000 saw a Sh600 million revenue loss. The company is, however, confident the revenue loss will even out in the long term.



Safaricom outgoing CEO Michael Joseph

The firm is now working on a unit trust investment product that is expected to be the newest service on the M-Pesa application following the launch of Fuliza last year.

"We are in the final stages of piloting a unit trust investment product that will enable customers to create and attain wealth," said Michael Joseph. "The Market Place App in development will aid in enhancing M-Pesa as a lifestyle platform."

At the same time, the company says the reorganisation that brought the M-Pesa brand under full control of Safaricom and Vodacom resulted in a Sh3.3 billion one-off gain that contributed to its Sh73.6 billion revenue haul.

Safaricom has proposed paying Sh56 billions in dividends translating to Sh140 per share.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF BOMET PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

NOTIFICATION OF SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES UNDER UHC PROGRAM FOR INTERVIEWS

INTERVIEW NOTIFICATION FOR SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES UNDER UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE HEALTH PROGRAMME VACANCIES ADVERTISED BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN THE STANDARD NEWSPAPER ON 5th APRIL, 2020

The County Government of Bomet through the Public Service Board wishes to notify the shortlisted applicants who applied for vacant positions under Universal Health Coverage Health Programme (UHC) on the dates of the interviews. In pursuance to this, the Board hereby notifies the applicants for the under listed positions to visit Bomet County Government website, www.bomet.go.ke for names of shortlisted candidates, the schedule of interviews and the required documents during interviews.

PSCK V/NO	POST	MINISTRY/STATE DEPARTMENT	GRADE	NO OF VACANCIES
18/2020	Registered Clinical Officer II	Health (Universal Health Coverage)	CSG 12	8
19/2020	Registered Nurse II	Health Programme)	CSG 12	35
20/2020	Pharmaceutical Technologist II		CSG 12	3
21/2020	Medical Laboratory Technologist II		CSG 12	3
22/2020	Community Oral Health Officer II		CSG 12	2
23/2020	Radiographer III		CSG 12	1
24/2020	Assistant Public Health Officer II		CSG 12	9
25/2020	Enrolled Nurse II		CSG 11	9
26/2020	Community Health Assistant III		CSG 11	26

N/B: The county government of Bomet is an equal opportunity employer; women and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

The Secretary/CEO
Public Service Board
P.O. Box 605-20400
Bomet.

SAFARICOM PLC

CONDENSED AUDITED RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020



Safaricom is committed to keeping Kenya connected and we will continue to support the Government of Kenya and Kenyans at large during this unprecedented pandemic.

The total value of our contribution to the fight against the coronavirus pandemic currently stands at KShs 6.5bn, and this is a cost that is growing every day. We have been able to offer this support because of operating in a regulatory environment that allows innovative businesses to thrive.

Nicholas Ngunga, Chairman



In FY20, my aim was to ensure the organization focused more on the customer, regaining both the Customer Trust and Market Share.

We have stayed the course, given customers more value, and put the consumer first by delivering relevant products and services.

As a result, the business has delivered exceptionally well, outperforming the guidance, in the process generating solid returns to our shareholders.

Michael Joseph, Outgoing CEO



The COVID-19 pandemic presents an opportunity for Safaricom to leverage its digital and data capability to support customers and community during this period and through the recovery process. We will focus on developing a range of digital products and services that will provide sustainable solutions to challenges in sectors like: agriculture, health, education and essential services.

Whilst FY21 is going to be a challenging one, I feel as a business we are well placed to navigate our way through the uncertainty that lies ahead.

Peter Ndegwa, CEO

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended KShs Bn

	31-Mar-20 KShs 15/16	31-Mar-20 KShs 15/IAS17	31-Mar-19 KShs 15/IAS17	Change%
Service revenue	251.22	251.22	239.77	4.8%
Handsets and other revenue	10.48	10.48	9.45	10.9%
Construction revenue	0.58	0.58	0.60	(3.3%)
Other income	0.28	0.28	0.46	(39.1%)
Total revenue	262.56	262.56	250.28	4.9%
Direct costs	(74.70)	(74.70)	(71.80)	4.0%
Provision for expected credit loss (ECL) on receivables	(1.67)	(1.67)	0.01	<100.0%
Construction costs	(0.58)	(0.58)	(0.60)	(3.3%)
Other expenses	(47.58)	(50.97)	(53.59)	(4.9%)
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation & amortisation (EBITDA)	138.04	134.63	124.30	8.3%
Depreciation and amortisation	(36.55)	(35.62)	(35.33)	(4.8%)
Earnings Before Interest and Taxes (EBIT)	101.49	101.01	88.97	13.5%
Net finance income	0.92	2.56	2.24	14.3%
Share of profit of associate	0.06	0.06	0.01	>100.0%
Share of profit of Joint Venture (M-PESA Global Services (united))	3.30	3.30	0.00	>100.0%
Profit before income tax	105.77	106.93	91.22	17.2%
Income tax expense	(32.12)	(32.23)	(28.73)	12.2%
Profit after tax	73.66	74.70	62.49	19.5%
Other comprehensive income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	73.66	74.70	62.49	19.5%
Attributed to:				
Equity holders of the company	73.66	74.70	62.49	19.5%
Basic and diluted earnings per share (EPS)	1.84	1.86	1.56	19.5%
Proposed dividend	56.09	56.09	50.08	
Proposed dividend per share (DPS)	1.40	1.40	1.25	

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at KShs Bn

	31-Mar-20 KShs 15/16	31-Mar-20 KShs 15/IAS17	31-Mar-19 KShs 15/IAS17	% Change
Capital employed				
Share capital (including share premium)	4.20	4.20	4.20	0.0%
Retained earnings	82.79	83.83	65.22	26.3%
Proposed dividends- Normal	56.09	56.09	50.08	12.0%
Proposed dividends- Special	0.00	0.00	24.84	(100.0%)
Total equity	143.08	144.12	144.35	(0.2%)
Represented by:				
Non-current liabilities	13.64	1.97	1.87	5.3%
Total equity and non-current liabilities	156.72	146.09	146.22	(10.1%)
Non-current assets	164.40	149.17	142.52	4.7%
Current assets				
Contract assets	2.56	2.56	1.99	28.6%
Inventories	1.86	1.86	1.78	4.5%
Receivables and prepayments	17.19	18.36	18.13	1.3%
Cash and cash equivalents	26.76	26.76	20.03	33.6%
Other financial assets	0.19	0.19	8.04	(97.6%)
Current income tax	0.26	0.14	0.00	100.0%
	48.82	49.87	49.96	(0.2%)
Current liabilities				
Lease liability	3.55	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Contract liabilities	9.41	9.41	9.28	1.4%
Dividend payable	1.05	1.05	0.00	100.0%
Payables and accrued expenses	29.92	29.92	28.70	4.3%
Provision for other liabilities	4.46	4.46	3.89	14.7%
Income tax payable	0.11	0.11	0.35	(68.6%)
Borrowings	8.00	8.00	4.03	98.5%
	56.50	52.95	46.26	14.5%
Net current (liabilities)/assets	(7.68)	(3.08)	3.70	(>100.0%)
	156.72	146.09	146.22	(10.1%)

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended KShs Bn

	31-Mar-20 KShs 15/16	31-Mar-20 KShs 15/IAS17	31-Mar-19 KShs 15/IAS17	% Change
Operating activities				
Cash generated from operations	139.60	135.86	125.29	8.4%
Movement in restricted cash	(0.07)	(0.07)	(0.33)	(78.8%)
Interest received	2.94	2.94	2.32	26.7%
Income tax paid	(32.11)	(32.11)	(27.46)	16.9%
Net cash from operating activities	110.36	106.62	99.81	6.8%
Investing activities				
Dividends paid	(29.63)	(29.63)	(45.05)	(34.2%)
Interest paid	(73.88)	(73.88)	(44.07)	67.6%
Other financing activities	(0.33)	(0.35)	(0.20)	75.0%
	0.23	3.97	0.04	>100.0%
Net movement in cash and cash equivalents	6.73	6.73	10.53	(36.1%)
Movement in cash and cash equivalents				
At start of year	20.03	20.03	9.50	>100.0%
Increase	6.73	6.73	10.53	(36.1%)
At end of the year	26.76	26.76	20.03	33.6%

Commentary on Results

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the audited results for the year ended 31 March 2020. The same accounting policies and methods of computation have been used as were in the last financial statements with the exception of IFRS 16 and changes to PPE useful life for specific asset categories. More details are available in our results booklet on our website.

COVID-19 Comment

In an increasingly digital economy, Safaricom plays a critical role in responding to the challenges weighed in by the COVID-19 pandemic. To demonstrate resilience as a business, we aim to innovate and execute with speed more sustainable solutions to the needs facing our customers now, which will ensure sustainability of our business in the long term. Our purpose of transforming lives remains at the core of everything we do. We continue to implement measures to protect customers and Kenyans at large from the negative impact of the pandemic. Our current support which extends to 30 June 2020 is valued at KShs 6.5bn. We anticipate that the challenges caused by the pandemic will have a negative impact on the business in the short term.

Operating Review

Service Revenue in the year grew 4.8% to KShs 251.22bn as at 31 March 2020 from KShs 239.77bn driven by sustained customer growth, mobile data growth returning to double digit along with sustained M-PESA and fixed data growth. The growth was partially offset by COVID-19 response and a contraction of betting industry. On an underlying basis Service Revenue increased 5.9%. Customers in the year increased 12.2% to 33.6m as at 31 March 2020. M-PESA one month active customers increased 10.0% to 24.9m while mobile data one month active chargeable customers increased 10.2% YoY to 19.6m.

Capital expenditure in the network for the year ended 31 March 2020 stood at KShs 36.11bn. To finance this expansion, the company leveraged its statement of financial position and continues to invest a significant portion of internally generated cash.

Share of Profit of Joint Venture

This is a one-off exceptional gain arising from acquisition of the M-PESA brand. The profit and total comprehensive income for the year grew 19.5% YoY but normalised for this exceptional item, it grew 14.3% YoY.

Borrowings

As at 31 March 2020, bank borrowings were KShs 8.00bn while cash and cash equivalents stood at KShs 26.76bn leaving a net cash of KShs 18.76bn.

Taxation

The Group continues to be a major contributor to the revenues of the Government and remitted KShs 110.98bn in duties, taxes and license fees for the year ended 31 March 2020. This increased the total duties, taxes and fees paid since inception to KShs 809.50bn.

Dividends

The Board remains committed to investing in the business and continuing our strong record for paying progressive dividends each year. The proposed dividend for FY20 is KShs 56.09bn. The proposed dividend per share (DPS) of KShs 1.40 has been computed at 80% of the profit and total comprehensive income for the year excluding the one-off exceptional item of share of profit of joint venture of KShs 3.26bn, divided by number of issued share capital on IFRS 15/16 basis.

Notes

Following the adoption of IFRS 16 - Leases on 1 April 2019, the Group's results for the year ended 31 March 2020 are on an IFRS 15/IFRS 16 basis, whereas the results for the period to 31 March 2019 are (as previously reported) on an IFRS 15/IAS 17 basis. To ensure appropriate disclosure during the period of transition onto IFRS 16, numbers for the period ended 31 March 2020 have been disclosed on both IFRS 16 and IAS 17 basis and our commentary describing our operating performance has been provided solely on an IFRS 15/IAS 17 basis.

By order of the Board

Nicholas Ngunga

Chairman

28 April 2020

KSHS 6.5BN SUPPORT SO FAR FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE

In the face of **COVID-19**, each of us has to play our part in keeping ourselves safe. Safaricom is here with you as we move forward in these tough times.


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At no extra cost for 90 days



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with **Lipa Na M-PESA** till to buy
food and basic necessities




Thermal cameras
donated to Ministry of Health



**FOOD
DONATIONS**




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Lipa Na M-PESA transactions
below KShs 1,000*

**M-PESA
WALLET**



BANK

Free Bank to/from M-PESA
transactions*

**ZERO
RATED**

charges for hospital
and dispensaries

KShs 150,000

Daily M-PESA transaction
limit to support SMEs

KShs 300,000

Daily M-PESA wallet capacity

*From 16th March 2020 to 30th June 2020

DRIVING A SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS, INVESTING IN:



Our Economy

- Duties, taxes, licence fees paid **KShs 810bn** since inception
- Tax payer of the year **12 years** in a row
- Supporting nearly **1m** people through **direct & indirect employment**
- **74%** of procurement spend to local suppliers (up 7% YoY)



Our Community

- Directly impacting **1m+ Kenyans** in FY20
- Supporting projects across **health, education, economic empowerment, water and environmental conservation**
- Safaricom Foundation invested **KShs 481 mn** in FY20
- M-PESA Foundation invested **KShs 1.1 bn** in FY20



Our People

- **35% women in leadership**, targeting gender balance by 2021
- **23% women in technology**, up from just 10% in 2014
- Women in technology programmes to support **women engineers**
- **2.3% of staff are differently-abled**, with plans to expand



**Environmental
Sustainability**

- Targeting **Net-Zero** carbon emissions by **2050**
- **5 million trees** to be planted within the next 5 years
- **E-Waste** collection and recycling, **1,287 tonnes** collected to date
- Total solid waste collected in FY20 is **299,911 tonnes** and out of this **97.4%** was recycled

KEY HIGHLIGHTS | IMPROVED SHAREHOLDER RETURN AND CONTINUED INVESTMENT IN KENYA



Service Revenue
+4.8% YoY

KShs 251.2 bn FY20
KShs 239.8 bn FY19



HEPS*
+14.3% YoY

KShs 1.78 FY20
KShs 1.56 FY19



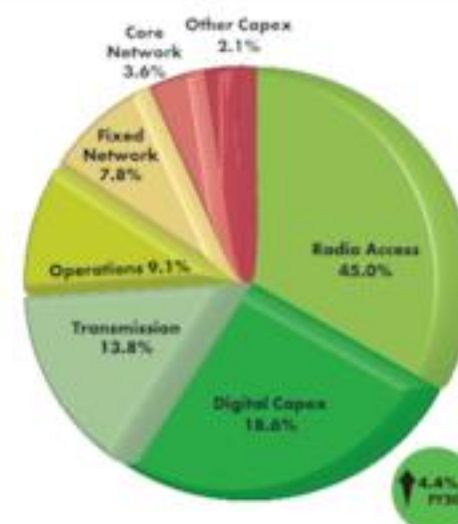
EBIT
+13.5% YoY

KShs 101.0 bn FY20
KShs 89.0 bn FY19



Free Cashflow
+11.4% YoY

KShs 70.3 bn FY20
KShs 63.1 bn FY19



4.4% in FY20

*Headline Earnings per Share (HEPS), excludes a one-off gain arising from acquisition of the M-PESA brand

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Mastercard and Equity commit Sh1.1b for PPE

Equity Bank CEO James Mwangi and family also commits Sh300 million for the fight against coronavirus.

By Anyango Otieno
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Equity Group and Mastercard foundations yesterday pledged Sh1.1 billion for Personal Protective Equipment for Covid-19 frontline health workers.

Equity Bank committed to provide Sh300 million while Mastercard Foundation committed Sh500 million as part of its Covid-19 Recovery and Resilience Programme.

The funding also includes a donation of Sh300 million from the family of Equity Group Holdings Chief Executive Officer James Mwangi.

"It started when my attention was drawn to a group of students and doctors who were raising funds for PPE for young post-graduate students especially at Kenyatta National Hospital (KNH)," said Mwangi.

"When I shared the need with my family, a robust discussion revealed the urgency to holistically address the issue as it was not prudent to provide the PPE to students without also focusing on the plight of the doctors, nurses, clinical officers and medical staff."

Mwangi, who is a member of the Covid-19 Emergency Response Fund Board, said they invited Kenya Medical Association CEO and a group of doctors from KNH and the University of Nairobi, where it



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Equity Group Holdings CEO James Mwangi

was established that PPE for medical staff handling Covid-19 patients were needed.

"A team of seven was formed to help structure this initiative," said Mwangi.

The committee will coordinate the implementation of the

initiative to ensure availability of PPE across the country.

The committee will also help to scale up a mental wellness support system for medical staff initiated by the Kenya Medical Association.

Equity Bank (Kenya) Ltd chairman Isaac Macharia said the Board of Equity recognises the vital role of health care workers in the frontline and is proud to partner with universities and public hospitals in ensuring their safety.

CEO of the Mastercard Foundation Reeta Roy praised health care workers in the frontline of caring and safeguarding community health.

"We must keep them safe. We are grateful that this partnership meets the immediate needs precipitated by Covid-19, which the foundation is prioritising through our Mastercard Foundation Covid-19 Recovery and Resilience Programme," said Roy.

Mwangi appealed to Kenyans to observe the set regulations by the Ministry of Health in containing Covid-19.

Meanwhile, Betway will be distributing various packages in partnership with IWO consultancy, a firm that works closely with community-based organisations and churches.

"As a brand, we have dedicated ourselves to supporting communities in sports. As such, the Betway Cares initiative is an extension of that support especially at a time when Kenyans are struggling to make ends meet," Betway Country Manager Leon Kiptum said.



Kakamega Governor Wycliffe Oparanya (left) receives an oxygen concentrator from Thomas Kitonga, head of Sales and Marketing at Crown Healthcare which donated healthcare equipment worth 20 million to the Council Of Governors to fight the coronavirus pandemic. Looking on is Crown's Key Clients Manager Rajesh Patel. [Wibonke Ochi, Standard]



Red Cross Secretary General Aisha Mohamed addresses residents of Ombaka in Nyando, Kisumu County after distributing food items yesterday. More than 150 households consisting of elderly, pregnant women and lactating mothers who were recently displaced by floods also received bedding and water treatment chemicals. [Collins Odur, Standard]



Mombasa Deputy Governor Dr. William Kingi (left) receives 10,000 face masks and Sh100,000 from the Office of Kitului Governor Charity Ngilu towards the Mombasa Household Emergency Relief and Nutrition Support Project. Photo/Kelvin Karani

Philanthropy

MP sets aside Sh50m to save locals from effects of virus

Kesses MP Swarup Mishra (pictured) has set aside Sh50 million to cushion his constituents from the effects of coronavirus.

The package includes a stipend, food, seeds and fertiliser for residents.

Dr Mishra on Monday dispatched the second tranche of Sh10 million to 4,000 people. The cash sent through mobile money targets the less privileged, widows, orphans and small scale traders.

"We are giving each person Sh2,500 for shopping per month. We did our math and noted that

the amount will help them survive for at least 30 days," the MP told *The Standard*.

The first tranche of Sh8 million sent a fortnight ago benefited 3,000 people. The families also received maize and beans.

Earlier, the exercise stirred controversy after Uasin Gishu County Commissioner Abdur-sack Jaldesa stopped it when the people scrambled for food, thus breaching the social distancing directive by the Ministry of Health to curb spread of Covid-19.

The MP had planned to distribute the food through week-long

public gatherings across the constituency, but the county security team warned that the exercise could be fertile ground for spreading coronavirus.

The county security team later allowed the exercise to continue but with strict supervision by administrators.

Apart from the Sh2,500 stipend, Mishra is also distributing vegetable seeds through the local administration to every household to boost food security.

"We are spending more than Sh40 million on food and stipend for the families and another Sh10

million on seeds and fertiliser for the families. We want to alleviate the suffering of our people in this coronavirus crisis," he said.

Each household is given 500 grammes of cabbage, sukuma wiki or spinach seeds and fertiliser.

"We want to improve food security in the constituency. The first step is to have women plant vegetables because they spend a lot of money daily buying what they can easily grow in their kitchen gardens," said Mishra.

Emily Chebet, a resident of Tamkwa village, is happy that she

can receive a stipend that is higher than her monthly income.

"I depend on menial jobs to provide food for my four children. The stipend is godsend, it helps me feed them especially during this coronavirus crisis where odd jobs have reduced," said Ms Chebet.

Last week, Mishra who owns Mediheal Hospital in Eldoret, set aside an isolation ward with 26 beds and 10 ventilators that will see his constituents who test positive for coronavirus get free treatment. [Jacob Ng'etich]



Proposed disposal of Kantar Africa Business

During the year and as disclosed in the half year results of 2019, WPP Scangroup's majority shareholder, WPP Plc, entered into an agreement to sell 80% of its shareholding in Kantar globally. As a consequence of the global transaction and as announced on 31 October 2019, WPP Scangroup Plc entered into an agreement to sell its Kantar Africa Business (representing 100% shareholding in Millward Brown East Africa Limited, Millward Brown Nigeria Limited and Millward Brown West Africa Limited and 80% shareholding in Research and Marketing Group Investment Limited, which has Kantar TNS businesses in Kenya, Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Senegal, Ghana, Cameroon and the UK). This transaction is subject to regulatory and shareholder approval and is expected to be completed by 30 June 2020. As required by International Financial Reporting Standard No 5 (IFRS 5) Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations, the results of Kantar Africa Business have been presented as discontinued operations. The assets of Kantar Group have been disclosed as "Assets classified as held for sale" and the liabilities disclosed as "Liabilities directly associated with assets classified as held for sale".

Below is the summary providing Group consolidated results of continuing and discontinued operations included in consolidated accounts of 2019. 2018 results have been shown for comparison purposes.

All figures in Ksh'000	Continuing Operations		Discontinued Operations		Consolidated results	
	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018
Billings	9,282,328	11,648,301	3,298,158	2,373,289	12,580,486	13,821,790
Revenue	2,872,837	3,028,509	2,198,877	1,476,395	5,071,714	4,504,904
Operating profit	130,546	129,120	536,884	511,994	667,430	641,034
Foreign exchange (losses)/gain	(34,163)	(25,317)	9,207	20,160	(24,956)	(5,157)
Interest income net of interest expense	165,620	260,522	(3,566)	10,582	162,054	271,104
Other income (net of impairment)	28,678	30,477	1,956	2,430	30,634	32,907
Profit before tax	290,682	416,802	544,481	545,066	835,163	959,868
Tax charge	(131,890)	(168,312)	(211,844)	(179,347)	(343,734)	(347,679)
Profit for the year	158,792	248,490	332,637	365,719	491,409	612,209
Profit attributable to:						
Shareholders of the holding company	145,903	224,828	284,568	329,653	431,971	554,481
Non-controlling interests	12,889	23,662	48,069	36,066	59,438	57,728
	158,792	248,490	332,637	365,719	491,409	612,209

Consolidated results:

Revenue increased by 13% due to the full year impact of the TNS operations acquired in July 2018. Operating profit is up by 4%, however profit before tax has declined by 13% due to a reduction in interest income and greater foreign exchange losses. Profit after tax is down by 20%.

Continuing operations:

Revenue has declined by 5%. Due to timely cost control measures, we maintained our service delivery to clients by being more innovative and efficient and delivering cost effective solutions leading to growth in our operating profit of 1%. Interest income is reduced by 41% due to reduction in deposits as the same was utilized to pay a special dividend during the year. Profit before tax declined by 30% and profit for the year was down by 36%.

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

All figures in Ksh'000	2019	2018
Continuing operations		
Billings	9,282,328	13,821,790
Revenue	2,872,837	4,504,904
Interest income net of interest expense	165,620	271,104
Other income	30,901	31,559
Share of (loss) / profit in associates	(2,222)	25,131
Operating and administrative expenses	(2,743,291)	(3,665,870)
Impairment of investment in associates	-	(2,441)
Impairment of goodwill	-	(21,322)
Foreign exchange losses	(34,163)	(5,157)
Profit before tax	290,682	959,868
Tax charge	(131,890)	(347,679)
Profit for the year from continuing operations	158,792	612,209
Discontinued operations		
Profit for the year from discontinued operations	332,637	-
Profit for the year	491,409	612,209
Other comprehensive loss	-	-
Exchange difference on translating foreign operations	(29,906)	(97,120)
Total comprehensive income for the year	461,503	515,089
Profit attributable to:		
Shareholders of the holding company (a)	431,971	554,481
Non-controlling interests	29,532	60,608
	461,503	615,089
Total comprehensive income attributable to:		
Shareholders of the holding company	408,842	467,418
Non-controlling interests	52,661	47,671
	461,503	515,089
Earnings per share		
From continuing operations		
Basic and diluted (Ksh)	0.34	0.35
Number of shares (in thousands)	432,156	432,156
Weighted average number of shares (in thousands)	432,156	405,571
From continuing and discontinued operations		
Basic and diluted (Ksh) (a) / (b)	1.00	1.37
Number of shares (in thousands)	432,156	432,156
Weighted average number of shares (in thousands) (b)	432,156	405,571

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

All figures in Ksh'000	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Equipment	209,544	361,613
Right-of-use assets	307,441	-
Investments in associates and other equity investment	196,371	797,781
Long term loans to related companies	409,844	314,256
Deferred tax asset	631,392	719,684
Goodwill	339,038	1,590,913
	2,093,630	3,184,247
Current assets		
Trade and other receivables	3,618,865	5,637,216
Work-in-progress	10,431	73,960
Receivable from related parties	84,030	263,300
Tax recoverable	739,455	841,726
Cash, bank and deposit balances	2,133,713	4,424,749
	6,584,494	11,240,951
Assets classified as held for sale	4,125,249	-
	10,709,743	11,240,951
TOTAL ASSETS	12,803,173	16,425,198
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	432,156	432,156
Share premium	9,155,166	9,155,166
Accumulated deficit	(2,128,152)	(813,799)
Translation deficit	(430,223)	(407,094)
Equity attributable to shareholders of the holding company	7,028,947	8,366,429
Non-controlling interests	163,625	122,950
Total equity	7,192,572	8,489,379
Non-current liabilities		
Deferred tax liability	34	2,974
Lease liabilities	255,441	-
Loan payable to a related party	-	502,104
	255,475	505,080
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	3,041,605	4,672,024
Tax payable	87,813	204,554
Payable to related parties	31,578	540,104
Lease liabilities	61,330	-
Dividends payable	32,716	14,055
	3,255,042	5,430,739
Liabilities directly associated with assets classified as held for sale	2,100,084	-
	5,355,126	5,430,739
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	12,803,173	16,425,198

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SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

All figures in Ksh'000	Share capital	Share premium	(Accumulated deficit)/revenue reserve	Translation deficit	Non-controlling interests	Total
At 1 January 2018	378,865	8,281,817	508,141	(320,035)	116,377	8,965,169
IFRS 9 day 1 transition adjustment	-	-	(544,077)	-	(5,944)	(552,023)
Deferred tax on IFRS 9 day 1 adjustment	-	-	163,318	-	1,669	164,987
Adjusted balance at 1 January 2018	378,865	8,281,817	125,382	(320,035)	102,100	8,578,133
Shares issued	53,291	873,349	-	-	-	926,640
Profit for the year	-	-	554,481	-	57,728	612,209
Acquisition of non-controlling interests	-	-	(1,209,513)	-	-	(1,209,513)
Non-controlling interest acquired	-	-	-	-	(22,317)	(22,317)
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(87,063)	(10,057)	(97,120)
Dividend declared - 2017	-	-	(284,149)	-	(14,504)	(298,653)
At 31 December 2018	432,156	9,155,166	(813,799)	(407,094)	122,950	8,489,379
At 1 January 2019	432,156	9,155,166	(813,799)	(407,094)	122,950	8,489,379
IFRS 16 day 1 transition adjustment	-	-	(17,700)	-	(2,546)	(20,246)
Adjusted balance at 1 January 2019	432,156	9,155,166	(831,499)	(407,094)	120,404	8,469,133
Profit for the year	-	-	431,971	-	59,438	491,409
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(23,129)	(6,777)	(29,906)
Dividend declared - 2018	-	-	(1,728,634)	-	(9,440)	(1,738,074)
At 31 December 2019	432,156	9,155,166	(2,128,152)	(430,223)	163,625	7,192,572

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

All figures in Ksh'000	2019	2018
Cash generated from operating activities before working capital changes	980,295	781,069
Working capital changes	352,440	390,081
Tax paid on operating income	(597,582)	(372,873)
Cash generated from operating activities	635,153	1,038,277
Cash generated from investing activities	45,294	317,138
Cash used in financing activities	(1,925,654)	(313,489)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	4,377,820	3,594,739
Net (decrease) / increase during the year	(1,243,186)	1,061,926
Effect of fluctuation in exchange rates	(12,371)	(80,845)
Cash and cash equivalents reclassified as held for sale	(994,319)	-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year (Note 1)	2,123,944	4,377,820

Note 1: Excludes accrued interest on deposits (2019: Ksh 9,749,000; 2018: Ksh 46,929,000) which is included in cash, bank deposit balances

COMMENTARY

Overall 2019 was a challenging year similar to the prior year. Our clients were looking for more efficiencies and their cost optimization efforts continued. Overall client spends on traditional media continued to decline with a bigger desire to look for sales growth from non traditional channels. This led to a decline in the Group's revenue in the traditional business activities of advertising, media and public relations. However, our investment in technology-based marketing automation platforms and B2B and B2C applications saw growth. This growth is still at a nascent stage but we believe it will be the backbone of our growth in the future.

FUTURE OUTLOOK

The company recognizes that the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic may have an adverse impact on its business. Given the restrictions in the movement of people, we believe the opportunity will be in technology based marketing automated platforms and applications enabling B2B and B2C enterprise solutions. The Company's investment in this area will continue aggressively to make this a significant revenue generating business. We will also continue to grow our traditional business by entering into growth areas such as content production.

PROPOSED DIVIDEND

The Board has considered the events that are taking place relating to the unprecedented Covid-19 pandemic and its effects on the Kenyan economy and on the world and its population at large. Our company and the industry it represents will also have to weather the storm and remain steady for the forthcoming economic challenges. Keeping this uncertainty in mind the Board has decided to defer the dividend declaration for the financial year 2019.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF WPP SCANGROUP PLC****Opinion**

The summary consolidated financial statements which comprise the summary consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019 and the summary consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the summary consolidated statement of changes in equity and the summary consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, are derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of WPP Scangroup Plc for the year ended 31 December 2019.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary consolidated financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements of WPP Scangroup Plc, in accordance with the requirements of the Capital Markets (Securities) (Public Offers, Listings and Disclosures) Regulation, 2002 ("the Regulations") as applicable to summary financial statements.

Other matter

We have not audited future financial performance and expectations by management included in the accompanying summary consolidated financial statements and accordingly do not express any opinion thereon.

Summary Consolidated Financial Statements

The summary consolidated financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by the International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Kenyan Companies Act, 2013, as applicable to annual financial statements. Reading the summary consolidated financial statements and the auditors' report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited consolidated financial statements of WPP Scangroup Plc and the auditors' report thereon.

The Audited Consolidated Financial Statements and Our Report Thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited consolidated financial statements in our report dated 29 April 2020. That report also includes the communication of a key audit matter as reported in the auditors' report on the audited consolidated financial statements. Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period.

Directors' Responsibility for the Summary Consolidated Financial Statements

The Directors are responsible for the preparation of the summary consolidated financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Capital Markets (Securities) (Public Offers, Listings and Disclosures) Regulation, 2002 Requirements as applicable to summary financial statements.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary consolidated financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 810 (Revised), Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

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29 April 2020

Silver lining. As of yesterday, 129 patients had recovered

Stigma on recovered patients as Covid-19 cases rise to 384

As country continues to report more recoveries, gains are being derailed by the refusal of families and community to take patients back.

By Graham Kajjwa
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The government has now raised concern over stigma that recovered Covid-19 patients are facing in the community.

Health Chief Administrative Secretary Mercy Mwangangi, while confirming 10 more cases of the virus, said recovered patients are having a hard time being accepted back into their community.

Dr Mwangangi said while the country continues to report more recoveries, that stood at 129 by yesterday, these gains were being derailed by the refusal of families and communities to take these patients back.

Due to this stigma, which she described as disturbing, Mwangangi said the planned mass testing of people in the already targeted areas would be difficult. "Stigmatisation will lead to few Kenyans who are willing to be tested and it will frustrate the efforts we are putting on the ground to ensure we flatten this curve," she said.

Mwangangi recited an incident shared by a recovered Covid-19 patient who was in the Intensive Care Unit who confessed to having a hard time with his family accepting him back.

"We are disturbed that re-integration has not been easy for others because of being stigmatised. This is quite unfortunate considering our constant appeal and massive education

Coronavirus in numbers (new cases in last 24 hours)

Country	Total cases	New cases	Deaths	New Deaths
USA	1,040,233	+4,468	59,819	59,819
Spain	236,899	+4,635	22,357	+453
UK	161,345		21,678	
Belgium	47,859	+525	7,501	+170
Netherlands	38,802	+386	4,711	+145



across many platforms that Covid-19 is like any other disease," said Mwangangi.

She added: "We really do appeal for compassion in the community, for understanding and even celebrating these people who have gone through this scourge and have been able to recover."

Confirmed cases

Of the 129 patients who have so far recovered, five were discharged yesterday. So far the number of confirmed cases stand at 384, with the latest being recorded primarily in Mombasa and Nairobi.

"While this may be indicative of the disease domiciled in these two counties, it is also a pointer to the immense work that we have to do in these two counties," said Mwangangi.

Of the 10 new cases, nine are in Mombasa and one in Nairobi.

All the nine in Mombasa were picked from the community during surveillance.

"It is important that I emphasise at this point that from the data we are synthesising, we are noting that in the beginning of this pandemic we had most of the cases being imported, but right now the tables have turned and most of our cases come from local transmission in our communities," noted Mwangangi.

She added: "So our containment measures are quite crucial at this point."

Due to the spread of the community virus in Mombasa, Mwangangi said special attention will be paid to the county.

"As a government we have continued to partner with Mombasa County on containment measures to curtail the spread of infections, and we are organising for additional

enhanced surveillance and management support for the county," she said.

This additional support will involve initiatives from the Devolution ministry through the Council of Governors, which was represented by Cabinet Secretary Eugene Wamalwa.

"We, in the Kenya Devolution Support Programme, have over Sh4 billion which will be released and we are urging counties to prioritise use of these monies for Covid-19 support," he said.

Mr Wamalwa noted that the fight against Covid-19 was facing challenges of floods, which has so far killed 116 people and displaced 100,000 households in 29 counties.

He said the government has 40,000 bags of rice among other food stuffs and which will be distributed to the affected families.

Disease Burden

Nairobi	242
Kakamega	1
Kisumu	6
Kajiado	3
Nyamira	1
Kisumu	1
Vihiga	1
Kwale	1
Machakos	6
Kitui	2
Nyeri	1
Lakipia	2
Muranga	2
Nyandarua	2
Kilifi	9
Nakuru	5
Uasin Gishu	1
Mombasa	106
Mandera	8
Siaya	2

Total targeted in mass testing by June

250,000

Number of testing kits available

25,000

Testing capacity -

37,000

per day

Total Number of samples

tested 19,491

Sample tested in the last

24 hours 508

Total number of confirmed

cases 384

Number of testing centres

10

Deaths - 15

Recoveries - 129

Age group of confirmed cases

six months to 84

Number of isolation centres

33

Number of hospitals

targeted for surveillance -

20

Number of households

targeted for surveillance

-100,000

"But even as we support them, we want to be cautious so that they heed the Ministry of Health guidelines," he said.

Nyanza

Clerics plead with State to reopen churches

Clergymen in Nyanza and Kakamega want the government to re-open churches, promising they will devise new methods to ensure rules set to curb spread of Covid-19 are met.

The church leaders said they will ensure the services are staggered and only allow a specific number of people in a particular service to ensure social distancing is observed.

"We want our flock to be safe. To this extent, we have initiated honest and open discussions with various religious leaders in Nyanza to adjust their mass or prayer service timelines," said Nyanza Clergy Interdenominational Caucus Chairman Washington Ngele.

At the same time, Samuel Manyoni, the Alliance of Registered Churches in Kenya national chairman, said the government should come up with new rules for the churches as it did for restaurants and hotels, which have been allowed to reopen their business.

Re-evaluate situation

"I don't understand how the government allowed restaurants to reopen but left churches from that list. Churches with many followers can be asked to make arrangements that will enable members attend services in sessions to avert crowding," said the cleric.

"As a member of the clergy, I would appeal to the government to re-evaluate the situation and allow Kenyans to go to church and pray, albeit under strict guidelines.

"Church being a key stakeholder in social and economic development of the society, we urge the government to listen to our call and make necessary adjustments despite the challenges brought about by Covid-19," he added.

Rev Manyoni also urged the government to ensure there are valid reasons before committing people to mandatory quarantine, saying the whole process was being taken advantage of, especially by security agents.

"We can't only rely on high temperatures to send people to mandatory quarantine. Somebody could be experiencing other medical issues like malaria, and forcing such people into quarantine will not help the situation," he said.

According to him, proper screening ought to be conducted before suspected cases are sent to isolation centres.

A number of churches have been holding online services after the country put in place strict measures to control spread of the coronavirus.

[Kepher Otieno and John Shillisa]

Kiambu

Villagers shun family after health officials bury their kin

The family of a man, hurriedly buried by county health officials in protective gear at a village in Lari area of Kiambu County, have complained about the stigma they are facing from fellow villagers.

A double-cab pick-up with six men, all in white aprons and facial masks, drove to Nyumburi village yesterday to bury David Kamau, suspected to have died of Covid-19 on April 26.

They went to the grave site without any ceremony and quickly lowered the coffin that was covered with a black polythene bag.

"The men did not want to be helped even in lowering the coffin. We were reduced to spectators," said James Gatonye, a brother

to the deceased.

The team then fumigated the whole compound and instructed the family not to go near the grave. The sight of the men riding a government double-cab in white protective gear with a draped coffin sent social media ablaze with speculation.

Numerous calls

His family is now shunned by neighbours and friends, who believe Kamau died of Covid-19, an allegation the family vehemently denies. The family is still eagerly awaiting the results of the postmortem examination as promised by the health officials to put the matter to rest.

Yesterday, Elizabeth Gatonye, Kamau's

grandmother (pictured), said the family is facing stigmatisation for no reason.

"I went to pick a few things from the shop and people were running away from me. At my age this is something I would hate to see again," Elizabeth said.

"I'm not resting because of numerous calls from friends, relatives and health officials all wanting to know how am I faring since I was in very close contact with my late brother. It's a taxing moment of my life," said Gatonye.

He said Kamau died at Kiambu hospital after severe chest complications. But when the family went to collect the body for burial, they were told Kamau would be buried by health officials. [George Njunge]



Discord. DP's critics insist Uhuru free to enter alliance with any party

Four parties tell off Ruto's team over GNU claims

DP's allies had claimed outfits were asked to endorse plans by Uhuru to form a government of national unity.

By Moses Nyamori

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Top officials of four political parties have dismissed claims by Deputy President William Ruto's allies that they were part of a plan to form a Government of National Unity (GNU) targeting to push him out of power.

Jubilee Party Deputy Secretary and Soy MP Caleb Kositany yesterday raised the stakes with claims that President Uhuru Kenyatta's wing of Jubilee had rallied eight parties to endorse the move.

Mr Kositany, an ally of the DP, claimed Baringo Senator Gideon Moi-led Kumi, Maendeleo Chap Chap of Machakos Governor Alfred Mutua, Martha Karua's Nark-Kenya, Economic Freedom Party chaired by Issack Abey and Party of National Unity (PNU) had been asked to convene their National Executive Committee (NEC) meetings to ratify the plan.

Other parties Kositany claimed had been contacted were Democratic Party (DP), Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) and Party of Development and Reforms. "These parties are being asked by some busy bodies to hold NEC and delegates meetings to endorse a GNU," Kositany claimed. "Members of these parties, who are opposed to the idea, have informed us that they have been asked to hold their NEC meetings. We want to tell the parties to relax because such a decision can only be made by the Jubilee Party," he said.

Corona fight

But the parties hit back, terming the claims political sideshows at a time the country is focused on fighting the Covid-19.

Dr Mutua said he was not aware of such plans, saying Maendeleo Chap Chap was an independent party that did not take instructions from other outfits. "I am not aware of such engagement. We are not sitting in some corner waiting to be told what to do as a party," said Mutua.

Ms Karua dismissed the claims as rumours, stating that her party had structures



Soy legislator Caleb Kositany says some parties are scheming to endorse plans to form a unity government. (File, Standard)

and would announce any of its political engagements and activities.

"Those are rumours. Whoever is making the claims is not our spokesperson. They cannot speak for Nark Kenya," Karua said.

Karua Secretary General Nick Salat described the claims as a fishing expedition. He said engagements by the Independence party were guided by its constitution. "I am surprised. It is a pure fishing expedition. I would advise them to relax because if there was anything like that, it would come out," said Mr Salat.

Political conmanship

Economic Freedom Party chairman Issack Abey described the claims of GNU as pure political conmanship. "EFP is not aware of such engagements and is not party to the wrangles in Jubilee Party. We find this a cheeky attempt to drag our party into the ongoing wrangles," said Mr Abey.

Jubilee Secretary General Raphael Tuju also denied knowledge of such plans. Jubilee National Advisory Council (NAC) Secretary Hassan

"Today, Uhuru has numbers from within and outside Jubilee MPs to have anyone he wants to appoint, passed."

Ngunjiri Wambugu, MP

Osman and Nyeri Town MP Ngunjiri Wambugu said the President did not require permission from any quarters to make appointments in his government.

Osman said it was unfortunate that some allies of Dr Ruto were politicking even with the coronavirus crisis. "The President has powers to pick anybody to his government. I find it insensitive for our colleagues in Tangatanga to continue engaging in political sideshows when the President is doing everything possible to contain the pandemic," said Osman.

Ngunjiri said the President had the authority to form a government with anyone he chose. "He does not need to consult anyone on who he will nominate for whichever position. Once he nominates, Parliament vets," said the MP.

Big support

He added that because of the enormous support the President enjoys in Parliament, his nominees would easily sail through. "Today, Uhuru has numbers from within and outside Jubilee MPs to have anyone he wants to appoint passed. Once passed, they are appointed to government. So if he wanted to bring in people initially associated with other parties outside Jubilee, he would," he added.

"There's nowhere the law says he must appoint Jubilee members only. In fact, State appointees are not supposed to be members of a political party."



CORPORATE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

	General Business Kshs'000	Long term Business Kshs'000	Total 2019 Kshs'000	Total 2018 Kshs'000 Restated*
Gross premium written	619,512	294,319	913,831	569,802
Outward reinsurance premium	(67,253)	(4,591)	(71,844)	(31,827)
Net written Premium	552,259	289,727	841,987	537,975
Gross earned premiums	481,672	294,319	895,991	562,430
Net Earned Premiums	534,419	389,728	924,147	556,603
Investment and other income	102,438	122,618	225,056	114,137
Commissions earned	18,127	844	18,972	12,557
Total income	455,984	413,190	869,174	652,296
Claims and policy holder benefits payable	512,750	584,364	1,097,114	558,968
Less: amounts recoverable from reinsurers	(281,500)	-	(281,500)	(91,494)
Net claims payable	231,250	584,364	815,614	467,474
Operating expenses	258,031	102,395	360,426	206,967
Commissions payable	74,523	80,801	155,325	127,153
Total Outgo	332,554	183,196	515,750	334,120
Operating Profit Before Tax	(87,600)	(134,372)	(221,972)	(144,298)
Tax Credit/(Charge)	46,129	49,191	95,320	41,314
Profit for the year	(41,471)	(85,181)	(126,652)	(102,984)
Dividends:				
Proposed Final Dividend	-	-	50,000	16,000
Earnings/(Loss) Per Share	-	-	(211)	(187)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2019

	General Business Kshs'000	Long term Business Kshs'000	Total 2019 Kshs'000	Total 2018 Kshs'000 Restated*
Equity				
Share capital	400,000	200,000	600,000	550,000
Retained earnings	313,690	-	313,690	405,381
Proposed dividends	-	-	0	1,092
Statutory reserve	-	49	49	95,230
Total Equity	713,690	200,049	913,739	1,041,701
Assets				
Vehicles and equipment	5,272	793	6,065	5,761
Intangible assets	1,477	1,494	2,971	101
Right of use - Asset	26,897	12,424	39,322	-
Investment Property	727,523	661,435	1,388,958	1,211,500
Policy loans receivable	-	46,044	46,044	69,850
Kenya Motor Insurance Pool	68,174	-	68,174	74,448
Receivables arising out of direct insurance arrangements	408,198	1,387	409,585	210,948
Reinsurers' share of insurance contract liabilities	280,624	-	280,624	172,067
Deferred acquisition costs	42,741	-	42,741	126,09
Other receivables	27,445	7,926	35,371	23,931
Tax Receivable	9,482	-	9,482	9,482
Government securities - 'held to maturity'	102,696	110,610	213,307	265,831
Quoted shares at fair value through profit and loss	789	789	1,578	1,911
Deposits with financial institutions	3,066	113,313	116,379	300,329
Deferred income tax	56,950	-	56,950	10,820
Cash and cash equivalents	11,331	11,015	22,346	5,262
Total assets	1,277,637	967,229	2,244,866	2,385,850
Liabilities				
Insurance contract liabilities	419,251	45,000	464,251	468,545
Provision for Unearned Premium & Unexpired Risk Reserves	381,236	-	381,236	128,199
Lease Liabilities	29,563	13,499	43,062	-
Actuarial value of policyholder liabilities	-	656,955	656,955	543,909
Payable under deposit administration contracts	-	4,373	4,373	7,818
Creditors arising from reinsurance arrangements	19,721	4,780	24,501	73,910
Deferred Tax Liability	-	87	87	55,269
Other payables	53,285	28,130	81,415	52,131
Dividends Payable	1,092	-	1,092	-
Corporate Tax Payable	-	14,354	14,354	8,365
Total liabilities	1,065,947	767,180	1,833,126	1,343,147
Net assets	713,690	200,049	913,739	1,041,701

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN DEPOSIT ADMINISTRATION AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2019

Payable under deposit administration contracts:		
	Total 2019 Kshs'000	Total 2018 Kshs'000
As at January 1*	-	-
Pension deposits received during the year	-	-
Pension withdrawals and Annuities paid	-	-
Interest Payable to Policyholders	(3,445)	300
As at 31st December	6,377	7,818

KEY RATIOS

	Total 2019 Kshs'000	Total 2018 Kshs'000
Capital Adequacy	34%	66%
Claims Ratio	99%	76%
Expense Ratio	26%	63%

The above are extracts from the company's financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2019 which were Audited by PKF Kenya and received an unqualified opinion. The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors for issue on 23rd April 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

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Education

6,500 schools shut in one year

More than 6,500 primary and secondary schools were de-registered in the last one year for failing to comply with Ministry of Education requirements. Most of them are private schools with some 4,837 facilities shut.

Another 1,665 public primary schools were closed down, according to the Economic Survey data released this week.

Overall, the total number of education institutions - pre-primary, primary, secondary - declined to 89,337 last year up from 91,626, representing a reduction of 2.5 per cent.

During the same period, the report says the number of primary and secondary schools reduced by 14.7 per cent and 8.2 per cent to 32,344 and 10,463, respectively.

"The reduction is partly due to intensified inspection by the Ministry of Education that led to closure of schools that did not meet requirements," reads the report.

However, according to the data, the number of pre-primary schools increased to 46,530 last year, from 42,317 before that. This was attributed to the policy change that requires every primary school to have an Early Childhood Development Education (ECDE) Centre.

In 2019 enrollment in pre-primary 1 and 2 was 2.7 million, of which 1.3 million were girls.

Trained female and male ECDE teachers for pre-primary 1 and 2 last year was 77,725 and 14,634 respectively. Total enrollment in primary schools dropped by 500,000, representing a 4.5 per cent decline.

Transition policy

Only 10 million pupils were enrolled in primary schools last year, compared to 10.5 million in 2018. Enrollment in Grade 1 stood at 1.2 million in 2019, out of which more than 600,000 were boys.

Enrollment of girls in Standard Eight went up by 9.2 per cent to 549,000 in 2019 while that of boys increased by five per cent to 529,000 in 2019.

Enrollment in public and private secondary schools increased to 3.3 million last year from 2.9 million in 2018.

Enrollment in Form One was 861,000 in 2019, an increase of 4.3 per cent from 826,000 in 2018. This was attributed to the government policy of 100 per cent transition from primary to secondary schools.

The number of teacher training colleges dropped from 406 in 2018 to 384 last year. Most were private primary teachers' training colleges. The number of TVETs grew by 10.3 per cent to 2,191 in 2019. [Augustine Odur]

Corona effects. Court urged to intervene and ascertain whether virtual classes meet the basic education requirements

School sued over online learning fee

Parents say without consulting them, Brookhouse school commenced online classes and want them to pay full fees for it.

By Kamau Muthoni
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The row between parents and private schools over tuition fees for online lessons while learning institutions are closed is now before the courts.

Parents with children in an international private school in Nairobi are seeking the court's intervention citing hardships caused by Covid-19.

After failing to come up with an amicable solution, Brookhouse parents have sued the school for charging full term fees yet they bear the bulk of work to ensure their children are learning at home.

In the case filed by lawyer Ahmednassir Abdullahi, parents complain they are being forced to also shoulder the cost of electricity, food, internet, printing assignments, teaching, and supervising children although the school is charging for the same. The fees vary with classes. Parents in the senior classes shoulder more fees than those in junior classes.

Fees schedule posted on the school's website indicate that 'little brookies' who are in their early years pay at least Sh150,000 per term while those in year 13, which is the senior school, pay Sh1.5 million a term. The parents code-named BPA, argue that Education Cab-

inet Secretary George Magoha had issued a circular closing all schools due to Covid-19.

They claim that the school, without consulting them, commenced online classes for three weeks thereafter and closed on April 3, 2020. They then "re-opened" the schools on April 21 and continued to offer "virtual classes" and levied full fees for the new term.

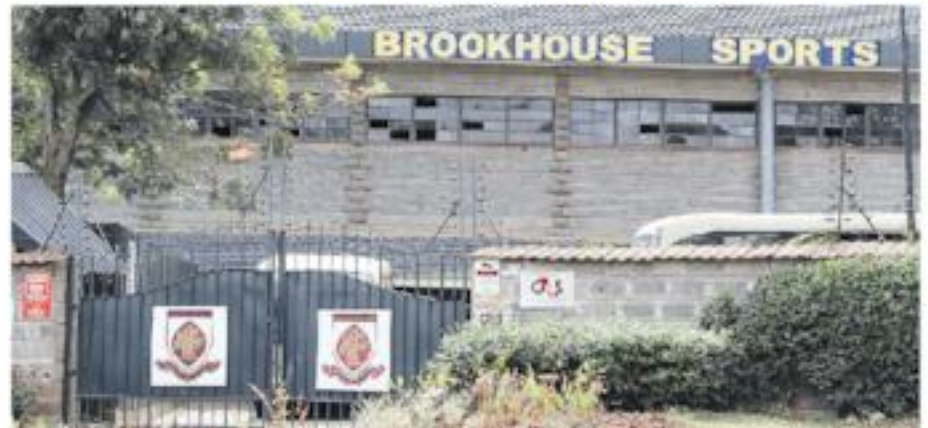
A day for a Brookhouse student starts at 8am when he or she is expected to take the first lesson via free software zoom. It emerges that they have 'online parades' each morning after which they retreat to an online class.

If a parent has more than one child, he or she will have to buy each child a computer as the lessons run simultaneously. At the end of the lesson, which takes 20 minutes, the teacher sends the day's assignment, which the parent is expected to print, sit with the child to supervise, scan the assignment and send back to the school.

Corona effects

Children are also getting online physical exercise classes that include swimming although they are practically glued to their computers.

Documents filed before the High Court yesterday read that other private schools with the same status as Brookhouse reduced their fees for the online programme. "Owing to the events caused by Covid-19 pandemic, other schools of same parity in systems, curriculum, and fees structure have considered requests by distressed



BROOK HOUSE SCHOOL FEES (KSH)

Class	Tuition only- Both campuses		10 months plan	8 months plan	Full boarding and tuition - Karen only			
	Annual fees	Per semester			Annual fee	Per semester	10 months plan	8 months plan
Little Brookies Stage 1	300,000	150,000	30,000		n/a	n/a		
Pre-school Stage 2	780,000	390,000	78,000		n/a	n/a		
Pre-school Stage 3	810,000	405,000	81,000		n/a	n/a		
Reception	870,000	435,000	87,000		n/a	n/a		
Year 1	1,100,000	550,000	110,000		n/a	n/a		
Year 2	1,830,000	915,000	183,000		3,230,000	1,615,000	323,000	
Year 3	1,850,000	925,000	185,000		3,250,000	1,625,000	325,000	
Year 4	1,860,000	930,000	186,000		3,260,000	1,630,000	326,000	
Year 5	1,880,000	940,000	188,000		3,280,000	1,640,000	328,000	
Year 6	2,010,000	1,005,000	201,000		3,410,000	1,705,000	341,000	
Year 7	2,030,000	1,015,000	203,000		3,430,000	1,715,000	343,000	
Year 8	2,030,000	1,015,000	203,000		3,430,000	1,715,000	343,000	
Year 9	2,220,000	1,110,000	222,000		3,620,000	1,810,000	362,000	
Year 10	2,240,000	1,120,000	224,000		3,640,000	1,820,000	364,000	
Year 11	2,240,000	1,120,000	n/a	280,000	3,640,000	1,820,000	n/a	1,820,000
Year 12	2,300,000	1,150,000	230,000		3,700,000	1,850,000	370,000	
Year 13	1,200,000	1,150,000	n/a	287,500	3,700,000	1,850,000	n/a	462,500
BTEC courses	1,200,000	600,000	120,000		2,600,000	1,300,000	260,000	

parents and have granted considerable fee discounts of up to 50 per cent whilst some on their own volition without the intervention of parents have issued generous fee concessions," court papers read.

In the case, parents want the

court to order Brookhouse to lower its fees by at least 30 per cent. They argue that the school is forcing them to pay full fees for online classes without them agreeing to have their children learn through that system. They also sued Prof

Magoha, arguing there are no regulations providing for online classes.

According to the documents, the parents want court to inquire whether online classes meet basic education requirements.

School calendar

Mudavadi calls for education plan amid corona

Amani National Congress (ANC) leader Musalia Mudavadi wants the Education ministry to provide a clear road-map for the sector amid the Covid-19 pandemic.

Mudavadi said online learning was not effective since majority of learners could not access internet, radio or television.

He said lack of clarity on way forward could adversely affect 1.2 million Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) and Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) candidates.

The ANC leader said many schools, especially those without

structures to offer online learning, would not complete the syllabus ahead of the national tests.

"The state of education is worrying at the moment. We don't know of any measures the ministry has put in place for parents, teachers and learners to facilitate, equalise and monitor home learning," said Mudavadi.

"The fate of some 1.2 million KCPE candidates and 700,000 KCSE candidates hangs precariously in the balance," he added.

He said it was unfortunate that the Ministry of Education under Cabinet Secretary George Magoha has failed to provide way for-



ward for learners and parents.

"It is difficult to come to terms with the reality that the Ministry of Education is this far still sending out speculative messages on the fate of learning; and especially on this year's KCPE and

KCSE examinations," he said.

He added, "What the country needs from the ministry are definitive messages on the way forward." Education Cabinet Secretary George Magoha on Sunday announced that schools will remain closed for another one month. He, however, maintained that the national examinations will go on as planned.

"I want to emphasize that for the past four weeks, students have been on normal vocation, an activity that ends on the fourth of May. During the intervening period, there will be many interventions that will depend on how the

government controls this disease," the CS announced during a briefing by the Health Ministry on coronavirus.

But Mudavadi said making the candidates sit for the national examinations without proper coverage of the syllabus would compromise the integrity of the test. "Syllabuses have not been covered and may not be covered. Our exam-based education is about syllabuses. We cannot change direction midstream, to pretend that all is well, when we know that exam syllabuses will not be covered," he said. [Moses Nyamori]

**MADISON LIFE ASSURANCE
KENYA LIMITED**

**MADISON GENERAL
INSURANCE KENYA LIMITED**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As at 31 December 2019**

	2019 KShs'000'	2018 KShs'000'
Assets		
Equipment	46,469	56,791
Right of use assets	44,556	-
Investment property	6,205,000	5,414,000
Intangible assets	11,088	16,401
Unquoted investments in subsidiaries	1,907,807	2,397,807
Loans receivable	184,301	185,466
Quoted investments	-	7,022
Government securities	3,769,353	3,504,129
Receivables arising out of reinsurance arrangements	27,349	42,623
Tax recoverable	3,384	3,384
Reinsurers' share of insurance liabilities	92,157	146,990
Other receivables	675,446	327,604
Other investments	1,166,450	499,609
Cash and bank balances	205,023	83,117
Total assets	14,318,383	12,665,023
Equity and Liabilities		
Equity		
Share capital	450,000	450,000
Statutory reserve	580,462	1,004,633
Retained earnings	62,000	62,000
Total Equity	1,092,462	1,516,633
Liabilities		
Insurance contract liabilities	9,585,378	7,846,027
Payable under deposit administration contracts	3,179,681	2,826,008
Unit-linked investment contracts	74,603	102,679
Payables arising from reinsurance arrangements	38,911	28,441
Other payables	160,244	71,920
Lease liabilities	53,926	-
Deferred tax liability	132,178	273,315
Total liabilities	13,225,921	11,148,390
Total Equity and Liabilities	14,318,383	12,665,023

**STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the year ended 31 December 2019**

	2019 KShs'000'	2018 KShs'000'
INCOME		
Gross written premiums	3,341,047	3,008,832
Less: reinsurance premium ceded	(84,708)	(55,534)
Net written premiums	3,256,339	2,953,298
Gross earned premiums	3,341,047	3,008,832
Net earned premiums	3,256,338	2,953,298
Investment and other income	906,551	1,047,227
Total income	4,162,990	4,009,525
OUTGO		
Gross claims and policyholder benefits	3,583,488	3,920,317
Less: Reinsurers' share of claims	(29,932)	(40,890)
Net benefits and claims	3,553,556	3,879,427
Commissions payable	315,247	215,025
Operating and other expenses	805,355	666,955
Total Expenses	1,120,602	881,980
Loss before tax and transfer to Madison General	(511,168)	(760,882)
Loss on Transfer	-	(824,887)
Loss before tax for the year	(511,168)	(1,585,769)
Taxation credit	124,895	250,202
Loss for the year	(386,273)	(1,335,567)

**STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN DEPOSIT ADMINISTRATION AND INVESTMENT CONTRACTS
For the year ended 31 December 2019**

	2019 KShs'000'	2018 KShs'000'
Payable under deposit administration contracts		
At 1 January	2,826,008	2,423,722
Pension fund deposits received	334,285	365,967
Surrenders	(243,466)	(196,243)
Interest payable	262,854	232,562
At 31 December	3,179,681	2,826,008
Unit-linked investment contracts		
At 1 January	102,679	159,174
Contributions received	7,686	12,595
Surrenders	(42,979)	(60,403)
Other changes on valuation	7,217	(8,687)
At 31 December	74,603	102,679
KEY RATIOS		
Capital Adequacy Ratio	33%	31%
Claims Ratio	43%	34%
Expenses Ratio	34%	29%

The above are extracts from the financial statements of the company, which were audited by PKF Kenya LLP and received an unqualified opinion. The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf by:

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J M Wainaina
Director

J G Njiru
Principal Officer

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As at 31 December 2019**

	2019 KShs'000'	2018 KShs'000'
Assets		
Equipment	39,388	49,447
Right-of-use assets	109,686	-
Investment property	650,000	1,030,000
Intangible assets	17,757	20,598
Deferred tax asset	72,183	62,861
Unquoted investments	490,000	-
Quoted investments	1,319	1,518
Government securities	459,561	533,372
Receivables arising out of reinsurance arrangements	172,847	340,254
Receivables arising out of direct insurance arrangements	551,900	671,870
Reinsurers' share of insurance liabilities	423,880	261,819
Deferred acquisition costs	185,078	181,443
Other receivables	436,074	391,600
Other investments	1,130,187	1,241,026
Cash and bank balances	135,349	124,216
Total assets	4,867,189	4,910,224
Equity and Liabilities		
Equity		
Share capital	605,000	605,000
Common control reserve	824,687	824,687
Retained earnings	(259,288)	(104,935)
Total Equity	1,170,400	1,324,752
Liabilities		
Insurance contract liabilities	1,480,507	1,216,062
Provision for unearned premium	1,616,129	2,059,551
Payables arising from reinsurance arrangements	213,922	278,429
Other payables	93,555	31,210
Lease liabilities	112,475	-
Total liabilities	3,696,588	3,585,272
Total Equity and Liabilities	4,867,189	4,910,224

**STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the year ended 31 December 2019**

	2019 KShs'000'	2018 KShs'000'
INCOME		
Gross written premiums	4,211,585	4,480,216
Less: reinsurance premium ceded	(416,038)	(262,636)
Net written premiums	3,795,547	4,217,580
Gross earned premiums	4,535,613	4,263,316
Net earned premiums	4,119,575	4,000,880
Investment and other income	382,067	338,110
Total income	4,481,642	4,338,790
EXPENSES		
Gross claims payable	3,406,308	3,454,523
Less: Reinsurers' share of claims	(346,167)	(296,253)
Net claims payable	3,060,141	3,158,270
Commissions payable	455,098	434,429
Operating and other expenses	959,326	915,661
Total Expenses	1,414,424	1,350,090
Profit/(loss) before tax	7,677	(169,570)
Taxation credit	7,290	62,861
Profit/(loss) for the year	14,367	(106,709)
KEY RATIOS		
Capital Adequacy Ratio	136%	114%
Claims Ratio	74%	79%
Expenses Ratio	34%	34%

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Editorial

Punish police officers for torture and murders during curfew hours

We have many outlaws pretending to be law enforcers; rogues who are busy tarnishing the names of law-abiding officers

Since the curfew was imposed, police have been under fire for employing excessive force.

Some cases of police brutality are already in the public domain. There is the man who was battered to death by police while taking his expectant wife to hospital in Kwaile. There is also the boy who was shot while on the balcony of his family home in Nairobi. Then there are officers who have been photographed whipping people during curfew hours.

All these cases are repugnant and depict appalling ignorance, arrogance and disregard of human life on the part of the officers. The abuse and murders have shocked both Kenyans and the international community to the core.

But it appears what we know so far is just the tip of the iceberg. The Independent Medico-Legal Unit, an NGO, says it has recorded 41 cases of torture by law enforcement agencies out of which 11 people have died.

If this information is accurate, it means police are competing with Covid-19 to kill people. The pandemic has so far claimed 14 lives in Kenya.

This is unacceptable and must be condemned by everyone who values human life. It shows that the rot in the police force runs deep. We have many outlaws pretending to be law enforcers; rogues who are busy tarnishing the names of law-

abiding officers. They should not go unpunished. They must pay for every drop of blood they have shed and for the pain inflicted by their truncheons.

As we have pointed out here before, this country is governed by the rule of law. If anyone is caught on the wrong side of the law, due process should be followed. Police cannot be the judge, jury and executioner. In fact, they are none of these.

The problem with some of our police officers is that they never learn from history; from the experience of their bloodthirsty colleagues.

Yesterday, *The Standard* published the story of Titus Katitu, a policeman who was jailed for 15 years for killing a suspect, and whose bid to leave prison through the appellate court has hit a brick wall. Last year, Peter Kamija, another policeman, was jailed for 20 years for killing 10 people in Embu while Constable Harrison Langat was also handed 20 years for killing three people in Mombasa. Still in 2019, Corporal Edward Wanyonyi was given a similar sentence for shooting and injuring a student in Garissa.

Such cases should serve as a warning to law enforcers. Unfortunately, they are of no value to some officers who think bearing arms gives them the licence to kill and maim. They must face the full wrath of the law.



Let's embrace those who have recovered from Covid-19

Daily statistics from the Health ministry continue to show a rise in the number of Covid-19 infections. On the positive side, however, we continue to register recoveries and mercifully we have had few deaths so far.

But while the positive aspects buoy our spirits and give us hope that we shall overcome as long as we stay within certain guidelines, a few of those who tested positive and later recovered now contend with stigma. In Nakuru, a woman who tested negative despite suspicion by neighbours that she was positive, has been ostracised by relatives and friends to the point that they burned her only source of income.

Yesterday, Dr Mercy Mwangangi, Health CAS, decried the unfortunate incidences of stigmatisation of those who have recovered and urged society to accept them. Indeed, that should be the case because coronavirus is just a disease like any other. By now,

we should have learned from the path that HIV has travelled. Where before it drew heavy stigma, today HIV is hardly remarkable.

Nevertheless, we cannot run away from the fact that the current stigma has its roots in the manner the government has handled the matter. From burying the dead within hours under police guard, limiting those in funerals to 15 people, and taking anybody found without a mask to quarantine facilities gives the impression that those who have contracted the disease must be kept away from society.

The measures, including wearing face masks, sanitising hands and keeping social distance are well-intentioned and necessary. The problem is the execution, and especially the manner in which police officers go about it.

The need for public sensitisation cannot be over-emphasised because the public lacks adequate infor-

Those who tested positive but overcame now contend with stigma

After missteps, corona battle is yielding results

Mohamed Guleid



When the coronavirus leapt beyond China, into the rest of Asia, Europe, and North America, it sounded too distant for us. Life could go on as if all was well for us. Alas, the dreaded virus soon arrived home. And in panic, we all scampered for safety and left the Ministry of Health to figure out what could be done to ward off the threat from the invisible enemy.

How we have dealt with it should provide us with a template of how to address emerging threats now and in the future. With at least 380 cases, 14 deaths, and 129 recoveries, Kenya is largely unscathed by the virus and I believe normalcy will return sooner and quickly than in other places.

Despite the short window, we have learned from mistakes made by European countries at the beginning of the outbreak and the tough lessons from Singapore and China which kept the virus at bay for some time before a resurgence. After the initial phase of actions successfully responded to our first cases, the government is now introducing a new set of policies. Such a comprehensive approach will prove capable of addressing issues related to the pandemic for months to come.

With foresight and careful timing, preparations for the outbreak in Kenya began before our country registered a single case. The first isolation and treatment centre was built in a record one week at Mbagathi District Hospital. At the same time, dozens of similar wards were set up across the country. While many of our citizens felt that this initial response came late, delaying it likely prevented the economic shock that numerous countries experienced as they closed their borders prematurely.

Late preparation, for example, was one of the primary reasons the outbreak hit Italy so hard. When the country recorded the first surge in the virus in its northern region, the government still believed that the outbreak could be contained. As only a few towns and smaller villages were placed under lockdown, Italians continued to travel and mingle. As a direct result of the lack of strong actions, combined with bad timing, coronavirus ended up spreading to many parts of

Italy as well as to all neighbouring countries.

The isolation and treatment centres in Nairobi and other counties will prove vital in the final analysis. By the end of March, Kenya had registered less than 30 cases, as well as several people who had already recovered from the illness. The experience of these first few weeks demonstrated just how effective our early response was in preventing, or at least slowing, a rapid escalation.

We are turning attention to longer-term preparations. Having announced a mandatory curfew, and with only a relatively small number of cases, such measures will likely lead to the slowing down of the outbreak in the coming weeks. Despite the best intentions, however, examples from numerous countries suggest that a surge can still be expected. The government should therefore act to preempt such.

To guarantee the steady supply of medical personnel, Sh1 billion was set aside for the recruitment of doctors, nurses, clinical officers, and lab technicians. Furthermore, the government has already negotiated agreements with home-based companies to adapt their production lines to the current state of emergency and start manufacturing masks, gloves, and other personal protective equipment here in Kenya. This is an especially notable move.

And it is not just being ready on the medical front. Continuous access to food and other supplies and the security of jobs, even if our country is hard-hit by the pandemic in a worst-case scenario ought to be worked out and assured.

The decision to purchase extra stocks of staple foodstuffs will ensure that our supermarkets and stores will continue to be stocked and prices do not spiral out of control. Tax incentives have been extended to businesses and corporates to protect jobs.

These measures aim to place Kenya in a proactive, as opposed to a reactive position. With such a comprehensive strategy and a relatively early timeline of action, there is no doubt that we are in the best possible position to counter whatever comes our way.

Plans to reopen restaurants are an indicator that the government is planning to relax some of the rules to allow people to resume their normal lives and go back to work. However, the corona pandemic has taught us to be ready for anything, anytime, anywhere. We should not drop the guard.

Mr Guleid is the CEO, FCDC Secretariat and former Deputy Governor of Isiolo County

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Do you support Sonko's decision to go back on functions transfer deal?

Nairobi is a complex city with a lot of intrigues. Granted, Governor Mike Sonko has not delivered the flowery promises he made in 2017 when he campaigned to be elected governor. As a Member of Parliament and later Senator, before seeking higher office, Sonko performed well.

It was when he became governor that he faced the real challenges. In fact, he often publicly complained of cartels that were making it difficult for him to work. We also remember that for a long time, Sonko operated from a secret location, fearing for his life.

With such background, the logical assumption is that Sonko could have been prevailed upon, but unfairly so, to sign the deed of transfer against his good judgement. He could even have signed on a swapped document. Such happenings are common place in the corridors of power.

If Sonko realised after signing the agreement that the other side had bad intentions, as the elected governor for Nairobi, he has every right to go back on that agreement if he believes it will not serve the interest of those who elected him.

There have been attempts to take out a sizeable chunk of money from the county coffers, which Sonko objects to because it was not part of the agreement. If therefore the other party has betrayed their mutual agreement, Sonko is right to go back.

Mr Soki is a businessman in Kakamega

Nairobi Governor Mike Sonko cannot go back on an agreement he willingly signed. Nobody held a gun to his head. As a matter of fact, he should just go and lie on the bed he made for himself.

The expectations of Nairobians have not been met by Sonko, who, to say the truth, has performed far much below expectation. We remember the promises he made while campaigning; that he would stand in solidarity with the common mwananchi and ensure they get value for their money.

We are still waiting. The hawkers in Nairobi, the poor who queued up to vote for Sonko in the belief he would better their lives are a sorry lot. Health in Nairobi had been reduced to a public relations forum where Sonko appeared to fire and shout at nurses and doctors but did little to improve the services.

Traffic jams in Nairobi are a nightmare that Sonko has been unable to streamline, assuming that he even tried. Garbage within estates is an eyesore and the stench from it overpowering. Nairobi Metropolitan Services must be

allowed to give Nairobians services. Sonko cannot do now what he has been unable to do since 2018. He should sit back and watch how others work for the citizens.

Ms Muhambe is a resident of Nairobi

Text/Photo: Jennifer Wachie

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Some things come across as bad jokes. The government has allowed eateries to open for business, but on one condition; workers must be tested for coronavirus. A test costs anywhere between Sh8,500 and Sh10,000. Now, that is where the joke is. Some of these workers earn Sh5,000 a month. If they are to pay from their own pockets, is it worth the bother? If the eatery owners are to pay, is it still worth it when one has, say, 10 workers and returns are not guaranteed? Testing should be free!

Corruption at roadblocks erected where county borders meet is thriving. Police officers are demanding bribes openly without a care, says Justin Nkaranga. "The government should set roadblocks at specific places where it can mount closed circuit television cameras to monitor activities of traffic police officers. Today, some police officers are harvesting from the ongoing Covid-19 crackdown and curfew. Soon, we will start seeing them in big cars, which proceeds came from the corona bumper harvest."

Our biggest concern today as Kenyans should be the fight against coronavirus. We must forge a united front and employ whatever means at our disposal to overcome the common enemy. This is not the time to feud over who should be doing what, as long as what is being done is helpful to the common man. If the Sonko sanitisation booths accord Nairobians safety from Covid-19, why demolish them now? Personal or political differences should not cloud our sense of judgement.

Who ever imagined, Robert Werah wonders, that Governor Hassan Joho could address the nation from State House after President Uhuru Kenyatta, considering the political enmity that existed between them and how the State tried to humiliate and intimidate him over his education qualifications? "We can all learn from this on how to deal with our enemies. ODM leader Raila Odinga was Uhuru's top-most political enemy but today is the president's best friend. Those who considered themselves 'friends' of the president are now on the fence".

Those who have been nabbed by police officers for failing to keep social distance curse themselves on being arrested, says Githuku Mungai. "There is a psychological bit of it as you try to wonder how it happened to you. You wonder: Why did I not leave 10 or five minutes before they arrived to escape the dragnet? Being taken to quarantine thereafter can be soul crushing and I believe one will curse self endlessly if one happens to be 'netted'. Well, we keep on reading and hearing such stories in these scary coronavirus times.

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Support medics so that they can take care of us

Rose Mwaura



It is said a ripple caused by a pebble thrown into a pond will affect a butterfly a thousand miles away. It is now evident that events happening thousands of miles away can affect persons living in the remotest parts of the world. The Covid-19 pandemic has proven that no one is immune or safe anywhere in the world unless the global community works together to make a safer world.

Since the first case was reported in Kenya on March 13, 2020, the Ministry of Health has been proactive in providing information and co-ordinating activities to contain the contagion. The pandemic has demonstrated that given a chance, Kenyan industries can rise again - we have witnessed local production of personal protective equipment (PPE) and sanitisers.

Among countries that are currently deeply impacted by the pandemic there is an emerging pattern of events that appear to make a significant difference in the outcomes. We must learn from those countries.

There have been shortfalls as well in the management of Covid-19, some that may cause the grave loss of lives. There was the slow rate of testing at the beginning of the pandemic. The lack of PPEs and co-ordinated support for medical and other frontline staff has resulted in health workers getting infected. In Italy, for example, 2,629 health workers have been infected. More than 100 of them are said to have died.

According to Kaiser Health News, the US tally of infected health workers stood at more than 9,200, and by April 15, more than 27 had died.

Bags and goggles

Frontline medical staff have expressed dismay at "nurses in 'garbage bags and goggles'", rather than proper personal protective clothing. Frontline medical staff in Kenya have expressed similar concerns over a lack of PPEs, and a number have already been taken ill with the disease.

The frontline medical staff also face physical risks and psychological trauma. The head of Italy's doctors' union was quoted in *The Philadelphia Enquirer* as having told reporters in Rome that two nurses had committed suicide.

As a country, we should be concerned about our medics falling sick or dying as they are criti-

cal to the wellness of the nation. Covid-19 interventions without an urgent plan to provide adequate PPE and appropriate support in all our medical facilities are wanting. We should cut out the bureaucracy and act today.

Another concern for Kenya is the poor state of our quarantine facilities, the lack of staff training and co-ordination with county hospitals, and especially smaller private healthcare providers, who are unprepared and even unaware of how to handle possible Covid-19 patients.

We are fighting a war with an invisible enemy, and speed and stealth are critical to limit the spread of the disease.

Budgetary deficit

We should also not ignore the economic burdens arising from the disease and restrictions made necessary by the disease. In the coming months, many lives will be impacted, numerous businesses will go under, jobs will be lost, and countless households will not be in a position to make ends meet.

Notwithstanding the risk of the government being left with a much larger budgetary deficit, direct support for households and small businesses in need is necessary.

Consequently, the government has been promoted to roll out Covid-19 relief incentives. The private sector has also shown goodwill in contributing funds and equipment to support this fight and to support the needy. This gives rise to challenges on fairness and accountability. In this area, our professionals, particularly ICPAK members, are ready to volunteer to ensure integrity in the disbursement and accountability processes.

In retrospect, the current crisis has brought to the fore the challenges that our health sector faces, some of which appear fairly simple, such as inability to collate or map data on available equipment and personnel.

To address these challenges, we must strengthen our health systems to prevent and promptly detect and respond to public health risks and emergencies by strengthening real time surveillance of public health events, and response to and management of disease outbreaks, not only in the large cities of Nairobi, Mombasa and Kisumu, but across the nation.

Finally, we must nurture and give incentives to local manufacturers of health equipment and tools, PPEs and generic drugs.

Generic drugs and equipment, which cost a fraction of the original imported versions, can be manufactured locally to ease drug and equipment shortages and reduce the overall cost of healthcare.

Ms Mwaura is the chairperson of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya

All-out war. They can help in coronavirus screening and distribution of supplies

Involve security guards in fight against Covid-19

Julius Delahaije



The effects of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) continue to be felt globally, with the daily rise in number of positive cases. The World Health Organisation (WHO) and Kenya's Ministry of Health have issued directives to stop the spread of the virus.

Many organisations have embraced a work-from-home strategy as part of the Business Continuing Planning (BCP) systems to ensure client service and office support remain uninterrupted. This means that most physical offices remain deserted, relying on private security providers to continue enhancing the safety and security of their valuable.

Retail stores, malls and commercial buildings require security around the clock. Government security agencies are also playing a major role in protecting our borders.

Security guards, besides providing security, are helping to enforce the measures aimed at curbing the spread of coronavirus by ensuring that members of the public wash their hands, sanitise and wear face masks before entering any building.

Sadly, this interaction with many people on a daily basis puts the guards at a high risk of contracting coronavirus.

That is why the recent call by Kenya National Private Security Workers Union and Protective and Safety Association of Kenya to the ministries of

Health and Interior to roll out special capacity building training programmes for security officers as additional front-liners in the fight against Covid-19 is welcome.

While private security firms ensure adherence to occupational health and safety guidelines, by training the guards on effective use of personal protective equipment, they could serve as primary government informants to assist healthcare workers in transmitting information to the National Emergency Centre.

Security guards could work with health personnel in commercial buildings and homes, and refer those with symptoms to health facilities.

This would be a big boost to screening exercises currently going on in the counties.

But for this to succeed, there is need to train the security officers on how to use the digital thermometers.

Once they acquire this skill, the guards would help identify members of the public who may show coronavirus symptoms and immediately alert the relevant bodies for action to be taken.

Protective equipment

However, use of walk-through temperature detectors is much recommended compared to the hand-held thermometers as people enter office blocks or other buildings. But regardless of which thermometer is used, it is important to equip guards with personal protective equipment to protect them from the deadly virus.

Besides helping to detect suspected Covid-19 cases, security guards can also help to respond to emergencies using trucks to distribute food and medical supplies and ambulances to rush patients to health facilities.

That aside, premises that may not require the physical presence of security guards during this time when most premises are deserted, should leverage on technology to supplement human efforts. Through technology, owners of

such businesses can monitor the premises at the click of a button.

Through the assistance of a private security solutions provider, business owners can choose from a variety of security systems, such as geo-fencing, burglar alarms, fire alarms, closed circuit television cameras and cargo tracking devices on courier services, depending on the nature of business.

These installations have automatic notifications for any abnormal activities or intrusion into a premise.

As one of the authorised essential services by the government during the 7pm to 5am curfew, most private security firms are playing a major role in remotely enhancing safety of premises with the help of personnel working in shifts from a 24-hour control room and call centre to monitor and respond to emergencies from the installed security systems.

While most organisations embrace the adoption of BCP by working remotely for the sake of employees' safety and quarantine, recognition and protection of those guarding our premises is also paramount.

The security team is also part of an organisation's effective service delivery at the workplace. Business owners should ensure that all security installations are in good condition and constant communication with the security team, an assurance that will bring peace of mind that the physical office is safe while you work remotely from home.

During this period, let us allow our security personnel to not only continue to ensure the safety and security of premises and communities at large, but also to join in the fight against the spread of Covid-19 through supervision and logistical support.

Let's hope that this pandemic is a passing cloud and we will all resume our respective normal operations soon.

Mr Delahaije is the group CEO and chairman of SGA Security

DP and deputy governor offices waste of money

Michael Ndonye



During recession greed dies, (and) frugality survives", says Amit Kalantri in his book *Wealth of Words*. These are words that Kenyans should internalise now that we are in the middle of a devastating pandemic.

Kenya's public wage bill is at nearly 49 per cent of the national revenue. This is far above the Public Finance Management Bill's recommendation of 35 per cent. Covid-19 gives us a good opportunity to reconfigure the wage bill.

The wage bill debate is a monster. It is highly guarded by the powerful, influential and intimidating concierges — secured like Mount Zion. However, if you want to eat an elephant, you must cut it into small pieces. Shall we try it?

In March 2020, President Uhuru Kenyatta issued a rescue plan in which he slashed his salary and that of his deputy by 80 per cent in response to the pandemic. The speakers of the two houses, Cabinet secretaries and other top public servants followed suit. After the salary cuts, I think, they landed where they belonged.

But what is the impact of such salary cuts by a few persons on 47 million Kenyans? The implication is huge. Methinks the Cabinet must have sat down and realised that slashing their salaries would make a significant saving for the country; and that exempting millions of Kenyans PAYE would have a weak impact in the national pulse.

Benchmarking

Allow me to consider numbers because they are not men that they should lie. Summarily, the National Assembly has 350 members, the Senate 67 and the Cabinet about 25, without counting other employees. In the 47 counties, there are other governments with members of county assemblies, speakers and deputy speakers and county executives approximated at 1,500.

They influence what they take home and where to fly for earth-shattering benchmarking — like learning how to blend fresh mango juice. These budget grazers shop as we buy; they consume as we eat and they 'sanitise' their esophagi as we drink.

Like other observant citizens, I'm concerned that some offices envisioned in our constitution have no work — or at least the bosses have showed us they can score highly minus them. Take,

for example, the offices of deputy president and deputy governors. These offices, totaling 48 in number, were supposedly created for accommodative democracy.

Apart from taking over the office when a governor dies or is incapacitated, mostly by graft, deputies' job description (JD) banks on the Freudian Oedipus complex. The deputies, under this complex, wish that their godfathers die so that they get a chance to 'marry their mother'. The 'godfather' here is the governor or president, and the 'mother' is the county or country administration.

The godfathers

Aware of this complex, the godfathers have tended to deny their deputies the only visible JD — walking alongside or sitting beside their bosses during county and State functions. I do not belittle, however, the criticality of ethnic representation in these functions.

Conspicuously, the boss-deputy hostilities started in Machakos County after 2013, then Embu and Kiambu, followed by Kisumu, and the poetics can go on and on. It is in the public domain that most governors run counties without engaging their deputies because it makes no difference anyway.

We all know that Governor Mike Sonko single-handedly managed Nairobi County for close to two years without a deputy until graft allegations incapacitated him. Even in that state, he still had powers to hand over critical county functions to the National Government.

I am convinced that the usurping of City Hall functions by the State House had nothing to do with a missing deputy governor. Now that the governor is left to manage, among others, county employees' welfare, social media accounts, livestock vaccination and city vegetable farming, there is even less need to engage a deputy governor.

At the State House, the president has run government affairs without DP William Ruto; at least that's how we see it from down here. Of late, Uhuru has also been running his government with a few Cabinet secretaries. That's the way it should be. As a result, the State wagon feels efficient with no significant governance gap.

To immortalise Jubilee's first bromance, the president made sure that he implemented 80 per cent salary cut on his deputy's side to respond to the Covid-19 crisis.

Notably, most county and national government Cabinet secretaries are free. Can we scrap unnecessary offices so that Kenya throws the extra shilling in its saving box?

Dr Ndonye is the head of Mass Communication Department, Kabarak University



A security guard at a government building in Nairobi closes the gate on March 20, 2020. Besides providing security, guards can greatly bolster the war against Covid-19. (Evelyn Ogina, Standard)

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FROM THE WEB

Citizens accost policemen without mask

Ken Martin: This is the best solidarity I have ever seen in Kenya since independence, and trust me if people could continue with same spirit, Kenya would never be same again. Corruption would be past tense.

Nancy Kwamboka: This is how Kenyans need to unite and defend one another because these police officers and the government are not there to protect and defend us but to manipulate and oppress us. Best thing I have watched since the beginning of 2020.

Pato British Moh: Kenyans have become Mpesa kiosks, where police can withdraw cash any time they feel like. Threatening people with arrests, how can you arrest a person with a mask na hauna yako? Shame!

Diana Warah: Perfect case of a policeman preaching mask and wearing nothing, then daring to



arrest someone whose sin is lesser than his.

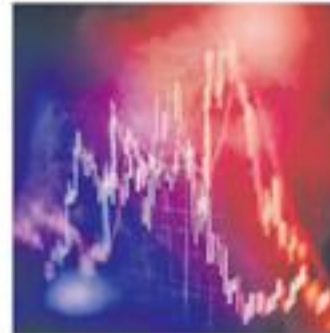
Economy

Enough of the partial lock-down open up the country for the economy to grow

I have come to agree, and indeed everyone else should, with David Ndii's argument that there isn't going to be a post Covid-19. We may have to accept it as bitter truth that the novel corona virus disease is going to be with us perhaps for a really long time and may never be eradicated, just like common flu. Let us face it; our research scientists are spending sleepless nights trying to understand the mechanism of the virus and get a vaccine or maybe a cure. However, even if the vaccine was to be found today, experience in the medical field indicates that it would take ages before it is fully released for use. The question, therefore, is: what are the rest of us going to be doing? Sanitising and staying indoors? No, life has to continue, even if it is in the so-called new normal, but outside home. We must find a way to live with the disease, after all we live with many more, let scientists do what they do best, and nevertheless support them. Shutting down economies is doing more

harm than good, from individual to global level; psychologists have already raised an alarm over the deteriorating sanity levels of individuals leading to vices like violence and more.

At a time nobody understood an ounce of an idea about HIV/AIDS we kept living life; sensitising, praying and maintaining necessary safety measures, but most importantly, we never stopped having sex. Costs were incurred, yes, but remarkable progress has been made today, however slow and painful the journey has been. Spanish flu, ebola, swine flu, bird flu and many more have swept across the globe and swallowed numbers along the way, but in the end we have found a way to either eradicate them or to live with them at worst. And by the way, much worse is on the way if we do not learn and stop destroying the environment. Unlike Spanish flu in 1918, the novel coronavirus has come at a time the level of technology is at its best, thus a reason to be opti-



mistic.

People have healed from corona without any medication, some without even knowing they ever had it. The secret is an increased level of body immunity and there we are half the way in the search for a cure. And this is the direction of thought I share with Donald Trump. Let us open the economy and observe measures as directed by health experts, as we continue searching for a cure, or we quarantine forever.

Thadious Maisa, Nairobi

TALK OF DAY



Omtatah in court to stop phone tapping

Okiya Omtatah should be considered for honorary membership of the Law Society of Kenya (LSK). His contribution to justice is remarkably immense. Sunday Mamba @SundayMamba

Don't we have a Pay bill to support @OkiyaOmtatah? We are tired of pretending we are okay to see one person carry the burden of 48 million Kenyans all by himself. We need a Pay bill, hata ya soda tu. Elder Jackson Kibor @Mzee_Jack_Kibor

Who will take the Cybercrimes Act to the Appeals Court? It is illegal. Exotic Scouse@LangatGodwin_LG

Omtatah deserves a human rights award. He has been in the forefront defending Kenyans' rights. So unfortunate that our political system won't allow such a person to be a leader. WalkerJey@Mutembejey

Omtatah goes to court to stop everything that happens contrary to the masses' wishes, but why is he not going to petition for the opening of churches? Churches have been closed for over a month now? Esther Ngina@twfou52

Let's support his cause. He just buried his daughter and deserves something special. He truly cares for us. This is leadership. David Ngoe@davebiggy91

Tapping private phone calls is criminal unless one is under investigation. Frank Mtezi@FrankMtezi

Letters.

Plan for post-coronavirus season during lock-down

Water has always been seen to be a source of life, but that is not the case at the moment, for Kenyans settling along River Tana in Tana River and Alego Usonga in Siaya County. Flood have become an additional burden to them during this time that they are busy trying to fight coronavirus. At the moment, at least 800 families have been forced to vacate their homes because of floods. This puts them in a dilemma of choosing what to fight first between the virus and the floods. It is not the first nor the second time that we have seen those same areas get flooded during heavy rain seasons. This happens year in year out, where Kenyans end up counting losses in millions of shillings. They lose their household goods as their houses are demolished or swept away, and they end up homeless. Farmers are not safer, as their crops in farms get washed away by floods. This has been the story over and over for the past years in many parts of the country. Even in our major cities of Nairobi and Mombasa, the situation has been observed several times. The big question still remains; what is the government doing to get a permanent solution to this? Providing the affected families with food while they sleep outside in the cold is not a solution to this. Giving them a place to stay until the floods are over will never be the best solution since the next rainy season will come and the same situation will repeat itself. The government should try to find a solution that will last longer if not forever for the affected people.

Stephen Ochieng Busia



Let us embrace State directives on coronavirus

Since the outbreak of the coronavirus/Covid-19 in Kenya, the Ministry of Health has formulated and rolled out a number of interventions that are meant to save the lives of Kenyans. Some of them, such as curfew and restriction of the movement of people from the counties identified as hotspots, have been unveiled by President Uhuru Kenyatta. This leaves no doubt that this government is treating matters relating to the safety of its citizens with seriousness they deserve. But listening to the varied views from Kenyans, some of them do not read from the same script. I disagree with those who believe that the government is doing very little. The government is not out to punish anyone. This is about your life. Any person can be infected, no matter his or her status. And as we all know, prevention is better than cure.

Joseph Mutua Ndonga

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Tanzania coronavirus cases shocker

@RealHauleGluck: How will Tanzania remember President John Pombe Magufuli? With all the failures of President Magufuli's presidency. He'd go down as the worst President in the history of our country. While we are battling Corona he's cozying up in his home town "Chato" #WeAreFightingCorona

Dr. Njenga Karugia J., PhD@johnnjenga:

If Kenya does not close its borders with Tanzania, all that Kenya is doing to contain corona virus covid19 is zero, sufuri and kazi bure. Kenya's second wave will creep in from Tanzania. Tanzanians will test -ve at Kenyan border and +ve before leaving after infecting Kenyans

Andrew M. Mwenda @AndrewMwenda:

Clearly Tanzania has become an exporter of COVID19 to the region! For the last 14 days no one inside Uganda has tested positive of covid. All new cases are been truck drivers from Tanzania! The same applies to Rwanda! Let us all thank President Magufuli for his wisdom!

Leadership. He exited parliamentary politics in 1995 after he lost the Kipiriri by election and in 1997 vied for the presidency

Fearless unionist takes final bow

He led the Union of Civil Servants and selflessly championed for workers rights before joining the struggle for multi-partyism

By Francis Njige
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Whenever Kimani Wa Nyoike took the microphone, his mastery of Kisuyu, English and Swahili captivated the people. He relished politics and outwitted his rivals, at times making them the laughing stock during campaign rallies. And he lived true to his words that once salt has lost taste, it ought to be cast away. This is a dictum he adopted after he lost the Kipiriri by-election in 1995. He vanished from Nyandarua politics, but left his followers with fond memories of his golden days.

According to those who worked closely with him, the veteran politician who breathed his last yesterday at Nairobi Hospital aged 85 was a unionist per excellence. He learnt politics from a relative, Eliud Wambu Mathu, a pioneer lawmaker and freedom fighter.

Apart from serving at the helm of the Kenya Union of Civil Servants, Nyoike, who was yesterday described by President Uhuru Kenyatta as "vibrant and

fearless leader," also served as an MP and assistant minister in the 1980s.

But it was in Nyandarua, where he had the knack of tearing apart Cabinet minister Kabingu Muregi every time they met. Stories are told of how he could make a competitor's parents and relatives disown them in public.

During his time in Parliament and as an assistant minister, Nyoike drew the ire of the powers that be when he was accused of disrespecting the President after he allowed school children to sing *Tawala Kenya Tawala* as he listened.

In his condolence message, President Kenyatta said the late politician was never afraid of speaking his mind.

Suicidal decision

"Kimani was a brilliant and steadfast politician who never shied away from expressing his views on issues of national importance. He was a firm believer in social justice," read the President's statement.

Uhuru said Nyoike distinguished himself as a fierce defender of multi-party democracy and the rule of law having

participated in the clamour for multi-partyism in the late 1980s and early 1990s.

"We will forever remember him as a progressive politician who helped shepherd multi-party democracy," the President said. Former Nakuru North

MP Koigi wa Wamwere described Nyoike as a "comrade in the struggle whose efforts cannot be erased from the history of the country."

Mr Koigi, who was a political detainee, recalled how Nyoike turned from a firebrand unionist to an MP before his political career was interrupted by a jail term as the struggle for multipartism gained traction. He said their paths crossed when the unionist reacted to a story he had written in the *Sunday Post* about the plight of forest rangers who whose pay was low.

"He was older than me, but Nyoike was truly a fighter of oppression and for the down trodden in society. We met later in Parliament when he was the MP for Nyandarua South and supported any Motion that was fighting for the welfare of workers," said Koigi.

The Union of Civil Servants that Nyoike led was a big force in the fight for workers' rights and rubbed the Kanu government the wrong way. Koigi recalled how the maverick courted trouble with the government when he did the 'unthinkable.'

He said that during the one party

regime, Nyoike who had travelled to the US for personal business decided to pass by Oslo in Norway where he (Koigi) was in exile and Stockholm in Sweden to check on Kimani Ngumba, also regarded as a renegade.

"The MP had gone for the graduation of his daughter in the US but later made what I would call a suicidal decision. He decided to check on me in Norway and Ngumba in Sweden at a time when no one wanted to associate himself with exiled politicians," he said. In one of his books, *I refuse to die*, he remembers Kimani as one of the leading lights that kept the second liberation flame alight with their "selfless acts."

"In the 1970s and early 1980s, many had been detained without trial by the government. Then there was a lull until 1988 when the jailing of Kimani wa Nyoike for his association with exiled politicians ignited a new wave against the perceived dissidents," Koigi said.

In the advent of multipartyism, Nyoike joined hands with Ford but later moved to Ford Asili when Kenneth Matiba parted ways with Jaramogi Oginga Odinga who formed Ford Kenya. Nyoike later applied for the registration of Ford People. He exited parliamentary politics in 1995 when he lost the Kipiriri by-election after the death of Lavan Muchemi.



KENYA ORCHARDS LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND DISCLOSURES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

I. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION		31.12.2019	31.12.2018
		Kshs	Kshs
		Audited	Audited
A. ASSETS			
1	Property, Plant and Equipment	23,614,856	23,346,507
2	Investment	8,254	22,708
3	Deferred tax assets	18,961,616	16,821,818
4	Current tax	392,060	392,000
5	Inventories	21,384,871	15,556,677
6	Trade and Other receivables	71,430,181	55,993,577
	TOTAL ASSETS	136,803,734	114,963,799
B. LIABILITIES			
7	Borrowings	4,261,214	6,606,368
	Trade and other payables	42,847,267	37,443,772
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	47,108,481	44,050,140
	NET CURRENT ASSETS (A - B)	89,695,253	70,913,659
C. SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			
9	Share capital	31,228,146	31,228,146
10	Reserves	244,324	279,227
11	Accumulated losses	(24,904,723)	(33,118,556)
12	Proposed dividends	55,000	55,000
	TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	32,623,347	24,344,823
D. NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
13	Borrowings	56,271,826	54,271,826
	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS (C + D)	89,695,253	80,316,349

1. STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
PARTICULARS	31.12.2019 Kshs Audited	31.12.2018 Kshs Audited
1.0 INCOME		
Revenue	60,009,671	72,355,217
2.0 COST OF SALES		
2.1 Opening stock	13,591,071	2,798,722
2.2 Purchases	55,714,948	63,074,877
2.3 Direct Cost		
2.4 Freight, clearing and transport		12565
2.5 Depreciation for plant and equipment	608,792	787,190
2.6 Closing Stock	(21,566,871)	(15,591,077)
TOTAL COST OF SALES	48,627,948	53,028,771
3.0 GROSS PROFIT	11,381,723	19,326,446
4.0 GAIN/(LOSS) ON VALUATION OF SHARES	(14,519)	(108,196)
5.0 TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	(5,355,979)	(5,565,888)
6.0 TOTAL SELLING AND DISTRIBUTION EXPENSES	(1,226,946)	(1,402,322)

7.0 TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES	(54,472)	(65,180)
8.0 TOTAL FINANCE COST	(541,810)	(905,934)
9.0 PROFIT BEFORE TAX	6,214,133	12,585,460
10.0 Income tax	2,119,791	(4,099,346)
11.0 PROFIT AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	4,094,342	8,486,114

L STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR		
	31.12.2019	31.12.2018
	Kshs	Kshs
	Audited	Audited
BALANCE AS AT BEGINNING	34,244,423	15,415,509
Net Profit	4,094,342	8,486,114
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	38,338,765	23,901,623
Preference Dividends Paid	(25,000)	(25,000)
BALANCE AS AT END	38,313,765	38,338,765

C. CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
	31.12.2019 Kshs Audited	31.12.2018 Kshs Audited
Profit for the year	6,314,133	12,985,460
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	1,811,649	2,400,217
(Loss)/Gain on valuation of share	14,519	108,196
	8,340,297	15,501,853
Changes in operating assets and liability		
Decrease in inventories (business) in trade and other receivables	(5,795,794)	(12,811,479)
Increase in trade and other payables	15,404,495	(15,029,843)
Net cash from Operating activities	2,400,334	2,389,511
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of equipment	-	(1,620,686)
Dividends paid	(55,000)	(55,000)
Net cash flow from Financing Activities	(55,000)	(1,675,686)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	2,345,334	7,206,177
At the start of the year	(6,006,588)	(5,320,611)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT AT THE END OF THE YEAR	(3,661,254)	(1,914,434)

These financial statements are extracts from the books of the entity as audited by Issac and Associates and received unqualified opinion.

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AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 CO-OP MONEY MARKET FUND

A) STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	31-Dec-19 Audited Kshs	31-Dec-18 Audited Kshs
Income		
Interest income	522,101	-
Total Income	522,101	-
Expenses		
Operating expenses	129,387	-
Total Expenses	129,387	-
Profit before tax	392,714	-
Tax charge	(128,700)	-
Profit for the year	264,014	-
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	264,014	-

B) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	31-Dec-19 Audited Kshs	31-Dec-18 Audited Kshs
Assets		
Investments at market value	5,283,444	-
Bank balances	2,524	-
Total Assets	5,285,968	-
Liabilities		
Payables and accruals	19,518	-
Tax payable	128,434	-
Total liabilities attributable to unit holders	147,952	-
Net Assets attributable to unit holders	5,138,016	-
Fund Balance	5,138,016	-

The above financial statements are extracts from the audited accounts of the fund for the year ended 31 December 2019

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AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	STANLIB MONEY MARKET FUND		STANLIB BALANCED FUND		STANLIB EQUITY FUND		STANLIB FIXED INCOME FUND	
	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018 Restated*	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018 Restated*	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018 Restated*	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018 Restated*
Income								
Interest and Dividend income	173,413	227,136	3,146	3,137	1,649	1,358	844	872
Security income	447	2,871	2	140	31	154	-	101
Fair value gains (losses) on financial assets	-	-	1,404	(1,742)	2,909	(2,910)	(17)	(22)
Net income	173,860	129,126	3,604	337	3,609	(1,396)	827	961
Expenses								
Operating Expenses	47,382	43,635	2,585	2,389	2,704	2,690	1,031	878
Net income for the year before distributions	125,477	104,491	1,019	(1,052)	6,833	(4,096)	(204)	(17)
Distributions	125,477	104,491	-	312	-	-	-	111
Withholding Tax Expense	-	-	34	-	90	23	21	-
Profit/loss for the year	-	-	1,021	(1,034)	6,853	(4,109)	(162)	(138)
Other Comprehensive Income/loss	(309)	(5,165)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in net assets distributable to unit holders	(309)	(5,165)	995	(1,834)	6,853	(4,109)	(162)	(138)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

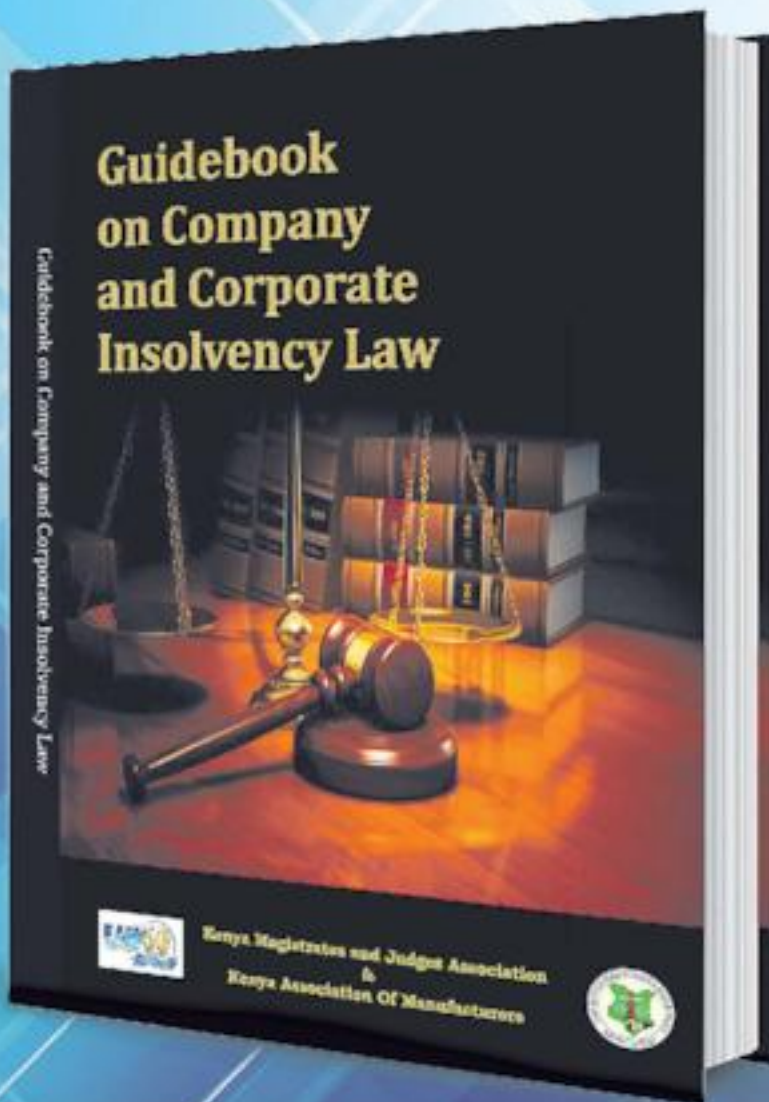
	STANLIB MONEY MARKET FUND			STANLIB BALANCED FUND			STANLIB EQUITY FUND			STANLIB FIXED INCOME FUND		
	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018 Restated*	December 31, 2017 Restated*	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018 Restated*	December 31, 2017 Restated*	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018 Restated*	December 31, 2017 Restated*	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018 Restated*	December 31, 2017 Restated*
	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000	KES '000
Net Assets												
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	1,492,156	2,102,530	2,234,307	35,481	36,044	24,822	26,311	38,375	41,275	3,728	5,818	4,635
Non-current assets (liabilities)	31,375	38,174	319,773	1,634	(422)	3,989	(475)	186	899	3,540	(277)	4,294
Total net assets	1,543,831	2,140,694	2,554,080	37,115	35,622	28,811	25,836	38,561	42,174	7,268	5,541	8,929
Net Assets attributable to unitholders												
Net assets attributable to unitholders	1,543,831	2,140,694	2,554,080	37,115	35,622	28,811	25,836	38,561	42,174	7,268	5,541	8,929

The statement of comprehensive income and financial position are extracts of the audited financial report of the STANLIB unit trusts funds for the year ended 31st December 2019. The independent auditors Messrs PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP have issued an unqualified opinion. The financial statements were approved by the corporate trustee on 29th April, 2020.

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Government earmarks 3,000 families for support

At least 3,000 families living in biting poverty will receive food and other goodies from the government, as the economic effects of the Covid-19 pandemic hits the land.

The families, largely made up of the elderly, disabled, orphaned

and widows will receive goodies worth Sh500,000 through the National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAAF).

County Commissioner Geoffrey Omonding kicked off the distribution of the goodies yesterday.

"We identified the families through the help of Nyumba Kumi Initiative," he said.

Mr Omonding said households affected by flash floods in Sotik and Chepalungu would equally benefit from the programme.

He assured residents that the

State would do its best to limit the suffering of its people and protect them from the coronavirus.

Women reps across the country received Sh24,534,000 under the NGAAF to tackle Covid-19 and its effects.

The county's Women Rep Joyce Korir said her office was concerned with the fate of its people during this pandemic.

She asked locals to adhere to State health directives to help in the fight against the deadly virus. [Aldrin Kiochirchir]

Machakos

Officers, bar owner collude to defy order

An entrepreneur in Machakos town declined to close his bar and resisted arrest claiming he got a green light to operate from the government.

Machakos town senior chief Joshua Kimeu was left in shock when he led the community policing and Nyumba Kumi officers to raid the bar at Grogon area only to find government officers drinking and chatting loudly.

Mr Kimeu's attempts to shut down the bar and have the patrons accompany him to the police station were resisted, as the owner said he was opening the bar as a mess for government officers in the area.

"These are government officers drinking here and you can use your common sense instead of trying to bother me by ordering me to close the bar," said the bar owner, noting he was allowed to operate so that senior government officers can come and get their refreshment at the establishment.

However, tables turned when the chief alerted the local OCS, who arrived with reinforcement. The patrons left in a hurry, some without clearing their bills. The bar owner was arrested and taken to the Machakos Police Station.

Not intimidated

Condemning the incident, the chief said it was unbelievable that some government officers were helping citizens to break the law. He warned that no amount of intimidation would stop him from carrying out his duties.

"The officers portrayed a shameful defiance to government orders and should be dealt with as they are making my work difficult," he said.

Kimeu said the bar operator would be arraigned as soon as police investigations are over to help set an example to other traders, who collude with some rogue government officers to break the law.

"No officer is above the law. I will make sure none of them use their powers to pollute my area," he added. [Victor Numa]

Progress. Piping of water from the dam to Githunguri is now in final stages.



Theta dam in Gatundu South constituency. It has been under construction for the past four years. [Fidelis Kabunyi, Standard]

Gatundu residents to get tap water thanks to Sh800m Theta dam

The reservoir will have a storage capacity of two million cubic metres.

By By Fidelis Kabunyi
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The construction of Sh800 million Theta Dam in President Uhuru Kenyatta's Gatundu South Constituency has been completed.

The project will benefit residents and those in the neighbouring constituencies especially during this period when water is needed in plenty.

Since the outbreak of Covid-19 there have been rallying calls for proper hand hygiene.

The dam will serve Gatundu South and Githunguri constituencies.

Theta Dam, which has been

under construction for the last four years, will provide water for domestic use to thousands of residents who have put up with water shortage for long. President Kenyatta launched the project in 2016.

According to Gatundu Water and Sanitation Company Managing Director Patrick Mwangi, the piping of water from the dam to Githunguri is now in its final stages.

"The supply of water is for both domestic and irrigation. We are working day and night to connect Kigumo, Kibicho, Komothai, Gathugu and other parts in Githunguri Constituency," he said.

According to Isaac Gitango, a resident, the initiative is a relief for residents of Gachika, Mundoro, Kiamuria, Gitare and Muhuhu, who relied on

water from Ng'ethu Water Company in Gatundu North Constituency.

Families fetched water from rivers using jerrycans for home consumption.

Environment lawyer and specialist Klarie Kamere said the project was a key milestone in provision of water in the region as residents were forced to walk long distances in search of the commodity.

"This dam is a great blessing to the residents; it has a two million cubic metres capacity and with the ongoing rains, water shortage will be a thing of the past here. People can irrigate their farms," said Kamere.

The dam, which is at Kinale Forest, was funded by the government through the Athi Water Services Board.

The project included construction of a 17-metre high compacted earth fill dam, construction of a reinforced concrete spillway and laying of a 3.5 kilometre steel pipeline of 500mm diameter up to the Mundoro Forest edge.

Residents have also benefited from good road network to the dam.

Roads in the expansive Gatundu South Constituency have been carpeted or are undergoing carpeting, including those in remote areas. The roads not only connect to the dam, but to major towns in the constituency from Gatitu through Muhuhu to Mundoro.

Michael Kariuki, a farmer, said transportation of avocados and jungle nuts to the market has become cheaper due to the improved roads.

Kilifi

Divorced woman to send back dowry

The High Court in Malindi has upheld a Kadhi's court decision compelling a divorced woman ZYJ, to return Sh150,000 dowry to her former husband.

Justice Reuben Nyakundi yesterday said the Kadhi was on point to dissolve the union and call for the return.

Last year, the Kadhi issued the judgment based on consent by the man and his wife to divorce on condition the woman remits the dowry.

ZYJ would later appeal at the High Court on grounds she was not allowed sufficient time to argue her divorce.

ZYJ argued that the Kadhi who dissolved her marriage was conflicted because he was the same one who solemnised their marriage.

The High Court, however, ruled that ZYJ failed to demonstrate that the lower court miscarried justice or even coerced her to consent to the divorce and enter into the undertaking to repay dowry. "Once a consent is adopted by the court, it automatically changes character and becomes a consent judgment order with contractual effect," ruled Justice Nyakundi.

Last year, on April 4, the Mariakani Kadhi's Court Resident Kadhi ruled to annul the marriage.

As a consequence of nullification ZYJ was to pay back Sh150,000 dowry to her now former husband, MKW, in three installments of Sh50,000 with effect from May 4, of the same year. ZYJ then sued the Kadhi who she cited as the respondent and sought to have the judgment set aside.

ZYJ was married to MKW (interested party), who professes Islamic faith.

The woman sought a judicial review of the proceedings held at Mariakani, and alleged that the Judgment was as a result of a single party hearing.

ZYJ argued that the Kadhi also failed to recuse himself from the case yet he was the one who presided over their marriage ceremony (Nikah).

"The Kadhi ought to have recused himself and order the matter to be heard before another Kadhi," she said.

Justice Nyakundi said although the aim of ZYJ was to have the consent judgment set aside, she failed to table sufficient evidence to show she was coerced or was under duress while signing consent documents.

The judge said there was nothing illegal, unreasonable or irrational on the part of the Kadhi.

"The judicial review application by the expert applicant falls flat on the face. The resultant consent judgment remains binding between the parties," he said. [Joachim Bwana]



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PUBLIC NOTICE

DISPOSAL OF UNCLAIMED BODIES

The following 179 (One Seventy - Nine) Unclaimed bodies are lying at City Mortuary from the date of admission awaiting collection. Pursuant to Public Health Act Cap 242 [Subsidiary: PUBLIC HEALTH (PUBLIC MORTUARIES) RULES, 1999] (2), interested members of the public are asked to identify and collect the below named bodies within 7 days, failure to which the County government of Nairobi will seek authority for disposal.

MAMA LUCY HOSPITAL MORTUARY

S/NO	TAG NO	NAME OF DECEASED	PERMIT NO.	WARD	ID NO	AGE	IP NO	DOD
1.	698	Stephen Chege	1761752	A/E	11444099	46 yrs		26.5.2019
2.	463/29	Joseph Mutsa	1761753	A/E	09750073	52 yrs		11.3.2019
3.	493/29	John Mutsa Mwanika	1761754	A/E	36642734	67 yrs		16.4.2019
4.	557/19	Unknown man	1761756	A/E				25.4.2019
5.	582/19	Nancy Wangari	1761761	A/E		43 yrs		1.5.2019
6.	556/29	Margaret	1761758	A/E				25.4.2019
7.	863/39	Samuel Still Ajanai	1761755	A/E	29601724	28 yrs		19.6.2019
8.	10/3	Christine	1761760	Female ward		80 yrs	130953	13.7.2019
9.	1143	Dennis Leake	1761765	CTU	207023453	40 yrs		6.8.2019
10.	1128	Benjamin Boma Wasike	1761764	CTU	24205386	55 yrs	1330/34	3.8.2019
11.	1145	Mary Opolo	1761761	Female ward		29 yrs	133053	7.8.2019
12.	1284	Helen Muku Muthiga	1761762	Female ward	23025387	36 yrs	134753	3.9.2019
13.	1331	Kanesh Yaya Lekula	1761767	CTU	28014545	30 yrs	136088	11.9.2019
14.	1436/29	Unknown African	1761751	A/E				13.10.2019
15.	1593	Peace Wafua	1761763	Female ward		27 yrs	139522	31.10.2019
16.	1297	Richard Juma	1761766	CTU			134997	5.9.2019

CITY MORTUARY

S/NO	TAG NO	DATE	NAME	POLICE STATION	CAUSE OF DEATH
1	5126	3.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KITENGELA	MOB IN JUSTICE
2	5127	3.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KITENGELA	MOB IN JUSTICE
3	5129	3.2.20	CAROLINE KADENYI	KITENGELA	SUDDEN
4	5152	5.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	SOWETO	SUDDEN
5	5159	6.2.20	TURU RIVOK	PANGANI	SUDDEN
6	5168	7.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KIABE	SUDDEN
7	5172	8.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	HURUMA	SUDDEN
8	5173	8.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	RUARAKA	DROWNING
9	5176	8.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	RTA
10	5178	8.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	RTA
11	5191	10.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KIABE	SUDDEN
12	5192	10.2.20	PURITY MUAMBO MUTHONI	EMBAKASI	SUDDEN
13	5199	12.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	MURDER
14	5202	12.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	NGOLIBA	DROWNING
15	5205	13.2.20	JAMES NJORGE	MUTHAGA	SUDDEN
16	5207	13.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KASARANI	DROWNING
17	5210	14.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	ACCIDENT
18	5218	15.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	RUAI	DROWNING
19	5231	18.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KITENGELA	MOB
20	5234	18.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	DONYO SABUK	DROWNING
21	5235	18.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	DONYO SABUK	DROWNING
22	5248	20.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	SINYA	SHOOTING
23	5250	20.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	SINYA	SHOOTING
24	5252	20.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	O/RONGAI	MOB
25	5259	20.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KILIMANI	ACCIDENT
26	5260	20.2.20	MUSYOKI KIWUTHA	MUTHAGA	REMANDEE
27	5262	21.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KARURI	MOB
28	5267	21.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KASARANI	MURDER
29	5270	21.2.20	HANNAH WANGARI	PANGANI	ACCIDENT
30	5276	22.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	YATTA	MURDER
31	5277	22.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	YATTA	MURDER
32	5291	24.2.20	FRICK LETITIA	O/RONGAI	SUDDEN
33	5300	25.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	RUNDA	DROWNING
34	5305	26.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	EMBAKASI	SUDDEN
35	5308	28.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	SUDDEN
36	5309	29.2.20	HASSAN YUSSUF	PANGANI	SUDDEN
37	5326	29.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	ACCIDENT
38	4933	3.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	EMBAKASI	ACCIDENT
39	4944	5.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	S/MOYO	SHOOTING
40	4948	5.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PARKLANDS	ACCIDENT
41	4951	5.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	EMBAKASI	ACCIDENT
42	4953	6.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	SOWETO	SHOOTING
43	4961	7.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	EMBAKASI	SUDDEN
44	4962	7.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KAMUKUNJI	SUDDEN
45	4971	9.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KITENGELA	SUDDEN
46	4974	9.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	RAILWAYS	TRAIN ACCIDENT
47	4987	13.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	IND/AREA	SUDDEN
48	5002	14.1.20	JOSEPH MULWA KINYASA	TIKONI	SUDDEN
49	5008	15.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	SUDDEN
50	5010	15.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KIAMBU	DROWNING
51	5015	16.1.20	NYOIKE GITAU	KITENGELA	SUDDEN
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55	5034	19.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KAMUKUNJI	SHOOTING
56	5041	19.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	RTA
57	5049	20.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KASARANI	SUDDEN
58	5053	21.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KITENGELA	SUDDEN
59	5062	20.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KBC	MURDER
60	5076	26.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	RUNDA	RTA
61	5089	27.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	MAMAHU	SUDDEN
62	5097	29.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KASARANI	SHOOTING
63	5100	30.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	RTA
64	5101	31.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	MUTHAGA	SHOOTING
65	5110	31.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	IND/AREA	SUDDEN
66	511	31.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	HURUMA	SUDDEN
67	513	31.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KIABE	SUDDEN
68	5646	1.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PARKLANDS	SUDDEN
69	5662	3.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KAREN	DROWNING
70	5677	5.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	ACCIDENT
71	5682	5.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	JOGOO	SUDDEN
72	5686	5.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	MATUU	DROWNING
73	5714	8.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	MWIKI	SUDDEN
74	5715	8.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	NATURAL

75	5737	10.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PARKLANDS	ACCIDENT
76	5764	15.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KASARANI	NATURAL
77	5779	16.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	MWIKI	DROWNING
78	5781	16.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	RUAI	DROWNING
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87	5886	28.12.21	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	STARHE	ACCIDENT
88	5459	2.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	STARHE	ACCIDENT
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92	5494	7.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	MWIKI	DROWNING
93	5502	8.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	NGONG	MOB IN JUSTICE
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95	5505	9.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PARLIAMENT RD	NATURAL
96	5507	9.1.19	KAMAU MWANGI	KASARANI	ACCIDENT
97	5513	10.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PARLIAMENT RD	SHOOTING
98	5517	11.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KARETE	ACCIDENT
99	5518	11.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	ACCIDENT
100	5529	13.1.19	JOHN OGUTU	IND/AREA	SUDDEN
101	5539	15.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KIABE	SUDDEN
102	5542	16.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	RAILWAYS	SUDDEN
103	5560	19.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KISERIAN	BURNS
104	5576	21.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	TASSIA	SUDDEN
105	5578	22.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	CAPITAL HILL	NATURAL
106	5598	24.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KARETE	MOB IN JUSTICE
107	5606	25.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KASARANI	SUDDEN
108	5610	25.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	MAGADI	SUDDEN
109	5621	26.1.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KASARANI	DROWNING
110	4394	2.7.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	MUTHAGA	FOETUS
111	5028	26.1.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	PANGANI	FOETUS
112	5107	30.10.19	UNKNOWN INFANT	KASARANI	UNKNOWN
113	5178	9.1.20	CLAY NYAMBURA	KASARANI	SUDDEN
114	5182	9.2.20	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	EMBAKASI	FOETUS
115	5678	5.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	KAMUKUNJI	FOETUS
116	5742	11.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	IND/AREA	ABORTION
117	5762	15.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	S/MOYO	ABORTION
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120	5769	15.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	EMBAKASI	FOETUS
121	5842	24.12.19	UNKNOWN MALE ADULT	LANGATA	FOETUS
122	2020	17.1.20	MARY WAIRIMU	BAHATI	FEVER
123	2028	27.1.20	BABY OF PETER	DONHOLM	STILL BIRTH
124	2029	27.1.20	JUNIOR ODHAMBO	DANDORA	PNEUMONIA
125	2031	29.1.20	LYNNA WAIRIMU	KILIMANI	PNEUMONIA
126	2036	31.1.20	JOYCE MUTHUW	MUTHURWA	PNEUMONIA
127	2058	12.2.20	BABY ISAAC MUNENE	S/MOYO	PNEUMONIA
128	2064	14.2.20	BABY AGNES	KIBRA	STILL BIRTH
129	2084	28.2.20	MARY KARURI	MWIKI	PNEUMONIA
130	2088	29.2.20	BABY BETEX	HURUMA	STILL BIRTH
131	4545	30.8.19	GEORGE CAPTAIN	DANDORA	DEHYDRATION
132	4554	1.9.19	ASHA ASHEL	EASTLEIGH	CHEST CONGESTION
133	4557	2.9.19	AGNES WAIRIMU	PANGANI	MALARIA
134	4583	14.9.19	MARTIN OGUTU	KIBRA	
135	4596	20.9.19	BABY SARAH AKINYI	KORO-GOCHO	STILL BIRTH
136	4611	19.9.19	BABY AGNES WANJIRU	NJIRU	STILL BIRTH
137	4621	2.10.19	ROSELYNE ACHIENG	KASARANI	PNEUMONIA
138	4641	14.9.19	BABY MORGAN WATITU	DANDORA	CHEST CONGESTION
139	4743	23.1.19	MERCY WANJIRU	BAHATI	PNEUMONIA
140	4746	24.1.19	PEACE MALIKA	RUAI	DIARRHOEA
141	4750	26.1.19	MIRACLE WANYAMA	DONHOLM	MALARIA
142	4752	27.1.19	NANCY MERCY	KAYOLE	PNEUMONIA
143	4753	27.1.19	PAULO MBUGUA	KARIOBANGI	PNEUMONIA
144	4758	29.1.19	CAROLINE SYOMITI	SOUTH B	STILL BIRTH
145	4763	1.12.19	JOHN KIOKO	KWA REUBEN	STILL BIRTH
146	4707	10.1.19	EDEN MWANGI	K.N.H	GASTROENTERIN
147	3770	1.12.19	BABY SUSAN	KWA REUBEN	STILL BIRTH
148	4771	6.12.19	JOSEPH MWANGI	PIPELINE	PNEUMONIA
149	4793	16.12.19	BABY WANJIRU	DANDORA	MALARIA
150	4824	30.12.19	BABY ATIENO	DANDORA	STILL BIRTH
151	4825	30.12.19	BABY DAMACLINE MORAA	IND/AREA	PNEUMONIA
152	4829	31.12.19	BABY MARY NGAYI	NAIROBI HOSP	STILL BIRTH
153	4675	27.10.19	BABY CHARTY	KIBRA	STILL BIRTH
154	4653	20.10.19	BABY JEDIDA NGIDE	KARETE	STILL BIRTH
155	4699	5.11.19	BABY MILDRED ADHAMBO	MATHARE	STILL BIRTH
156	4648	18.10.19	BABY CECILIA	RUAI	PNEUMONIA
157	4635	12.10.19	BABY WAIRIMU	KALOLENI	STILL BIRTH

MBAGATHI HOSPITAL MORTUARY

S/NO	AGE (YRS)	DATE	NAME	IP NO.	TAG NO
1	23	21/8/19	MILICENT ACHIENG		MFH0547
2	27	20/12/19	STEPHEN KOMANI	138973	MFH0547
3	97	5/1/20	PETER KAUJI	138670	MFH0546
4		21/1/20	RICHARD MWENDA	138855	MFH0733
5	47	25/1/20	JOYCE MUHONJA	138950	MFH0749
6		28/1/20	LYDIA MWENDE	138922	MFH0767
7	48	4/2/20	ALEX KISENGI	139041	MFH0787
8		10/2/20	UNKNOWN AFRICAN MALE		MFH0821
9		13/2/20	OMONDI OMONDI		MFH0827
10		15/2/20	JOSEPH KILUNDA		MFH0833
11		17/2/20	UNKNOWN AFRICAN MALE		MFH0836
12	39	12/2/20	CHARLES OMONDI	139232	MFH0855

DR. JOSEPHINE KIBARU
HEALTH SECRETARY

Handover

Treasury accuses Sonko of sabotage



Treasury has accused City Hall of sabotaging implementation of an agreement transferring four county functions to the National Government by withholding crucial documents.

In February, Governor Mike Sonko ceded four county functions - county health services, transport, planning and development as well as public works and utilities.

The agreement was effected on March 17.

Yesterday, Treasury wrote to Nairobi County Secretary Justus Kathenge, complaining that Sonko's administration had failed to submit crucial information necessary to facilitate the take-over.

"Please note that it is now one month and we are not making any meaningful progress. It is our request once again that the information requested be made available the soonest so that we can make progress in the right direction and for decision making," read the letter dated April 28, 2020 and seen by *The Standard*.

Pending documents

According to the letter, City Hall was to submit documents detailing the legal frameworks, outstanding but collectable revenues, vote book balances, pay bill numbers, human resource data, assets and liabilities, creditors, pending bills, project status, service charters and manuals.

This information targeted health, finance and economic planning, roads, public works and transport, lands and urban planning, environment and water as well as devolution, public service and administration departments.

According to Treasury the documents must be signed and stamped by respective chief officers and submitted by May 4, 2020.

"Please note that if the reports are not made available by end of business Monday, May 4, 2020, we will proceed to issue the report to the PS and you will have contravened the law whose penalties are stipulated in the Public Finance Management Act 2012," stated the letter signed by Joseph Welimo for the Internal Auditor General.

The development comes days after Sonko threatened to terminate the deed of transfer citing frustrations in the implementation process. [Joseph Thing'o]

Elgeyo Marakwet. Tolgos criticises how residents were evicted from the forest in 2013

Mudslide victims agree to resettle in Embobut forest

Sections of the forest, which is part of the Cherangany water tower that covers 65 hectares will be ceded to resettle the families.

By Stephen Rutto
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The government has initiated the process that will enable part of Cherangany water tower land to be hived off to resettle residents.

Those targeted are people who have been living on the landslide-prone areas of Elgeyo Marakwet and West Pokot counties.

Already, Kenya Water Towers Agency (KwTA), a State agency, has confirmed it plans to move hundreds of families living on the risky escarpments, and who have been victims of deadly landslides since the 1950s.

During a tour of the Embobut Forest on Monday, KwTA said sections of the forest, which is part of the Cherangany water tower that covers 65 hectares, will be ceded to resettle victims of landslides as a lasting solution to the perennial menace.

Ten days ago, landslides rocked Kipchumwa, Sambalut, Litor and Chesegon areas in the two counties, killing 18 people while 17 others are still missing.

KwTA Director General Julius Tanui said meetings are going on to decide how they will degazette sections of the forest to resettle the victims currently living in deplorable conditions in camps.

Prof Tanui said other State agencies under the Ministry of Environment, including the Kenya Forest Service and Kenya Forest Research Institute have been charged with coordinating the resettlement. The



Elgeyo Marakwet Governor Alex Tolgos addresses Embobut residents on Monday. Talks are ongoing to resettle people living in areas prone to landslides in Embobut Forest. [Peter Ochieng, Standard]

National Government is handling the process with urgency.

"Degazetting a government forest is a long process but resettlement of residents, who are at risk of perishing because of landslides, has to happen," Tanui said.

Speed up process

According to government reports, at least 2,500 families in Marakwet East alone are living in the area prone to landslides. Cherangany water tower is a major source of rivers flowing to lakes Victoria and Turkana.

"We need a long-lasting solution in the landslide issue. But we also have to reclaim the Embobut water tower," Tanui said.

Elgeyo Marakwet Governor Alex Tolgos asked KwTA to speed up the resettlement process, saying the ongoing tor-

The hurdles

- The residents were first evicted from the forest land in 2013 and each given Sh410,000 to buy land elsewhere, but they said it was too little
- Fourteen people were buried alive in Kittony village in the same area in 2010. Later, 16 people died from mudslides in 2012
- In November, 50 people died from landslides in neighbouring West Pokot

rential rains was making the escarpment even more dangerous for human settlement.

Mr Tolgos said it was unfair for Elgeyo Marakwet locals to live on shaky escarpments when the county has 38 per cent forest cover.

"We acknowledge degazetting a forest is a long process, but we request the Ministry of Environment to hasten the process because this is a unique county. We have the largest forest cover and the highest number of squatters," Tolgos said.

The governor said resettlement of Elgeyo Marakwet landslide victims has delayed after State officials and leaders discussed the issue in boardrooms instead of engaging affected locals directly.

He said the Ministry of Environment needs to urgently engage Parliament in the process, adding locals were suffering in evacuation camps in Wewo AIC church and Sambalut.

Tolgos criticised how the residents were evicted from the forest in 2013 and each given Sh410,000, noting the

payout was not enough to buy alternative land.

"Our leadership failed to guide the State to offer better compensation. They were classified as internally displaced persons and given Sh410,000, which was not enough for resettlement. We need to review it," Tolgos said.

Several task forces recommended resettlement of landslide victims, but the reports have been gathering dust in government offices.

Embobut MCA Paul Kipyatich said landslide victims may from next week hold protests to compel the State to resettle them.

Mr Kipyatich said the current situation has been occasioned by the 2013 evictions that forced many forest dwellers to resettle on the hanging valleys, which are prone to landslides.

Devolution

Samboja fails to beat Uhuru deadline on bills

Governor Granton Samboja's administration has deferred payment more than Sh472 million pending bills to July this year.

Taita Taveta County Finance and Planning Executive Andrew Kubo said the county will not be able to pay all pending bills owed to contractors and suppliers by the end of June 30 this year, as directed by President Uhuru

Kenyatta.

He cited reduced revenue collection and a lower allocation from the national government.

The county administration had accrued more than Sh653 million in pending bills since 2013.

In his recent state of the county address, Governor Samboja informed the County Assembly that his administration had paid

Sh180 million to contractors and suppliers and that a detailed plan was in place to settle the outstanding bill of Sh472 million.

Yesterday, the finance executive said payment of pending bills has been put on hold until the next financial year that begins in July this year.

He said the decision was made after the National Treasury

reduced the county budget by more than Sh400 million to mobilise money for the fight against Covid-19.

"We will not be able to clear all the pending bills as directed by the president due to budgetary constraints," said Mr Kubo.

Early this year, the president directed counties to clear all pending bills owed to contractors

and suppliers before the end of the current financial year on June 30.

The executive's announcement drew sharp reactions from contractors and suppliers who warned against disobeying a presidential decree. They claimed that only contractors close to the executive have been paid so far. [Renson Mnyamwezi]

Run from reality. As Americans stockpile basic supplies, pet food and school items amid coronavirus-related closures and "shelter-in-place" orders, many are turning to another strategy to protect their families: fleeing to remote areas. One such getaway, the Fortitude Ranch dubs itself a "survival community" and offers paying members access to remote, secure grounds and residences under the motto "Prepare for the worst, enjoy the present". Underground bunkers offer protection from nuclear blasts, surrounded by a concrete wall "easily manned by defenders", according to the company's website, and shelters are stocked and furnished by members. The ranch has seen a huge surge of interest in joining its survival retreats amid the pandemic, said Chief Executive Drew Miller, who estimated inquiries have increase tenfold. The business is designed to keep members safe, as "when society breaks down, there is widespread looting, marauding, lawlessness, and it's not safe to be in cities or suburbs," said Miller. [Reuters]



Home & Away

The Real Deal in Real Estate

Why real estate sector faces uncertain future

Client priorities will shift to adjust to reduced spending power, says industry chief, while developers and policy makers will need to find common ground.

By Peter Theuri
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Property investors are under immense pressure to adapt to the destruction of Covid-19 amid unprecedented challenges for economies worldwide.

The real estate sector, already in turmoil due to oversupply in some segments and unfulfilled demand in others, is now a central feature in a pandemic that has ground everything to a halt.

And when the coronavirus storm is over, as with many other sectors, some changes caused by the pandemic in the property market will be irreversible.

Chief to be affected will be commercial rental space. Due to social distancing requirements, people have resorted to work through digital platforms, which essentially means that they can deliver away from office.

Abraham Samoei, president of the Institution of Surveyors of Kenya (ISK), feels that the onslaught on the economy fuelled by Covid-19 could change the workplace environment for many companies.

"Due to the pandemic, companies may realise that they require less office space and that people can deliver from home," he says. "Occupancy of rental spaces for commercial tenants may end up taking a hit."

If indeed this happens, it would deal a huge blow to many investors in real estate, with the last three years having not been particularly profitable for landlords.

In addition, when the pandemic eases its grip, firms will have been wrung dry and top-class (Grade A) offices might become too expensive for most of them.

Thirty per cent of commercial offices in Nairobi have a first class rating. Of these, only a paltry five per cent can rightly carry the Grade A tag comfortably.

Gigiri is the only location with purely Grade A offices where 75 per cent of office stock is premium.

But then, even Grade B occupiers will most likely be seeking more affordable spaces.

"The prices of properties doubled when the economy flourished from 2003, all the way to 2012, bar for a few hitches. But when the economy tanks, then prices fall, which has been experienced lately," Mr Samoei told *Home & Away*.

"The price of land in Westlands dropped from Sh500 million an acre in 2019 to around Sh350 million now."

There has been a property glut, he confesses, with supply exceeding demand as factors such as reduced spending power due to low liquidity come into play.

After Covid-19, the demand might sink even more with people having less money to spend.

Another effect of the pandemic is that buyers might opt to go for completed units rather than off-plan developments.

University of Nairobi lecturer George King'oriah, in an interview with *Home & Away*, said people will be considering buying ready units in anticipation of situations such as the current global pandemic.

"There will be a scramble for single houses and flats. However, we are likely to experience a cash crunch; there will be restricted demand owing to a lack of money in the economy," said Prof King'oriah.

Wahoro Ndoho, the CEO of Euclid Capital also said the attractiveness of completed units will ultimately rise.

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Institution of Surveyors of Kenya President Abraham Samoei. [Wilberforce Olowit, Standard]

Clean up. ISK president says digitisation will rid sector of land fraud

Why real estate will never be the same

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While the experts agree that ready-built houses will be in demand post-Covid-19, Samoei feels that unscrupulous developers had already ruined the attraction for off-plan developments.

He said developers who delay to honour contracts, offer less quality than promised or altogether fail to deliver are the main reason many people have lost faith in off-plan investment.

Last year, Kiambu-based Gakuyo Real Estate company was embroiled in a tussle with investors who claimed to have been swindled, with many clients demanding refunds.

Soraya Real Estate has also been battling furious investors, lenders and partners, with the fights even boiling over to reveal family wrangles.

"People should apply due diligence when signing for off-plan. They should be careful to check the dealings of the developer," says the ISK president.

"Sometimes, people's emotional attachment to property leads to them being swindled. We urge the public to use professional services, and our members always offer that."

One of the major changes ongoing in the sector is digitisation of records, which is expected to rid the system of land-associated evils.

The process of digitisation by the Lands ministry was supposed to be completed by June this year, a target that is likely to be missed.

But the ISK chief says a digital platform will ultimately solve problems that have encumbered land registration and administration in Kenya for a long time.

Digitisation makes data classification and management more efficient through geographical information systems (GIS) and Land Information Systems (LIS).

When all land-related data is final-

ly entered into a digital platform, cases of irregularities associated with land conveyancing will fall.

At the click of a button, you can get all the details about a parcel of land, from previous ownerships, to lease status, to current interests in the parcel.

Bureaucracies involved in transactions will also be eliminated, and forgeries will be a thing of the past.

"We are doing very well," says Samoei. "We have made good efforts in our digitisation and soon, Survey of Kenya and registries, will be digitised. The regulatory and enabling frameworks have worked very well."

The ISK president dismisses the idea that the property market in Nairobi is overpriced, a claim that has been a hot topic in the recent past.

"Heterogeneity of property affects value. The markets operate on demand and supply dynamics," he says.

Different markets

"Price is market driven, there are submarkets in these markets. You cannot compare properties in different submarkets, because price is dependent on many factors such as size of property, age and location."

The Institution of Surveyors of Kenya brings together property valuers, land surveyors, GIS experts, building surveyors and property managers, among other professions.

It has around 1,500 property managers who, according to Samoei, are likely to be directly affected by the raging standoff between landlords and tenants.

"Rent is capitalised on commercial property," says the president. "Such property is valued on rent accrued. Owners want to preserve capital value. We thus have a mandate to ask tenants to honour contractual agreements with their landlords and pay their rents."

He says that in the case where rents are not paid, the pensioners and retirees who might be getting

their incomes solely from such investments will not have anything to support them.

There should be an amicable solution reached by landlords and their tenants, deciding to have waivers, reductions or deferrals of the rents, with the tenants to pay when the pandemic sweeps past.

Samoei says that while leasing property for residential unit is a good option because of its flexibility, buying of property gives more security.

"But it all depends on one's financial management and portfolio balancing," he adds. "With massive capital appreciation, many people will be considering buying property."

It is not all gloom for property owners and developers, however, as the stabilisation of the economy after coronavirus will return the shine that has been lost in the real estate sector, according to Samoei.

The government's affordable housing programme, for instance, is hopefully going to continue keeping property developers and investors busy.

However, government incentives are bound to change annually with budget allocations varying each year, which does not dovetail with requirements of the real estate sector, said the ISK president.

This is because property decisions take a cycle of three to four years to mature, and such government incentives spanning a year end up amounting to little.

"Government has had incentives to promote developers to enter into affordable housing. But property decisions are more long term, and there are very many variables," Samoei said.

"You may make an incentive now but by the time of actualisation, many factors in the market have changed. Longer term policies in property sector should be considered."

GRADE B OFFICES MORE ATTRACTIVE IN NAIROBI

If you are an investor in real estate and are looking to make a killing out of renting commercial office spaces in Nairobi, you should target Gigiri, Karen and Westlands.

For the second year running, Gigiri gave the best rental yields for commercial office sector in Nairobi Metropolitan area, at 9.2 per cent in 2019.

Out of the 9 prime office nodes studied, Mombasa Road had the worst rental yield, at 5.5 per cent.

The study by real estate company Cytonn showed that the commercial office sector's general performance softened in 2019, with a 0.7 per cent year to year drop in average rental yields, from 8.3 per cent in 2018 to 7.7 per cent last year.

This could be blamed on a tough financial environment that saw money sapped out of people's pockets. There also was an oversupply of 6.3 million square feet of office space which created a bargain chip for potential tenants, leading to decreased rents.

"The outlook for the commercial office sector is negative given the current office space oversupply and expected stagnation in performance in 2020 given the current coronavirus pandemic. With the coronavirus, many corporates have also now tested working from home, and as such, it is unlikely that occupancy levels will recover to the levels they used to be at previously, at least in the medium term. However, we will expect a slowdown in construction activities allowing the existing demand to absorb the current supply," said Wacu Mbugua, a research analyst at Cytonn.

Of interest is that Gigiri, Karen and Westlands' allure to businesses and multinational companies is in their proximity to town's Central Business District (CBD), according to the research. They thus attract stratospheric rents per square foot.

But the CBD itself remained at a considerably lower rental yield than the trio, at 7.1 per cent, albeit having the highest occupancy at 85.6 per cent.

The CBD only outperformed Thika Road and Mombasa Road in rental yields, a trend that mirrored the situation in 2018. With higher rental yields than the CBD were Kilimani, Upperhill, Parklands, Westlands, Karen and Gigiri, in ascending order.

As the torrid financial times caught up with renters, most of them resigned to Grade B offices, giving it the highest occupancy (at 82.7 per cent) and rental yield (at 7.9 per cent). Grade A offices had the least occupancy (73.8 per cent) and a 7.4 per cent rental yield.

The least cosy of them all, Grade C, attracted an occupancy of 80.4 per cent, bringing in a yield of 7.2 per cent. Grade A offices are high-end office spaces with natural good lighting, panoramic views of the immediate environment, prestigious finishing, on site undercover parking and areas between 100,000-300,000 square feet. They are the most expensive of office spaces and capture the allure of the extremely moneyed, giving an appeal the other two grades are unable to match.

Grade B offices do not have as sophisticated equipment and state-of-the-art designs as Grade A offices but are decent spaces, while Grade C spaces, which charge below average rental rates, are older, in need of renovation and may lack lobbies.

The popularity of serviced offices shot further with yields of 12.3 per cent in 2019, a whopping 4.3 per cent points higher than the unserviced offices. Serviced offices are fully furnished and equipped office spaces that are managed by a facility management company.

According to Cytonn, this attractiveness derives from the flexibility of the leases, which can range for short periods, lack of set-up costs to incur and opportunities to collaborate with other individuals or businesses in a competitive working environment.

Karen leads in the number of unserviced offices, with 111, with Westlands and Upperhill completing the podium places with 104 and 98 each.

Westlands, however, has the highest number of serviced offices at 248. Among the factors that have driven the commercial office sector are Kenya's improved ranking in the World Bank Ease of doing Business report. Kenya improved 19 positions in 2019, up from position 80 in 2018 to position 61.

It is now at position 56 in 2020. This performance is attributed to continued strengthening of access to credit, protection of minority investors and ease of paying taxes (by merging all permits into a single unified business permit).

But a damper on the sector has been brought by the Covid-19, which has led to a slowdown in foreign investment and halting of expansions, what with firms now seeing their employees work remotely from home.

Also, insufficient access to finance. "There was insufficient access to financing with private sector credit growth coming in at 7.1 per cent in December 2019 compared to a five-year average of 14 per cent. This affected the growth of SMEs in the country as some reduced the scale of operations and others cut down on expansion plans and thus reduced demand for office space," says Cytonn.

Kiambu and Nairobi counties have been faulted for delaying the processing of construction permits. Developers have had their project implementation timelines prolonged, and this has increased construction and fit-out costs for firms.

Many real estate experts feel that the office space will be one of the biggest casualties of the Covid-19 pandemic. The resolution by companies to have staff work from home will be an eye-opener to a lot of the firms, and they will let go of office spaces that will be rendered redundant.

Abraham Samoei, a valuer and property developer, feels that people's financial position at the end of the Coronavirus pandemic will mean they are unable to afford prime office space to rent.

"The commercial office space will be hugely affected. Companies will be re-strategising, and perhaps working remotely will be alluring, time and cost saving enough," he says. [Peter Theuri]



Capital. Recovery after Covid-19 pandemic will require huge cash flows

Pending bills thorn in housing agenda

Contractors are key to achievement of agenda but some have not been paid for work done.

By Mwangi Muiruri
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Speedy settlement of pending bills is key to the recovery of the construction sector once the Covid-19 pandemic abates, analysts have said.

Contractors, especially those who will be relied upon to progress President Uhuru Kenyatta's agenda on affordable housing, are likely to grapple with low capitalisation due to the impact of the scourge on the economy, they say.

Some 800,000 units are mapped to be delivered under affordable housing whereas 200,000 units were scheduled under social housing units, all to be delivered by 2022.

So far, analysts say the agenda is only one per cent done,

with data from the National Treasury indicating that over the past three financial years, the national government has used Sh18.4 billion towards the housing agenda.

County governments have injected Sh19.3 billion, all adding up to Sh37.7 billion of the total Sh260 billion that the government has quantified to be the total value of the agenda.

According to Elias Mbau, an

"It is a bygone conclusion that both government and the private sector will be suffering from economic starvation where budgets will be tight as both sectors grapple with the Covid-19 damage."

Economist Elias Mbau

economist at the Institute of Budget and Devolution, the contracting industry will be recouping its energies and focus under very difficult circumstances owing to the expected economic recession.

"It is a bygone conclusion that both government and the private sector will be suffering from economic starvation where budgets will be tight as both sectors grapple with the Covid-19 damage," he told *Home & Away*.

"To recover, fast cash flows will be required to give operations a new lease of life. In fact, survival will be based on how fast both the government and the private sector will marshal short-term budgets to cope."

He said key to the recovery strategy should be review and amendment of the Public Procurement and Disposal Act to provide for part payment or down payment at commencement of the supply of goods and services to be in tandem with



An affordable housing project for civil servants under construction by the national government in Embu County. [Joseph Muchiri, Standard]

the sluggish economy.

"Key to revival of this housing agenda will be on how fast a contractor can win a tender and how fast dues can be paid so that they can move to another site. The contracting aspect is the one that holds nearly 95 per cent of actualising the agenda," he said.

Though he doubts the agenda is deliverable by 2022, Mbau, who is a former Parliamentary Budget Committee chairman, says if necessary arrangements to ensure prompt payments are honoured "then we can have a situation whereby contractors riding on the goodwill can even opt to credit the government

with some projects".

Kinga Chege, a legal research consultant for the Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry, says pending bills have been a thorn in the flesh where both the central and county governments default on paying for as long as 10 years.

"When you work, you ought to get paid, and you pay those who depend on you and support those whom you are obligated to. In the current situation, when the government denies local contractors their pay, (many people) suffer and the economy is at a standstill because it is consumed by debt," he told *Home & Away*.

Impeded operations

Nyeri Senator Ephraim Maina, himself an investor in the industry with Kirinyaga Contractors, says non-payment by government to suppliers of goods and services has always impeded business operations and growth.

"This has also had ripple effects such as non-performing bank loans as well as business closures," he said.

The government's plan to fulfil housing demand, he said, has been watered down by its inability to organise itself on engaging contractors.

NABO CAPITAL LIMITED AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

A) STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	Year ended December 31, 2019 Kshs '000	Year ended December 31, 2018 Kshs '000
INCOME		
Fund management fees	35,444	23,278
Advisory fees	1,000	49,076
Interest income	5,000	8,439
Gain on disposal of investments	5,221	-
Total Income	46,665	80,793
EXPENSES		
Direct expenses	(294)	(311)
Professional fees	(4,037)	(3,444)
Employee costs	(14,422)	(14,734)
Director emoluments	(5,044)	(5,444)
Operational and administrative expenses	(10,944)	(14,261)
Depreciation expenses	(1,762)	(2,171)
Operating (loss)/profit	(24,449)	64,495
Provision for expected credit losses	4,704	4,200
Other income	134	-
Finance costs	(3,200)	-
(Loss)/Profit Before Tax	(19,811)	72,695
Income tax credit/(expense)	2,500	(22,245)
Loss/(Profit) After Tax	(17,311)	50,450
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	80	(4,474)
Total Comprehensive (loss)/income for the period	(17,231)	45,976
B) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION	At 31 December 2019 Kshs '000	At 31 December 2018 Kshs '000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Furniture, fittings and equipment	16,544	16,500
Deferred tax asset	35,444	21,749
Right of use asset	5,458	-
Intangible assets	2,776	2,336
Total Non-Current Assets	59,782	40,585
CURRENT ASSETS		
Investment in fixed income securities	52,297	5,932
Investment in unit trusts	16,000	12,094
Other receivables	69,408	10,000
Tax receivable	44,529	10,794
Amounts due from related parties	10,000	10,000
Office cash and bank balances	3,607	33,444
Total Current Assets	188,831	82,264
TOTAL ASSETS	248,613	122,849
SHARE CAPITAL & RESERVES		
Paid up ordinary share capital	10,000	10,000
Reserves	1,000	10,000
Retained earnings	(1,144)	(3,444)
Equity reserve	20,000	20,000
Total Shareholders' Funds	29,856	36,556
Non-Current Liabilities		
Lease liability	1,000	-
Total Non-Current Liabilities	1,000	-
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Amounts due to related parties	10,000	10,000
Accrued expenses	1,000	1,000
Lease liability	1,000	-
Total Current Liabilities	12,000	11,000
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	41,856	47,556

C) OTHER DISCLOSURES		
1. Capital Strength		
a. Paid up capital	10,000	10,000
b. Minimum capital required	10,000	10,000
(a-b) Excess/(Deficiency)	0	0
2. Shareholders' Funds		
a. Total shareholders' funds	29,856	36,556
b. Minimum capital required	10,000	10,000
(a-b) Excess/(Deficiency)	19,856	26,556
3. Liquid Capital		
a. Liquid capital	10,000	10,000
b. Minimum capital required	10,000	10,000
(a-b) Excess/(Deficiency)	0	0

The above financials are an extract from the audited financial statements of the Company which were approved by the Board of Directors on 28 April 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Flux M. Muchiri
Managing Director

Robert L. Bury
Director

NABO AFRICA UNIT TRUST FUNDS AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

A) STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	MONEY MARKET FUND (USD)		MONEY MARKET FUND (KES)		FIXED INCOME FUND (USD)		FIXED INCOME FUND (KES)		EQUITY FUND (USD)		BALANCED FUND (USD)	
	Year ended 31 December 2019	Year ended 31 December 2018	Year ended 31 December 2019	Year ended 31 December 2018	Year ended 31 December 2019	Year ended 31 December 2018	Year ended 31 December 2019	Year ended 31 December 2018	Year ended 31 December 2019	Year ended 31 December 2018	Year ended 31 December 2019	Year ended 31 December 2018
	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000
INCOME												
Interest income	4,275	10,204	36,475	10,200	10,200	10,200	10,200	420	140	35	1,240	174
Dividend income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,400	10,204	4,000	1,240
Unrealized gains/(losses) on investments	(394)	89	(39)	-	(394)	(440)	471	-	-	-	(394)	-
Gains/(losses) on disposal of assets	80	0	(39)	-	1,000	-	(39)	-	-	-	-	-
Amortised (premium)/discounts on investments	(374)	(344)	4,407	4,207	(4,407)	80	807	-	-	-	80	1,000
Other comprehensive income	80	-	80	-	-	-	-	-	80	-	80	-
Total Income	4,789	10,949	40,529	14,407	16,399	10,760	10,868	481	1,620	10,239	6,200	2,214
EXPENSES												
Operational and administrative expenses	(1,070)	(1,000)	(1,100)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Loss on disposal of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provision for expected credit losses	(400)	-	(400)	-	(400)	-	(400)	-	(400)	-	(400)	-
Fund(s) exchange costs/fees	(394)	(344)	4,407	4,207	(4,407)	80	807	-	(400)	-	80	1,000
Total Expense	(1,864)	(1,344)	(1,093)	(1,793)	(5,807)	(1,920)	(5,593)	(1,400)	(1,800)	(1,400)	(1,400)	(1,400)
(Loss)/Profit Before Tax	2,925	9,605	41,622	12,614	10,592	8,840	6,275	881	820	839	4,800	1,814
Income tax expense	(1,000)	80	(1,000)	(1,000)	40	(1,000)	-	(1,000)	(1,000)	80	(1,000)	(1,000)
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	1,925	9,685	40,622	11,614	10,632	7,840	6,275	(119)	(180)	919	3,800	814
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(119)	(180)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Total Comprehensive Income/(Loss) for the Year	1,925	9,685	40,622	10,614	10,632	6,840	6,275	(239)	(299)	(81)	2,800	(186)
*One month period ended:												
B) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION	MONEY MARKET FUND (USD)		MONEY MARKET FUND (KES)		FIXED INCOME FUND (USD)		FIXED INCOME FUND (KES)		EQUITY FUND (USD)		BALANCED FUND (USD)	
	At 31 December 2019	At 31 December 2018	At 31 December 2019	At 31 December 2018	At 31 December 2019	At 31 December 2018	At 31 December 2019	At 31 December 2018	At 31 December 2019	At 31 December 2018	At 31 December 2019	At 31 December 2018
	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000	Kshs '000
Deferred tax asset	-	800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	800	-	800
Investment in fixed income securities	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Investment in equities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash and bank balances	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Tax receivable	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	21,000	21,800	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,800	21,000	21,800
EQUITY												
Unit holder balances	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Available for sale reserves	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EQUITY	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
LIABILITIES												
Deferred tax liability	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accrued expenses	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Due to unit fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000

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Is it still safe to invest in Real Estate?

"Real estate cannot be lost or stolen, nor can it be carried away. Purchased with common sense, paid for in full, and managed with reasonable care, it is about the safest investment in the world." - Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The novel corona virus is a global pandemic that has taken the world by storm. Lots of people are in turmoil over it as borders have been closed, economies shut down and industries are putting themselves on pause and all manner of small businesses are taking hits. The real estate industry has also felt the heatwave of the virus as many buyers are being cautious during this volatile period.

So, your down payment was safely in cash, you'd planned, perhaps for years, for the 2020 home-buying or real estate investing season. Then, just as you identified your perfect house or apartment in the market, the coronavirus turned the world on its head.

Should you go through with the purchase?

Assuming you have the money, can afford a mortgage and the other costs involved and your job or business is not in danger, then yes.

There is so much we don't know about what the next few months will bring, including whether it will even be over in the next few months. But one thing is certain, the virus will clear and the markets will recover and get back to the usual way. So, the question is, what do I need to be doing during this time as a real estate investor? If data from the past is anything to go by then these are integral tips that will help you make the right move during this pandemic and when the dust settles, you will be standing tall.

Panic sales

A pandemic that lasts for a long period normally causes panic sales. People liquidate their assets to ensure cash flow to take them through the pandemic. Developers will be putting their properties on offers, so as an investor you should be on the lookout for properties that are put on sale during this period.

It's not as if anybody selling is suddenly going to step up and say, 'oh sure, I could have sold this property for 10 million but because of what is happening and I am afraid, you can buy it for 5 million, but it's definitely a good time to shop around, get and a good rate.'

Market Strength

The real estate industry has developed a lot of autonomy over the years. A crisis like this has caused major businesses within the service sector to suspend activities. The real estate market, however, has slowed down but not at the rate other industries have been forced to do.

Information is Key

Knowledge, during this time, is power. Having the latest information on available properties will be highly sought-after knowledge. Now's the time to innovate and hunt because there will be opportunities.

Conclusion

A pandemic causes a lot of changes in every industry. As much as some negative change occurs, there are always new opportunities created at the same time. Real estate is still a safe means of investment. As the famous saying goes, "Tough times don't last, tough people do."

So, if want to invest in real estate, don't quit, keep making those calls, compare properties while staying safe. Be alert so you can ride through this wave successfully. Whether all is well or not, the bottom-line is, investing in real estate is smart because property is tangible. People always have, and always will, need shelter. This means it is very unlikely that the need for shelter will ever go away.

And if all of this talk of risk-taking gives you more anxiety than you'd like to admit, fear not, time is on your side. You can reach out to us on sema@kwea.ke for more information or reach out to your real estate consultant for advice.

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The scale and speed of urbanisation has created significant environmental and health problems for urban dwellers. These problems are often made worse by a lack of contact with the natural world.

By 2119, it is only through re-establishing contact with the natural world, particularly trees, that cities will be able to function, be viable and able to support their populations.

The creation of urban forests will make cities worth living in, able to function and support their populations; Treetopias.

This re-design will include the planting of many more urban

trees and other vegetation - and making use of new, more creative methods.

Although we did not fully realise it at the time, the 1986 Hundertwasserhaus in Vienna, a building that incorporated 200 trees in its design, was the start of more creative urban forestry thinking.

This has been carried on in Stefano Boeri's Bosco Verticale

apartments in downtown Milan, which incorporates over 800 trees as part of the building. Similar structures are being developed around the world, such as in Nanjing in China and Utrecht in The Netherlands.

The urban forest needs to be designed as a first principle, part of the critical infrastructure of the whole city, not just as a cosmetic afterthought.

We know, for example, that in 2015, urban forest in the UK saved the National Health Service over £1 billion (\$1.31 billion) by helping to reduce the impact of air pollutants.

Trees can create places which can greatly improve our health and well-being. Our urban forest can give us the spaces to help improve our mental and physical health. [The Conversation]



Demand. Former grazing areas have turned into gold as investors flock to cosmopolitan town

Why Nanyuki has caught the eye of thirsty developers

Land prices have shot up 10-fold in the last seven years, with an acre now selling at Sh100m.

By Jacinta Mutura
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About 800 metres before you get to Nanyuki town, huge billboards advertising major brands compete for your attention along the highway.

And its no wonder. Situated on the edge of Nyeri, Meru and Laikipia counties, Nanyuki has emerged as a favourite spot for real estate development, tourism and trade, and is growing at a fast pace.

Its strategic position provides easy access to northern and central Kenya, making it an ideal destination for investors looking to put their money in residential and commercial property, holiday homes, hotels and adventure parks.

The upgrading of the Great North Road to a dual carriageway between Kenol and Marua, and the revival of the old metre-gauge railway line from Nairobi to Nanyuki is expected to further boost growth.

Real estate experts project that the rapid development of the town that hosts Laikipia County headquarters and its metropolitan nature could effectively steal the thunder from neighbouring Nyeri town, formerly the Central Provincial headquarters.

Abel Marite, a real estate developer, confirmed that there has been an influx of property investors from Nairobi and the neighbouring Nyeri, Meru, Isiolo and Nyandarua counties who are eyeing Nanyuki as a commercial hub.

"The town is experiencing an upsurge in construction as demand for business and residential premises has gone up," said Mr Marite, the director of Marite Enterprises which manages a chunk of the property in Nanyuki.

He said the uptake of business space

Attraction

■ Nanyuki hosts key attractions, such as the Ol Pejeta Conservancy, Mount Kenya National Park, Sweetwaters Game Sanctuaries and Ol Jogi Conservancy, making tourism one of the highest contributors to the county's economy

■ It is a major tourist circuit in Mt Kenya and the northern regions, enhancing demand for hospitality services, which continues to promote the hospitality sector

■ Upgrading of the Great North Road to a dual carriageway between Kenol and Marua, and the revival of the old metre-gauge railway line from Nairobi to Nanyuki is expected to lift growth further

■ The county government has embarked on rehabilitating roads, drainage systems and pavements through an urbanisation programme dubbed the Smart Town Initiative

has increased rapidly compared to five years ago when devolution was just picking up.

"Business premises in Nanyuki are very expensive and people do not negotiate for the rents. We actually have a shortage in the town centre," Marite told *Home & Away*.

The town's proximity to Isiolo is also expected to spur further development as some investors opt to put up stores in Nanyuki and transport items to Isiolo for sale.

Marite, however, said office space is yet to record sufficient quality developments. His observations are in line with findings of a study by Cytonn Investments last year that showed the town's office space sector was struggling.

Out of the property managed by

Marite Enterprises in Nanyuki, only about five per cent is office space - about 20 buildings out of the 400 in the town.

"Most of our residential properties are let out at higher prices than office space," said Marite.

Rooms go for as low as Sh4,500 per month, compared to Sh30,000 in Nairobi for a similar size.

Land prices in Nanyuki town are highly dependent on proximity to roads and the central business district, and as a result of high demand from developers, have risen as much as 10-fold in the last seven years, with a quarter acre going for Sh25 million compared to seven years ago when the same size was being sold at about Sh2.5 million.

An acre within the town is at an average price of up to Sh100 million, while on the outskirts it costs approximately Sh1.6 million.

Pricespiked

Construction of high-end hotels, malls and lodges have partly led to the spike in land prices.

For instance, establishment of five-star Mayan Hotel about three years ago saw land prices near Jua Kali area shoot up to Sh3 million for a half-acre from Sh150,000.

Another notable development in the town is Cedar Mall, which hosts giant business brands such as Chandarana FoodPlus, KFC and Java.

Most of the land in Nanyuki has previously been utilised as ranches but the market is now saturated with property agents selling plots.

Cytonn Investments observed that the plots recorded average annual sales of 45.8 per cent in 2019 due to growing demand for development land.

Francis Gitonga, a former chairman of the Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry Laikipia chapter, said there is a lot of bare land in Laikipia and this is where developers are moving to.



Established during the colonial era as an administrative headquarters, Nanyuki town is on the edge of central and northern Kenya. [Kibata Kihu, Standard]

"The demand for development land is fueled by speculation for higher property value boosted by the opening of the Northern Corridor," he told *Home & Away*.

"The town is experiencing an upsurge in construction, as demand for business and residential premises has gone up."

Property agent Abel Marite

Unscrupulous land brokers, he said, have also caused the spike in prices which has spilled over to house rents.

"There is vigorous marketing by brokers, and they are so many here. It is almost impossible to buy land without engaging brokers," said Mr Gitonga.

The perceived high security in Nanyuki owing to the presence of a British Army Training Unit and Kenya Defence Forces barracks has also contributed to

the increased property transactions.

"Nanyuki is cosmopolitan and this peaceful coexistence and political stability and security are key enablers for any investment," said Gitonga.

With its eyes set on making the town more appealing and habitable for business, the county government has embarked on rehabilitating roads, drainage systems and pavements through an urbanisation programme, the Smart Town Initiative.

"We are looking at how to provide good and well-planned urban settings to do business. We are upgrading town plans to streamline further developments," said Laikipia Governor Nderitu Muriithi.

The governor said they have a joint plan with Nyeri and Meru counties to enable growth of the town.

Nanyuki hosts key attractions, such as the Ol Pejeta Conservancy, Mount Kenya National Park, Sweetwaters Game Sanctuaries and Ol Jogi Conservancy, making tourism one of the highest contributors to the county's economy and promoting the country's hospitality sector.

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The Community Health Services Bill (Senate Bills No. 5 of 2020)

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA

The Community Health Services Bill (Senate Bills No. 6 of 2020) was read a First Time in the Senate on 21st April, 2020 and thereafter stood committed to the Senate Standing Committee on Health.

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 118 and standing order 140 (5) of the Senate Standing Orders, the Senate Standing Committee on Health now invites interested members of the public to submit any representations that they may have on the Community Health Services Bill (Senate Bills No. 5 of 2020) by way of written memoranda.

The Memoranda may be-

- Hand-delivered to the Office of the Clerk of the Senate, First Floor, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi; or
- emailed to the Office of the Clerk of the Senate on the address - csenate@parliament.go.ke;

to be received on or before **Tuesday, 5th May, 2020 at 5.00pm.**

The Community Health Services Bill (Senate Bills No. 6 of 2020) may be found on the Parliament website at <http://www.parliament.go.ke/senate>.

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AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

A) STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		2019	2018
		KShs.	KShs.
		'000'	'000'
1.0 Income			
1.1 Interest on Loans/Portfolios		10,899	11,395
1.2 Fees and Commissions on Loans/Portfolios		3,134	4,469
1.3 Government Securities		-	-
1.4 Deposit and Finance with Banks and Financial Inst.		127	405
1.5 Other Investments		-	-
1.6 Other Operating Income		1,089	1,085
1.7 Non-Operating Income		-	-
1.8 Total Income		14,355	24,155
2.0 Expenses			
2.1 Interest and Fee Expense on Deposits		8,282	12,674
2.2 Other Fees and Commissions Expense		-	-
2.3 Provision for Loan Impairment		5,015	30
2.4 Staff Costs		14,902	21,879
2.5 Director's Emoluments		670	1,780
2.6 Rental Charges		4,412	4,166
2.7 Depreciation Charges		2,477	2,925
2.8 Amortisation Charges		2,458	3,437
2.9 Other Administrative Expense		20,574	19,684
2.10 Non-Operating Expense		-	-
2.11 Total Expenses		58,399	68,035
3.0 Operating Profit		(44,044)	(43,879)
4.0 Interest and Fee Expense on Borrowings/Finance Costs		6,285	-
5.0 Profit/(Loss) before tax		(49,542)	(43,879)
6.0 Current Tax		13,460	11,818
6.1 Deferred Tax		(13,905)	(13,656)
7.0 Net Profit (After Taxes and Before Donations)		(49,987)	(45,717)
8.0 Donations for Operating Expense		-	-
9.0 Net Profit After Taxes		(49,987)	(45,717)
Other Comprehensive Income			
Surplus on revaluation of building		-	-
Deferred tax on revaluation surplus		-	-
Total Comprehensive Income		(49,987)	(45,717)
B) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION		2019	2018
		KShs.	KShs.
		'000'	'000'
1.0 ASSETS			
1.1 Cash and bank balances		8,918	30,117
1.2 Short-term deposits with banks		-	-
1.3 Government securities		-	-
1.4 Advances to customers		10,322	41,780
1.5 Due from related organisations		-	-
1.6 Other receivables		25,229	25,112
1.7 Deferred Tax		70,518	54,658
1.8 Other investment		-	-
1.9 Investment in associate companies		-	-
1.10 Intangible assets		4,111	8,575
1.11 Property and equipment		11,864	14,014
1.12 Total Assets		132,967	173,557
2.0 LIABILITIES			
2.1 Cash on advances held		-	-
2.2 Customer deposits		904,881	1,120,753
2.3 Borrowings		-	4,500
2.4 Deferred income		-	-
2.5 Deferred tax liability		-	-
2.6 Due to related organisations		-	-
2.7 Other Liabilities		34,705	25,680
2.8 Total Liabilities		939,586	1,150,933
3.0 SHARE CAPITAL & RESERVES			
3.1 Share capital		198,156	198,156
3.2 Share premium		25,427	25,427
3.3 Retained earnings		(170,946)	(145,447)
3.4 Statutory reserve		2,280	2,280
3.5 Total Shareholders' Funds		154,917	178,426
4.0 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		132,967	173,557
C) OTHER DISCLOSURES		2019	2018
		KShs.	KShs.
		'000'	'000'
1. NON-PERFORMING LOANS AND ADVANCES			
(a) Gross Non-Performing Loans and Advances		16,625	13,894
Less:			
(i) Interest in Suspense		13,967	8,281
(ii) Total Non-Performing Loans and Advances (a-i)		2,658	5,613
(b) Impaired Loss Allowance		15,740	12,458
(c) Net Non-Performing Loans (a-b)		(13,082)	(7,725)
(d) Realisable Value of Securities		-	-
(e) Net NPPL Exposure (a-b-d)		(13,082)	(7,725)
2. INSIDER LOANS AND ADVANCES			
(a) Directors, Shareholders and Associates		544	2,443
(b) Employees		-	-
(c) Total Insider Loans, Advances and Other Facilities		544	2,443
3. OFF-BALANCE SHEET ITEMS			
(a) Guarantees and Commitments		-	-
(b) Other Contingent Liabilities		-	-
4.0 Total Contingent Liabilities		-	-
5. CAPITAL STRENGTH			
(a) Core capital		(81,344)	(55,721)
(b) Minimum Statutory Capital		20,000	20,000
(c) Excess/(Deficiency) (a-b)		(61,344)	(75,721)
(d) Supplementary Capital		2,280	2,280
(e) Total Capital (a+d)		(79,064)	(53,441)
(f) Total Risk Weighted Assets		58,102	94,162
(g) Core Capital/Total Risk Weighted Assets		-139%	-58%
(h) Minimum Statutory Ratio		8%	8%
(i) Excess/(Deficiency) (g-h)		-147%	-66%
(j) Core Capital/Total Risk Weighted Assets		-140%	-58%
(k) Minimum Statutory Ratio		10%	10%
(l) Excess/(Deficiency) (j-k)		-150%	-68%
(m) Total Capital/Total Risk Weighted Assets		-144%	-56%
(n) Minimum Statutory Ratio		12%	12%
(o) Excess/(Deficiency) (m-n)		-156%	-68%
6. LIQUIDITY			
Liquidity Ratio		8%	21%
(a) Minimum Statutory Ratio		20%	20%
(b) Excess/(Deficiency) (a-b)		(12)%	1%

The financial statements are extracts from the books of the institution as audited by KPMG and approved by the board of directors on 30th March 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Peter S. Karuki
Chairman

Michael Kiseri
Director



Talanta Mtaani Season 4

**Tonight we Celebrate
the TOP 3 WINNERS
of Talanta Mtaani Season 4**



No. 3 John Zedekaya



No. 1 Lennox Munjogu



No. 2 Terry Githinji

Watch the show Tonight at 8.00pm



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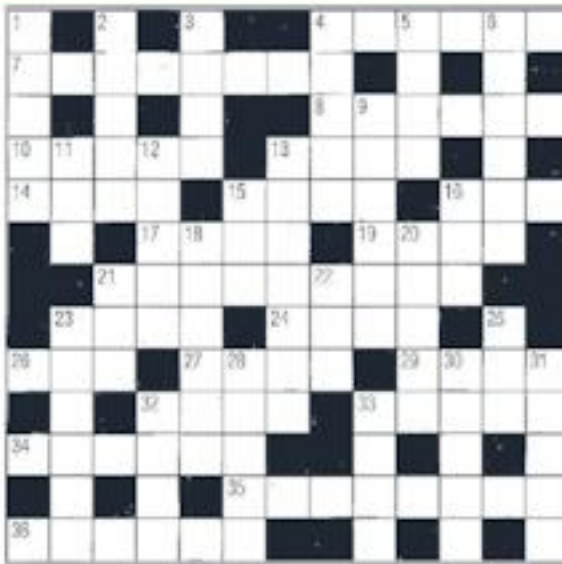
EASY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

4. Hat type (6)
 7. Outer (8)
 8. Bursts out (6)
 10. Hibernian (5)
 13. Ruminant mammal (4)
 14. List of dishes (4)
 15. Wagers (4)
 16. Mesh (3)
 17. Move (4)
 19. Golf club (4)
 21. Fore-runner (9)
 23. Sound quality (4)
 24. Mound of drifted sand (4)
 26. Summit (3)
 27. Encounter (4)
 29. Make woollens (4)
 32. Pulls with a rope (4)
 33. Stage whisper (5)
 34. Temperament (6)
 35. Newspaperman (8)
 36. Light motorcycles (6)

DOWN

1. Jeans fabric (5)
 2. Tarnish (5)
 3. Curved structure (4)
 4. Nation's warships (5)
 5. Sullen (4)
 6. Decomposing (6)
 9. Stand down from a job (6)
 11. Colour (3)
 12. Girl's name (5)
 13. Scoffs at (7)
 15. Food fish (3)
 16. And not (3)
 18. Minor earthquake (6)
 20. Stinks (5)
 21. Jump on one foot (3)
 22. Pistachio, for example (3)
 23. Love apple (6)
 25. Offer (3)
 28. Water jugs (5)
 30. Quick, agile (5)
 31. Rips (5)
 32. Melody (4)
 33. Nautical cry (4)



Wednesday's solution

ACROSS: 1. Sates 7. Umbrella 8. Sand 10. Abacus 11. Dilate 14. Gun 16. Sides 17. Loop 19. Coped 21. Cower 22. Linen 23. Cast 26. Tarot 28. Pan 29. Arabic 30. Centre 31. Rave 32. Omelette 33. Wastes.

DOWN: 1. Scrawl 2. Teacup 3. Suds 4. Bruiser 5. Plead 6. Saves 8. Sago 9. Num 12. Lid 13. Texas 15. Dowel 18. Oscar 19. Con 20. Pen 21. Citizen 22. Lob 23. Canvas 24. Ante 25. Trends 26. Talon 27. Races 28. Pea 30. Crew.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

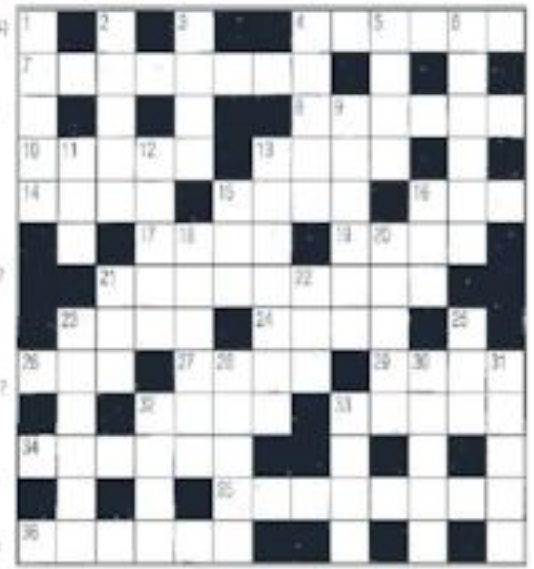
ACROSS

4. Srew at a ship as you pinch his bike? (6)
 7. Gave beer as a drink (8)
 8. Be said to be prejudiced (6)
 10. Childer's favourite sometimes said to make (5)
 13. Stick to whiskey, also (4)
 14. In jugs, were reformed (4)
 15. Big-headed fellow with hereditary title (4)
 16. Hostelry where one is always said to be at home (3)
 17. Be very close to an objection (4)
 19. Source of one's letters to the Football Association? (4)
 21. Undisciplined characters winningly handy at poker? (4,5)
 23. Only a cheap, but it can be driven (4)
 24. Held up in Chungking? (4)
 26. So the new head is a relative (3)
 27. At the King's head, there's very little time (4)
 29. Like the desert, air perhaps at the back of beyond (4)
 32. A rotary tool used in burrowing (4)
 33. She's loud yet may be dear (5)

DOWN

1. Malpractice on a coach to the capital of Egypt (3)

2. Sheepish individual, about six (5)
 3. Part of the Goldberg Variations (4)
 4. Be exclusive in bread production (5)
 5. Learn about modern times (4)
 6. Expected a girl to turn up with a governess (6)
 9. One after another by a rotary system? (2,4)
 11. Deep fear of an extract of seaweed? (3)
 12. The path to follow (5)
 13. One keeping an eye on the time? (7)
 15. Shoot, mate (3)
 16. Walls have them, suggesting possibilities (3)
 18. Enlarged on what the storm did? (4,2)
 20. Suitable name for a hired gardener? (5)
 21. Ways to tour India with success (3)
 22. A kingdom termed avian (3)
 23. Strong enough to make the top ten (6)
 25. Get free of some humdrum (3)
 28. Build in the perpendicular style (5)
 30. Consult the man with the whistle? (5)
 31. Is in time for Michaelmas, maybe (5)
 32. To eat, that piece at the end of the sausage (4)
 33. If dodgy on the quiet, may be in bad odour (4)



Wednesday's solution

ACROSS: 1. Rouses 7. C-Ava-Tina 8. Fin-O 10. B-all-of 11. Sadist 14. E'er 16. Pence 17. Kid-d 19. D-O-yen 21. M-one-t. 22. Kin-g(a)s 23. Wien 26. S-ages 28. Mia 29. Player 30. W-ink-e 31. Edge 32. Repelled 33. SE-Rene.

DOWN: 1. Reeb-OK 2. Sailed 3. Scot 4. Para-pet 5. Di-gin 6. Haste 8. Fled 9. No-R 12. Den 13. Score 15. SO-NG-S 18. I-Deal 19. Don 20. Yes 21. Miser-L-y 22. Key 23. Winger 24. Rake 25. Needle(ss) 26. Spurt 27. Ga-MP-s 28. M-I-D 30. We-DS.

CHESS PUZZLE

Easy Puzzle

Black mates in 2 moves.



Intermediate Puzzle

White mates in 3 moves.



Wednesday's solution

Easy

1. Qxh3 2. Rxf2 Qh1#

Intermediate

1. Rxf7+ Kxf7
 2. Qxf6+ Kg8
 3. Qg7#

SOLVIT

D	F	H	C	21
G	A	D	B	12
E	G	B	A	19
H	J	F	E	25
16	16	19	26	

Difficulty

The letters have a distinct value between 1 to 9. The totals vertically and horizontally have been given. Solve all the values.

Wednesday's Solution

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J
7	5	3	1	8	4	2	6	9

KAKURO



Wednesday's Solution

17	32		29	22	
9			9		
15			13	15	
	11				
	23				
17	12				
4			15		8
16			3		

SUDOKU

			5	9	6	8	
			8				4
			6	1	3	2	
1	4						
3		5		2	7		
	9		3	8	5		1
	1		5	4	9		8
8		9		3	2		
7		2					

Wednesday's Solution

1	2	5	6	8	3	4	9	7
9	8	4	7	5	2	1	3	6
7	6	3	9	1	4	8	5	2
3	9	1	8	2	6	7	4	5
5	7	8	4	3	9	6	2	1
6	4	2	1	7	5	3	8	9
4	5	6	3	9	1	2	7	8
8	3	9	2	6	7	5	1	4
2	1	7	5	4	8	9	6	3

CODEWORD

Each letter in this puzzle is represented by a number 1-26. Crack the code and solve the crossword. Every letter of the alphabet is used at least once. Three letters are already in place to get you started.



Wednesday's solution

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

HOROSCOPE

Virgo – Aug 23 – Sep 22
It's possible you're feeling the effects of isolation. At times like these, it's incredibly important to connect with others in any way possible. It doesn't matter whether you Skype with an old friend, contribute to an online forum, or send an e-mail to your favorite relative. The key is to get the social ball rolling.

Libra – Sep 23 – Oct 22
Meeting friends' demands might be exhausting you. You love being of service to others, but there comes a point where you have nothing left to give. Grant yourself permission to have some fun, even if it means putting your social life on the back burner. You've been blessed with tremendous artistic talent.

Scorpio – Oct 23 – Nov 21
If you're not getting the attention you crave at work, find another source of fulfillment. Your flair for drama could prompt you to dive head-first into a creative endeavor of some kind. Whatever medium fits you with excitement is worth pursuing today; you don't have to earn a living from art to be fulfilled by it.

Sagittarius Nov. 22 – Dec. 21
If you've been worrying about how you appear to others, today is the time to drop that hurtful habit. By allowing yourself to make mistakes, it will be much easier to learn a skill or absorb important information. You have a natural intelligence that makes you a quick learner, but studying and doing your research are still essential components to mastery.

Capricorn – Dec 22 – Jan 19
Looking to others for approval is a losing proposition today. Instead, cultivate contentment from within the depths of your soul. If that means leaving a situation that is making you miserable, cutting a toxic relationship out of your life, or breaking a bad habit, so be it. Dropping what no longer serves you allows you to undergo a personal transformation.

Aquarius – Jan 20 – Feb 18
It's time to confront a source of trouble, even if it means having a tense conversation. It's possible you're no longer willing to ignore someone who has been taking credit for your work or eating up all your emotional energy. Don't be afraid to stand your ground and be firm in your stance. Mark this victory with a celebration at home this evening.

Pisces – Feb 19 – Mar 20
If your health has been lagging, give yourself a break. Put your to-do list on the back burner and give your body the rest it craves. Sleeping late, soaking in a hot bath, and enjoying a movie marathon will give you a chance to recharge your batteries. If you're worried about your work situation, you may not need to worry longer.

Aries – Mar 21 – Apr 19
Showing off may not have the effect you desire. If you want to gain fame and acclaim for creative work, you simply need to be authentic. Resorting to gimmicks could end up backfiring on you. Besides, you always fare best when wearing your heart on your sleeve. Whether you're angry, sad, or hopelessly in love, say it in your work.

Taurus – Apr 20 – May 20
A relative could be a bit severe with you, making you feel a bit defensive or resentful. Today is not the day to resolve your differences. Instead, turn your attention to domestic activities that bring you joy. Cooking, gardening, and decorating can cut late peace; it's possible there's something you love more than creating things of beauty with your own two hands.

Gemini – May 21 – Jun 21
Instead of bragging about your accomplishments, let your work speak for itself now. If you're interviewing for a job, list your achievements in order of their importance and be prepared to discuss them. Be calm, direct, and honest when describing things that you've done, prizes you have won, and goals you've reached.

Cancer – Jun 22 – Jul 22
Your bank balance isn't a reflection of your worth. If money has been a concern recently, try doing things that deepen your appreciation of life. Nothing attracts wealth like an attitude of gratitude. Calling up a friend, perfecting a recipe, or learning a new skill can remind you that life is beautiful. At that point, the work and business opportunities you seek may arrive.

Leo – Jul 23 – Aug 22
Although you might crave fame and acclaim, it's time to shine the spotlight on one of your colleagues today. Someone high up has been working hard to make the company more equitable, so try to give credit where credit is due. These days, it's unusual to see people in power rewarding staff that are operating on the front lines.

Twittascope

WHAT'S ON KTN

ktn NEWS

6:00 Am	Morning Express
9:00 Am	News Center
11:00 Pm	Leo Mashinari
1:00 Pm	News Desk
2:00 Pm	Bottomline
3:00 Pm	Business Today
4:00 Pm	Mbuu Ya KTN
5:00 Pm	Zizala Vwianjani
6:00 Pm	Lujawa La KTN
7:00 Pm	KTN Leo
8:00 Pm	The Untold Story
8:30 Pm	The Chameleons Report
9:00 Pm	KTN Prime News
10:30 Pm	Bottomline Rpt
11:00 Pm	BBC Focus On Africa
11:30 Pm	Zizala Vwianjani Rpt
12:30 Am	The Untold Story Rpt
1:00 Am	The Chameleons Report Rpt
1:30 Am	KTN Prime News Rpt
3:00 Am	Business Today Rpt
4:00 Am	Al Jazeera



Radio Maisha

04:00	Safari na Anthony Ndlema
06:00	Maisha Asubuhi with Billy na Tricky
10:00	Saaraabika na Ann Njogu Babu and Gathoni
12:00	Komect na Mwende and Clemo
03:00	Maisha Jioni na Emmanuel Mwashumba and Shuga Boy
07:00	Papa Nick na Nick Odhiambo
10:00	Maji Makuu na Babu Wakasaka and Mbariki
12:00	Maisha Xtra na Hassan Umar

bTV

5:00 Am	Tendress
6:00 Am	BBC Daily Dunks
6:30 Am	Wild Planet
7:00 Am	Ladies Night
8:00 Am	Ngoma Noma
10:00 Am	Reggae Frequency
12:00 Pm	Island Talk
12:30 Pm	Radio Kenya
1:00 Pm	Bara
1:30 Pm	Tegale Sports
2:00 Pm	Bara Plaza
3:00 Pm	Talent Talk
4:00 Pm	Wild Planet
4:30 Pm	Daily
5:00 Pm	HFV
6:30 Pm	Baba Yao
7:00 Pm	KTN Leo Live
7:30 Pm	Jurika
8:30 Pm	Bara
9:30 Pm	Taka
10:00 Pm	Takuta Mwasini
11:00 Pm	Opinion
11:30 Pm	BBC Daily Dunks
12:00 Am	Dr. Ngugi's Story
1:00 Am	Jurika
3:00 Am	Reggae Frequency
4:00 Am	Head Life

NTV

5:00am	CNN
5:30am	Paradise Plus
6:30am	Your World
8:00am	Generation 3
10:00am	Ugogo Kids
10:30am	Ask and Me
11:00am	Music Mix
12:00pm	NTV Sasa
1:00pm	NTV at 1
1:30pm	The Real Housewife of Kariakoo
2:00pm	Memories Of Love
3:00pm	The Three Sides Of Asia
4:00pm	NTV Aladin
4:30pm	Teen Republic
5:00pm	The Heat
6:00pm	The Blood Sisters
7:00pm	NTV Juxi
8:00pm	The Three Sides Of Asia
9:00pm	NTV Tonight
10:30pm	Makers Of A Nation
11:00pm	SBC Fact Finder

vybez
Radio 104.5 Maisha 98.7
News 98.8 News 107.7
Dance 107.5

06:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Morning Vybez
10:00 AM – 03:00 PM	Riddim Culture
03:00 PM – 07:00 PM	Adrenaline
07:00 PM – 10:00 PM	Cause N Sekkie
10:00 PM – 5:00 AM	Night Patrol
05:00 AM – 06:00 AM	Itz

ktn FARMERS tv

6:00 Am	Agri-News	12:30 Pm	Eye On Country	7:30 Pm	Agri-News
6:30 Am	Sheep And Goat Farming	1:30 Pm	Dairy Farms	8:00 Pm	Antelope
7:00 Am	Bird Farming	2:00 Pm	Agri Pulse	8:30 Pm	Inside the Factory
7:30 Am	Smart Pig	2:30 Pm	Antelope	9:30 Pm	Horticulture (Rpt)
8:00 Am	Successful Farming	3:00 Pm	Agri Talk/Shamba	10:00 Pm	Get It Right
8:30 Am	A Farmer's Life for Me	3:30 Pm	Wanyama	10:30 Pm	Agri-News Rpt
9:30 Am	Mega Farms	4:00 Pm	Fresh And Fruity (Rpt)	11:00 Pm	Quintessence
10:30 Am	Horticulture (Rpt)	4:30 Pm	Wild Planet	11:30 Pm	Music Interlude (Country)
11:00 Am	Access Documentary (Rpt)	5:00 Pm	A Farmer's Life for Me	12:00 Am	Al Jazeera
11:30 Am	Get It Right	6:00 Pm	Agri Expo		
12:00 Pm	Agri-News @ Noon	7:00 Pm	Corn Wars		

K24

5:00am	Inika	12:00pm	Beatbox
6:00am	K24 This Morning	18:00pm	Hollywood Movie
9:00am	Daily Brief	19:00pm	K24 Saa Maja
12:30pm	Inside Business	19:30pm	Jawa And Abel
13:00pm	News Cut	20:00pm	A Carnival Affair
13:30pm	Sports Hub	21:00pm	K24 Evening Edition
14:00pm	Bongo Movie		
14:30pm	Sweetest Love	22:00pm	Riddim Vybz Reloaded
16:00pm	K24 Mashinani	00:00am	Dw Feed
16:30pm	Am Kizi		

Ebru

5:00Am	Vuka Pishi	15:30Pm	Cartoon
6:30Am	Fitness Time	16:30 Pm	Fitness Time
7:00Am	New Day	17:00 Pm	The Edge
9:00Am	Hits	18:00 Pm	Let's Talk
10:00Am	My Doctor	19:00 Pm	Mwanga wa Ebru
11:00Am	Najja Cinema	19:30 Pm	Descendants of the Sun
13:00 Pm	Up To Date Giti	20:00 Pm	Only Love
13:00 Pm	Business Insight	20:30 Pm	Street Quiz
14:00 Pm	Hits	21:00 Pm	Prime Time News
		22:00 Pm	Let's Talk

BONGOMAN PLAYS BIG LEAGUE by Kham



QUOTE OF THE DAY

Successful people have no fear of failure. But unsuccessful people do. Successful people have the resilience to face up to failure—learn the lessons and adapt from it.
Roy T. Bennett



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MANDERA COUNTY ASSEMBLY

P.O. BOX 408-70300

PUBLIC NOTICE - THE MANDERA COUNTY EMERGENCY FUND AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT BILL 2019 AND THE MANDERA COUNTY COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND REGULATION 2020

Following the tabling of the Mandera County Emergency Fund and Disaster Management Bill 2019 in the County Assembly and Gazette of the Mandera County COVID-19 emergency response fund Regulation 2020, The Finance and Economic Planning and County Delegated legislation Committees are not able to undertake the oral submissions due to COVID-19 Pandemic and in accordance with presidential directive issued on 17th March 2020.

Pursuant to the provision of Article 196(1) of the Constitution of Kenya of 2010, the Members of the Public and all other stakeholders are hereby invited to present their views through written Memorandum on the above subject to the Office of the Clerk, Mandera County Assembly, and P.O. Box 408-70300 Mandera or through email address: clerk@manderaassembly.go.ke on or before Noon 3rd May 2020.

AHMED H. SUROW
CLERK TO THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY



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AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	AUDITED 31 DECEMBER 2019	AUDITED 31 DECEMBER 2018
	Kshs	Kshs
A. STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
Income		
Dividend income	4,501,668	3,660,588
Interest income	3,343,836	2,603,799
Other income	761,350	570,437
Total income	8,606,854	6,834,824
Expenses		
Direct expenses	735,325	871,693
Employee costs	5,364,731	5,219,070
Professional fees	334,884	440,754
Operational and administrative expenses	1,954,638	1,818,543
Depreciation	868,238	870,302
Total expenses	11,803,816	11,430,362
Operating (Loss)/Profit	(3,196,962)	1,404,462
Finance costs	(28,650)	(70,343)
(Loss)/Profit before tax	(3,225,612)	1,334,119
Tax credit	480,032	1,34,784
(Loss)/Profit after tax	(2,745,580)	1,468,903
Other Comprehensive Income		
(Loss)/Gain (Loss) on investments	(3,763,149)	(3,944,876)
Total Comprehensive (Loss) for the year	(6,508,729)	(2,475,973)

B. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Capital & Reserves		
Paid up ordinary share capital	60,000,000	60,000,000
Reserves	35,518,758	42,791,267
Total Shareholders' Funds	95,518,758	102,791,267
Current liabilities		
Clients payables	87,302,658	71,595,854
Other payables and accrued expenses	1,654,537	1,862,770
Amounts due to other stakeholders	14,571,421	86,807
Amounts due to Agents	35,083	54,585
Total Current Liabilities	103,463,699	73,539,036
TOTAL EQUITY & LIABILITIES	298,982,357	276,320,242
Assets		
Non-Current Assets		
Property & Equipment	3,355,998	3,485,714
Deferred Tax	2,095,654	1,435,642
Other long-term assets	25,000,000	25,000,000
Total Non-Current Assets	30,451,652	29,921,356
Current Assets		
Clients Receivables	1,379,647	291,757
Other receivables	8,269,753	84,707,796
Government Securities	32,950,000	30,000,000
Investment in equities	36,686,346	12,270,937
Tax receivable	1,378,056	1,257,094
Clients bank balances	90,405,740	56,345,399
Office cash and bank balances	16,778,875	20,500,000
Total Current Assets	147,884,317	121,072,983
TOTAL ASSETS	298,982,357	276,320,242

C. OTHER DISCLOSURES

1. Capital Strength		
a. Paid up Capital	60,000,000	60,000,000
b. Minimum Capital Required (Kenya Co Act)	50,000,000	50,000,000
c. Shareholders Funds	95,518,758	102,791,267
d. Total shareholders funds	95,518,758	102,791,267
2. Liquidity		
a. Working capital (excluding all current assets and current liabilities in relation to clients)	42,048,238	45,442,834
b. Minimum working capital required (Kenya Co Act)	30,000,000	30,000,000
c. Ratio of loan/advance to shareholders funds	12.64%	12.64%
d. Ratio of loan/advance to shareholders funds	12.64%	12.64%
e. maximum allowable limit	10%	10%
f. Clients Funds		
a. Total Clients Payables (Net)	85,647,015	71,595,854
b. Total Clients cash and bank balances including amounts due from (to) other stock brokers	90,405,740	56,345,399
c. Surplus (Deficit)	4,758,725	(15,242,455)

N. Githiga - Director

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AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2019

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	LONG-TERM BUSINESS	SHORT-TERM BUSINESS	TOTAL	2019	2018
	KShs'000	KShs'000	KShs'000	KShs'000	KShs'000
INCOME					
Gross written premium	71,301	1,508,907	1,580,208	1,530,257	
Outward reinsurance premium	(36,563)	(29,569)	(66,132)	(66,132)	
Net written premium	34,738	1,479,338	1,514,076	1,464,125	
Gross earned premium	71,301	1,294,746	1,366,047	1,215,539	
Net earned premium	44,393	1,230,246	1,274,639	1,163,738	
Investment income	15,423	26,421	41,844	37,381	
Commissions receivable	6,767	22,048	28,815	41,710	
Other income	10,449	7,096	17,545	8,676	
Fair value gain on investment properties	4,328	11,073	15,401	26,943	
Total Income	81,371	1,305,134	1,386,505	1,380,847	
OUT GO					
Claims and policyholder benefits payable	(36,833)	(870,777)	(907,610)	(879,753)	
Less amounts recoverable from reinsurers	36,828	274,944	371,772	472,386	
Net claims and policyholder benefits payable	(1,505)	(595,833)	(597,338)	(407,367)	
Commissions payable	(5,706)	(127,864)	(133,570)	(135,988)	
Operating and other expenses	(86,454)	(475,531)	(562,000)	(575,673)	
Total Out go	(91,064)	(1,221,872)	(1,312,936)	(1,299,026)	
Profit/(Loss) before share of loss from associates	90	83,262	83,352	81,821	
Share of loss from associates	-	-	-	(71,383)	
Profit/(Loss) before tax	90	83,262	83,352	10,438	
Income tax (provision)/credit	(4,703)	23,488	18,785	(307)	
Profit/(Loss) for the year	(4,613)	106,750	102,137	10,131	
Other comprehensive income, net of tax					
Total profit/(Loss) and other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	(4,613)	106,750	102,137	10,131	

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN DEPOSIT ADMINISTRATION CONTRACT LIABILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	2019	2018
	KShs'000	KShs'000
At 01 January	114,076	75,757
Person held deposits received	171,361	39,003
Withdrawals and annuities paid	(107,236)	(5,383)
Administration fee	(17,845)	-
Interest payable to policyholders	8,860	9,339
At 31 December	168,916	118,616

Comparison figures have been adjusted to recognize the expected credit loss provision on financial assets following adoption and retrospective application of IFRS 9 as permitted by the transitional provisions.

The above are extracts from the Company's financial statements, which have been audited by PwC Kenya LLP Certified Public Accountants and received an unqualified opinion. The financial statements were approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on 27th March, 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

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Mikosz gets new job. Former Kenya Airways boss Sebastian Mikosz has landed a plum job at the international Air Transport Association (IATA) just months after leaving the ailing airline. Mr Mikosz will from June 1 take up his new role as the association's senior vice president for member and external relations. He left KQ in December, and had previously served on the IATA board. [Philip Mwakio]

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There's a warning those working informally could be hit particularly hard by coronavirus



In Brief

Tourism. Stakeholders seek way out of crisis

Players in the tourism sector have been urged to support government measures aimed at curbing the spread of the coronavirus pandemic. Tourism and Wildlife Chief Administrative Secretary Joseph Bolnett said it cannot be business as usual if the sector is to survive the current crisis. "The post-Covid-19 world will be different," he told a stakeholders' forum on assessing the impact of the virus on the industry. [Correspondent]

CSR. Coca-Cola gives Sh30m for corona fight



The Coca-Cola Foundation, the Coca-Cola Franchise in Kenya, and its bottling partner Coca-Cola Beverages Africa have contributed over Sh30 million towards the fight against Covid-19. Coca-Cola East and Central Africa Franchise General Manager Philippine Mtitiki (pictured) said the donation will be channelled through different initiatives being undertaken by the Shining Hope for Communities, the Kenya Red Cross and Amref Health Africa in curbing the spread of the virus in the country. [Correspondent]

Pandemic. Regional trade meeting called off

The second Intra-African Trade Fair (IATF2020) that was scheduled for September in Kigali, Rwanda, has been put off by a year due to concerns over the coronavirus pandemic. The IATF2020 Advisory Council endorsed the decision by the African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank), the African Union and the Rwandan government following a virtual meeting last Sunday. [Correspondent]

Cost of borrowing

Cheap loans beckon as CBK slashes key lending rate

Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) yesterday cut further the benchmark lending rate to seven per cent as it moved to inject more liquidity into an economy that has been ravaged by Covid-19 pandemic.

On March 24, the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC), CBK's highest decision-making organ, cut the Central Bank Rate (CBR) by one percentage point, signal-

ling banks to provide cheap credit to borrowers distressed by the novel coronavirus.

MPC also resolved to reduce the cash reserve ratio from 5.25 per cent to 4.25 per cent, freeing up Sh35.2 billion that banks could extend to borrowers as they grapple with the adverse effects of the pandemic.

Yesterday, CBK Governor Patrick Njoroge, who chairs the

committee, noted that while these measures had started yielding fruits, it still has room for expansionary monetary policy.

"The committee noted that the policy measures adopted in March were having the intended effect on the economy and are still being transmitted," said Dr Njoroge in a statement.

"However, in light of the con-

tinuing adverse economic outlook, the MPC decided to augment its accommodative monetary policy stance. The MPC, therefore, decided to lower the Central Bank Rate (CBR) to 7.00 per cent from 7.25 per cent."

Private sector credit grew by 8.9 per cent in the 12 months to March this year, with the manufacturing sector experiencing a bump of 17 per cent, building

and construction 9.5 per cent and trade 7.8 per cent.

Transport and communication and consumer durables also recorded better growth at 7.1 and 24.1 per cent respectively.

The committee had prior to yesterday's meeting broken away from its three-month sitting ritual, promising to sit earlier to monitor the progress of the economy. [Dominic Omondi]

Economic survey. Improved local production helped bridge supply gap

Maize imports drop amid rise in Kenya's overall import bill

Spending on crucial grain almost halved last year even as earnings from key exports fell significantly.

By Awal Mohammed

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Kenya's overall import bill continued to rise last year even as imports of key grains dropped significantly.

According to the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics' (KNBS) Economic Survey, the country's balance of trade dropped by 5.2 per cent, with total exports decreasing by 2.9 per cent, while imports shot by 2.4 per cent, underlying the country's status as a net importer of key commodities.

Kenya's annual import bill stands at about Sh1.76 trillion, with China accounting for about 21 per cent of imports.

Interestingly, maize farmers' push against the continued importation of the crucial grain appears to have paid off, with imports falling by more than half from 529,600 tonnes in 2018 to 228,800 tonnes last year.

The statistician attributed this development to the increase in domestic production of the commodity.



Kenya could be forced to import more of the grain this year due to a locust invasion and disruptions caused by Covid-19. [Edward Kipimo, Standard]

The country also saw a reduction in rice imports by 2.1 per cent, with the country

spending Sh25.1 billion on the grain last year. Conversely, however,

imports on most other commodities rose significantly.

For instance, sugar, molasses and honey imports increased by 53.6 per cent and 16 per cent respectively.

And even as coffee farmers continued to complain about not getting value for the product, the country last year exported 448,000 tonnes of the commodity, up from 447,000 previously.

Earnings from unroasted coffee exports, however, went down by 12.1 per cent to Sh20.3 billion last year.

The decline in earnings was as a result of the drop in prices in the international market by 19.7 per cent, with the product selling at Sh417.7 per kilo.

Tea exports, on the other hand, posted a decline for the second year in a row, with sales falling 5.6 per cent.

Prices at the international market fell by 13.7 per cent to sell at Sh 238.8 per kilo.

The manufacturing industry also took a hit, with some key exports such as cement also registering drops.

The country's cement exports, for example, fell by more than a half from 1.4 million tonnes in 2018 to 617,000 tonnes last year, while the quantities of iron and steel exports increased by 35.2 per

Market dynamics

■ Horticulture, tea, apparel and clothing accessories, coffee, iron and steel, remained the leading export earners for the country last year

■ Kenya relies heavily on Chinese imports. A survey by the manufacturers' lobby last month indicated that 87.23 per cent of companies were exposed to a shortage of raw materials due to reduced supply from the Asian country

cent to 149,300 tonnes.

Export earnings from titanium ores and concentrates and leather declined from Sh15.4 billion and Sh4.4 billion in 2018 respectively to Sh13.9 billion and Sh2.9 billion last year.

The livestock industry had a good year, though, registering a 69.1 per cent increase in the export of hides and skins, with a kilo selling at Sh91.5 last year compared to Sh 54.1 in 2018.

The country exports more food and beverages with the sector accounting for 44.2 per cent of total domestic export earnings.

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE COMPANY						
	2018 \$M	Group 2018 \$M		Share capital \$M	Share premiums \$M	Legal Reserve \$M	Translation Reserve \$M	Reserve Reserve \$M	Retained earnings \$M
Revenue	2,432,753,503	2,438,693,130							
Cost of sales	(1,863,048,718)	(1,772,123,646)	Year ended 31 December 2018						
Gross profit	\$321,885,785	\$61,389,484	At start of year	\$6,894,880	\$51,456,453	\$461,446	\$,145,696	\$,139,021	\$1,124,133
Other operating income	4,681,401	13,148,548	Revaluation for the year						
Other operating gains	1,615,551	1,516,514	WFO's adjustments						
Selling and distribution expenses	(265,048,683)	(314,156,873)	Translation reserve movement			(1,247,580)			
Administrative expenses	(91,581,239)	(29,543,236)	Total comprehensive income for the year						
Other Operating Expenses	(151,883,515)	(86,836,702)	At end of year	\$6,894,880	\$51,456,453	\$461,446	\$,145,696	\$,139,021	\$1,124,133
Operating profit	\$83,744,137	\$83,744,137	Year ended 31 December 2019						
Finance expenses	(75,215,935)	(85,171,402)	At start of year	\$6,894,880	\$51,456,453	\$461,446	\$,145,696	\$,139,021	\$1,124,133
Profit before tax	\$8,528,202	\$4,572,735	Revaluation for the year						
Gross tax	(36,411,794)		Adjustment						
Deferred tax	(15,178,149)	(8,762,142)	Translation reserve movement				(6,032,716)		
Profit for the year	\$4,936,259	\$3,789,593	Total comprehensive income for the year						
Other comprehensive income:			At end of year	\$6,894,880	\$51,456,453	\$461,446	\$,145,696	\$,139,021	\$1,124,133
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:									
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	(8,035,710)	(1,144,080)							
Gain on property valuation	124,676,444	301,755,754							
Income tax relating to items that will not be reclassified	(40,145,302)	(80,808,728)							
Total comprehensive income for the year	\$21,461,591	\$22,896,139							
Earnings per share Profit for the Year	8.34	8.79							
Earnings per share Total comprehensive income for the year	1.28	3.81							

CONDUCTED CASE STUDY

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION		2019	2018
		Sho	Sho
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	1,041,642,107	578,071,540	
Goodwill	17,807,809	7,181,809	
Intangible assets	98,149,299	87,516,678	
Investment at fair value			
Deferred tax		11,478,721	
	1,257,609,215	685,168,748	
Current assets			
Inventory	547,689,344	576,900,049	
Trade and other receivables	667,969,090	729,803,096	
Current tax receivable		203,404	
Cash and cash equivalents	86,761,088	58,471,051	
	1,302,419,522	1,355,373,601	
Total assets	2,560,028,737	2,040,542,349	
Equity and liabilities			
Equity			
Share capital	146,894,081	146,894,072	
Reserve premium	152,450,493	152,450,493	
Reserve for interest	347,129,708	141,929,031	
Legal reserves	3,665,481	3,665,481	
Translation reserves	(10,161,640)	18,142,690	
Retained earnings	419,386,029	372,738,173	
	1,069,368,352	815,820,870	
Liabilities			
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	39,434,782	55,334,716	
Deferred tax	49,905,214		
	89,340,000	55,334,716	
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	546,435,703	594,249,610	
Borrowings	114,246,802	227,881,820	
Bank overdraft	22,321,819	10,470,772	
Current tax payable	12,761,587	6,482,010	
	695,765,911	939,485,212	
Total Liabilities	1,238,403,567	1,028,212,334	
Total Equity and Liabilities	2,560,028,737	2,040,542,349	

Not and on behalf of the Board

George Theobald
Chairman



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Chief Executive Officer

Uganda. President Yoweri Museveni (right) has blasted MPs for allocating themselves a total of Ush10 billion (Sh281 million) to enable each of them to raise awareness about coronavirus. The president said it was "morally reprehensible" to allocate funding to themselves instead of district committees created for that purpose. Each MP is getting more than \$5,000 (Sh536,679). [BBC]



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A dog that saved her family's life by alerting them to a deadly tornado before it destroyed their Tennessee home has been found after nearly two months.



World

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In Brief

Guinea-Bissau. PM tests positive for Covid-19

Guinea-Bissau's Prime Minister Nuno Gomes Na Biam has tested positive for the novel coronavirus (Covid-19). Public Health Minister Antonio Deuna announced on Tuesday night on national television. The prime minister's infection is a community transmission case, said Mr Deuna. He also revealed that some members of the government had been tested and were waiting for their results. [Xinhua]

US. Pence ignores policy, fails to wear face mask



US Vice President Mike Pence, who leads the White House's coronavirus task force, visited the Mayo Clinic without a mask, though the medical facility requires all visitors to wear masks to avoid the spread of coronavirus, local media reported. Online video showed Mr Pence was surrounded by about 10 people, including a patient, who were all wearing masks. "As vice president of the United States, I'm tested for the coronavirus on a regular basis, and everyone who is around me is tested," Pence said. [Xinhua]

Tanzania. Eight officers arrested in graft war

Tanzania's anti-corruption watchdog has arrested eight law enforcement officers for demanding bribes from poachers, an official has said. Victor Swella, Morogoro region acting head of the Prevention and Combating of Corruption Bureau, said the officers freed poachers who were arrested in the Mikumi National Park after the poachers bribed them with TSh2,040,000 (Sh94,585). [Xinhua]

Pandemic. But 40 per cent of the country's roughly 16 million people live in poverty

Senegal launches huge aid scheme amid virus

Government-chartered lorries have been hauling supplies to the working-class Dakar suburb of Guinaw-Rails.

By AFP
Guinaw-Rails

A man in Senegal's coastal capital Dakar lifts a sack of rice onto a donkey cart, ready to take home much-needed essentials as coronavirus cases increase across the country.

He is an early beneficiary of one of West Africa's biggest aid programmes for softening the impact of coronavirus restrictions.

Senegal has shut its borders, banned travel between cities and imposed a strict dusk-to-dawn curfew in a bid to curb the contagion, also mandating mask-wearing in government and commercial sites.

But 40 per cent of the country's roughly 16 million people live in poverty, often working in precarious informal jobs, and the restrictions have hit them hard.

Government-chartered lorries have been hauling supplies to the working-class Dakar suburb of Guinaw-Rails,

where the first families received the aid on Tuesday.

Individual aid packages are lined up in the backyard of a cultural centre, each containing 100 kilos of rice and 10 kilos of soap, as well as sugar, cooking oil and pasta.

Some 60 people were at the pickup point on Tuesday out of about 3,200 people covered under the scheme in Guinaw-Rails, which lies beside a disused railway track some 20 kilometres from the centre.

An official from the community development ministry on the scene said that the aid was being carefully handed out to 30 households each time in order to maintain social distancing.

Struggling Senegalese

"Each household will be summoned at a specific time," he said.

The government has mobilised 888 lorries to transport provisions to all corners of the country, in a scheme worth 69 million CFA francs (Sh12 million).

Set to benefit are one million households, comprising a projected eight to 10 million people in total.

Alongside the government handout, private companies, religious groups and local



Beneficiaries of food parcels load their good onto a horse cart during the launch of the distribution of food at the Guinaw-Rails cultural center in Pikine, Senegal on Tuesday. [AFP]

authorities are also making donations to struggling Senegalese.

Ami Sakho, a 37-year-old fishmonger who has not worked since the beginning of the outbreak, was among the first people to receive her package on Tuesday.

"I can no longer leave (the house) because of this disease," she said, noting that she had eight children and a jobless polygamist husband.

Sakho added she was pleased the "aid is going to the

people in need", although many in the country have feared the resources would be siphoned off.

Diarra Ndiaye, a school teacher of about 40, had also come to collect her provisions.

"This aid will relieve us. My husband is a carpenter but now, he stops work earlier," she said, referring to the curfew.

"We have no salary. I have six children with my husband, who has two wives," she added.

Politics

Biden wins Ohio mail-in primary

Joe Biden won Ohio's presidential primary on Tuesday, clinching a contest that was less about the Democratic nomination and more about how states can conduct elections in the era of the coronavirus.

The primary was the first major test of statewide elections via mail amid an outbreak.

There were reports of confusion but no widespread disruption. It wasn't like Wisconsin earlier this month, when voters were forced to overlook social distancing guidelines to stand in line wearing masks to cast ballots.

"Within the context of the threat of the virus, it's a decision that we will have made the best of," Republican Ken Blackwell, a former Ohio elections chief who chairs the bipartisan International Foundation for Electoral Systems, said of mail-in balloting.

Overall turnout was surprisingly strong, said Secretary of State Frank LaRose.

While his office said about 1.5 million votes had been cast as of midday on Saturday, down sharply from the 3.2 million cast in Ohio's 2016 presidential primary, he said some larger counties received tens of thousands of additional ballots on Tuesday.

"It was better than OK. It was great," he said.

The primary, originally scheduled for March 17, was delayed just hours before polls were supposed to open. [AP]

Dispute

Tension over territory straddling Sudan, South Sudan

Sudan's efforts to stop the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic are delaying the deployment of new United Nations (UN) police units in Abyei and the border regions between Sudan and South Sudan, UN peacekeeping chief told the Security Council on Tuesday.

While updating the Council on the work of the UN Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA),

UN Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations Jean-Pierre Lacroix said the security situation remains volatile at the local level, citing the rising tensions between the pastoral Ngok Dinka and nomadic Misseriya communities, as well as growing criminality and the presence of armed elements, including some that have exchanged gunfire with UNISFA troops.

Abyei is a border town in the Abyei Area that is disputed by Sudan and South Sudan.

Lacroix said although the relations between Sudan and South Sudan have improved, progress will unlikely be made in determining the final status of the disputed territory that is administered in effect as part of both states, as the African Union Commission and the African

Union's High-Level Implementation Panel are stretched dealing with other priorities.

As a result, Lacroix said, the deployment of three formed police units (FPUs) is facing "serious delays" due to travel restrictions the Sudanese government put into place to combat the novel coronavirus.

"The process for the deployment of the first identified FPU

from Ethiopia was well advanced by early March with the completion of the pre-deployment visit to the Mission area," he told Council members during a video-teleconference. "However, all further steps had to be suspended in view of the Covid-19 pandemic outbreak," he said, adding that no cases of the virus have been recorded among UNISFA personnel. [Xinhua]

In Brief

Ivory Coast. Ex-rebel leader fined Sh815m

■ A presidential candidate in Ivory Coast's election has been convicted in absentia of embezzlement and money laundering. Guillaume Soro, who has been a rebel leader and prime minister, was accused of buying a house with public money. Soro denied the allegations and his lawyers boycotted the trial, denouncing it as a way to exclude him from October's election, reports Reuters. Soro was sentenced to 20 years in jail and fined \$76m (Sh814.6 million). His property in the commercial capital, Abidjan, was confiscated and he was also barred from civic duties for five years. The verdict was announced after a trial that lasted only a few hours, adds Reuters. [BBC]

Covid-19. TikTok, Gates give Africa Sh214 billion

■ The social media platform TikTok and the philanthropic Gates Foundation donated \$10 million (Sh107 billion) each yesterday to the vaccine alliance GAVI to help fund efforts to tackle the Covid-19 pandemic in Africa. GAVI said the funds would be used to distribute and deploy any new vaccines against Covid-19 once they are developed, trialled and licensed. GAVI said this month it planned to disburse \$29 million (Sh3.1 billion) to support health systems in 13 lower-income countries to fight Covid-19. GAVI is a public-private partnership backed by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, World Health Organisation, World Bank and Unicef. [Reuters]

South Korea. 25 people die in warehouse fire

■ A fire at a warehouse in South Korea killed 25 people yesterday. The blaze at the unfinished four-storey building in Icheon left seven injured, South Korea's Yonhap news agency reported. A fire department official said the fire spread "extremely quickly", rendering people inside "unable to evacuate". The blaze was reportedly started by an explosion during construction work involving combustible urethane used for insulation in a basement floor. Prime Minister Chung Sye-kyun ordered the mobilisation of "all necessary personnel and resources". [AFP]

Hard times. A silver lining arrived with lockdowns that shut down much economic activity

Jumia: Africa's e-commerce start-up that fell from grace

Company's losses rose 34 per cent to Sh26.3 billion in 2019, the eighth straight year without profits.

By BBC
Nairobi

A year after its much heralded debut on the New York Stock Exchange, e-commerce start-up Jumia has shut down in three African states, struggled to turn a profit and got damped by its original owners, writes former BBC Africa Business editor Larry Madowo.

The two CEOs of Jumia announced earlier this month that they were taking a 25 per cent pay cut to support the online retailer manage costs during the coronavirus pandemic.

In 2019, the duo and the company's chief financial officer collectively earned \$5.3 million (Sh568.4 million) in base salaries and one-time bonuses. But Jumia's losses rose 34 per cent to \$246 million (Sh26.3 billion), the eighth straight year without profits.

A silver lining arrived with lockdowns that shut down much economic activity but led to a surge in online shopping. Before the rush, the African online retailer had ended last year with 6.1 million active consumers on its websites, up from four million previously.

Africa pride

As the virus spread, Jumia expanded grocery and sanitary offerings, introduced contactless delivery options and promoted cashless payments. It also started selling essential items in South Africa using its fashion retail subsidiary Zando's infrastructure.

The two Frenchmen who run Jumia as co-CEOs, Jeremy Hodara and Sacha Poignonnec, reduced their salaries just days before the first anniversary of its initial public offering (IPO) on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

When it listed last April, Juliet Anammah walked up to the security check-in tent outside the world's most famous stock trading venue.

Another woman standing nearby snapped a photo of a large banner draped over the front of the iconic building emblazoned with the Jumia logo reading: "The 1st African tech start-up to be listed on the NYSE."

"I've worked on Wall Street for 25 years and I've never seen an African banner there," she



told Ms Anammah, then the firm's country CEO in Nigeria.

Spectacular decline

Jumia is a three-headed online giant: a marketplace with one billion annual visits largely dominated by third-party sellers, a logistics arm that handles shipments and deliveries, and a payments platform.

Ms Anammah led her colleagues in ringing the bell above the trading floor of the stock exchange at exactly 09:30 on April 12, 2019.

"There was no champagne later to celebrate. We're still a start-up," she remembered recently at her office in Lagos.

Jumia listed at \$14.50 (Sh1,555) a share, valuing the company at \$1.1 billion (Sh118 billion). Just four days later, its stock hit \$49.77 (Sh5,339), raising its value to \$3.8 billion (Sh407.6 billion).

It would not last. Within a few weeks, Jumia's stock suffered a spectacular decline, weighed down by allegations of fraud and concealed losses, a scathing report by a notorious short-seller, embarrassing fraud lawsuits in New York courts and a public relations disaster over its identity.

The share price sunk to an all-time low of \$2.35 (Sh230) last August and has not budged.

The company exited three of its 14 country markets - Rwan-

Online retailer Jumia:

Founded in 2012

Key markets:

Nigeria, Egypt and Kenya

Main shareholder:

South Africa-based mobile phone giant MTN

High points:

April 2019 listing in New York, share price reaching \$49.77

Low points:

fraud claims, share price sinking to \$2.15 in August 2019

Big promise:

Will be profitable by 2022, a decade after launch

Source: Various media outlets

da, Tanzania and Cameroon - in quick succession and tried to chart a path to profitability.

Tumultuous year

A week before its first birthday on the stock market, its original owner, German technology investor Rocket Internet, dumped its entire 11 per cent stake, further knocking the wind out of Jumia's sails.

"Jumia's first year on the NYSE is a proper reflection of the value of the company," says Rebecca Enonchong, a Cameroonian tech entrepreneur and a critic of the firm.

"The hubris of the IPO has led way to the reality of a bad business model. The stock price, hovering under \$3 (Sh321), is a reflection of that." Jumia's IPO was billed as a coming of age story for the continent's nascent start-ups, but it arrived on Wall Street just as the market's patience for unprofitable unicorns started wearing out.

The American e-commerce giant Amazon, to which it is often compared, took six years to become profitable, but eight years after its launch, Jumia is still struggling.

'Impossible to work'

That bad news capped a tumultuous year for the company, praised and derided as "the Amazon of Africa".

"Their business is still fundamentally broken, they have no way out," says Olumide Olu-

sanya, an early competitor of Jumia in Lagos.

The entrepreneur, who went into business after quitting his job as a doctor, thinks it is burning too much cash too fast in a low-margin market.

"It is practically impossible to work. I don't envy the guy running the business."

In 2019, Jumia's fulfilment expenses were \$1.6 million (Sh171.6 million) higher than gross profit. That means Jumia paid more to ship and deliver to buyers than it earned.

Dr Oluksanya suggests the main reason Jumia listed on the NYSE was to allow its investors to cash out.

"They collected money. After several years, you're thinking of how to return the money to them. If I had an outlet, I would also do the same," he says. Mr Hodara scoffs at that, saying that the company needed to raise money.

"This is called capital markets for a reason," he responded in an interview in New York recently.

"It was the right time and the right place to list to bring the business to the next level, bring more visibility and give access to a new set of shareholders and investors," he added.

Identity row

But Jumia's public claim to African-ness is tenuous because its headquarters are in Berlin, Germany, its Technol-

ogy and Product Team in Porto, Portugal, and its senior leadership in Dubai in the United Arab Emirates (UAE).

Critics see it as an exploitative Western company that conveniently co-opted an African identity to extract as much value as possible and profit off the continent.

Mr Poignonnec, the co-CEO, ignited a major storm when he claimed in a post-listing interview on pay television station CNBC that Jumia's engineering team is based in Portugal because Africa lacks the talent.

"The reality is that in Africa there are not enough developers. We know that. And we need to collectively address that," he said last April.

And Mr Hodara, answering the now obligatory questions regarding its distributed workforce, says: "We have our tech team in Portugal because this is where we have a good set-up with hundreds and hundreds of developers all in one place so very practical because we're on the same time zone."

"We are one among many companies to have a few people in Dubai because of ease of travel. There is no African city that is as connected to the rest of Africa as Dubai," adds Hodara.

Jumia's country leaders insist that it is an African company and the majority of its employees are in fact African.

"For me, it's about who this company set up was to serve?" says Ms Anammah, who is now chairwoman of Jumia Nigeria. "It's completely African, look here, these are all Africans here," she says, pointing to the large open workspace outside her office.

But the leadership at country and group levels was mostly made up of Westerners, some of whom were completely new to Africa.

"The truth is that the people at the top are definitely not African in any shape or form," admits Akua Nyame-Mensah, a former managing director of Jumia Classifieds in Ghana and Nigeria.

"But that's not a bad thing. There are a lot of companies on the continent that are doing amazing things and have an impact that are not led by Africans." She is now an executive coach and strategic adviser but still holds Jumia stock options.

For Hodara, a German base made sense because a European corporate structure could attract funding from investors more easily than an African one.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PHYSICAL LAND USE PLANNING ACT, (NO. 13 OF 2019) CHANGE OF USE

The owner of Plot No. Nakulua/Block 91/287 located in UN Close behind Village Market, intends to change its use from **RESIDENTIAL TO COMMERCIAL (HOTEL)** subject to approval by the **NAIROBI CITY COUNTY**, Individuals, Institutions, Organisations etc. with comments or objections to the proposal should forward them in writing within 14 (fourteen) days of publication of this notice to:
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The owner of plot LR No. 330/2194 located in Athi River, Machakos Municipality, Machakos County propose to change its use from residential single dwelling unit to residential multi dwelling units subject to approval by Machakos County Government. Any individuals, organisations, institutions etc. with objections to this proposal are requested to forward them in writing within 14 days of this notice to:
**The Director of Physical Planning
County Government of Machakos,
PO Box 11, Athi River**

PUBLIC NOTICE

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BIRIKA 7a, 1.5a, 1.4a 0725772819

DAGORETTI 0.160ac 0722519049

DAWAMU 50/100 1.2m 0725749900

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Under instructions received from our clients the Charges, we shall sell by public auction the under mentioned properties together with buildings and other improvements standing and erected thereon.

ON TUESDAY, 04th MAY 2020 AT 11:00 A.M. IN OUR OFFICES AT EPREN CENTRE - BURUBURU, 1st FLOOR, ROOM NO. 8 ABOVE HFC BANK ALONG MUMIAS SOUTH ROAD - NAIROBI COUNTY.

1. PRIME RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN UNIQUE ESTATE - MURERA AREA, BURUBURU, KIAMBURU COUNTY.

ON TUESDAY 04th MAY, 2020 AT 11:00 A.M. IN OUR OFFICES AT EPREN CENTRE - BURUBURU 1st FLOOR, ROOM NO. 8 ABOVE HFC BANK, ALONG MUMIAS SOUTH ROAD - NAIROBI COUNTY.

All these properties known as L.R. NO. BURUBURU EAST BLOCK 2/7771 & 7772 - MURERA AREA - KIAMBURU COUNTY, registered in the name of EMPIRE AFRICA INTERNATIONAL LIMITED.

These are freehold interests in Unique Estate within Murewa area of Buruburu town in Kiambu County approx 1.2km from Junction Shopping centre and 3.2km from Thika road turning off at Kimbo Trading Centre that each measure 0.29ha or 0.4842 of an acre. Developed on L.R.NO. BURUBURU EAST BLOCK 2/7772 is a semi permanent 2bedroom House, greenhouse, water tank stand and a 4 bedroom double storey building still under construction (70% complete) while L.R.NO. BURUBURU EAST BLOCK 2/7771 is a part under natural grass and part subsoiled. On completion, the 4 bedroom house will accommodate: 0F - Entrance, terrace, sunken sitting room, dining room, kitchen with door to rear yard, kitchen store, passage with door to garage, garage, ensuite Guest room, cloak room, lobby with staircase.

Upper Floor: Landing, Lobby with door to balcony, 2 No. Ensuite bedrooms, study room, Ensuite master bedroom with door to balcony.

2. PRIME RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT WITHIN OHGATA BONGALI TOWN

All that property known as L.R. NO. FLAT NO. C4 PART OF TITLE NO. NGONG/NGONG/08867 - KAJIADO COUNTY registered in the name of **ARON MAINA ODHINGA & ODHONG ELIZABETH EBELE**.

This is a leasehold interest situated off Ohgata Road, within Ohgata Bungal town, Kajiado County. It is located on the 2nd floor of MRCI apartments No. C4 about 35metres to the North West of Kajiado Academy and about 280metres to the South East of Simba Plaza and accommodates: Entrance, living room, kitchen, passage, OHS, WC, WHB, 2No. Bedrooms.

3. PRIME RESIDENTIAL HOUSE WITHIN KIJENGELO TOWN

All that property known as L.R. NO. NGONG/NGONG KAPUTITE NORTH/7922 NEW VALLEY AREA, KIJENGELO - KAJIADO COUNTY registered in the name of **JOSEPH WACHIRA MURITHI & MONICA WANJA WACHIRA**. This is a freehold interest within New Valley Area approx 1.3kms south west of Kijengele town via New Namanga road up to New Valley road that measures 0.059ha or 0.32295 of an Acre. On the property stands a Four (4) bedroomed manservants, a bedditter and a single room tenement block accommodating: 0F - Lounge, common washroom with WC, OHS & WHB, dining, kitchen, garage & 1No. Bedroom. **Upper Floor:** 2n-suite master bedroom, 2No. Bedrooms with in-built wardrobes.

4. PRIME RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY WITHIN NGONGI (KAMUKURU) AREA - KAJIADO COUNTY

All that property known as L.R. NO. NGONG/NGONG/42763, KAMUKURU - KAJIADO COUNTY registered in the name of **WILSON NYAMATEGE MUSA**. This is a freehold interest within Kamukuru area of Ngongu approx 550metres off Ngongu - Kasarani road. Access is via Kamukuru Road which is about 1.2km from Matasia Trading Centre as you head to Kasarani and measures approx. 0.0429ha or 0.304 of an acre. On the property stands a 3 bedroomed bungalow with 5Q accommodation: 0F - Entrance veranda, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, pantry, passage corridor, 2No. Bedrooms with in-built wardrobes, Master on-suite bedroom, 5Q: single room

CONDITIONS OF SALE

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DEATH AND FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT



RAEL NYARANGI MICHIEKA
SUNRISE: 1932 - SUNSET: 25TH APRIL 2020

We regret to announce the death of Rael Nyarangi Michieka who was born in 1932 at Basi-Bubasi, Kiisi County to the late Jason Bogamba Aber and late Pema Nyabate. Step daughter to Nyabate and Nwaga. Sister of the late Ntobo, RTD Chief Aber, Onga (USA), Sir Aber, Late Mrs. Aber, Nahashon, Late Samuel, Miriam, Late Bwari, Late Ntobo, Late Karubo, Late Rose, Grace, Elitoba, Late Nyabate and Nyanchama. Wife of the late Petroba Michieka Onga of Nyamagala Location, Nyeri/Barima, Kiisi County. Co-wife to the late Bekide Nyabate. Mother of the Hellen, Thomas (USA), Stanley (Formerly of USA), Askah, Late Abel, Anne (USA), Late Gladys, Samuel, Late Nyamwangi, Macheche, Joel, Andrew, Late Samuel, Late David, Late Ruth, Late Hezron, Prof. Ratanio Michieka, Anenja (USA) and Late Grace. Sister-in-law of Miriam, Hellen, Rose, Josephine, Mouti, Sisi, Onitla, Onger, Nyamare and Nyakereho. Mother-in-law of Onga, Esther, Brenda, Late Ombega, Late Jane, Onchiri (USA), Irene, Dorilla, Elise (USA), Rose (USA), Hon. Mary Michieka, Kemutis, Nyabony and Babella. Grandmother of Simon, Eric (USA), Vicky, Judy, Carol, Nyaboke, Bogemba, Mangina, Nyakuni (Denmark), Michieka, Petroba (USA), Kevin (USA), Onger, (USA), William, Maureen, Late Michieka, Suzanne, Belinda, Attorney Gladys (USA), Late Davine, Victor, Judith, Richard (QATAR), Kerubo (USA), Lucy (USA), Donyo (USA), Henson, Late Jane, Rogers, Nyarangi, Nyabate among others and 30 great grandchildren. The body lies at Home Hospital Mortuary. Burial will take place on 1st May 2020 at her home in Nyamagala Village, Nyeri/Barima. Messages of Condolences can be sent to Moresa No 070304621. Rest with the angels Grandma.

DEATH AND FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT



STEPHEN EZEKIEL MASAKHALIA

It is with our deepest sorrow and humble acceptance of God's will that we announce the sudden and untimely demise of Stephen Ezekiel Masakhalla which occurred on 26th April, 2020.

Son of Hon. Dr. Y. F. O. Masakhalla EGH, and the Late Florence Masakhalla. Brother of Sherry Nekesa of London, UK, Sarah Nabwire Franzese, of Milan, Italy and Dr. Sheila Nafusa Blumberg of New York, USA. Brother-in-law of Thomas Mchugh, Stefano Franzese and Michael Blumberg.

Grandson of the late Ezekiel and Ezeri Masakhalla and the late John and Sarah Ondele. Loving uncle of Anais Eshimudi Di Franzese, Hapier and Asher Blumberg, Pamela Mekalica. Nephew of Alice Awimbo, Dr. John Olunga, Phinehas Khasaba, Constance Mambala, Erick Bwibo, Margaret Osewo, Risa Agola, Beatrice Ongoye, Philip Murihi, Grace Masakhalla, James Khasaba, Fred Wangi, and the late Christine Mwangi among others. Cousin and friend to many.

Paybill: 891300 Account: EZEKIEL

The cortege leaves the Funeral Home on Friday, 1st May, 2020 at 9.00 a.m. Burial will take place at Bumagunda village, Butula sub county, Busia County on Saturday 2nd May, 2020.

[2 Tim. 4:7]: "I have fought the good fight, I have run the race, I have kept the faith"

DEATH AND FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT



JOSEPH MAINA NDIGIRIGI

It is with humble acceptance of God's will that we regret to announce the sudden demise of Joseph Maina Ndigirigi, which occurred on 27th April 2020 after a short illness at Reliance Hospital.

Husband of Priscilla Wanjiru of PCEA Mericho and father of Ann Muthoni, Jane Njeri & Grace Nyambura.

Son of the late Ann Githoni Theuri and son in law to Mr & Mrs. Francis Ndungu. Brother to Grace Nyambura, Lucy Wairimu, Benson Mwangi, James Wamai, Isaac Mungari and Mary Wanjiru. Brother in law to Geoffrey Mwangi, Samuel Mbugua, Elud Ngigi, Rachel Wanjiru, David Muriya and Peter Wanjiru.

Cousin to Charles Theuri, the late Joseph Githongo, Robert Mwangi, Esther Mumbi, Samuel Kabui Eshum Wamai, the late Zachary Muriuki, Isaac Mungari, Tracy Nyawira, Alex Githonga and Michael Njuguna and others.

Uncle to Anastacia Wanjiru Ongiri, Bonface Mwangi, Ann Wanjiru and many others.

Funeral arrangements are being held at his home in Mericho, Rongai during the day this week from Wednesday, 29th April 2020 to Thursday 30th April 2020.

The cortege will leave Umash Funeral Home along Mbagathi way for a funeral and burial service to be held on 1st May 2020 at his homestead in Mericho (Rongai), Kajiado County.

Forever in our hearts you will stay

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ALL THAT WE LOVE DEEPLY BECOMES A PART OF US.

-HELEN KELLER

Racing. The MotoGP races in Germany, the Netherlands and Finland in June and July have been cancelled, the international Motorcycling Federation (FIM) and promoter Dorna Sports announced yesterday. "The ongoing coronavirus outbreak has obliged the cancellation of all three events," they said in a joint statement. The German Grand Prix was scheduled June 19-21 at the Sachsenring and the Dutch MotoGP from June 26-28 at Assen, the only circuit to have hosted a motorcycle grand prix every year since the championship began in 1949. [AFP]



Sports

FOOTBALL: SHORT-CHANGED COACHES SUFFER IN SILENCE BUT NOT ADEL. PG. 46-47



Health. How virus has affected women's sport

Why women fans are a dejected lot

Major cycling, football and rugby events have been cancelled or postponed because of the coronavirus pandemic.

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"I do think about the young women that have worked all their life to get to this stage. All they ever wanted was an opportunity to prove themselves."

The coronavirus pandemic has affected sport across the world, and women's sport is arguably one of the most at risk.

Filippo, world football's players' union, recently warned that the women's game could be hit much harder by the virus than the men's - but Fifa will continue their \$1bn (\$107 billion) investment into the women's game.

Athletes and administrators from a range of different sports spoke to BBC World Service for a special women's sport programme about the impact of Covid-19.

Football

Danish captain Pernille Harder is in Germany, where she plays as a striker for VfL Wolfsburg. The Women's Europa Cup is on hold.

An England fan during her team's 2018 World Cup match against Croatia. [Reuters]

Championships have been moved back a year to 2022.

"In Germany, we are on week three of group training. It is mostly technical - touching the ball, seeing the girls, having a little bit of socialising."

"All men's teams are already training in small groups but, on the women's side, I think it is only three or four teams who have started to practice in small groups."

"If we start playing at the same time as the men, some teams at the bottom will not have been out on the pitch as long as us."

and that's not so good for them.

"It is mostly talking about men's leagues in the media, and we just assume that women are doing the same as men."

"It is important that the sponsors do not cut women's football first."

Rugby

Charmaine McMenamin is a loose forward for the Black Ferns.



New Zealand's Portia Woodman (left) scores past France's Chloe Pelle. Below: A dejected Brazilian fan reacts during the round of 16 2018 World Cup match against Mexico at the Samara Arena, Samara, Russia, on July 2. [File and AP]

Ferns, who are the reigning world champions. New Zealand has been one of the most successful countries in containing the virus.

"A lot of the news we get here is about the US and Europe and how it's been hit, and I'm very thankful we have an awesome leader who acted quickly to minimise the damage."

"In terms of internationally, playing a game is still up in the air. I would be lying if I said the World Cup (which takes place in New Zealand in 2021) wasn't overshadowed by this."

"I know world rugby will really push for it because it will be a reminder of hope and that we did get through a tough time as a rugby community."

Catherine Spencer, who is a retired rugby union player, said the decision to end the women's league

was hurried unlike with the men's.

"The decision was made quite early on to end the women's season, and at the moment, there are still talks about finishing the men's league," she said.

"That's the stark reality of the difference in men's sport and women's sport. Men's rugby is based around TV coverage and everything that's linked to that."

"I really miss working towards a goal with my team. I miss the competition."

World road champion Annemiek van Vleuten

and the women's Premiership doesn't have the same broadcast deals," Spencer, who captained England and won six Women's Six Nations titles, added.

"There's some teams like Waterloo and Richmond - the next announcement they heard was they had effectively been relegated from the Premiership."

"So for two teams in our Premiership, all the players and coaches involved, their season, and potentially their whole career in the Premiership, has come to an abrupt end."

Golf

According to Mike Whan, who is the LGPA commissioner, the Tour is on hold until the majority of international players can compete.

"The financial impact is stag-

gering but my mind is always on our rookies."

"When it started to escalate, I called all the rookies. I thought about these children who have spent their whole lives trying to make it to this level."

"They finally did, and probably got sponsors that are tied to how often they play and how well, and here they sit."

"I do think about the young women that had worked all their life to get to this stage. All they ever wanted was an opportunity to prove themselves - and it's my job to give them that stage."

Cycling

Annemiek van Vleuten is the world road champion. The Dutchwoman has taken a pay cut to help her team, Mitchelton-Scott, with their finances.

"I can train with one person maximum. I try to focus on what I can control. Stay fit, stay healthy, stay happy and help where I can."

"I was surprised because I also love to train but now I see

2022

■ When Women's European Championships will be held, from 2021

that I really need the goals. It made me realise a lot of stuff you take for granted is not granted at the moment."

"I think this year it will be so hard to race in the peloton all over the world because countries are in different situations, and it makes it complicated."

Athletics. Julius was looking forward to a good season in 2020 before coronavirus stuck

Africa javelin champ Yego hangs on to Olympic dreams

Former world champion knows he'll have a mountain to climb when competition is restored.

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Africa javelin champion Julius Yego has not given up the dream to reclaim the World Championship title or ascend to the top and clinch the Olympic gold in Tokyo Games.

Speaking in Nairobi, Yego rued his loss of form to injuries, which threatened to end his career prematurely.

Ever since he damaged his groin at the Rio Olympics, which limited him to only one throw that gifted him a silver medal, Yego has battled to return to top form.

However, it has not been easy. It has only been last year that he was able to compete without any pain in his groin or on the ankle. He was looking forward to a good season in 2020 before coronavirus struck.

Now for over a month, Yego has been unable to throw the javelin as he is holed up at home following

government's directive restricting movement.

But even that has not tamed his dream as he targets to clinch two more titles, at the rescheduled Tokyo 2021 Olympic Games and the 2022 World Championships in Eugene, Oregon in the United States, before retiring from the sport.

"Rio Games remains one of those

competitions I will never forget. I was so happy despite the fact that I was injured after the first throw and could only settle for silver," said Yego.

Yego knows he will have a mountain to climb when the competition is restored and COVID-19 defeated.

But it is a challenge he relishes to take and hopes to dare his rivals including Olympic champion Thomas Robler to a contest in Tokyo.

"Postponement of the Olympics will buy me more time to train and prepare. I want to return to action. I want to continue pushing my body, challenge my mind and hope that I can beat the mark which I threw in Beijing back in 2015," he said.

There are signs Yego is returning to his best. For long, it was hard for him to throw past the 77-meter mark.

But he has shown the intent hurling the javelin to 87.73 marks at the Africa Games.

With more focus, he can bridge the five-meter gap and return to the top of the world.

"I want that to be at the Olympics. If I can beat my own personal best, let it be at a big championship. I have no more than five years to compete as an elite athlete because my age is

"The coronavirus is global and all are affected. It is important to remain healthy and safe and return later to dominate the competitions."

Africa javelin champion Julius Yego



Julius Yego trains at Kasarani Stadium ahead of the 2019 World Athletics championships that were held in Doha, Qatar, in September. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

Athletics



Kenya's Paul Lonyangata celebrates as he wins the 42nd edition of Paris Marathon, on April 8, 2018. [AFP]

Lonyangata plots on how to win Paris marathon title, again

Shanghai marathon champion Paul Lonyangata is focused on his training and hopeful to be fit for the Paris marathon, which has been pushed back to October 18.

Lonyangata, who won the biggest marathon in France in 2017 and 2018, but failed in his attempt to make it three times in a row last year, believes the coronavirus pandemic will clear soon.

Last year he finished third clocking 2:07:29. He had high hopes of making amends on his fourth attempt in April but has had to wait as the race was postponed to October.

But even that has not left the 27-year-old frustrated as he believes the world will overcome the coronavirus and sports competition will resume again.

"The world today is different and we must adapt to what the health officials are telling us. I still do my training, though not as I would have wanted. I have enough time to adapt and hopefully will have the training going on well soon."

"Of course I look forward to returning to action and hopefully stage a good run. I want to be on the podium by reclaiming the title, which I last won in 2018. That is what I pray to achieve," Lonyangata said.

Kenya's government has extended a 21-day curfew from dusk to dawn and restricted movement across the country.

Sports competitions have been cancelled and athletes are not allowed to train in groups. However, Lonyangata is taking all that in his stride and though he is secluded with his family, he still manages to make the long runs on his own. Lonyangata set his best time of 2:06:10 when winning the 2017 Paris Marathon, the first of two victories in the French capital.

In 2017, Lonyangata and his wife Purity Rionoripo became the first couple to win the Paris marathon. [Xinhua]



Milcent Ndoro in action at Kasarani Stadium. [Jonah Onyango, Standard]

Athletics

Kenya lauds World Athletics for bailing out athletes

Kenya's athletes will benefit from a 500,000 US dollar global fund, which World Athletics launched on Tuesday to help athletes with their financial needs through the Covid-19 pandemic period.

Athletics Kenya (AK) president Jack Tuwei welcomed the move saying it will help bail out athletes who are most affected by the lack of competition with a complete

lockdown of sports competitions globally.

"Certainly this fund will cushion them (athletes) from effects of this virus. Every sector needs help and we thank World Athletics for coming up with such an initiative for athletes," said Tuwei.

World Athletics President Sebastian Coe said the fund would be used to assist athletes who have lost most of their income in

the last few months due to the suspension of international competition while the world combats the global health emergency.

Coe said it was important that the sport supports its athletes who are most in need during the current circumstances.

"I am in constant contact with athletes around the world and I know that many are experiencing financial hardship as a conse-

quence of the shutdown of most international sports competition in the last two months," said Coe.

"We are hopeful that we will be able to stage at least some competition later this year. We're mindful that our competition season is being severely impacted by the pandemic," Coe added.

[Xinhua]

Football. Some of the coaches have gone to the grave while owed millions of shillings



Harambee Stars acknowledge fans' cheers before their AFCON 2019 qualifier against Ghana Kasarani, September 8, 2018. [File]

Short-changed Kenyan coaches suffer in silence, Adel stands up to FKF

While veteran coaches Kheri and Nandwa regret working without contracts, Amrouche and Williamson have taken the FA head-on.

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Without doubt, the unfair dismissals and casual handling of former Harambee Stars coaches' contracts have come back

to haunt the Football Kenya Federation (FKF).

From hiring some coaches without pay or a binding contract to breaching others' contracts and firing them unceremoniously without their dues, those injustices meted on former national team coaches, for years, have landed Kenya in trouble.

Harambee Stars is now staring at expulsion from the 2022 World Cup qualifiers due to the federation's poor decisions. Fifa's Disciplinary Committee could drop the hammer on May 18 when former Harambee Stars coach Adel Amrouche's compensation case will be resubmitted for evaluation.

This follows FKF's failure to pay Sh109 million in compensation owed to the current Botswana coach for wrongful dismissal in 2014.

And whether the mistakes were by the past or the current regime, the chicken appears to have finally come home to roost as the federation has no option, but to pay a price for the self-inflicted prob-

"Unlike some of us who were silenced by our patriotism, coaches like Adel Amrouche were very strict when it comes to contract issues and that's how he managed to sue FKF over wrongful dismissal."

James Nandwa, former Kenya coach

lems by their successive offices.

While some coaches have successfully sought legal redress for their wrongful dismissal, most of them, local coaches, have suffered in silence as others even have died without getting their dues.

From Mohammed Kheri, Nigerian Christian Chukwu, Tom Oluaba, Jacob 'Ghost' Molee, James Nandwa to Adel Amrouche and Bobby Williamson among others they are all owed millions of shillings by the federation for their services as national team coaches.

German coach Reinhardt Fabisch (2008), Frenchman Henry Michel (2018) and Joe Kadenge (2019) all died with their pay disputes with the federation yet to be resolved.

Michel, who had a short stint with Harambee Stars in 2012, reported FKF to Fifa and was

Former Harambee Stars coach James Nandwa. [Boniface Othman]



Former Harambee Stars coaches Adel Amrouche (right) and Jacob Mulee. [File]



Former Harambee Stars coaches James Slang'a (deceased), Mohammed Kheri and former Kenya Under-20 coach Vince Ombiji. [Robin Toskin]

Stars' coaches since 1999

- James Slang'a 1999-2000
- Reinhard Fabisch (Germany) 2001-2002
- Joe Kadenge 2002
- Jacob Mulee 2003-2004
- Twahir Muhiddin 2004-2005
- Mohammed Kheri 2005
- Bernard Lama (France) 2006
- Tom Claba 2006
- Jacob Mulee 2007-2008
- Francis Kimanzi 2008-2009
- Antoine Hay (Germany) 2009
- Twahir Muhiddin 2009-2010
- Jacob Mulee 2010
- Zedeek Otieno 2010-2011
- Francis Kimanzi 2011-2012
- Henri Michel (France) 2012
- James Nandwa 2012-2013
- Adel Amrouche (Belgium) 2013-2014
- Bobby Williamson (Scotland) 2014-2016
- Stanley Okumbi 2016-2018
- Sebastian Migne (France) 2018-2019
- Francis Kimanzi 2019-

is paying the price of firing coaches unfairly. During our days, most of the foreign coaches used the same route to get their dues. All those wrong decisions have come back to haunt them again," Kheri told Standard Sports.

Recalling how his inability to raise Sh2 million for arbitration fees together with Joe Kadenge, Sammy Nyongesa (both deceased) and Elly Adero denied them a chance to file their compensation case at Fifa, Kheri who guided Kenya to the 1990 Africa Nations Cup, slammed the

federation for disrespecting local coaches.

"The local coaches have been taken for a ride since time immemorial and most of us have worked for the national team without valid contracts.

It was just by a word of mouth. We were very patriotic but we've never gotten our dividends.

In fact the local coaches used to do better than those foreigners because we understood better the culture of our players," he said.

"The federation still owes me Sh5 million same to Thigo (Allan) and Adero (Elly). Nyongesa (Sammy)

and Kadenge (Joe) have both died while still owed by the federation. There is a time the four of us wanted to petition the federation to Fifa but we couldn't raise the arbitration fees of Sh2 million each as required.

"Therefore, if the government assists FKF to pay Adel Amrouche his dues then we should be paid too."

Just like Kheri, James Nandwa, who was temporarily in charge of the national team when they lost 2-1 to Uganda in the 2012 Ceca Senior Challenge Cup final in Kampala, regrets working without a valid contract.

"The federation mostly turned to local coaches during difficult times. Personally, I took over the coaching role on a temporary basis after Michel (Henry) had refused to travel with team to Kampala for the Ceca Senior Challenge Cup. Though I went there to save the situation, I still regret not to have insisted to sign a contract. We've really suffered in the name of patriotism," said Nandwa.

Sh164 mil

■ Combined compensation the courts have awarded to former Harambee Stars coaches Adel Amrouche and Bobby Williamson.

"Unlike some of us who were silenced by our patriotism, coaches like Adel Amrouche were very strict when it comes to contract issues and that's how he managed to sue the federation over wrongful dismissal."

The former Tusker and AFC Leopards coach, who also served as assistant to Francis Kimanzi (2008) and Amrouche's (2013) added: "I never received a full salary during my tenure as a coach. I always banked on the allowances more so when the team was in camp. But since I didn't have a contract, there is nothing I could do.

"The current regime might be having its own problems, but the positive thing is that all the coaches they have hired are contracted."

FKF crisis

Tribunal asked to protect FKF assets

An application seeking to protect Football Kenya Federation's (FKF) assets worth millions of shillings is now in the hands of the Sports Disputes Tribunal (SDT).

If granted, the matter which also seeks to bar FKF boss Nick Mwendwa and his team from accessing bank accounts and Kandanda House in Nairobi, will see Sports Cabinet Secretary Amina Mohammed appoint a caretaker committee.

The Inspector of Police is to also deploy officers at the House that sits on government land to provide security against any possible intrusion or vandalism of the premises or manipulation of records.

It is this application filed yesterday by one of the parties directed to do so by the SDT chaired by John Ohaga that is aimed at bringing to an end privileges enjoyed by Mwendwa and the National Executive Committee whose term the Tribunal ruled expired on February 10.

In compliance with the tribunal's directive, Milton Nyakundi, who is a party in the matter, stated in the documents filed at the tribunal's registry that the caretaker committee should be allowed to run the affairs of FKF and conduct free and fair elections in accordance with the law.

Ohaga gave wrangling parties in the case a greenlight to file applications in view of his ruling on March 17.

Yesterday, the interested party also asked the tribunal to stop the FKF CEO Barry Otieno from issuing any policy statements on behalf of the federation until after the caretaker committee is appointed or fair elections are held.

Last week, Ohaga ordered parties in the matter to send their representatives to the tribunal to give their views on the next course of action, after world football governing body Fifa declined to form a Normalization Committee to steer the nation's football matters before a new office is duly elected.

"The tribunal accordingly invites representations from the parties as to the next course of action in view of the urgent need for the FKF to hold elections once the Covid-19 pandemic is behind us," reads part of the directions issued by SDT.

The orders were issued after the tribunal declared elections FKF intended for March 27 as unlawful for non-compliance with the Constitution. [Everlyne Kwamboka]



Journalist Milton Nyakundi. [Stafford Ondo]

awarded over Sh4 million in salary arrears for unlawful dismissal. He died in April 2018 while still being owed the money.

But it is Adel Amrouche and Bobby Williamson's cases that have put federation in the spotlight.

The federation was last year ordered by the courts to pay the duo combined compensation fees of Sh164 million for being sacked without just cause.

Fifa's Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) instructed FKF to pay the Belgian Sh109 million for wrongful sacking.

A few weeks before, the Employment and Labour Relations Court awarded his successor Bobby Williamson Sh55 million for the same reason.

And even as the Fifa Disciplinary Committee prepares to give its verdict next month after the Amrouche's case is resubmitted for evaluation, former Kenya coach Mohammed Kheri, says the federation is paying for its own sins.

"I'm not surprised with the Amrouche and Williamson's cases. For your information, this is not the first time the federation



Former Harambee stars coach Bobby Williamson. [File]



KPL and FKF secretaries grapple with league decisions as coronavirus and SDT ruling take center-stage.

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The coronavirus pandemic and expired term of office of Football Kenya Federation's (FKF) national executive committee has thrust into the limelight CEOs of the FA and the Kenyan Premier League (KPL).

The Confederation of African Football (Caf) has written to all its members inquiring on the strategies they intend to apply to finalise their competitions "be it through completion or annulment" in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Kenya, however, is hamstrung after the Sports Disputes Tribunal (SDT) ruled on March 17 that the four-year term of office of FKF NEC expired on February 10 having been elected on February 10, 2016.

KPL manages the country's top-tier competition independently while FKF runs the domestic cup - the Betway Cup.

To coordinate the respective policies, activities of the top tier league and responding to urgent matters, FKF and KPL have a Joint Executive Committee.

The committee is composed of the FA President plus two members of the FKF NEC and the KPL Chairman plus two members of the KPL ExCo and, as ex-officio members, the FKF and KPL CEOs.

In the absence of the substantive FKF NEC, both CEOs (Barry Otieno - FKF) and Jack Oguda (KPL) were yesterday grappling with the urgent Caf communication given Kenya's abnormal situation.

Caf's acting General Secretary Abdelmounaim Bah wrote: "We would like to enquire about the current situation of your national league/National Cup (ranking, number of pending matches etc) as well as the strategies you intend to apply to finalise those competitions be it through completion or annulment."

It added: "We would appreciate receiving a reply by the 5th of May 2020 in order to design a plan for the organisation of our inter club competitions during next season."

Virus, leaderless FKF thrusts CEOs in national limelight



Barry Otieno (right) CEO FKF.
[Joan Onyango, Standard]

FKF CEO Otieno walked straight to the line of fire when he told Goal.com: "We will have to end the league now because the Covid-19 pandemic is still with us and Caf are asking for our response in eight days."

"In a nutshell, the league will not resume and we will use the rules in FKF books to declare the winner and teams to be relegated. We will pass the same to KPL so that they can implement the same."

However, KPL CEO Oguda said his FKF counterpart had jumped the gun.

"We live in a global village and we are in touch with other leagues in Africa. What we have heard from our contemporaries is different from what

we are reading in the local media. So, KPL will write to the FKF CEO first thing in the morning to furnish us with the Caf communication."

He added: "Reading the comments attributed to Caf General Secretary, our understanding is

that they need a brief on where we are so far and the strategies we intend to complete or annul the season. Not who is the champion. I don't think it is an ultimatum."

"In any case, it is the KPL Governing Council that will make the decisions for FKF to transmit to Caf."

The KPL was supposed to end on May 23, but was suspended last month with less than ten rounds of matches to go as a precautionary measure against the spread of the deadly coronavirus.

The pronouncements by the FKF CEO suggesting league leaders Gor Mahia could be declared champions has elicited sharp reactions from AFC Leopards, Tusker and Kakamega Homeboyz.

AFC Leopards chairman Dan Shikanda said the decision is a sensitive matter and should not be used for political reasons.

"We understand the unique situation FKF finds itself in, without substantive leadership. The good thing is KPL is governed by the shareholders who can make legally binding decisions not political statements," Shikanda said.

"KPL should convene a governing council meeting to deliberate and make recommendations on the best way to handle the unprecedented challenge."

Sam Nyamweya, former FKF president

Kakamega Homeboyz chairman Cleophas Shimanyula said the Sports Disputes Tribunal declared the term of office of FKF NEC has ended.

"This is a professional league and employees should desist from making policy statements. We will not take it kindly," Shimanyula said.

Former FKF president Sam Nyamweya said KPL is the body mandated to run the top tier league in Kenya.

"The KPL is responsible for determining the winner of the League and cut off for relegation. In the absence of FKF NEC by dint of the SDT ruling of 17th March 2020, FKF lacks the capacity to determine the fate of the KPL," Nyamweya said.

On the domestic Cup (Betway), Otieno appeared to contradict the stance on the KPL when told Goal.com: "The tournament had reached the quarter-final stage and it will be unfair to cancel it."

"We will make sure it is played to the end so we find the rightful winner. All the teams in the competitions have worked hard to reach where they are and it will be unfair to cancel the same."

KPL CEO Jack Oguda. [Dennis Okeyo]

