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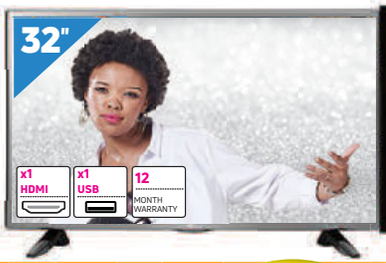
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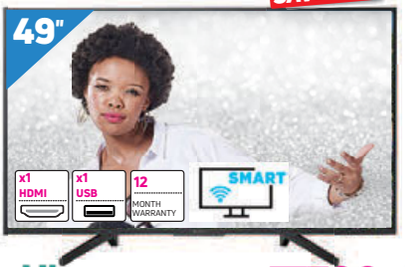
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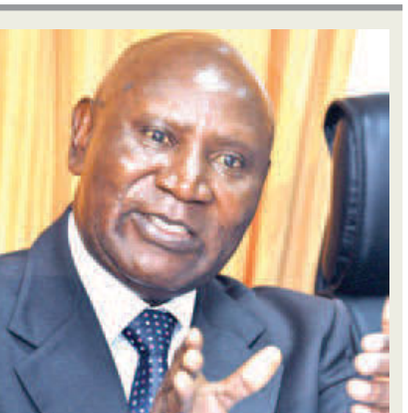


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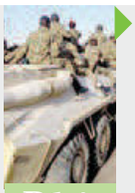
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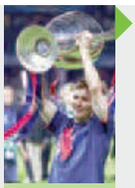
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Shock as man 'kills' his mother

by Kirera Mwiti
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Residents of Gatamaiyu village in Naivasha, Nakuru county, are reeling in shock after a mentally-challenged man allegedly hacked his 82-year-old mother to death.

The attacker injured three other women who had responded to the granny's distress call. A neighbour said the suspect had in recent days turned hostile towards his mother and members of the public.

"The mother was in the kitchen when the son attacked her with an axe. The screams attracted members of the public but she was already dead," he said.

The suspect fled on learning that residents were baying for his blood.

And in Jikaze area of Mai Mahiu, residents woke of to a rude shock of a body of a middle-aged man dumped on the Naivasha-Mai Mahiu road. He is suspected to have been killed elsewhere and dumped at the area.

GSU officer shot dead, gun stolen

by Kinyuru Munuhe
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Police have launched a manhunt for attackers who killed a police officer manning Wilson Airport in Nairobi and stole his gun.

The General Service Unit officer, identified as Stephen Mukangi, was shot at a close range while his colleague was shot in the leg and robbed of his gun, too.

The surviving officer told police two of their attackers had approached them as they manned a watchtower at the airport on Saturday night, requesting that the officers accompany them to their car, which had developed a problem nearby.

It at the car that two other attackers joined them and attempted to grab the officers' guns, prompting a scuffle. Langata OCPD Gregory Mutiso said they are investigating the incident.

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Sibling rivalry threat to police units merger

Claims of sabotage as some 24,000 AP officers yet to be assigned duties two weeks after integration kicked off

by Kinyuru Munuhe
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I direct that they be deployed to enable them learn the duties performed at the station — Mbugua

Sibling rivalry between administration and regular police units has threatened to derail the ongoing merger, with the former alleging discrimination.

It has emerged that weeks after the merger was announced, at least 24,000 AP officers have not been assigned duties in what is suspected to be institutionalised sabotage.

Deputy Inspector General of Police Edward Mbugua had ordered that the AP officerss be deployed to handle all duties, including daily security operations, court orderly and traffic, but that is yet to happen.

He said the officers have been sitting idle in the camps since the merger despite both units being unitary under the National Police Service.

"It has come to my attention that former AP officers are under deployed or are not being deployed in some sections at the police station. I direct that they be deployed to enable them learn the duties performed at the station," Mbugua said through a circular, dated July 24, directed to station commanders.

Forthwith, the respective regional commanders were ordered to conduct impromptu inspection to ensure the directive is enforced.

Under the merger, a majority of officers will work as General Duty Officers under the Deputy IG in charge of Kenya Police Service.

The Rural Border Police Unit has been transformed into the Border Police Unit with 6,000 officers under the Deputy IG, Administration.

Regional, county and sub-county police commander posts previously assigned to respective unit commanders were merged to create a single command structure in the regions, counties, and sub-counties.

It is on that premise that police service opted to change officers uniform colour in line with a United Nations recommendation to increase their visibility and accountability while on duty.

Command structure

But disparities in the nature of training, open rivalry and disaffection between APs and regular police have been cited as the bottleneck with challenges in command structure.

While the two police services have been merged, at the apex, there are two Deputy Inspectors General. With the merger, it is not clear how the command structure will function, given the two deputies have specially designated functions for their units.

Under the new structure, the AP boss has "no personnel" in what creates friction.

Primarily, APS officers are not trained to investigate cases, a training vacuum that will be gradually minimised through unified curriculum.

Traditionally, any arrests made by AP officers have to be in police stations and AP camps can only be used as temporary holding centers.

Police presence

Prior to the establishment of the National Police Service Commission (NPSC) which is mandated to recruit, promote and discipline officers, KPS were examined by the Public Service Commission unlike their counterparts who were not subjected to PSC examiners.

The merger will effectively increase physical police presence in general duty deployments by almost double under singular command of station commanders.

The structure also clearly outlines the distinct reporting functions for Mbugua as Public Security and Safety while Deputy IG, Administration Noor Gabow is in charge of Protective and Border Security and Director of Criminal Investigations George Kinoti oversees criminal investigations.

Earlier this month, Interior Cabinet secretary Fred Matiang'i presided over the transfer ceremony of 24,000 Administration Police officers and Anti-Stock Theft Unit from the Administration Police Service to Kenya Police Service the Administration Police Training College Embakasi.



WHAT CHANGES?

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The Rural Border Police Unit has been transformed into the border police unit with 6,000 officers.

Deputy Inspector General of Police Edward Mbugua has ordered that former AP officers be deployed for general duties.
PHOTO: FILE

Sonko urges colleagues to accept Sh316b share



by Mercy Salisi and Clement Kamau
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Nairobi Governor Mike Sonko has broken ranks with the Council of Governors (CoG) and urged his colleagues to accept the Sh316 billion allocated to the counties.

Sonko said residents continue to bear the brunt of the impasse over the Division of Revenue Bill.

While the National Assembly has passed its version of the bill capping county allocation at Sh316 billion, the Senate and CoG are pushing for Sh335 billion as equitable share for counties.

Sonko said the push and pull has derailed development projects in counties. Speaking in Meru yesterday, the governor said although Sh316 billion is not enough, governors should respect the President's directive that they make good use of what is available.

"The President has spoken. Let's take what we have been given," he said.

Sonko said his administration will reduce spending on recurrent items such as trips and meetings.

Elsewhere, National Assembly Speaker Justin Muturi dismissed the governors' calls for more funds as unrealistic.

Speaking at Komothai Catholic Church in Kiambu, he challenged county bosses to account for the cash they have already received.

They are not your typical restaurants!

In most eateries, you eat and pay based on their pricing. But in some, the pricing strategy is just unconventional!



Buffet place charges more if you leave food on the plate

A restaurant in Germany has a somewhat controversial way of fighting food waste – charging patrons a fee if they cannot finish all the food on their plates. Yuoki, a sushi restaurant in Stuttgart, Germany, is not your everyday all-you-can-eat buffet. There is a equivalent of Sh115 fine for food still left on the plate. "It's called 'all-you-can-eat,' not 'all-you-can-chuck-away,' the restaurant owner explains.

Restaurant under fire for discounts based on bra size

Sheggang, a restaurant in Japan came up with a controversial idea to attract more customers: offer discounts based on bra sizes. The restaurant filled the city of Hangzhou with scandalous posters that detailed discounts based on the bra cup size, with an A-cup receiving a five per cent discount, while a G-cup would receive a 65 per cent discount. Each letter up the scale received a discount in 10 per cent increments. The posters tossed the restaurant into hot soup and forcing the owners to stop the campaign and issue an apology.



Pay using pictures

A new pop-up restaurant in the UK called The Picture House' is the world's first pay-by-photo restaurant, where you order, click a photo of the food, share on Instagram and eat for free! The restaurant belongs to frozen food giant Birds Eye, who came up with the idea to cash in on people's obsession with photographing food and sharing the pics online. So they realised, what better way to advertize their new dining range than with hashtags? "We wanted to tap into this social media trend and create a new reason for people to talk about and sample our inspirations range," said marketing director Margaret Jobling.





Diner makes Sh1.5m loss after "pay what you want" promo

A Chinese restaurant owner thought that appealing to people's inherent goodness would be a good way to attract customers to his new restaurant, but he lost over Sh1.5 million in just seven days. Liu Xiaojun promoted his new restaurant by applying a "pay what you want" policy. Choosing to ignore the worst, the owner simply assumed that the vast majority of customers would be rational and fair. He was wrong. The news that they could order as many dishes as they liked and pay whatever they wanted for them attracted lots of customers, but many of them paid only 10 per cent of the cost of their meal, while a few even dared to leave just a dime on the table. In just seven days, the restaurant had incurred losses of over Sh1.5 million and the promotion fell apart forcing the eatery to close down.



Pay by face eatery where cute folks eat for free

Who needs money when you have a pretty face, right? In Zhengzhou city, China, people are allowed to dine at no charge if they happen to be among the five most beautiful patrons of the day. Hanging outside the establishment is a bold sign that says: "Pay by Face: Free Meal for Good looking". The judges who decide who eats for free are a panel of local plastic surgeons. All those hoping to earn a free meal are taken to a 'beauty identification area', where they are photographed. The doctors then evaluate the potential diners on the quality of their faces, eyes, noses, and mouths before making a decision of who gets the free meal. Reports state that protruding foreheads are given special preference. The scoring standards are publicly displayed on the restaurant's second floor.

How abrasive Waititu crafted own downfall

Kiambu governor turned himself in at Integrity Centre after DPP ordered his arrest over corruption allegations

There are so many things that many do not know about me and the next time they should ask me to take them round so that they can see my wealth — Waititu

by Eric Wainaina
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When Kiambu Governor Ferdinand Waititu successfully shifted his political base from Nairobi to Kiambu in 2015, after losing the city gubernatorial contest in 2013, he was envied by many.

In fact, the former Embakasi lawmaker popularly known as Baba Yao, used the Kabete parliamentary seat which fell vacant following the death of MP George Muchai, as a launch pad for the Kiambu governor's seat.

Waititu aptly captured his political adventure thus: "I just roam just like that, but I always have the favour of God."

He went on to hand his predecessor William Kabogo an embarrassing defeat both during the Jubilee Party primaries and in the main election.

A day before the 2017 General Election, a confident Waititu had told Kabogo: "The truth of the matter is that tomorrow (election date), I will beat you thoroughly, and please if I do, don't go to a hospital." His victory was part of the rise and rise of the streetwise politician, who started as a city councillor, a deputy mayor in the defunct City Council of Nairobi and then a Member of Parliament in 2007 when he was appointed assistant minister.

So popular was Waititu that during the campaigns he coined a slogan, "*Rita riri tiracina nyoka na matumbo mayo* (This season, we are cremating the snake and its eggs), which he regularly used in his campaign rallies. The "snake" was Kabogo and the eggs were his (Kabogo's) supporters.

By cremation, Waititu, who often quipped that his political force was equivalent to a three-phase power line, meant kicking out all Kabogo's allies for siding with an inept and oppressive regime. And it happened.

But the abrasive politician, who is viewed by many as a man who has little regard for etiquette and the rule of law, appears to be on a major downfall, from his waning popularity in Kiambu where he was voted overwhelmingly to yesterday's arrest over alleged economic crimes.

The governor who often dons buggy trousers, untucked oversize shirts and a hat, is grappling with allegations of incompetence and presiding over a corrupt administration that has been milking the county treasury dry and using the loot to spruce up his lifestyle.

Waititu was arrested after presenting himself at Integrity Centre, the headquarters of the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission, after the Director of Public Prosecutions Noordin Haji ordered his arrest, his wife Susan Wangari and eight others.

The governor surrendered to the EACC after being sought for hours by the police.

His lawyer Kipchumba Karori, said the governor had been "out of town since Friday evening" when news broke that he was wanted for prosecution.

Proceeds of corruption

"He arrived last (Saturday) evening and he has presented himself now to the authorities. There was confusion," the lawyer said.

Waititu and his team are accused of fraudulent accusation of public funds, money laundering, flouting procurement laws, conflict of interest and abuse of office in relation to Sh588 million road tenders awarded to a company belonging to his associate last year.

The Kiambu county boss is expected to face three charges including conflict of interest, dealing with a suspect property and willful failure to comply with procurement law and engaging in fraudulent procurement process and money laundering.

The DPP recommended the charges after the EACC submitted the Kiambu file to him on July 9.

The tenders were awarded to Testimony Enterprise that is owned by Charles Chege and his wife Beth Wangeci, who are expected to be charged alongside Waititu and Lukas Wahinya, the chief officer for roads.

Forensic investigations and bank records show Testimony advanced Sh25 million to Saika Two Estate Developers Ltd owned by the governor and his daughter Monica Njeri to buy Bieneveu Delta Hotel Limited, which is owned by Waititu and his wife.

The hotel received another Sh18 million believed to be proceeds of corruption from Testimony.

The beleaguered governor, also known as Wakahare (squirrel), a name that was given to him by Kabogo during the campaigns allegedly because of some of his perceived unpleasant manners, is expected in court this morning and once he takes plea, he will have to leave office.

He may find himself becoming the first casualty of the ruling made on July 24 by Justice Mumbi Ngugi ordering governors charged with economic crimes to vacate office for the duration of their trial. This means Waititu will have to stay at home until he is cleared.



HIGHLIGHTS

Kiambu County Governor Ferdinand Waititu arrested yesterday, is expected to face three charges including conflict of interest, dealing with a suspect property and willful failure to comply with procurement law and engaging in fraudulent procurement process and money laundering.

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Governor Ferdinand Waititu's wife, Susan, in a Nairobi court on August 15, 2018. PHOTO: FILE

"Would it serve the public interest for him (a governor charged with graft) to go b-ack to office and preside over the finances of the county that he has been charged with embezzling from? What message does it send to the citizen if their leaders are charged with serious corruption offences, and are in office the following day, overseeing the affairs of the institution?" read Ngugi's judgement in part.

To deepen his woes, Waititu and his wife risk losing a multi-million-shilling property in Nairobi being targeted by investigators for seizure as it is believed to have been purchased from proceeds of corruption. This comes even as crime busters continue digging for more graft claims which could see the disgraced governor face more charges.

Unearth mess

Besides the suspected Sh588 million graft, EACC is also investigating a controversial rehabilitation programme dubbed Kaa Sober, said to have gobbled up close to Sh1 billion without approval.

In May, a day before EACC detectives picked him up from his Kencom home, Kiambu County Assembly rushed and passed a supplementary budget in which it approved an expenditure of Sh722 million under the programme.

This was widely seen as a scheme to regularise the controversial expenditure in which millions of shillings are suspected to have been stolen through the programme which has been trashed by county leaders led by Senator Kimani Wamatangi and experts in alcohol rehabilitation.

EACC has been collecting information from villages to unearth the mess and Kiambu Assembly Majority Leader Gideon Gachara confirmed the sleuths had visited some wards in a fact-finding mission which could lead to another possible arrest.

Though the governor says he doesn't like showing off, in recent times, he has been boasting of his riches and political experience as he tries to defend his wealth and trashing the ongoing probe.

"There are so many things that many do not know about me and the next time they should ask me to take them round so that they can see my wealth. I will show them and (when they see what I own) will commit suicide," Waititu told mourners in Mburiria, in May.

Bad leadership

Beside the graft probe, Waititu's political ship has also been going down and tables turned on him after unhappy ward reps replaced his allies in key leadership posts in the county assembly.

In what was previously unthinkable, Majority Leader Antony Ikonya, chief whip James Mburu and their deputies, who were his allies, were sacked over claims of conspiring with the governor and Speaker Stephen Ndicho to kill the independence of the assembly.

Ikonya was replaced with Gachara, one of the governor's critics, in what only serves to deepen his political woes.

Waititu's popularity is also plummeting, with the electorate angered by his alleged bad leadership, which they claim is taking President Uhuru Kenyatta's home county to the dogs.

Already, the governor has begun experiencing heckling and pockets of protests.

Waititu's run-ins with the EACC over corruption claimed its first victim, the Kiambu Principal Magistrate Bryan Khaemba, in June, when he resigned after being interdicted. Khaemba had issued Waititu with anticipatory bail of Sh500,000 under questionable circumstances.

For now, it seems for Waititu that when it rains, it pours.

Haji orders Korane's fraud probe

by Alvin Kariuki
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The Director Public Prosecutions (DPP) Noordin Haji has directed the Inspector General of Police Hillary Mutyambai to conduct comprehensive investigations on Garissa Governor Ali Korane's administration.

The DPP instructed the Director of Criminal Investigations George Kinoti, through Mutyambai, to undertake the probe into mismanagement and misappropriation of funds.

The DPP has also directed the IG to conduct comprehensive investigations on misappropriation and mismanagement of the National Government Constituency Development Funds (NG-CDF) at all six constituency in Garissa namely Lagdera, Garissa Township, Fafi, Daadab, Balambala and Ijara.

Sang under fire to leave Nandi seat

by Winstone Chiseremi
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The Nandi council elders of want Governor Stephen Sang to step down over abuse of office, incitement and malicious damage to property related charges he is facing in court.

They said they were opposed to Sang's move to return to office until the case is heard and determined.

Chairman Samuel Ngetich, they have vowed to mobilise residents to eject Sang from office.

Addressing the media in Eldoret town on Saturday, Ngetich said Sang's action of storming a tea estate and destroying bushes worth Sh2 million had discouraged investors.

Kimosop to appear in court today

by Kinyuru Munuhe
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Embattled former managing director of the Kerio Valley Development Authority (KVDA) David Kimosop will today be charged in connection to embezzlement of Sh19 billion earmarked construction of Kimwarer and Arror multipurpose dams in Elgeyo Marakwet county.

He was arrested at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport after a three-day cross-border trail to Democratic Republic of Congo and Tanzania where detectives believe he was hiding to avoid arrest.

Investigators say the two dams were to cost Sh46 billion but the cost was inflated to Sh63 billion.

Confusion mars Uhuru airport reception

Ruto aide dismisses claims President snubbed the DP as work of 'idle bloggers'

by Seth Onyango
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A weekend incident at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport has again brought into sharp focus the perceived political rift between President Uhuru Kenyatta and his deputy William Ruto.

In the latest incident, the Head of State and his principal assistant failed to meet each other when the latter turned up to welcome his boss back home from a two-day official visit to Zambia.

The President flew back to Nairobi on Saturday at about 6pm and used the ordinary passenger arrivals terminal to exit the airport, leaving the DP who was waiting to receive him at the Presidential Pavilion stranded.

Exit route

According to sources familiar with the turn of events, it was not immediately clear what had prompted the Head of State to change his exit route and use the passenger terminal.

"The DP arrived a bit late at the airport hence the confusion. There was nothing sinister," said a senior State official who asked not to be identified because of the sensitivity of the issue. Apparently oblivious of what was going on at the airside, Ruto waited at the pavilion only to be informed that his boss had already landed and was within the airport's precincts.

The incident seems to have caught the DP off-guard and he ultimately left the airport without meeting his boss.

A visibly agitated Ruto, is said to have left JKIA ahead of the President who was still within the facility.

Yesterday, Ruto's spokesman David Mugonyi denied claims that Uhuru had snubbed his deputy, dismissing them as "the work of idle bloggers".

However, State House spokesperson Kanze Dena confirmed that indeed the President had used a different exit instead of the Presidential Pavilion but declined to divulge more details.

"The President used the passenger exit because he wanted to tour the new airport terminal," she said, adding that she was not aware if the DP's team had been informed about the change of plans.

Mugonyi termed as "fake news" claims that his boss had been snubbed, adding that the DP was not in Nairobi on Saturday. Ruto had earlier in the day presided over a funds drive in aid of African Inland Churches in Nyandarua and left at about 3pm by chopper for Nairobi.

> *President used the passenger exit because he wanted to tour the new airport terminal -Dena*

Mugonyi said a note circulating on social media that Ruto did not meet the Head of State was the source of the misinformation. "How can you see inside JKIA from traffic jam. I won't respond to fake news," he told *People Daily* by phone, declining to confirm whether or not the two leaders actually met.

Mugonyi said they had noted a trend by media houses targeting the DP. "This nonsense was started by some bloggers on social media and I can see you people have taken it up," he added.

Another senior official in the DP's office, said the incident may not have been premeditated but was merely a coincidence. Officials said the President wanted to inspect various termini at the airport and see progress of various development projects funded by the government. The President's plane had touched down at the airport some minutes to 6pm when he suddenly decided to change his exit route.

By then, a host of senior security officials were present at the airside waiting to receive him. "They seemed to have been informed the President's plane will land and dock at the main passenger terminal," said a source.

Ordinarily, whenever the President returns to the country from a foreign trip, the DP leads government officials in receiving him back.

On Saturday, Uhuru walked through one of the terminals and came through the passenger exit as security chiefs who had received him followed.

By then, the presidential motorcade had left the airside to the arrivals area. Witnesses said more security personnel had to be deployed in the area to clear his way out. In about 30 minutes, the President had left for State House, without fanfare.

Eradicate poverty

Uhuru had left the country on Friday night for the inaugural National Economic Summit in Livingstone, Zambia. While in Zambia, the President said economic diplomacy offered the best opportunity to eradicate poverty and joblessness in Africa.

He called on those in positions of power to provide quality leadership to embrace economic diplomacy that delivers opportunities for growth and transformation. "Economic Diplomacy in Africa offers an opportunity to focus on the entire ecosystem for driving the prosperity agenda for our countries," he said.

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Speaking at Avani Victoria Falls Resort in the tourist town of Livingstone, when he addressed the inaugural NES summit on the invitation of Zambian President Edgar Lungu, Uhuru said economic diplomacy enables countries to maximise on the use of the available scarce resources.

He invited Zambia Airways to start flying to Nairobi, emphasising that competition is good for growth and called on African countries to stop blocking access to their markets.



DP William Ruto (right), PCEA church moderator of the General Assembly Rev Julius Mwanga and Kiambu Senator Kimani Wamatangi after a dedication service of the Kenyatta Road church, yesterday. PHOTO: MATHEW NDUNG'U

Let anti-graft agencies do their work, DP tells leaders

by Mathew Ndung'u and Oliver Musembi
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Deputy President William Ruto has asked politicians to let agencies mandated with the fight against corruption to do their work.

He said it would not be of any help to use political gatherings and funerals to lecture the government on how to deal with the vice.

The DP said politicians had no role in the investigation and prosecution of graft cases.

Tarnish reputation

"Do not politicise the fight against corruption. The responsibility of fighting the vice has been given to independent institutions by the Constitution," said Ruto.

He asked Jubilee leaders to be cautious of individuals keen on tarnishing the reputation of the party and impeding President Uhuru Kenyatta's legacy.

Ruto said the goal of the political merchants was to make Kenyans believe that the Jubilee administration had failed in its promises to the people.

"There are those who traverse the country claiming they want to help us. However, they want to taint Jubilee's development track record," he said.

At the same time, Ruto reiterated that he will not stop supporting churches through donations despite criticism from some politicians.

Speaking at PCEA Kenyatta Road Church in Juja, Kiambu during a dedication ceremony of the church, the DP said many churches in the country are in dire need of development and he will not tire to work with church leadership to help improve faithful well-being.

> *The responsibility of fighting the vice has been given to independent institutions by the Constitution -Ruto*

Church donation

He donated Sh1 million for the completion of the church.

Among those who have been calling for a cap on church donations is some ODM leaders led by their chair John Mbadi who has promised to introduce a bill to limit such donations.

But Ruto said it is the church which has ensured a peaceful coexistence in the country and thus required to be supported.

"We must first seek the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and anything else will be added unto us. I want to thank you because you pray for me, my President and the government," he said.



State bought own land, Ouko says of Ruaraka land saga

Auditor General finds fault in Education ministry's unprocedural payment of Sh1.5 billion for parcel

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by Mercy Mwai
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The controversial Ruaraka land saga that has continued to haunt the Jubilee administration has resurfaced after a new report questioned the move by the government to pay Sh1.5 billion for a land it owns.

Auditor General Edward Ouko now says he cannot confirm whether the payment by the Ministry of Education (MoE) was procedural and a proper charge to the public funds.

The release of the report could see Interior Cabinet Secretary Fred Matiang'i and Education Principal Secretary Belio Kipsang in trouble since the transactions kicked off on their watch.

Public utility

In the report tabled by Leader of Majority in the National Assembly Aden Duale, Ouko hit out at officials in MOE who authorised the transaction yet documents indicated that the 13.5-acre piece of land where Ruaraka High School and Drive Inn Primary School sit had been surrendered for public utility.

"Had due diligence been observed by all parties in the whole transaction, compensation for the land that ought to have been surrendered for public utilities should have not occurred," he says.

He claimed that the ministry of Education went ahead and allowed the payment yet there was neither evidence of budgetary allocation, nor approval for it.

"In the circumstance, it has not been possible to confirm that the expenditure totalling to Sh1.5 billion for the year ended 30 June was procedural and a proper charge to public funds," the report said.

Ouko also raised concerns over the beneficiaries, Afrison Export Import Ltd and Huelands Lt, firms associated with businessman Francis Mburu, who declined a subdivision of the land but went ahead and developed it contrary to the provisions of Physical Planning Act of 1996 which was revised in 2012.

The act provides that application for development be accompanied by plans and particulars indicating the purposes of the development and in particular show the proposed use and density, the land which the applicants intends to surrender for purpose of principle and secondary means of access to any subdivisions within the area included in the application in the adjoining land.

Cancel subdivision

Afrison Export Import Ltd and Huelands had initially applied for the subdivision of the land in 1984 to the then director of City Planning, who gave the proprietor a conditional subdivision approval.

The owners were to set aside land for public utilities, a move that the developers are said to have rejected through an un-referenced letter dated April 5 1984. In the letter, they stated they were not interested in the conditional approval and thus the entire application of subdivision should be cancelled.

The land was acquired by the National Lands Commission (NLC) on behalf of MoE in April 2017 after it asked the ministry to set aside Sh3.2 billion as compensation.

NLC in September 2013 wrote to then Education Cabinet secretary informing him that Africon Experts Import Limited had filed a complaint with the commission that the two schools had been occupying the firm's land for 30 years without compensation.

The new details come hardly a month after High Court ruled that the NLC misled the Ministry of Education to release Sh1.5 billion to acquire the parcel of land in Ruaraka where two schools are built.

Justices Bernard Eboso, Elijah Obaga and Kossy Bor of the Environment and Land Court ruled that the land where the two schools were built is public land and should have not been paid for.

According to the three judges, the commission did not do due diligence in ascertaining Mburu's claim of historical injustices and thus ended up making the wrong recommendations to the government, leading to irregular approval of Sh3.2 billion payment to the businessman.

Already Director of Public Prosecutions Noordin Haji has hinted that there could be arrest of high-profile government officials in connection with land purchase.

The Senate Public Accounts and Investments Committee (CPAIC), Nairobi county government, the Ministry of Lands and the Auditor General in another report have all said that the acquisition of the land was unprocedural as it belonged to the government.



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Auditor General Edward Ouko, in a report tabled in Parliament has said purchase of controversial Ruaraka land for Sh3.2 billion by Ministry of Education flouted rules. PHOTO: FILE

MPs pick audit firm to probe Ouko term

by Mercy Mwai
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Parliament is planning to spend Sh41.2 million to audit the office of Auditor General Edward Ouko whose term comes to an end next month, having served an eight-year non-renewable term.

Public Accounts Committee (PAC) has procured the services of PKF Kenya as the external auditor who will audit Ouko for four financial years before he exits office.

The Opiyo Wandayi-led committee said PKF Kenya beat six other firms for the bid with a score of 87.36.

The other firms include Ronalds and Associates which had quoted Sh31.6 million, Nelson & Francis Associates, Mazars, Ernest and Martin Associates, Ambale and Company Limited and Kiarie Kangethe and Associates

In a report tabled in the National Assembly last week, Wandayi asked the House, which is expected to debate the report next week, to approve the firm to allow the overdue process to take off.

Rejected bid

He said the decision to settle on PKF comes after attempts by the Parliamentary Service Commission (PSC) chaired by national assembly speaker Justin Muturi to identify a professionally qualified accountant to procure an external auditor was rejected by the House.

"The committee recommends that the National Assembly approves the award of hire of external audit services for the office of the Auditor General for the financial years 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18 to M/S PKF Kenya pursuant to the provisions of article 226 (4) of the Constitution," the report read.

PSC had recommended M/S Baker Tilly Meralli's that had earlier audited Ouko for the previous four years but MPs rejected him on grounds of conflict of interest despite being the lowest bidder out of four firms that had expressed interest.

The process to get an external auditor for Ouko's office has been ongoing since June 2016 through the Parliamentary Service Commission.

Devolution ministry on spot over Sh3.4b relief funds

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The Ministry of Devolution is on the spot over a Sh3.4 billion expenditure it cannot account for.

Auditor General Edward Ouko raised concerns over how the State department for Special Programmes under the Ministry spent the money meant for emergency food relief and refugees' assistance.

Of the Sh3.4 billion, Sh3.3 billion was allocated to emergency relief and refugees, Sh92.1 million to projects, Sh19.5 million to purchase of relief foodstuff and Sh1.7 million sent to county commissioners.

"The accuracy, completeness, validity and accountability of other grants and transfers balance of Sh3,401,423,681 billion could not be confirmed as at June 30 2018," the report read in part.

No documentation

Ouko said they were not provided with documentation for distribution of emergency food to the intended beneficiaries, whose authenticity he said could not be verified because basis of selection was not provided for audit.

He also raised concerns over discrepancies and anomalies in relief food receipts and distribution by the National drought Management Authority.

He said discrepancies were noted in the dispatch and receiving records of the sub-counties visited, adding that the ministry does not follow up to ensure relief food sent to counties gets to the intended beneficiaries.

In the report tabled in the National Assembly by Leader of Majority Aden Duale, Ouko also raised concerns that the department is not involved in ensuring smooth logistics for transportation and distribution of relief support.

"In all the sub-counties visited, there was no comprehensive distribution records to show how the food stuff received was distributed," the report further read.

House team proposes more stringent rules for gambling

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A parliamentary committee has rooted for new stringent measures that would enable the government collect unclaimed revenues from gambling activities.

In a move aimed at limiting the number of gaming outlets, the proposed legislation suggests Sh100 million as the minimum capital required by anyone seeking to start a casino business while the minimum for an online gaming business is Sh200 million.

For the conduct of lotteries, the bill proposes a gaming authority board be established under the Act to determine the percentage of the gross revenue to go towards promotion. It, however, pegs that amount at between 25 and 45 per cent of the gross profit.

The National Assembly committee on Sports, Culture and Tourism also wants more tax imposed on gambling and betting firms to ensure the country reaps maximum benefits from the business.

The committee chair, who is also the Machakos Town MP Victor Munyaka said the government is losing a lot of money in taxes from betting business.

The team visisted Kisumu on Friday and Kakakmega on Saturday for the bill public participation exercise.

Our aim is to develop responsible gaming industry in Kenya - Munyaka

Four arrested for lynching chicken thief

Police in Khayega, Kakamega county have arrested four suspects for allegedly lynching a man accused of stealing two chicken. One of the suspects was caught on camera slashing the suspect using a machete at a shopping centre in the area. They are set to face murder charges in connection with the incident, Director of Criminal Investigations George Kinoti said. He said mob injustice is against the law. Police tracked and arrested the four after a video of the incident went viral. According to preliminary investigations, the suspect had allegedly stolen two chicken from a homestead in the area on July 12 when an alarm was raised. This alerted a mob which chased and attack him. - ALVIN MWANGI

Kiambu church denies human trafficking claims

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The Word of Faith Church in Kiambu town has refuted claims it is holding more than 300 women captive with a motive of trafficking them abroad.

Pastor Joseph Karathi, who is in charge of administration, said yesterday the rumours were being spread by malicious people out to cause fear and disharmony among worshippers.

He clarified that the church has rented out it's conference hall to Pace International Institute, which trains Kenyans seeking jobs in Arab countries.

We have rented out our conference hall to Pace International, Institute which trains Kenyans - Karathi

He added that the church verified all the details of the institute and established that it had a business permit from Kiambu County government and a registration certificate from National Industrial Training Authority.

Leave me alone, CS Munya to Ruto allies

by Dorcas Mbatia
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Trade Cabinet secretary Peter Munya on Saturday asked Deputy President William Ruto political allies to leave him alone and give him space to execute his mandate.

Speaking in Kianjai in Tigania West, Munya *(pictured)* wondered why the DP supporter's are spreading falsehoods that he was among four Cabinet secretaries that were planning to assassinate the DP last month at a city hotel.

"I wonder what I have done to them to keep following me while spreading all sorts of falsehoods against me. I know they want to kill my political dream but I am telling them to leave me alone so that I can concentrate on my work," said Munya.

Stop politics

He said that being a Njuri Ncheke member, he has taken an oath never to kill any human being and swore that he has never been trained to take anyone's life. Munya disputed claims that he was among persons who plotted to assassinate Ruto.

The former Meru governor said he is not interested in politics at the moment, adding that he would venture into campaigns when the right time comes.

Munya asked the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) to fasttrack investigations on the matter and the Judiciary to hasten the wheels of justice.



For caning to return, law must be changed, says CS

Education minister insists corporal punishment remains the best way to instil discipline in students

I don't want to be unconstitutional lest people would think I have become mad and contradicting policy -Magoha

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The debate on whether to return the cane as a form of disciplining in schools has once again been reignited.

But to have the cane back in the hands of teachers, the law that put a caveat on corporal punishment has to be changed first according to Education Cabinet Secretary, George Magoha.

Speaking to journalists on Saturday at the Starehe Boys Centre, the CS said he believes that if well-applied, corporal punishment would instill discipline in children.

"I strongly believe well-applied corporal punishment will instill discipline in our children, but, there is a law which bars that one, so until the law is changed it remains banned," he said after officiating celebrations to mark 60 years since the school was founded, by the late Geoffrey William Griffin back in 1959.

Hopeless people

However, while sharing his personal experience with journalists on how corporal punishment possibly shaped him to be what he is today, the CS said in the African culture, it is always important to smack a child to instill discipline.

"I keep asking myself did we change the law to follow the external culture or not. Because in our culture it is ok to smack a child, but to do so responsibly. For me, I had six of the best six times, and if I did not have them, perhaps I could have died as one of those hopeless people out there," he said, even as he cautioned that his statement should not be taken to mean it is a policy.

"I am talking from my personal experience. But as a minister, I can't make such a pronouncement without due process. I don't want to be unconstitutional lest people would think I have become mad and contradicting policy," the CS said.

It's unacceptable

The government banned corporal punishment in schools in 2001 and enacted the Children's Act Government of Kenya, 2001— which entitles children to protection from all forms of abuse and violence. Kenya is also a signatory to the Convention on the Rights of the Child United Nations, 1990 which states that discipline involving violence is unacceptable.

Use if must!

Kenya National Parents Association chair Nicholas Maiyo said although parents are divided on the matter, the association is advocating for the return of the cane, but to be used only when it is necessary.

"In our views to Parliament, we supported the idea of returning the cane to schools, but not to be used to administer punishment. We want it back as a demonstration that it is available and can be used when it is a must.

Kenya Secondary Schools Heads Association chair Indimuli Kahi said corporal punishment is an alternative but not the best.



AT A GLANCE

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Education Cabinet secretary George Magoha (right) presents an award to Judy Kibaki during Starehe Boys Centre 60th anniversary celebrations in Nairobi, on Saturday. PHOTO: BENARD ORWONGO

Education players to meet over policies

by Irene Githinji
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The government will conduct the first ever Joint Sector Review (JSR) of implementation of education policies, plans and programmes in February next year.

Education Principal Secretary Belio Kipsang *(pictured)* said the review revolves around access, equity, quality and relevance of education, learners are getting from investments and interventions the government makes in education. It would also examine retention and transition rates of learners in primary and secondary education.

The decision to conduct the review was made during Education Development Partners Coordination Group (EDPCG) meeting held at Ministry of Education headquarters on Friday.



EDPCG chair and Senior Programmes Specialist at UNESCO regional office in Kenya Dr Saidou Jallow underscored the importance of the JSR in tracking progress in implementing programmes in education to meet the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG4-Education 2030, and 2063 Agenda for the Africa We Want.)

Kipsang lauded development partners for the continued support to ensure that Kenyan children secured quality and equitable and relevant education.

He said collaboration between the government and organisations supporting education guarded against duplication of efforts. The Global Partnerships of Education (GPE) is supporting Kenya by Sh9 billion to improve Early Grade Mathematics.

Bill roots for welfare of the elderly

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Kiambu Woman Representative Gathoni Wamuchomba has sponsored a bill seeking to compel the government to improve the welfare of the elderly.

The Geriatric Bill aims to have care centres set up in every county for persons aged 65 and above. It also emphasises dignified healthcare for the elderly by creating special geriatric wards in public hospitals.



Should the bill sail through the National Assembly, elderly persons would be covered by the National Hospital Insurance Fund at a subsidised cost.

Addressing journalists in Juja on Saturday, Wamuchomba *(pictured)* said the bill, set to be tabled in the House soon, provides for the creation of a National Council for Older Members of the Society to address their welfare.

Uganda nabs 30 Kenyan fishermen

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At least 30 Kenyan fishermen are being detained by Ugandan authorities for allegedly fishing in Ugandan waters in Lake Victoria.

The fishermen hail from Suba North and Suba South in Homa Bay county. In the Saturday arrests, the officers accompanied by officials from the Ugandan Revenue Authority pounced on fishermen at Sare and Kiwa beaches, with more that 10 boats seized.

Homa Bay County Commissioner Harman Shambi said the Uganda authorities had not told them the reasons for the arrest.

The Kenyans are being held at Hama Island. Homa Bay beach management units network chairman Edward Oremo decried increased harassment of fishermen.

It's a first as deaf faithful take charge at All Saints'

Church organises a joint service, led by worshippers with hearing impairment, to create sign language awareness

We want people to view the deaf and dumb just like any other abled person which can only happen is we incorporate them in our activities — Namulanda

by Eric Wainaina
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From a distance, conspicuous sounds of unrhythmic drum beats emanating from the All Saints' Cathedral in Nairobi rent the air.

Inside the church, a women choir is performing in gestures at the pulpit, as the rest of the faithful follow quietly. What is striking is the lack of synchrony between the choir and drum beat.

Why so? It was not an ordinary church service at the All Saints' yesterday, as the faithful with hearing impairment took charge in a special integrated supervision. Congregants without hearing impairment followed the service with the help of a sign language interpreter Jack Owiti.

Rev Paul Njatha, who is also deaf, presided over the service aimed at creating awareness on the hearing disability and also encourage people learn the sign language.

Njatha is also the director of Deaf Opportunity Outreach.

Create awareness

Although the All Saints' Cathedral normally has an exclusive church for the deaf within the compound with 150 members, yesterday, the members with hearing disabilities were honoured to lead the main joint service.

Bradley Namulanda, chairman of the special ability ministry at the cathedral, said the joint service was not only meant to create awareness but also ensure inclusivity, adding that the church intends to organise such sessions more often.

"We want people to view the deaf just like any other person which can only happen if we incorporate them in our activities," he said.





TOP: **A choir comprising deaf faithful lead a praise and worship session during a special Sunday service at the All Saints' Cathedral in Nairobi, yesterday. The sermon was delivered by Rev Paul Njatha (left), also deaf.** PHOTOS: TIMOTHY NJENGA

Diana Wambui, whose organisation—Sign Language is Cool—was part of the service facilitators, said the primary aim of the special service was to give abled people the need and reason to learn sign language.

"If we have such initiatives often in our society, people will see the need to learn the sign language just like any other for effective communication which has been a challenge," she said.

Wambui suggested sign language be taught in primary schools.

"Most people struggle with empowerment of the deaf and dumb people but it is not sustainable. Even if you give them capital to start business, they hardly succeed because of the language barrier," she said.

Paul Muthoka, a faithful with hearing impairment, vouched for the proposal of sign language teaching in schools, saying it would lead to an integrated society.

"There are very many things deaf and dumb people can do, including working in offices but we cannot because you will have to get a translator. Even joining high schools and institutions of higher learning is a problem but if all learn the language, we can interact with everyone and fit anywhere," he said.

MPs vow to fight forest evictions

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A section of Rift Valley MPs has reiterated opposition to eviction of illegal settlers from the Mau Forest.

Led by Kipkelion West MP Hillary Koskei, the legislators warned Environment Cabinet secretary Keriako Tobiko to tread carefully in his push for the restoration of the water tower.

Their remarks came days after Tobiko asked the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) to charge ranchers who have grabbed at least 35,000 acres in Maasai Mau Forest.

The minister accused the settlers of resorting to ethnic politics whenever the government plans evictions as the water tower continues to be depleted.



But speaking to journalists in Eldoret town at the weekend, Koskei *(pictured)* and Belgut MP Nelson Koech accused Tobiko of making reckless statements.

They challenged him to address the rampant illegal logging in the forest, which they said is perpetrated by well-connected individuals.

"The people who are destroying Mau Forest are well known and we wonder why the government is not going after them. Tobiko is instead scheming to evict genuine settlers," said Koskei.

He accused Tobiko of lacking objectivity in the manner he was carrying out conservation of the forest, saying the exercise was targeting one community.

Koech said leaders were not against restoration of Mau, but the manner in which the exercise is conducted.

"Let the government move out settlers who have invaded the forest in a humane way," he said

State to spend Sh300m on new e-passport centres in counties

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The government will spend at least Sh300 million towards devolving immigration services, Interior Cabinet Secretary Fred Matiang'i has said.

He said passport issuance centres have been set up in Nyeri, Eldoret, Nakuru, Embu and Kisii counties to enhance service delivery.

"Another centre is set to be opened in Narok in coming months," said the CS.



Speaking in Kisii town on Saturday during the official opening of the passport centre, Matiang'i reiterated the government's commitment to issuance of digital passports. The new centres are collectively projected to serve at least 1,500 new applicants daily to help ease the pressure and congestion at the Immigration Department headquarters in Nairobi.

Meanwhile, the CS directed the regional commander and Kisii county commissioner to deal with alleged corruption and brokers at the county births and deaths registration centre.

He appealed to residents to report any bribery incident to the authorities for action.

Reprieve as county lifts L. Naivasha fishing ban

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Nakuru county government has suspended a fishing ban in Lake Naivasha and instead launched a restocking exercise.

Two months ago, the county fisheries department announced a three-month annual fishing ban starting from June to August to replenish the dwindling fish stock.

Speaking when he toured Naivasha on Saturday, Governor Lee Kinyanjui said the lake is critical to the county's economy and banning fishing would affect many families.

"Fishing will not be banned as earlier planned. We shall instead use the period to restock the lake with more fingerlings," he said.

Kinyanjui said an ultra-modern fish processing plant at the central landing beach is complete, adding that it would go a long way in value addition. "Plans are at an advanced stage to also construct a fish market along the Nakuru-Nairobi highway targeting motorists. It will provide a clean environment for traders."


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"The President has instructed us to open more immigration offices in a bid to reduce congestion," **Interior CS Fred Matiang'i on devolving passport issuance services**


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Editorial

Address plight of African migrants

It's numbing that hundreds of migrants dying as they cross the Mediterranean Sea to Europe barely touches global attention nor evoke revulsion.

The latest such morbid statistics were last Thursday when 150 migrants aboard an overcrowded rickety wooden fishing boat that was holding 300 against a capacity for 150, drowned off the Libyan coast. Libya has become the departure point for thousands of people making suicidal attempts to flee to Europe from several countries, mostly from Africa.

There has been escalation in these maritime tragedies. Early this month, 50 migrants were bombed when one of the factions fighting for control of the increasingly lawless northern African country bombed a holding camp.

Regrettably, concerns by the United Nations High Commission for Refugees for a more humane approach in handling the plight of migrants have largely fallen on deaf ears. But there is also fatigue and sense of immunity regarding the plight of migrants.

Trigger factors for flight notwithstanding, several realities continue to conspire, compounding the plight of people fleeing their own countries to find succour elsewhere, notably Europe.

Africa must soul search; fractious wars, autocratic regimes and generally unbearable conditions compounded by stinging poverty leading to hopelessness. But there are those who hold false illusions and assume that life in Europe is rosy. This group mostly acting out of ignorance and self-deception pay incredible amounts of money to human traffickers for the journey only for some to end up as slaves and prostitutes.

The African Union cannot continue sidestepping this tragedy. It's essentially an African responsibility when her people are dehumanised and Africa must be part of the solution. Europe has a moral obligation to promote Africa's economic security through fair trade practices but this continent must also open space for accountable governance and security of her people.

With Europe drifting to the right and increasingly inward looking, their priorities have shifted. Africa must draw conclusions from the increasingly strident bellicose stance coming from Washington.

The conservative government in Italy, which is the prime target of migrants fleeing across the Mediterranean from Libya has drawn the red line. Libya is on the brink and is in no position to exercise control despite being at the heart of the theatre of the tragedy.

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Remember always that all of us are descended from immigrants and revolutionists
— Franklin D. Roosevelt





Raymond Obare

How to end tug-of-war over revenues bill

Kenyans have been treated to a circus for the last two weeks with regards to the Division of Revenue Bill 2019 (DoRB) at the National Assembly and Senate.

The matter is so grave that the Council of Governors has said enough is enough! Led by chairman Governor Wycliffe Oparanya, they have approached the Supreme Court for interpretation. As much as the issue might be some type of supremacy battle between the two houses, it risks getting out of hand leading to a complete shutdown of county governments.

Let us not forget that if the impasse remains unlocked, county workers risk going home without a salary at the end of this month.

The Commission for Revenue Allocation has already spoken on the matter but still Parliament has stuck to her guns.

The world over, Parliamentary Budget Offices (PBOs) have been a great source at providing sound and credible analysis on proposed amendments to fiscal frameworks, money Bills, including policy proposals with budgetary implications.

If the impasse remains unlocked, county workers risk going home without a salary at the end of the month

In Kenya, our very own PBO is a directorate under the Parliamentary Service Commission, which its mandate can be summarized as providing advice to the Budget and Appropriation Committee, led by Kikuyu MP, Kimani Ichung'wa.

World over, money bills are always a borne of contention and it was about time this would be a reality in our legislature.

The recent break down of coordination in our nascent bicarmel legislature just shows how the National Assembly requires truce for proper dispensing of her duties.

The Parliamentary Budget Office could play a major role in strengthening parliaments checks and balance on the executive, which recently has been marred with Incidences of corruption and financial malpractices.

By elevating the PBO to be an independent office, will mediate any simmering tensions on money bills ensuring unity and robust discussions, including proper public participation for transparency and accountability.

A stronger PBO will provide independent, objective and professional advice and analysis to Parliament on matters related to the budget and other money Bills thereby developing not only a common position and responsibility but also mainstream devolution issues onto parliamentary work.

Kenya's parliament is in urgent need of reform!

The Constitution envisages a fundamental role for Parliament in holding the state to account and ensuring the voices of citizens are heard beyond elections.

With the current state of the economy and public finances, there are few more areas in need of credible and robust oversight that is free of political sideshows and executive fiat.

A stronger, effective and unshaken Legislative arm is the sole custodian of governance in any democracy and until we continuously test and improve on our systems of governance we will always be fighting corruption and other political and financial malpractices without success.

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Gathu Kaara

Akashas conviction has indicted our systems

In the US, there was nobody to pay off or threaten

Finally, after a decisive trial, the Akasha brothers, Kenya's most notorious drug barons, were convicted, and are due to be sentenced later in the year. Indeed their scheduled sentencing last week was postponed by the judge.The Akasha brothers, Ibrahim and Baktash, face life in prison for drug trafficking.

The dispatch with which the US law enforcement and Judiciary systems dealt with the Akashas case raises very disturbing questions about whether Kenyan authorities are serious about fighting drugs in the country.

The two brothers, and their co-perpetrator, Vijay Goswami, were first arrested in Mombasa in 2014, when the then Director of Public Prosecutions(DPP) Keriako Tobiko applied to the courts to hold them pending extradition to face charges in the US.

That was the beginning of a three-year circus in Kenyan courts, where the swashbuckling Akashas literally ran rings round the Judiciary. For three years, they waltzed in and out of courts, bribing judges, the police and politicians, as court testimony has revealed. A judge even barred their extradition from Kenya to New York.

Not only did they swagger in and out of Kenya courts, they continued their "business" without hindrance, with its accompanying tentacles of murder, bribery, threats and sheer mayhem. And of course, generating more broken lives!

Finally, somebody at the top echelons of Kenya's leadership got fed up with the circus and ordered their extradition. They were put on the next flight to New York, where they were immediately charged with drug trafficking.

Even more importantly, the now humbled and subdued brothers sang like canaries, a bare-it-all outpouring where they exposed the elaborate network of officials in government, the Judiciary and Legislature that has buttressed the drug trade in Kenya.

Now, let's look at the contrasts.

In Kenya, the Akashas were treated like royalty by officialdom, even when facing extradition on criminal charges.

When they arrived in New York, they were immediately incarcerated. Their casual Mombasa attire was replaced by the drab prison garb of American prisons. They were handcuffed and "footcuffed" anytime they were out of prison precincts. How the mighty had fallen!

In the US, there was nobody to pay off or threaten. They had no access to their massive ill-gotten gains. They became the common criminals they were, in a society that treated criminals like what they are — enemies of society.

In the American courts, there was no room for the time-wasting antics like incessant injunctions, multiple contradictory rulings from different judges, playacting by lawyers, and the nonsense that underpins miscarriage of justice in Kenya. The case was carried out with dispatch.

For Kenya, this is the moment of truth.

To start with, the Akashas and Goswami have given the American authorities a whole dossier on the drug trade in Kenya. This dossier has blown open the secretive world of who is involved where in the drugs in Kenya.

The surprising thing is that even as the trial of the Akashas ploughed on in the US, it was not apparent that there was any significant movement in the fight against drug trafficking in Kenya.

Kenya must seize the chance that the trial and conviction of the Akashas has thrown up. This is the best opportunity the country has ever had to strike a crippling blow to drug traffickers. The first strike has already been taken on behalf of the Kenyan authorities by the US Drug Enforcement Agency, a blow at the very heart of the drug empire in Kenya.

Secondly, the Kenyan authorities now have a silver bullet in the war on drugs — the Akasha dossier. It is, again, surprising, that there seems to be little or no interest from the DPP and Director of Criminal Investigation office about this dossier. The holders of these two offices have been traipsing across the globe in search of evidence. The Akasha dossier is print-ready. They should just ask the Americans for it and start arresting and charging all the people in the Akasha drug empire, riding on the momentum of the ongoing war on graft. And the time to strike is now!

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Victor Bwire

Media role in anti-corruption war stands out

Access to information remains a challenge for media

Shattered careers, worried families, frozen bank accounts, isolation, mediatised police and court appearances describe the life of public officers suspected of involvement in corruption.

The war on graft in Kenya has taken a different dimension. In addition to arrests and arraignment, the naming and shaming associated with the purge cannot be dismissed as mere publicity exercise.

The President has provided the political will that previously lacked in the fight against corruption, and with determined investigating and prosecuting, it is tough times for the corrupt.

The missing link, is the completion of the cases and recovery of stolen resources. Billions are being held in frozen bank accounts and unfinished projects dot the country, largely because of court cases.

Hopefully, the recent statement by the Chief Justice that graft cases will be expedited materialises.

The media have remained steadfast in unearthing scandal after scandal. To review the role media have played in accountability in Kenya over the years, this years annual media summit hosted by the Media Council of Kenya will focus on the theme Media, Accountability and Good Governance, where a number of editors and other journalists, governance experts and diplomats will share experiences.

The August 8 and 9 summit will discuss topics such as corruption in the media, threats to investigative journalists and access to information held by the government. Will the media maintain their watchdog role or become a lapdog or guard dog in the war on corruption?

Media's role in good governance ranges from raising public awareness about corruption, its causes, consequences and possible remedies in addition to investigating, unearthing misuse of public resources.

The media have also generated sufficient pressure to force high-profile government officials to resign.

Media have reported the cost of corruption as manifested in increasing the price of administration and inefficient public expenditures, misallocation of resources and failure to achieve public sector objectives.

Without doubt, the effectiveness of the media in general and journalists in particular, depends on enhanced access to information and freedom of expression.

While the media have been very important whistle-blowers, assisting investigators with information and identities of looters, access to information held by authorities remains a challenge for the media. This frustrates journalists' and other Kenyans' participation in governance issues.

It also remains a nascent area for promoters of open data and campaigners of access to information, who should aim to hold the relevant authorities and players – public, private sector and civil society, to account.

This, notwithstanding, the media remain an important player in the effort and through consistent, factual and professional covering of corruption related matters, will help in creating the needed public consciousness, and in the long run concerted action from the state.

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Kiambu Governor Ferdinand Waititu presented himself before the DCI and KOT commented.

@ItsBravin: Governor Ferdinand #Waititu has surrendered himself at EACC headquarters. He didn't want to spend the weekend behind bars.

@Mohasamuel: #Waititu said he was out of town and do amerudi, akaamua kupitia EACC.

@KalosSays: Waititu: Me I was not hiding. You looked me and saided I was hiding? Hapana! You media....You media #Waititu.

@samnato: I hope one day people will understand that english is a language and not a measure of one intelligence #Waititu.

@VoraHeeral: Hey @Noordin-Haji you've arrested all these people why is no one in jail??? #kidero #ngilu #Waititu.

STREET talk

Governor linked to child-trafficking ring

A governor is allegedly part of a child-trafficking ring in the country. Our moles have intimated to us that the governor, in cahoots with rogue police officers and other government officials, have allegedly been running the ring that involves taking children as young as ten years from North Eastern region to work in cities such as Nairobi and Mombasa. What is worrying is why the authorities have turned a blind eye to the crime.

Haji, Kinoti partnership shakes graft suspects

They strike like lightning! That is the description government officials have given to DCI George Kinoti and DPP Noordin Haji in their recent purge on graft. The two officers, who have become the living nightmare for the corrupt, have formed a tight partnership. They are said to spend a lot of time together, whether official or social, which is unsettling public officers with integrity baggages.

Politician's silence raises loud questions

The silence of a controversial former legislator who had joined a prominent politician trying to position himself for 2022 after falling out with his political colleagues has become the talk of town. The former lawmaker, who recently vowed to use all resources at his disposal to ensure his man realised his dream in 2022, has abruptly gone underground, sending tongues wagging.

I'm no errand boy, ex-MP to governor

A former ODM legislator from Western Kenya is said to be bitter with his county governor. The man had joined the governor's administration immediately after losing his seat in the last General Election on the promise of being fully absorbed in the county government. However, two years down the line, the politician is now accusing the governor of using him like an errand boy.



TRUTH IS: Listening to Jesus is the first step to following Him.

Milk of human kindness



Ahadi Trust CEO Stanley Kamau demonstrates to Oscar Wairimi (left) and James Maina how to milk a cow he donated to the family in Murang'a on Saturday. The boys became heroes when they rescued their mother from a landslide in April last year. PHOTO: TABITHA MBATIA

Uhuru responds to Siaya widow's plea for justice

Akoth had asked President to intervene and prevent her eviction from land she has lived on for 48 years

The President is keen to see the family gets justice —Atieno

by Dickens Wasonga
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For a 95-year-old Truphena Akoth Otako, the age of miracles is not over.

Just two weeks ago, sadness and despair were written all over her face as her family stared at eviction from land they have occupied for more than 48 years.

Fate appeared to have conspired with her late husband's kin to render her homeless at her sunset years.

But when *People Daily* paid her a visit last Saturday, the sadness on her face had been replaced with hopeful smile.

A dramatic change in fortunes began with a phone call from President Uhuru Kenyatta, to whom she had appealed for intervention in article published in this newspaper on July 9.

The Head of State's quick response was a pleasant surprise to her and her bisieged family.

Touched by the moving story, State House had called National government officials in Siaya the same day the story was published.

Eviction order

"The President needed a clear history of the land and a report filed," said Ugenya sub-county commissioner Pamela Atieno.

Atieno was dispatched to visit the family in Jera Village by Nyanza Regional Commissioner James Kianga. She was accompanied by Assistant County Commissioner, the local chief and his assistant.

When the guests arrived at the village, rumours quickly spread that they had come to effect the court's eviction order which had been issued after her husband's relative won the land dispute case.

"We believed we had lost the battle and our hope of ever occupying this land was completely shattered. But we were wrong. The President had sent a team to rescue us," Truphena told *People Daily* in an interview on Saturday.

The sub-county commissioner revealed that the government was in the process of hiring a lawyer to file an appeal against the High Court verdict that directed that the old woman, her son and grandchildren be evicted. The cost of the suit will be met by the State.

"Once the appeal is filed, nobody will interfere with the widow and her family. We have assured them as much. The President is keen to see the family gets justice," she added.

Uhuru is not the only one who was touched by the story of Truphena's plight. After reading the story, several people volunteered to help foot the cost of filing an appeal.

48 years

Among them was Prof Stephen Okelo of the University of Nairobi.

"It is cruel to throw out the family from the land it has occupied all these years," said Okelo.

The widow sought Uhuru's help to recover land she has occupied for 48 years but lost recently through a court ruling that ordered her family's eviction.

Speaking to *People Daily* at her home two days after the court's decision, she had appealed to the President to rescue her from being disinherited by the son of her brother-in-law from the land she says was once owned by her late husband.



LAND DISPUTE

Truphena Otako's relative filed a case in the Environment and Lands court seeking to have her evicted from the land which he says he is the legal owner.

The court ruled in the petitioner's favour but the widow insists the land in which she has lived on for half a century was owned by her late husband.

A happier Truphena Akoth Otako at her Jera village home when 'People Daily' visited her last Saturday. PHOTO: DICKENS WASONGA



WITH A LIGHT TOUCH

Patrick Wachira

Coming soon: Riots and related activities consultancy company

Away from my desk where I pound a computer keyboard for a living (though I hardly ever have time to live nor the resources), I have spent long hours mulling my looming retirement.

It has become such a weighty matter to ponder that I am losing weight about it. In between, I have discovered that the best way to lose weight is to leave it on the dinner table.

I am going through the painful process of desisting from eating more than two pieces of mandazi, two slices of bread or two eggs, whichever is available. And leaving food on the table is agonising.

But back to our story and the options open to a man of my age who will soon cease panel-beating stories by writers who did not listen very well to their grammar teachers.

I know you know that apart from the gradually approaching amnesia, which my boss has interpreted as stubbornness, other dwindling fortunes start with the scalp, where hair loss is winning. Isn't that an oxymoron? How can loss be a win?

Anyhow, I was telling you about my looming retirement. I was thinking the other day that I can rear chicken and sell both the birds and their eggs. But there is the lanky neighbourhood boy who pinches my eggs.

But now I have another idea.

I am going to start what I will call the Protest Demo Kit Enterprises, simply PRODEKIE. Don't let that Russian-sounding abbreviation scare you.

Let me bring you up to speed.

My company will stock livestock and equipment needed to stage an attention-grabbing street demonstration.

Watching governors and senators pretending to be in a demo the other day gave me a brainwave. It was a pitiful attempt that failed because it was planned to fail. Which means it wasn't planned at all.

It was a farce, really. Demo? In designer suits and Italian shoes? Pooh! Actual demonstrators do not carry mineral water to swig after walking a few metres on asphalt, surrounded by gun-carrying bodyguards.

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If you ask me, they should have consulted Yours Truly how to get media falling over themselves to cover a demo, get memorable sound bytes and to get action pictures to splash on front pages of newspapers.

Do you recall the Mpigs saga? The pigs that were ferried to bunge, covered in blood and the little mess they caused? Now that's a good demo.

Now, my little company will provide missiles and rocks of all shapes, sizes and composition. Igneous rocks (recall your high school geography?), the like.

Of course, I will rear a few pigs, just for this purpose. Animal rights activists will make some noise, but not to worry. By the time their statements appear in the papers, I will have made my money and retreated to my favourite joints to savour my success.

Graffiti

I will hire a graphic artist to do graffiti all over town in the dead of the night on the eve of a demo. This has two dramatic effects: surprise when folks wake up and find half the town coloured in murals and graffiti, and two, the obvious hard task by the authorities of trying to find who did it.

The first effect will have achieved the objective of the demo, or what do you say? Is that not how folks earn a decent, honest living?

And when the next day I go to Njoro's to enjoy my *mutura* and *matumbo*, he will ask me if I saw the colourful demo, to which I will feign ignorance and listen to his rendition, complete with the teargas fumes that wafted from Nairobi to his banda.

Njoro gets to know lots of stuff, of course. He will embellish the tale until even eyewitnesses to the event would have trouble recognising it.

PRODEKIE would be my contribution to local entrepreneurship (my good friend Emilio Stanley Mwai Kibaki once had trouble pronouncing this word, gave up and just said "whatever!" and proceeded with his speech).

Just imagine the number of fellows who would be hired to clean up the mess in town by the time I and my pigs are through with our display of creativity. Is that not job creation, which Uhuru has been exhorting us to do?

In other words, what good is a fellow if he cannot do what his President tells him to?

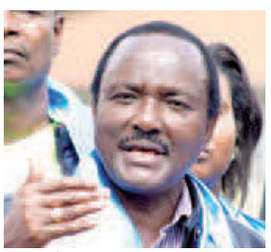
Have a drama-filled week, folks!

Reject referendum bill, Wiper asks Assemblies

by Irene Githinji
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Wiper Democratic Movement yesterday opposed Punguza Mizigo bill, saying it is lacking in public participation and that it erodes gains realised under the new Constitution.

Consequently, the party leader Kalonzo Musyoka *(pictured)* urged county Assemblies to exercise caution and ensure there is public participation before debate and voting on the proposed law.



The party is not sitting on the fence contrary to some quarters - Kalonzo

He made the remarks as members declared their support for the Building Bridges Initiative (BBI), saying it offers the best and all-inclusive roadmap for Kenya's democracy, prosperity and inclusivity. However, they said the BBI should culminate in a parliamentary-initiative-driven referendum in the next 60 days.

"The party is not sitting on the fence contrary. We have always taken a stand like in the case of Punguza Mizigo…that is not sitting on the fence. This is a movement which seeks to influence and give proper direction without fear," said Kalonzo.

He issued the statement after holding a two-day National Executive Council meeting at the Kenya School of Law in Nairobi.

During the meeting, members elected Chirau Ali Mwakwere as its acting national chairman and Anne Kanyi as the acting national vice-chairperson.

The party also announced other vacant positions will be filled at a later date while election of chairperson and the deputy will be ratified at a National Delegates Conference (NDC), whose date will also be announced later.

Trace, recover looted assets, says Mudavadi

by Noah Cheploen
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Amani National Congress (ANC) party leader Musalia Mudavadi *(pictured)* now wants assets bought with proceeds of corruption to be identified, traced and recovered.

Addressing the press in Nakuru yesterday, the ANC party leader also called on Kenyans to support President Uhuru Kenyatta warning politicians claiming their tribes are being targeted to stop misleading Kenyans.

Noting that corruption has become a national threat, the ANC leader said no tribe is being targeted in the ongoing war against corruption in high places.

"Anyone saying his tribe is being targeted is misleading Kenyans because no tribe signed contracts. It is specific individuals who failed to follow the law," he said.

According to him, the arraignment of Treasury Cabinet secretary Henry Rotich and Principal Secretary Kamau Thugge over graft was major score adding that the implication will be felt far and wide. "Never in the history of our nation has a sitting finance minister been charged over corruption and this is why we're supporting the president," he said.

He said all Kenyans should rally being Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) and other investigative agencies for the sake of the country.

"Our hospitals do not have drugs and unemployment almost becoming unmanageable. Nobody steals on behalf of his tribe and effects of the vice knows no tribe," he added.



UhuRuto '22 pact amounts to nothing, claims Murathe



Former Jubilee Party vice chairman David Murathe during K24's PunchLine interview last evening. PHOTO: TIMOTHY NJENGA

Former JP official said deal that was put on the table was between communities and not individuals

The agreement that was put on the table in 2013 was between communities merely for peace and not winning an election - Murathe

by George Kebaso
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Former Jubilee Party vice chairman David Murathe yesterday denied claims President Uhuru Kenyatta and his deputy William Ruto entered into a pact that would see the latter supported by the Head of State in 2022.

Speaking during an interview on K24's *PunchLine* show, Murathe said Uhuru's remarks that he would support Ruto for the presidency at the end of his 10-year two terms were mere campaign pronouncements that can be reviewed.

"You have clearly heard the president on many occasions making pronouncements that tells you what is on his mind. For instance, in Nyeri late last year, he said his pick for president in 2022 will shock you, and last week, you heard him say that he doesn't care who will be president. These are clear indications he did not have any MoU with anybody," he said last evening.

Table agreement

He challenged Ruto to table such an agreement if he has any document. He said such pronouncements, as ones deemed to have meant that the President would automatically support his deputy, was mere campaign talk and can be reviewed any time.

"The agreement that was put on the table in 2013 was between communities, and in this case, between the Kikuyu and Kalenjin, merely for peace, and not winning an election. We did not have an agreement for individuals," he said.

He said if at all the political merging between Kikuyu and Kalenjin communities was about winning an election then Mt Kenya would have chosen Raila Odinga's National Super Alliance coalition which has an almost similar national appeal with Uhuru or Musalia Mudavadi's ANC that commands a region with huge population of voters.

In January, Murathe resigned from his post as Jubilee Party's interim vice-chairman, citing the conflict of interest in his bid to block Ruto's 2022 presidential bid.

He told journalists that he wanted the DP to retire alongside Uhuru come that year. He explained that it was no longer reasonable for him to attack Ruto as they both sit in the party's NEC. Since then Murathe has been on a political warpath with the DP and his close allies from Mt Kenya region.

He questioned what the deputy president would do in 2022 that he has not done for Kenyans since 2013. "The president has only one vote and even if he promises to support Ruto that does not mean Mt Kenya region will vote for Ruto," he said.

Graft fight

He spoke on a number of issues including the Cambridge Analytica's role in the Jubilee Party's campaigns, the Arror and Kimwarer dams saga, the Thwake dam and fight against corruption.

Murathe said Uhuru is not interested in presidency after his term expires stating that the President has on many occasions said it as well. "The President is more focused on his legacy that is tied in the Big Four agenda, and said as much that for now, politics is not his business. When you interact with a person for a long time, you tend to know what he thinks and believe in," he added.

On the dams project, the two in Elgeyo Marakwet and the one in Makueni, Murathe questioned why is there nothing to show on the ground in the two dams, when there is 20 per cent work that can be seen in Thwake dam.

OPPOSING DP

In January, Murathe has vowed to do anything to stop deputy President William Ruto from succeeding President Uhuru Kenyatta in 2022 including moving to the Supreme Court if need be.

Murathe's comments have elicited angry responses from DP's allies, who accused him of fomenting ethnic divisions or simply sabotaging ambitions of Ruto. Some of the leaders in Jubilee insisted the party should hold elections for their officials.

Mucheru meets Nyeri MPs to address Mt Kenya discontent

by Josphat Kinyua
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The Jubilee administration has moved to quell apparent discontent among elected leaders in Central Kenya by dangling development carrots.

In a move seen by political analysts as aimed at consolidating President Uhuru Kenyatta's support in his backyard, Cabinet secretaries and other senior government officials have been tasked to work closely with MPs to identify stalled, ongoing and deserving projects.

Pundits see the strategy as meant to contain politicians from the region who gravitate towards Deputy President William Ruto's presidential bid.

On Saturday, ICT Cabinet secretary Joe Mucheru and Lands Principal Secretary Nicholas Muraguri held a consultative meeting with elected leaders in Nyeri.

The leaders are said to have identified key projects that they would wish the government to undertake.

Dispel myths

Speaking after chairing the meeting, Mucheru confirmed they have been mandated by the government to work with elected leaders, especially MPs, to end the notion that Uhuru's administration had neglected Central Kenya.

"Cabinet secretaries and other officials have been mandated to reach out to elected leaders and identify gaps in development with a view of dispelling myths and allegations about development. We will do this task together with MPs because the President cannot be everywhere," said Mucheru.

Nyeri Senator Ephrahim Maina told journalists the region's leaders should tone down politicking and focus on development.

"We have to stop engaging in divisive 2022 politics and concentrate on development. It is unfortunate that our region is engrossed in politics more than any other region at the expense of our people's interests," said Maina.

Sudan to charge eight military chiefs over deadly crackdown

Khartoum, Sunday

Eight senior military officers are to be charged in Sudan with crimes against humanity over their alleged part in the killing of protesters on June 3.

Government prosecutors announced the charges after investigating the massacre, when at least 87 people died in the capital, Khartoum.

Opposition activists say the number of deaths was closer to 130. The prosecutors' findings did not satisfy some opposition activists, and there are reports of new protests.

Under a new power-sharing accord between the opposition and the military, there is supposed to be a fully independent investigation once a new government is in place. Crimes against humanity can lead to the death penalty under Sudan's military law.

Opened fire

Protesters were killed when security forces opened fire on a sit-in to demand the military hand over power. Fath al-Rahman Saeed, head of the committee appointed to investigate the massacre, gave the initials of those indicted for crimes against humanity, but he did not name them.

He told a news conference that three officers had violated orders by moving security forces into the area of the sit-in protest outside the defence ministry. -BBC

Protesters were killed in June when army opened fire on a sit-in

Minnie Mouse voice actress dies aged 75

Russi Taylor, the voice of Disney's Minnie Mouse for more than 30 years, has died aged 75. The actress died in Glendale, California on Friday, the Walt Disney Company has said. Since 1986, Taylor provided voice-overs for animated TV series, films and theme parks featuring Mickey Mouse's high-pitched and giggly partner Minnie. She also played characters in The Simpsons, including Bart's dorky classmate Martin. Mirroring the character she played, Taylor married Wayne Allwine, the voice of Mickey until his death in 2009. Named a Disney Legend in 2008, Taylor said she hoped whoever succeeded her and her husband "love the characters as much as we do". -BBC

Turkish nationals rescued from abductors in Nigeria

Abuja, Sunday

Four Turkish nationals have been rescued a week after being kidnapped by gunmen in Nigeria's western state of Kwara, police say.

The four, who are construction workers, were taken from a bar last week.

The abductors had demanded a $1 million ransom but police say no money was paid and that they were released "unconditionally".

Frequent targets

Kidnapping for ransom is common in Nigeria, with foreigners and high-profile Nigerians frequently targeted.

Two weeks ago pirates attacked a cargo ship off the coast of Nigeria and kidnapped 10 Turkish sailors. Their fate remains unknown. The Turkish constructors were found in a bush on Friday, Kayode Egbetokun, Kwara sate's commissioner of police said.

The rescue operation was carried out by the state police, local vigilantes and a team of officers sent from the capital, Abuja. -BBC



Gove: New government ready for no-deal Brexit

London, Sunday

The government is now "working on the assumption" of a no-deal Brexit, Michael Gove has said.

Gove (*pictured*) said his team still aimed to come to an agreement with Brussels but, writing in the Sunday Times, he added: "No deal is now a very real prospect."

Johnson has made Gove responsible for planning a no-deal Brexit.

Prime Minister Boris Johnson has told Gove to chair meetings seven days a week until Brexit is delivered, according to the paper.

Gove said tweaks to Theresa May's withdrawal agreement - which was approved by the EU but resoundingly rejected by Parliament - would not be enough.

"You can't just reheat the dish that's been sent back and expect that will make it more palatable," he wrote.

He added he hoped EU leaders might yet open up to the idea of striking a new deal, "but we must operate on the assumption that they will not".

Prevent no-deal

"While we are optimistic about the future, we are realistic about the need to plan for every eventuality."

Labour leader Jeremy Corbyn, however, said he would do everything to prevent a no-deal Brexit. He reiterated his call for a new referendum — insisting he would still hold one if Labour were in power — and said, in the event of a no-deal Brexit, Labour would campaign to remain in the EU.

Corbyn also said he would look at whether to call a no-confidence vote in the government after Parliament returns in September. -BBC



Police arrest 1,400 after Moscow election protest

Opposition leader, jailed for calling on demonstrations, is taken ill while in custody

Moscow, Sunday

Russian police arrested almost 1,400 people as they gathered in Moscow at the weekend to demand free and fair elections, a monitor said, the biggest crackdown on a rally in the country in years.

Some 3,500 people took part in the unauthorised protest Yesterday, according to official figures, after authorities blocked prominent opposition candidates from taking part in city elections.

Declining standards

The rally comes amid wider public frustration over declining living standards that has hit President Vladimir Putin's approval ratings.

A week before, 22,000 took to the streets in a sanctioned protest, calling on authorities to reverse their decision ahead of the September vote.

After that demonstration, investigators raided the homes and headquarters of a number of disqualified candidates. Top Kremlin critic Alexei Navalny was jailed for 30 days for calling the fresh protest.

Navalny today was taken to hospital from jail after suffering what his press secretary said was a "severe allergic reaction", despite having never suffered from allergies.

Leonid Volkov, an ally of Navalny, said he had a similar allergic reaction after serving time last month in the same jail. But he suggested hygiene conditions rather than a "conspiracy" was to blame.

Several would-be candidates were detained before or during the protest. -AFP

Rally comes amid wider public frustration over declining living standards



HIGHEST NUMBER

OVD-Info, an organisation that monitors protests, reported Sunday that 1,373 people were arrested.

It said this was the highest number since mass demonstrations in 2012, when tens of thousands protested Putin's return to the Kremlin after four years as prime minister.

Riot police officers arrest a protester at Moscow's Trubnaya Square on Saturday. PHOTO: AFP

China landslide toll rises to 36, scores still missing

Beijing, Sunday

The death toll in a landslide which buried a village in southwest China rose to 36, state broadcaster CCTV said today, with 15 still missing.

The state-run *People's Daily* said rescue work is ongoing at the site in Shuicheng county, Guizhou province, where a thick torrent of mud buried 22 houses in the landslide on Tuesday. CCTV broadcast footage of rescue workers trying to reach survivors through a huge mound of earth, and excavators digging through the collapsed hill.

Two children and a mother with a baby were among those dead.

Official news agency *Xinhua* said Saturday night that 40 people had been rescued from the site, according to the local emergency rescue command.

Still missing

A local school had been set up as an emergency medical and rescue centre, with "multiple rescue teams and experts" still searching for those missing.

The government has earmarked 30 million yuan (Sh400 million) for search and rescue efforts in the province, *Xinhua* reported, as well as the relocation of victims. -AFP

Israeli forest fire spares Christian shrine



Jerusalem, Sunday

A forest fire in northern Israel that threatened a church where Christians believe the transfiguration of Jesus took place was extinguished without the shrine being damaged, firefighters said today.

The fire on Mt Tabor, where the Basilica of the Transfiguration is located, broke out Thursday and had razed 500 acres of shrubs and trees by Friday.

"The church was not damaged," fire service spokesman Dudi Peretz said. Police said arson was not suspected.

Israel has been gripped by record high temperatures accompanied by dry conditions and strong winds over the past week, with wildfires reported across the country.

The basilica, built in 1924, by the Roman Catholic Franciscan order, sits atop the wooded Mt Tabor at a site where the Christian gospels say that Jesus — accompanied by disciples Peter, John and James — glowed with light and spoke with the prophets Moses and Elijah. -AFP

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BusinessHub

NSE investors lose Sh87b in paper wealth as foreigners exit

Loss exacerbated by unwillingness of local investors to participate in the equity market

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Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) lost Sh86.52 billion in paper wealth during the second quarter of this year due to foreigners exiting the market, citing tough business environment in the region.

The loss, analysts said was exacerbated by unwillingness of the local investors to participate in the equity market, choosing to transfer investments to the bond market in a bid to earn more. Moses Waireri, Associate Vice President, Frontier Research at EFG Hermes, a leading investment bank, said the decline during the April 1 to June 30 period was caused by two incidences.

He identified these as exit of foreigners from the equity market in a bid to look for frontiers markets such as Morocco and unwillingness of the local investors to participate in the equity market."The reason for the slow participation is what has been causing excess liquidity in the market – which is also causing the shilling instability," he said.

Capital Market Authority (CMA) Quarterly Capital Markets Statistical Bulletin – Quarter two, 2019, indicates that the equity turnover for the period under review stood at Sh32.89 billion, compared to Sh45.25 billion registered in Quarter one, a 27.31 per cent decline, confirming a slow down in trading activity at the bourse.

BEAR RUN

The NSE 20-Share Index, which captures movement of select blue chip stocks fell to 213.67 points, while the NSE All Share Index (NASI), an overall indicator of market performance, declined by 5.11 per cent. Volume of shares traded also declined.

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Market cap, which measures the investor wealth, after it shrunk from Sh2.36 trillion in April.

However, while the equity market declined, the bond market turnover increased by 24.81 per cent with Sh201.71 billion worth of bonds traded compared to what had been traded in the previous quarter.

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Market capitalisation, which measures the investors wealth, too shrunk to Sh2.28 trillion from Sh2.361 trillion registered in April 1, when the second quarter started. Sterling Capital Analyst, Elizabeth Njenga explained that the shift by investors from the equities market to the bond market was occasioned by the urge to maximise on their portfolio returns.

During the period, East Africa Breweries Ltd (EABL) lost Sh17.39 million followed by KCB Bank, the largest bank by asset base, which shed off Sh12.72 million, Barclays Bank lost Sh8.42 million, Equity Bank shed off shares worth Sh7.36 million, while Co-op Bank shed off shares worth Sh3.52 million.

However, Standard Chartered Bank defied the trend among the large counters with share price going up during the three months.

Co-operators Day



President Uhuru Kenyatta arrives at this year's World Co-operatives Day 'Ushirika Day' in Nairobi with Co-operative Bank Group Chief Executive Officer Gideon Muriuki (centre) and Chairman of Co-op Holdings Co-operative Society Macloud Malonza. PHOTO: ALICE MBURU

Briefing



Mauritius eyes Kenya for more tourists

MARKET: Kenyan investors and holiday makers have been urged to consider Mauritius as an investment destination and take advantage of the country's visa-free regime.

Mauritius Tourism Minister Anil Gayan said the relationship between the two countries is great and expressed confidence that the two would continue working together to boost bilateral trade and business.

"We might be a small Island, but I can guarantee you that we have so much to offer," he said. He urged Kenyans to visit Mauritius' famous beautiful beaches, lagoons and reefs.

Invitation by Gayan, who was in Nairobi, comes a week after a meeting between President Uhuru Kenyatta and Mauritius' Acting President Paramasivum Pillay Vyapoory.

During the meeting the two leaders expressed satisfaction over the implementation of agreements signed between the two countries to boost trade and other areas of co-operation including tourism.

The agreements were signed in April when Uhuru was in Mauritius for a State visit.

Gayan said Mauritius has amazing beaches, adding: "Even though you also have Mombasa, it is good for both countries to work together to promote tourism."

He commended African countries determination to fight corruption, saying it has a negative effect on trade and should be done away with.

–NJAMBI WANJIKU

Keroche unveils new beer brand, boosts sorghum, barley farmers



Keroche CEO Tabitha Karanja and Chairman Joseph Karanja (right) join distributors in launching the new beer product KB Lager during a colourful ceremony at their Naivasha-based plant. PHOTO: KIRERA MWITI

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Naivasha-based Keroche Breweries Ltd has launched a new beer brand, KB lager with 70 per cent of locally produced sorghum and barley.

The brand is the third for the company which produces Summit Lager and Summit Malt and is ranked as second in the country in beer production.

Speaking during the launch in Naivasha, Keroche Chief Executive Officer Tabitha Karanja said the new beer is sugar free and has been produced from sorghum and barley.

She said the products were locally sourced, adding that this would go along way in supporting local farmers

"We promised to launch more products and finally we have come up with a unique beet that is using 70 per cent locally grown cereal and 30 per cent malted barley," Karanja added.

She said that the move to use the local raw material would be a big boost to farmers, adding that the brewer would support the growers in their production.

International standards

"We will support farmers to continue growing cereals that meet international standards and suitable for beer brewing," she added.

Karanja termed KB lager as specially crafted using the state-of-the-art technology and traditional processes that guarantee customers full satisfaction.

"This beer is naturally brewed, has no hangover, zero sugar and has been brewed using the best standards in the country," she said.

She added that the introduction of the beer would see 400 jobs created directly and thousands of others indirectly through distribution network.

"Our introductory prices for KB lager is Sh120 per bottle which is pocket friendly and we urge our bar owners to maintain the price," said Karanja.

She called on the government to support local farmers to achieve the innovation necessary to grow the economy through agribusiness.

Currently, Keroche Breweries has the capacity to produce 600,000 beer bottles per day and also produces an array of spirits.

Reaping the benefits of insurance



Pioneer Insurance Company Brand Manager Joe Mwangi, Senior Financial Advisor David Gitonga and Rift Valley Regional Manager David Mwaura issue a dummy maturity cheque for Sh10 million to Johnson Maina Gatere (right) at their Nakuru offices.

Overseeing entrepreneurship



Chief Administrative Secretary, Ministry of Labour Abdul Bahari (right), Kenya Federation of Employers (FKE) Executive Director Jacqueline Mugo and Secretary General, International Organisation of Employers, Roberto Suarez arrive at the Africa Employers' Conference and FKE 60th anniversary celebrations venue in Mombasa. PHOTO: BONFACE MSANGI

A game-changer for insurers



Heritage Insurance Kenya Managing Director Godfrey Kioi and Non-Executive Director Gayling May (left) during the launch of Auto Correct solution in Nairobi. The solution uses telematics technology to transmit driver data that will help to streamline claims process, reduce insurance premium costs and encourage safe driving. PHOTO: ALICE MBURU

Celebrating a remarkable journey



Maryjoy Kindergarten and Primary School Day and Boarding Director Mary Waigi (in glasses) joins staff and pupils in cutting the school's 20th anniversary celebration cake at the Mombasa Simba Sports Club ground in Nyali.

Making affordable housing a reality



Shelter Afrique Chief Executive Officer Andrew Chimphondah and Elena Milanovska, Associate Director, Capital Markets and Financial Inclusion at Habitat for Humanity International, exchange documents after signing a deal to support people who cannot afford commercial mortgages but need decent housing, in Nairobi.

Eyeing invesment in leather sector

Industrialisation Principal Secretary Betty Maina with the India Council of Leather Exports Chairman, Aqeel Panaruna engage during Indian High-level business delegation forum in Nairobi. The council is responsible for promoting Indian leather and accessory (footwear, leather goods, leather items) exports. PHOTO:ALICE MBURU



Celebrating 60 years of quality care



Dr Shawn Bolouki (left), Chief Executive Officer, Aga Khan University Hospital explains the model of the new Children's Speciality Hospital to a section of the University's Board of Trustees including Dr Haile Debas, Chairman of the Board (right), Dr Afaf Meleis (centre), and Dr Phillip Clay (behind) during the launch of the Hospitals' 60 years anniversary celebration activities.

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We can't agree on how to parent our teen daughter



Hi Achokis. I have been married for 17 years. We have two children— a son and a daughter. The girl is the first born. My problem is that she gets away with so many things. My husband does not question her and instead allows her to go against what I advise her. Recently, she came home in a short mini and a crop top. Her belly button was exposed and I noticed she had pierced it and also have a tattoo. How far is too far? I can't even go with her at public functions, leave alone church. Am I too analogue? I feel like I'm fighting a losing battle.

OUR TAKE

Parenting in the 21st century can be challenging. Yes, times have changed and with that, many things have changed. But what should always remain constant is our character and values. If agreed upon family values are violated by one member, then it is important that parents intervene. Parents should be more concerned with their children's character more than how they look. If they are respectful and not disobedient, that's what is important.

There are two important issues for you to note. One concerns your husband and the other your daughter. As far as your husband is concerned, what is evident from your question is that you have different parenting styles. Depending on how we have been brought up and our personalities, we can either be authoritarian in our parenting style or permissive. You seem to be the authoritarian one while your husband is the permissive type. You need to accept your differences and then see how you can work as a team. Don't forget that father-daughter relationship is also at play here.

Understand your daughter

Concerning your daughter, you need to realise that she has grown— she is now a teenager and no longer a child. She is trying to find her own space, her own identity and independence from you. She is now more conscious of how she looks and wants to fit in among her friends. You must also keenly observe her and listen attentively to what she keeps complaining about. She may be seeking your attention by reacting in this way. As her mother, seek to build a bridge and not a rift. Befriend her.

Sometimes, parents make a mistake of dictating to their children what they want or don't want instead of reasoning with them. Respect her opinion even though you might not agree with her. Deal with your insecurities— they may be the reason for all this. Don't be ashamed to be seen with her. Show her you love her irrespective of the things she does. She is still your daughter. Be concerned about her. Our children know when we are genuinely concerned about them.



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WITH CATHERINE NJIRU

Next job qualification? Air your sad story

So a local television aired the story of Kevin Ochieng whose excellent academic performance seemed to have done nothing to afford him a decent living. The aftermath? So many job offers. I did my math and drew a masterpiece. That *kumbe* jobs are there, and if not, then all those companies that called in were just being the Kenyans they've always been. You know how we do it don't you? Watch you sleep hungry, but invite you out for drinks. We have money for drink, but none for your issues. Watch you slip into depression and ignore your calls when you try to reach out. Watch you drink yourself to rehab, or your death bed, but the most we can do to help is, push you to have 'one more…just one more…it wouldn't hurt, would it?'

And when nothing else makes sense but death, we contribute millions for that decent send off. In death, we contribute generously while we'd have been there to make it right when you were struggling. Back to Kelvin's story. It didn't take five minutes before texts started streaming in. 'Send us his number fast.' And boy, did companies claim him. At this point, the guy who was a guest of some bushes around Globe Cinema, was spoilt for choice.

Remember that woman from Tharaka? Same fate. Same platform. Jobs came in like no one's business. But Kelvin is just one individual. What happens after he settles for the best job? The other 999 jobs vanish. We go back to the streets. Until another Kelvin books in at the bushes around Globe Cinema or probably *pare* Ngara. His story will be aired, we'll *woishe* about it. A thousand companies will call in. They have vacancies. Since Kelvin Season II is again only one individual, he will settle for the fattest deal. The other 999 jobs, abracadabra, kapuff gone! Until the next Kelvin. That's just how we roll.

We're told that the job market is somewhat flooded and that's why you'll study to get straight As. And I mean As without blemish. Clean As. Then someone would blame Kelvin for choosing the wrong course. Or not going further and taking up a professional course to make him marketable. Yet he couldn't make it to his own graduation because he couldn't raise Sh4,000.

So going forward, study hard, make them some clean As. Apply, apply, apply and again apply. Struggle out there *kidogo* knowing *mateso ni kwa muda*. Walk in to a media house, present your story and if it's *woishe* enough, you've scored. Seems that's the only way to get a job here. Papers aren't papers anymore until you push them with a sad story. The way I see it, TV will be the next Brighter Monday! Even brighter.



Twoinone



While solving conflicts, your bae isn't your enemy

Recently, I read an article from Harvard Business Review Management Tip adapted from *How to Debate ideas Productively at Work* by Shane Snow. In this article about conflict resolution at the workplace, Shane shares four rules to help a team disagree productively. These rules are not just important in a work environment, but can be useful at home as well. We are losing a lot in the home front because of our inability to resolve conflict properly. In fact, this could be one of the major causes of not just marital breakdown, but domestic violence that has led to people who are supposed to love each other killing each other instead.

The four rules are; remember you're all on the same team, stick to facts, don't make it personal and be intellectually humble. We'll not have time to tackle all four, but for this week suffice us to discuss the first rule which is, remember you're all on the same team. The Africa Cup Of Nations has just come to an end, and one of the saddest moments for the Super Eagles of Nigeria was when they were defeated 2-1 by Algeria in the semi-finals. Not only was it a bitter moment for Nigeria's central defender Ekong that they had lost, but that he was responsible for the loss in that he mistakenly controlled the ball into his own net. There's nothing worse for a player in the game of football than to score an own goal.

So often in marriage, we score own goals during conflict because we fail to remember that we are on the same team. So often, we pit ourselves against our spouse and see them as our enemy or the opposing team. The goal of our conversations is usually to prove ourselves right and our spouse wrong. We want to "win" the argument, but at what cost? Hurting and belittling our spouse instead of trying to go over to their side and see things from their perspective?

Remember the goal of conflict resolution is to solve the problem at hand together not against each other and that is how the two remain one.



Quote of the week

Love doesn't come with an on-off switch. It's made of too many threads of memory and hope and heartache that weave themselves into the very core of who you are.
Martina Boone

Alarm as silent, yet easily managable,

Marked yesterday, the World Hepatitis Day focuses on the disease that affects 325 million people globally amid calls for further investment in eliminating it

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When John Ndichu noticed a persistent yellow colour in his eyes in 2016, he quickly dismissed it as the effect of intoxication. At the time, he was undergoing methadone treatment to wean him off heroin, a drug he had been using for ten years. However, the subsequent yellowing of his urine prompted him to seek medical advice. He got tested at a methadone clinic in Dagoretti and was diagnosed with hepatitis C.

For the next few weeks, Ndichu visited the clinic daily to get treatment offered to people who inject drugs (PWID) for free. "It was hard. The clinic did not allow me get the drugs and carry them home. Instead, I had to report to the facility every day to collect the tablets," he recalls. After completing his medication, he was tested again and the results showed that the infection had cleared. Some of his friends, who were injecting drugs and had been diagnosed with Hepatitis C, were however not as lucky: they kept getting re-infected.

> *Most cases of hepatitis A and E are transmitted through contaminated food or water -Olufunmilayo*

Key population

Ndichu is among a key population of PWIDs that accounts for the highest new infections of Hepatitis C, currently at 23 per cent of 1.75 million infections that occur every year globally. Hepatitis, an inflammation of the liver caused by a virus, manifests in five ways: A, B, C, D and E, with different viruses responsible for each type.

Common symptoms are aching joints, yellow skin, loss of appetite, fatigue, dark urine, stomach pain and fever. Some people do not show any symptoms at all, and when they do, it is usually too late. While all viruses can cause acute hepatitis, only B, C and D can progress to liver cirrhosis and liver cancer, with World Health Organisation (WHO) estimating that 71 million people globally are living with chronic viral hepatitis.

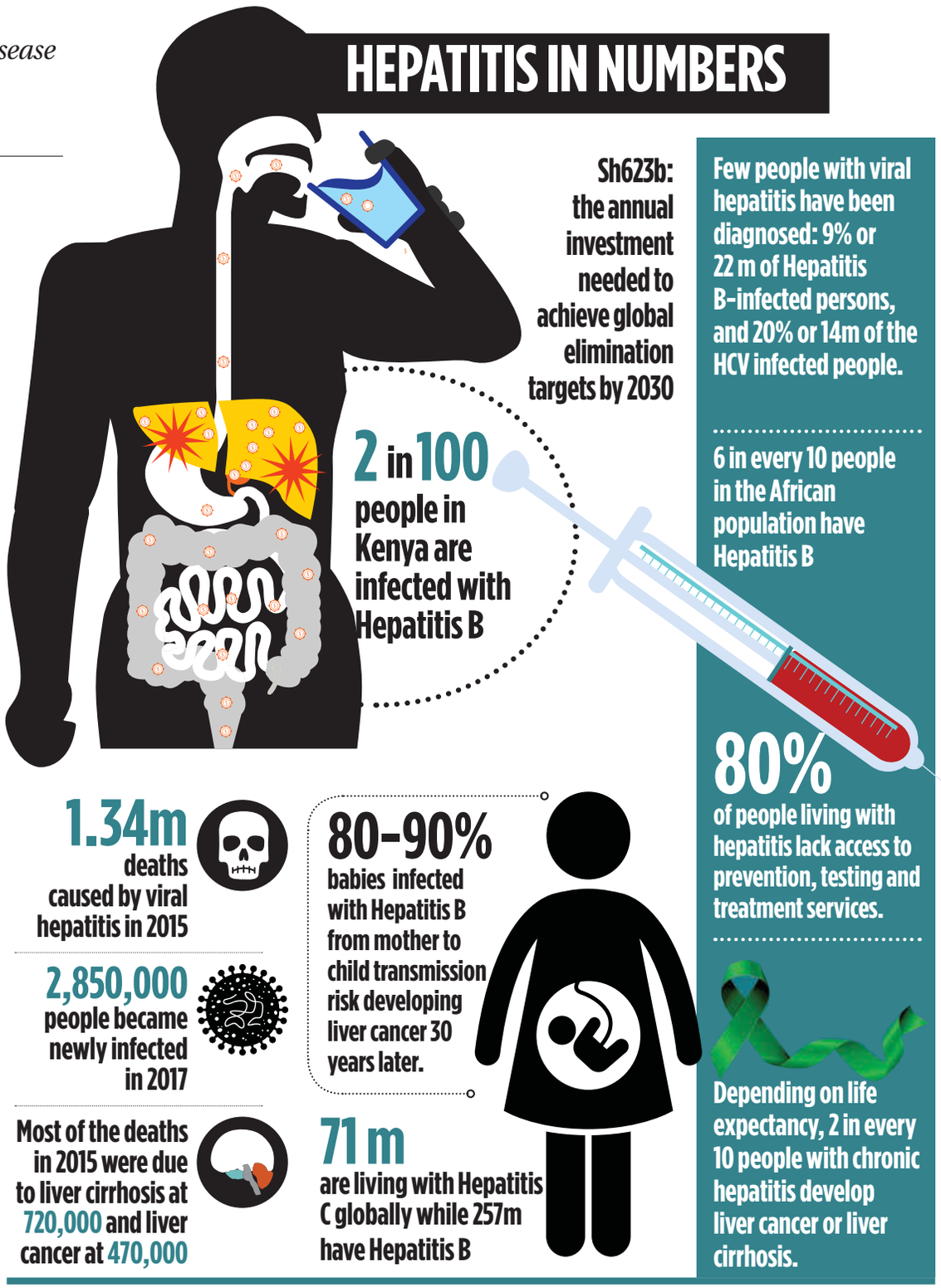
"Most cases of hepatitis A and E are transmitted through contaminated food or water. Often, these infections can be controlled and managed. They are transient and easily managed and often clear within few weeks," says Professor Lesi Olufunmilayo, Regional Adviser Viral Hepatitis, WHO Africa. However, few patients of Hepatitis E may develop acute liver failure, with pregnant women the most affected. Vaccines for Hepatitis A and E viruses are available with the latter only available in China at the moment.

Hepatitis B, C and D are spread through contact with blood and bodily fluids. Hepatitis D only affects people already infected with hepatitis B and is one contributing factor to liver disease. B and C infections spread through use of improperly sterilised injections, through untested donated blood, sexual contact with an infected person and from mother to child.

96 per cent

Of the five types, B and C are the most deadly, accounting for 96 per cent of all hepatitis mortality.

In the African region, for instance, Olufunmilayo says, 60 million and one million people are infected with B and C respectively. "Research shows that poorly sterilised injections and reuse of needles in healthcare facilities as well as traditional practices such as scarification are respon-



viral killer on the rise



John Ndichu was diagnosed with hepatitis C after he noticed the yellowing of his eyes and urine. PHOTO: COURTESY

sible for most of hepatitis C in Africa," she says.

In Kenya, hepatitis interventions mainly focus on Type B and C as they are potentially chronic. "While type C is not common among the general population, it has a high prevalence among key groups including the PWIDs, men having sex with men and commercial sex workers," says Missiani Ochwoto, Research Officer, Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI).

Illuminating study

A 2016 study found the national prevalence of Hepatitis C to be at four per cent. The *Testing And Linkage To Care For Injecting Drugs Users* study screened 4,032 out of the 18,000 PWIDs and found a 13 per cent and 27 per cent prevalence of Hepatitis C in Coast and Nairobi regions respectively. The current national prevalence is estimated at 1.2 per cent.

"The figure is, however, not conclusive since it's mainly drawn from the blood tested in transfusion centres," says Ochwoto. More comprehensive results of the national prevalence will be released after the conclusion of an ongoing Kenya Population based HIV Impact Assessment survey.

HBV infections are higher in Baringo, Turkana and West Pokot counties, with ongoing research showing infection is transmitted in childhood.

"This is attributed to cultural practices such as ear piercing and scarification. For that reason, hospitals in those areas and in Eldoret have reported high incidences of type B and liver cancer," says Ochwoto.

He adds that the government is focusing on testing as one of the interventions of eliminating hepatitis in the country in line with the global commitments. The 194 WHO member states have committed to eliminating hepatitis by 2030, cutting mortality by 65 per cent and reducing new infections by 90 per cent. If diagnosed early hepatitis is treatable.

For type C, the interventions are targeted mainly on the key populations. "For PWIDs, for instance, we have found that supplying them with safe needles and syringes and linking them to treatment reduces the incidences," he says, adding that emphasis on proper blood screening before transfusion as an important move to curbing the spread of type C.



Professor Lesi Olufunmilayo, Regional Adviser Viral Hepatitis, WHO Africa. PHOTO: COURTESY

Treatment of hepatitis C is not only expensive but also inaccessible to many. To lower the cost, the government is in negotiations with Egypt to acquire subsidised drugs. Ochwoto says earlier negotiations with Egypt saw the cost of Harvoni drug reduce from Sh120,000 per dose to Sh60,000. The negotiation seeks to see the cost drop further to Sh20,000, to make it possible to roll out the drug in all health facilities and ensure more access.

Reduce burden

Patients take the drug for 12-24 weeks, and a drop in cost could see a lowered burden on patients. Unlike other Hepatitis C drugs that treat a specific genotype of the disease - namely 1,2, 3,4, 5 and 6, Harvoni is able to treat at least three of them. "Prior to introduction of Harvoni, patients had to undergo tests to determine the genotype of the disease. This ended up increasing the overall cost of treatment as such single test costs Sh60,000," adds Ochwoto.

As for type B infection, prevention and eradication is through vaccination. "Hepatitis B can be prevented through effective vaccination, which is at least 95 per cent effective, especially if given at birth or in early childhood.

In Africa, most transmissions of HBV happen before the age of five," says Olufunmilayo. In 2001, Kenya launched the Pentavalent vaccine, which protects children against five diseases including Hepatitis B. WHO recommends three doses of the drug, with the first given within 24 hours after birth, the second shot after 28 days and the third at four months.



Kenya yet to launch hepatitis strategy

While the national prevlence is at 1.2 per cent, there are no guidelines by government to address or eliminate the disease

by Evelyn Makena
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Hepatitis is considered a global public health threat comparable in intensity to HIV, tuberculosis and malaria. Yet despite the huge disease burden it causes to the population, hepatitis has largely been ignored until recently. To increase the awareness and encourage respective country's commitments towards ending Hepatitis, World Health Organisation (WHO) developed a global health sector strategy on viral hepatitis 2016-2021. The 194 member states of the health agency have committed to eliminate the disease by 2030.

The strategy outlines five opportunities that countries can leverage on to achieve these goals. They focus on effective vaccines, which are now available for Hepatitis A, B and E. Hepatitis B vaccine is also available for childhood immunisation in many countries including Kenya.

The strategy lists prevention of mother to child transmission of type B as a key strategy in preventing spread of the virus. "There is already a platform for prevention of mother to child transmission for HIV and syphilis. We are advocating for inclusion of Hepatittis B mother to child transmission through antenatal testing and use of antiviral drugs," says Professor Lesi Olufunmilayo, Regional Adviser Viral Hepatitis, WHO Africa.

Other opportunities for curbing spread of viral hepatitis under the strategy are increased safety of needles and injections, harm reduction for people injecting drugs and enhanced treatments through effective drugs.All the WHO countries are also encouraged to develop action plans for the elimination of viral hepatitis.

Missiani Ochwoto, Research Officer, Kenya Medical Research Institute says Kenya has developed a strategy for viral hepatitis, but has not been launched yet, as it requires customisation through training and adoption.

So far only 28 countries have developed national hepatitis strategic plans, with 13 having officially published and disseminated the document.

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Serial winners of all time

Dani Alves scooped the 40th major trophy of his incredible career as Brazil triumphed in Copa America early this month but who is the star you have probably never heard of who beats his total?



1. Hossam Hassan (41 trophies)

Hossam Hassan, who played much of his career with twin brother Ibrahim, tops the list of trophies earned. The striker led Egypt's forward line for over two decades and totted up 169 caps in the process. Like his brother, he mostly plied his trade in Egypt but during his one season at Swiss side Neuchatel Xamax, he scored four goals against Celtic in the 1991-92 UEFA Cup, a feat he is most remembered for outside of Egypt.

Honours: Egyptian Premier League x14, Egyptian Cup x5, African Cup Winners' Cup x4, Egyptian Super Cup x2, African Cup of Champions Clubs, Arab Club Champions Cup, Arab Cup Winners' Cup, Arab Super Cup x2, CAF Champions League, UAFA Club Cup, Saudi-Egyptian Super Cup, Africa Cup of Nations x3, All-Africa Games, Arab Nations Cup



2. Dani Alves (40 trophies)

July 7's Copa America final win over Peru took Dani Alves to 40 trophies in his career. The right back's most successful period was during his time at Barcelona, where he claimed 23 trophies alongside the likes of Andres Iniesta and Lionel Messi. He is now just one trophy off equalling the all-time record.

Honours: La Liga x6, Supercopa de Espana x5, Copa del Rey x5, Serie A, Coppa Italia, Ligue 1 x2, Coupe de France, Coupe de la Ligue, Trophee des Champions x2, Champions League x3, FIFA Club World Cup x3, UEFA Cup x2, UEFA Supercup x4, Copa America x2, Confederations Cup x2

3. Ibrahim Hassan (37 trophies)

Ibrahim Hassan was a stalwart of the Egyptian national team for 14 years from the late 1980s to the early 2000s. The right-back moved clubs frequently, mostly in Egypt, but he enjoyed spells in Greece, Switzerland and the UAE. Success appeared to follow him wherever he went as he picked up domestic, continental and international silverware at almost every team he played for.

Honours: Egyptian League x14, Egyptian Cup x5, Egyptian Super Cup x2, African Cup Winners' Cup x4, African Champions League x2, Arab Champions League, Arab Cup Winners' Cup, Arab Super Cup, Afro-Asian Cup, African Super Cup, Arab Champions League, Saudi-Egyptian Super Cup, UAE League, Arab Nations Cup



4. Maxwell (37 trophies)

Left-back Maxwell is another player who enjoyed a lengthy career across some of Europe's biggest clubs. The Brazilian turned out for Ajax, Inter Milan and Barcelona before retiring at Paris Saint-Germain in 2017. Although he steadily picked up silverware, it was that hugely-successful spell in Paris which earned him the most joy, 14 trophies.

Honours: Champions League, La Liga x2, Spanish Cup, Spanish Super Cup x3, Serie A x3, Italian Super Cup, Ligue 1 x4, French Cup x3, French League Cup x4, French Super Cup x4, Eredivisie x2, Dutch Cup, Dutch Super Cup x3, Brazilian Cup, FIFA Club World Cup x2, UEFA Supercup x2

5. Oleksandr Shovkovskiy (36 trophies)

Oleksandr Shovkovskiy was Dynamo Kyiv's first-choice goalkeeper for over two decades as the side ruled the Ukrainian top flight. Shovkovskiy, who was known for his knack for saving penalties, also enjoyed a lengthy international career with Ukraine, earning 92 caps. He retired in 2016 at the age of 41.

Honours: Ukrainian Premier League x14, Ukrainian Cup x10, Ukrainian Super Cup x6, Commonwealth of Independent States Cup x4, Valeriy Lobanovskyi Memorial Tournament x2





6. Andres Iniesta (35 trophies)

Andres Iniesta was another key component of Pep Guardiola's dazzling side. The Spaniard acted as the perfect foil as the playmaker in the heart of midfield as Barcelona dominated domestic and European football. Iniesta was also a mainstay in the hugely-successful Spain side that claimed two European Championships in 2008 and 2012 and the World Cup in 2010.

Honours: La Liga x9, Supercopa de Espana x7, Copa del Rey x6, Champions League x4, FIFA Club World Cup x3, UEFA Supercup x3, European Championships x2, World Cup

7. Lionel Messi (35 trophies)

Lionel Messi spearheaded Barcelona's dominant side under Pep Guardiola either side of the turn of the last decade as the Catalan giants romped to four La Liga titles in five years. He has also been the lynchpin of their European success, helping Barcelona to no less than four Champions League wins. He was also part of the triumphant Argentina side that won gold at the 2008 Olympics in Beijing.

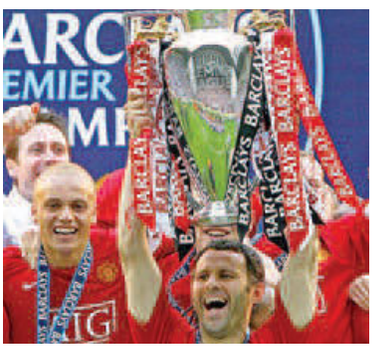
Honours: La Liga x10, Supercopa de Espana x8, Copa del Rey x6, Champions League x4, FIFA Club World Cup x3, UEFA Supercup x3, Olympic Gold



8. Ryan Giggs (35 trophies)

The Premier League's answer to Kenny Dalglish. Ryan Giggs' lengthy career in the English top flight meant he raked in an unprecedented 13 league titles in Sir Alex Ferguson's all-conquering juggernaut. Giggs is Manchester United's all-time record appearance maker with 963 and sits joint seventh in the club's top scorers with 168 goals.

Honours: Premier League x13, FA Cup x4, English League Cup x4, Champions League x2, Charity/Community Shield x9, FIFA Club World Cup, UEFA Supercup, Intercontinental Cup



9. Zlatan Ibrahimovic (35 trophies)

Zlatan Ibrahimovic is one of modern football's great nomads. Having conquered Italy, Spain and France, he came to Manchester United in 2016 with a point to prove. In just two years, he claimed three trophies before heading Stateside to LA Galaxy. His most productive spell came at Paris Saint-Germain, where his four seasons there yielded 13 trophies.

Honours: English League Cup, Europa League, Community Shield, La Liga, Supercopa de Espana x2, UEFA Supercup, Serie A x4, Supercoppa Italiana x5, Ligue 1 x4, Coupe de France x2, Coupe de la Ligue x3, Trophee des Champions x4, Eredivisie x2, Dutch Cup, Dutch Super Cup x2, FIFA Club World Cup



10. Vitor Baia (34 trophies)

Vitor Baia is a bona fide Porto legend. The goalkeeper turned out almost 200 times for the Portuguese club in two spells either side of a two-year stint at Barcelona in the late 1990s. He was a mainstay between the sticks in Portugal and claimed every title possible, including the Champions League and 10 league titles, during his time there. He retired in 2007.

Honours: Primeira Liga x10, Taca de Portugal x5, Supertaca Candido de Oliveira x9, UEFA Cup, Intercontinental Cup, Champions League, La Liga, Copa del Rey x2, Supercopa de Espana x2, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup, UEFA Supercup

Briefly



Vihiga county Director of Education Hellen Nyang'au says a plan by Luanda CDF officials to relocate a secondary school in the constituency have been suspended. PHOTO: DOUGLAS DINDI

Ministry suspends relocation of Vihiga

■by Douglas Dindi
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The ministry of Education is embroiled in a tug of war with Vihiga county government and the Luanda Constituency Development Fund (CDF) over a plan by the CDF committee to relocate Mumboha Secondary School from its seven-acre parcel of land next to Luanda town market.

Luanda CDF wants the remaining school land estimated at three-and-a-half acres for construction of a county polytechnic and expansion of the Luanda market. Four acres of the school land are already under a public stadium put up by the CDF under the guise of improving Mumboha grounds, famous as training ground for soccer legends.

Vihiga county education Board (CEB) secretary Hellen Nyang'au says the county government and the local CDF office have been advised appropriately by the Ministry of Education about the procedure to relocate a public school, conditions which, she says, have not been met.

Nyanga'u said only the Education Cabinet secretary could authorise relocation of a public school, with support from resolutions by the school board of management, county education board, the National Land Commission (NLC) and local stakeholders' participation.

Contractor unveiled

"The county board sat to discuss Luanda MP Chris Omulele's letter on intention to relocate the school dated December last year. To be approved, the applicants must provide justifiable reasons, engage the main stakeholders to agree on the relocation, NLC and show proof of capacity to give an equivalent of land and infrastructure," she said.

In March this year, Omulele and his CDF committee members unveiled a contractor to put up a new school- a multi storey structure encompassing tuition, administration and library rooms at the primary school. The MP was not available for comment but his constituency manager Sylvia Atsango confirmed plans to relocate the secondary to the primary school compound.

She said the Mumboha Primary School management committee has approved that half an acre be hived off to the establishment of the secondary school. However, a meeting to break ground for the new project convened at the primary school was snubbed by the secondary school's board of management, constituency and county education offices.

BOM chairman Joel Omurwa Enane said on phone that the relocation had no blessing of the board a position contested by Atsango who argues the location of the school next to the Luanda market had compromised discipline and learning hence CDF intervention to have it moved.

SCHOLAR



Teachers want sensitisation of parents on CBC fast-tracked



A teacher at Khadija Primary School, Mombasa, takes her class through a lesson under the new curriculum. INSET: Limuru MP Peter Mwathi addresses parents of Kinyogori Primary School in his constituency. BELOW: A CBC lesson underway at a Nakuru school. PHOTOS: NDEGWA GATHUNGU, CLEMENT KAMAU AND FILE

Guardians too slow to adjust to new roles in implementation of new syllabus as leaders call for patience among stakeholders

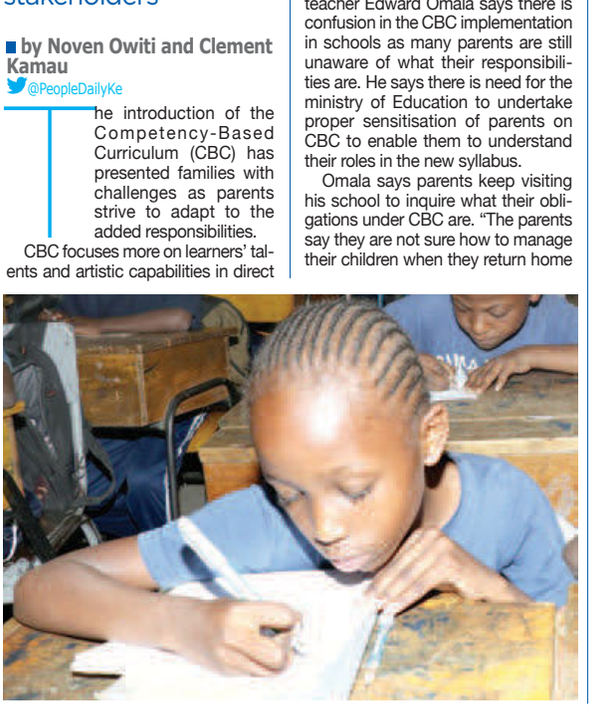
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The introduction of the Competency-Based Curriculum (CBC) has presented families with challenges as parents strive to adapt to the added responsibilities.

CBC focuses more on learners' talents and artistic capabilities in direct contrast to the 8-4-4 system, which is based on academic excellence. However, parents say the new syllabus has cost implications and is demanding that they spend more time to monitor their children's homework. There are also concerns that many parents are unaware of their duties under the new education system.

Victoria Primary School head teacher Edward Omala says there is confusion in the CBC implementation in schools as many parents are still unaware of what their responsibilities are. He says there is need for the ministry of Education to undertake proper sensitisation of parents on CBC to enable them to understand their roles in the new syllabus.

Omala says parents keep visiting his school to inquire what their obligations under CBC are. "The parents say they are not sure how to manage their children when they return home early. We feel that the parental obligation that has come with the new curriculum should be well explained publicly so that parents are aware of their roles. This will avoid duplication of duties," Omala told *Scholar.*



Dickson Odhiambo, a parent in Kisumu says they are grappling with the extra costs of the CBC such as purchase of new textbooks and other learning materials. Compared to the 8-4-4, he says, parents are required to play a leading role in nurturing their children under the new syllabus.

Parents confused

He says the new syllabus can help learners identify and nurture their talents at an early age. "I am often forced to leave work early to assist my kids go about their homework," says Odhiambo, adding that parents have a more crucial role to play in shaping lives of their children for the CBC implementation is to be realised.

Another parent Christine Nyalik says parents are able to identify and help develop their children's talents from an early age. "But the high cost of text books and other learning materials are major challenges," he says.

Tutors want the parents to take their duties serious under the new syllabus, including disciplining their children. Dickson Otigo, a teacher at Bala Primary School in Nyakach sub-county says collaboration among parents, learners and teachers being advanced by the new curriculum will guarantee quality education.

"Under CBC guidelines, parents should understand that the role of bringing up a child has not been left only to teacher. Despite gains on the CBC rollout, a negative attitude among parents influenced by criticism by sections of stakeholders is hurting the process. Proper parental empowerment and engagement will help learners develop well both in school and at home," says Otigo.

Nationally, disagreements on the implementation of the curriculum between the ministry of Education and the Kenya National Union of Teachers (Knut) have left parents confused. The National Parents Association (NPA), one of the organisations advocating for the implementation of the new programme, is expected to make submisions during the national stakeholders' conference on CBC scheduled in Mombasa next month.

Parents' manual

NPA Chairman Nicholas Maiyo told *Scholar* recently that more training to sensitise parents on the CBC is required. "Parents have been raising questions on the new programme and we're working on a manual with the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD) for sensitisation of parents. As soon as the manual is out, we will embark on parent training across the country," he said.

Meanwhile, Limuru MP Peter Mwathi has said there is confusion over the curriculum because planners failed to secure stakeholders' participation. Still, he urged teachers and parents to support the implementation of the new syllabus.

Speaking at Kinyogori Primary School during an education day for local schools, Mwathi urged the Ministry of Education to ensure that the teething problems bedevilling implementation of the curriculum are overcome promptly. "We support the new curriculum but the ministry should avail all the required information, materials, human resources and a conducive environment," he said.

Those who attended the event included Kenya National Union of Teachers (Knut) Kiambu West branch Secretary Michael Muna, who said that there are always some teething problems in every new development programme. Muna accused his boss, Knut Secretary General Wilson Sossion of demonising the new syllabus, saying that majority of teachers were ready and willing to implement it.

Unnecessary politics

"Our national office is going against the grain by politicising the implementation of the new curriculum at the expense of learners. Sossion ought to offer short-term solutions before we get the long-term ones as opposed to rubbishing everything; we as teachers do what our employer, the Teachers Service Commission directs as to do," he said.

Addressing Kiambu East teachers in Kiambu town early this month, Sossion termed the ongoing implementation of the CBC an illegality and a violation of the 2010 Constitution. He said there are no approved statutory instruments to anchor the exercise and that there is no gazetted commission to manage the process.

However, Muna rubbished the claims noting that the most pressing issue currently was the long awaited promotion of teachers and their proper medical insurance schemes.

"We are ready to implement the CBC. Our main concern is the delayed promotion of teachers who have furthered their education but still in the same job groups," he said.

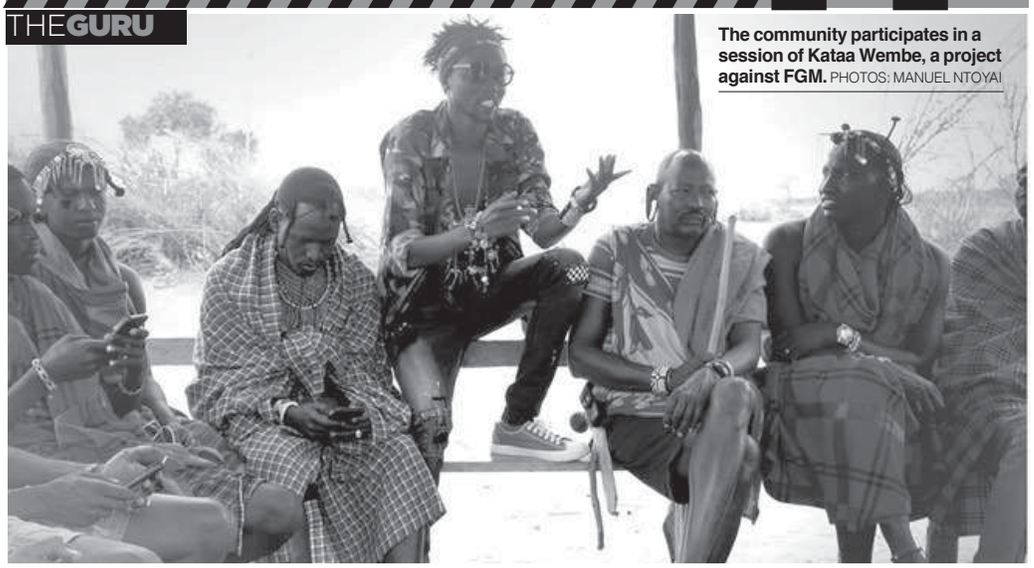
Mwathi promised teachers that he would take up the promotion matter by seeking audience with both the TSC and Education Cabinet Secretary George Magoha.

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The community participates in a session of Kataa Wembe, a project against FGM. PHOTOS: MANUEL NTOYAI

Fighting FGM with film

Young Maasai creatives are now turning to audiovisual media to educate the community on the dangers of the cut

by Manuel Ntoyai
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For decades, the fight against Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) has focused on women, with efforts going towards educating girls and rescuing victims of this abhorrent act.

The act, known in Maa as *emuratare*, has long been considered a woman's affair, despite pressure from men. "When it comes to girls' circumcision, it has always been done by fellow women. We men know nothing and have no desire to know what it is," says Maika Matayian, 63, from Magadi.

Little impact

For Mzee Matayian and his agemates (known as the irkitoip), the fight against FGM has had little impact on men, as they do not know much about it, apart from the pride of marrying a circumcised woman. "Women have been against it for long, but there is little they can do as our community is patriarchal. We have also been getting information from media, which has been partially helpful," he says.

Fortunately, the narrative is slowly changing, as individuals partnering with organisations, such as the Network for Adolescents and Youth In Africa (NAYA), Amref and the Yes I Do Alliance, are helping paint a crystal clear picture.

Through this initiative, Mzee Matayian and his peers have received training on how FGM affects girls in the community, including hindering their education and self-esteem. Additionally, they have been able to watch a local film, which shows the cutting, bleeding and the unhealed wounds, shocking them into reality.

"I never knew how they are cut. Men are never in the room and so we will never understand, but we saw the film and it's a whole chunk being cut! Other communities are worse and I think this is just way too painful for our girls to bear," says Mzee Matayian.

William Matampash, a community health assistant in Kajiado West, is one of the trainers conducting workshops and barazas for the initiative. "It has been a gradual journey. This initiative is about advocacy on behavioral change especially for the elders. We have taken them through the cutting process and its effects," he says.

Some effects include increased risks of HIV, sexual and reproductive health complications, which may later lead to complications in pregnancy and childbirth.



Mzee Maika Matayian.



William Matampash.

Insightful film

As the old adage goes, seeing is believing, and the elders are slowly seeing the light. "FGM is a taboo topic. Men don't discuss it and avoid the topic completely. Again, this is something that is deeply entrenched in the culture and is seen as an important rite of passage for women," adds Matampash.

"We have seen girls die during circumcision because of bleeding and also some women have died when giving birth. However, there has always been some excuse for this, mostly tied to either the ancestors not being happy or something similar," says Mzee Matayian.

Titled *The Cut*, the film is about a young boy trying to save his younger sister from FGM and early marriage. Although they manage to escape this plight, they end up in an unforgiving situation. Other themes covered include gender-based violence, alcoholism, sexual abuse and maternal health.

"A participatory approach was adopted in the development of the film. Children borrowed from their experiences and those from the community to write stories themed on child rights abuse," said Peter Wangugi Gitau the film director/producer in a statement.

He adds that by watching the film, the elders saw the impact of this practice. "During screening, you will know the message has hit home once you see how the elders follow the story to the extent of sympathising with the characters and see how dreadful the decisions they make have ripple effects on the lives of the girls," he adds.

Kataa Wembe

While this is happening, yet another group of creatives have come up with a documentary on the issue. "It is difficult for families to abandon the practice without support from the wider community. It is often practised because the perceived social benefits of the act are deemed higher than its disadvantages," says anti-FGM activist Fred Nchoko, who is a part of the Kataa Wembe (meaning do away with the razor blade) project.

For him, there is need to see the issue from a different angle, especially when dealing with the youth or the morans.

"Kataa Wembe is a call to action, it is a conversation and engagement highlighting it is time for men to stand against FGM. Through this campaign, we aim to raise awareness on not just the harmful practice, but also create a conversation that will see men understand the effects of this archaic tradition," he says.

For Mayian FM presenter and artiste, Mr Call Kimintah, documenting and sharing the conversation is beneficial to the Maa community.

RANDOM SENSE BY EVELYN MAKENA @evemake_g

World relies on three crops for nutritional needs

There are thousands of edible plant species. Yet, we only rely on about 200 of them for our daily calories and nutrients. In fact, only three crops - maize, rice and wheat- constitute more than 40 per cent of our daily calorie intake while the rest of the crops are neglected and underutilised. Most of the neglected crops are indigenous plants, rich in nutrients and loaded with benefits. According to Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations, these crops are neglected because they are grown in small geographical areas, are susceptible to pests and because of inadequate research on them. These crops have potential to boost food security and enrich our diets. By tapping into these crops, livelihoods of small-scale farmers will be uplifted and traditional knowledge kept alive for future generations.

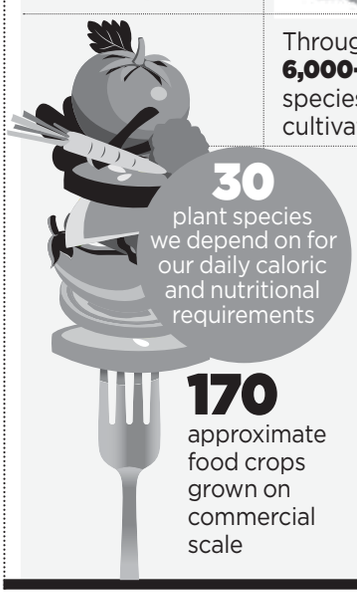
IN QUICK **FIGURES**

1.5b people around the world affected by micronutrients deficiency

30,000 Edible plant species



Through history **6,000-7,000** plant species have been cultivated as food



30 plant species we depend on for our daily caloric and nutritional requirements

170 approximate food crops grown on commercial scale



1,000 different species of bananas around the world

SUSTAINING DEVELOPMENT



Jane Kigen of Bamburi PSU.



Poet Artieno on stage.

International Non-Governmental Organisation, ActionAid, recently held its annual Friends of Action event to celebrate and share progress with their partners. Held at the Desmond Tutu Conference Centre in Nairobi, it brought together members of different NGOs that are supported by ActionAid, among other partners. This year's edition ran under the theme 'The Role of Philanthropy in Advancing Sustainable Development Goals in Kenya'. The speakers, drawn from both the development and corporate worlds, gave perspectives on philanthropy for achievement of Sustainable Development Goals in Kenya.

TEXT: MANUEL NTOYAI
PHOTOS: JOHN OCHIENG



Guests Evans Paul and Abande Peter.



ActionAid International's Millicent Namusonge and Patricia Mugeke.



ActionAid acting board chair Dr Loreen Maseno.

TOKYO IS BECKONING

As the 365-day countdown to the Tokyo Olympics 2020 kicked off across the globe, Kenya could not be left behind. To launch the countdown in Kenya, the National Olympics Committee of Kenya (NOC-K) —led by its President Paul Tergat— hosted hundreds of guests in Nairobi. They included Sports CS Amina Mohamed, Japanese Ambassador to Kenya Ryoichi Horie and industrialist Manu Chandaria. CS Amina said the government would fully support the yet to be selected Kenyan team for the global showpiece.

TEXT: SANDRA WEKESA
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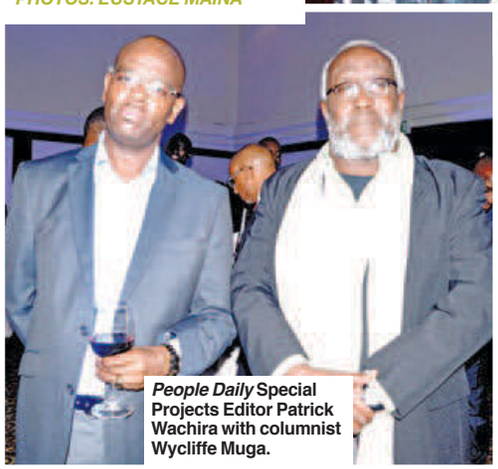
Sports CS Amina Mohamed with National Olympic Committee of Kenya President Paul Tergat.



Japan Embassy in Kenya *Charge de Affairs* Mitsuhiro Kobayashi.



Former NOC-K chairman Kipchoge Keino.



People Daily Special Projects Editor Patrick Wachira with columnist Wycliffe Muga.



NOC-K President Paul Tergat, Sports CS Amina Mohamed and industrialist Manu Chandaria switch on the timer.



Japanese Ambassador to Kenya Ryoichi Horie with businessman Manu Chandaria.

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During the so-called 'golden age' of Kenya's urban music —just in the turn of the Millennium to about 2010— some artistes lit up the scenes and commanded TV screens and radio airwaves. However, as **Manuel Ntoyai** writes, whether through bad luck, career mistakes or some unknown reasons, no longer rule the airwaves nor enjoy the command they evidently had



Kunguru

Eric Onguru aka Kunguru hit the airwaves with hit songs such as *I Will Never Let You Go, African Woman* and *Baby Don't Go* when music production powerhouse Ogopa Deejays ruled the roost in the region. After taking a hiatus from music, Kunguru turned to banking to focus on what he called professional growth, he has been trying to come back and this time round, he promises to be really back. "We had different challenges when we took a break, now we are back with Mr Lenny working on a project under Ogopa Deejays. We have already done the audio and the video shoot is underway. Once ready, the world will know we are back," he told *Spice*.





XYZee

Music duo XYZee arrived in to the music scenes in the early 2000s with what felt as a breathe of fresh air, surfing on the Mandugu Digital music label wave that had engulfed East Africa. With songs such as *Panda, Tingisha* and *Tafuta*, Lexx and Santos took over. After doing their thing for a few years though, the two went separate ways. Lexx has been trying to pull a comeback from his base in the US. "Unfortunately, after leaving Kenya people tend to forget about you and the creative space doesn't hold on for long. So, while here (US), I try to do music and share it with fans who appreciate what I do. However, a section of the media does not bother to play our stuff," he said via phone.



Meg C

Songstress Meg C hit the airwaves with her song *Nipe* in 2006 and courted media attention after dating former Harambee Stars talisman Dennis Oliech. She took a break from music in 2007 to get married and has been trying to make a comeback but with little success. She gave the comeback a stab in December 2018 with a track called *Habeeby* that has so far garnered just 16,000 YouTube views.



Mr Lenny

He is known as the king of collabos with a mindas touch. He enjoyed the limelight with smash hit *Wasee Remix* with Vinnie Banton and Mr Googz in 2001 and then on *Kamata* with late rapper E-Sir. After taking a break, the mellow-voiced Lenny came back under Grandpa Records in 2014 and went straight to do a collabo with Visita titled *Randa Randa*, which was well received by his fans. "When we started, things were all good. When I took a break to concentrate on my family and business, people assumed that was the end of Mr Lenny. But music is a bug that once it bites you, the rest is history. I am back in business and the projects under Ogopa Deejays will soon confirm just that," he says.

Nazizi

She earned her place on the high table in the early 2000s as one third of music group Necessary Noize with Wyre and Bamzigi. But it was her hits with Wyre *Bless My Room* and *Kenyan Girl Kenyan Boy* and *Let's Get Down* with Prezzo that catapulted her to stardom across East Africa. After a prolonged hiatus, the self-titled Kenya's First Lady of Rap came back some years ago as part of reggae group Reggae 5 with Lavosti, Jahpila Indaba, Levysill Gideon and Ras Mtapa. The group released a few songs under Everblazing Records, but later disintegrated. Recently, Nazizi was featured in the latest offering of *Coke Studio Africa* music project.





DJ Mantix

When it comes to street deejaying, DJ Mantix has been on the game for more than two decades. He won the Chaguo La Teeniez awards in 2010 and 2011 and his reggae mix *Hepta Reggae 12* packed in compact discs has been labeled as one of the hottest music mixes in Kenya. Currently, Mantix plays in clubs and private parties. "When I started deejaying, the likes of King Lion Sounds ruled the scenes, but I did my part, which opened more ways for street deejays. The only thing that have changed for the better is the use of technology, making work easier and also reaching out to audiences," he says.

E THE 'GOLDEN' STARS?

VBO

Naskia Utamu and *Kamoja Tu* were some of the songs that kept speakers bumping in clubs in the mid-2000s, thanks to VBO and Bobby Mapesa. The duo, known as The Bugz, broke up to pursue individual interests. With Mapesa still having some visibility, VBO found it hard going solo. "My album *Bandare* is out. Kenyan music was suffocated by foreign acts and that is when most of us had our careers going under. Now it's a good time to be back, with the new wave bringing back the vibe Kenyans love," says VBO.





Gidi Gidi Maji Maji

The duo was such a hit that their song *Unbwogable* was used as a political campaign anthem by Rainbow Alliance for the 2002 General Election. Later, the duo (Joseph Ogidi aka Gidi Gidi and Julius Owino aka Maji Maji) released *Many Faces*, which catapulted their already famous brand into international scenes. After their brief stint in music, the two bowed out to pursue other interests. Currently, Maji runs Ghetto Radio as owner-cum-presenter with Gidi at Radio Jambo as the morning show presenter.



Tattu

The all-girl group comprising Angela Ndambuki, Angela Shinde and Debbie Asila was a popular music outfit in 2000s before their break up. Angela Ndambuki went into the corporate world and furthered her studies to become an Intellectual Property lawyer. She also serves as Kenya Association of Music Producers (KAMP) Board vice chairperson and at some point served as the Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry CEO. Debbie Asila went into media, becoming a radio presenter at *Kiss 100* with Shinde getting into the public relations sector. "This is music, you never know what happens," Ndambuki told Spice about their comeback. The group was known for the single hit *Teso*.

Pilipili

His music and trademark blonde hair made Pilipili a household name in the Kenyan music scene in early 2000s, with his big break coming with songs *Kamata Dem* and *Morale* ft Ratatat. While under Calif Records, his star shone even brighter with other of his hits including *Ukimwona, Ni Wewe, Mpaka Che* and *Twende Ndani*. Pilipili would later start his own studio Chilli Inc while concentrating on his family life.



Mr Googz

Moffat Omari aka Mr Googz is one of the best singers to break out in the 2000s. His song *Wasee* with Vinnie Banton received a lukewarm reception in 1998, until they remixed it with Mr Lenny. It became an urban anthem. Googz switched to gospel music in 2005 and released his first gospel album *His Love* a year later. He has since become a pastor, but in between preaching and his family life, he still does music with his latest release *Big Up* getting considerable airplay.





Longombas

It was one of the hottest urban music outfits in Kenya in the 2000s. Made of brothers Lovy and Christian Longomba, the duo ruled the airwaves with hits such as *Dondosa, Vuta Pumz, Chukua* and *Piga Makofi*. After a blissful decade of churning out hits, the two immigrated to the US, where they released the hit *Quuen*. Years later, Lovy got into religion and he currently touts himself as a prophet with his Revolution Church of Jesus Christ. Christian's music ambitions also stalled as he went through challenging health issues. In 2015, he went through multiple surgeries to remove brain tumours.



Boomba Clan

Utachonga viazi became a popular phrase after Boomba Clan released the song *Chonga Viazi* in the late 2000s. Made up of Viq, Erico, Thome, Philo and Peter, they had their work produced and packaged in a hilarious manner that captivated many people. The outfit later changed to Boomba Entertainment with Thome directing other artistes' videos as the outfit went deep into music and video production.

Sema

Sema (Sanaipei 'Sana' Tande, Pamela 'Pam' Waithaka and Kevin 'Kev' Waweru) was a Kenyan music trio born out of the Coca-Cola Pop Stars competition in 2004. They hit headlines and offered hope to many Kenyan music lovers with a soft spot for R&B. Their growth was also catapulted with the emergence of Homeboyz music label, whose support structure was key in capturing the elusive urban audience. After exciting their fans with hits such as *Leta Wimbo* and *Sakalakata*, the trio went their separate ways in 2005 after releasing just one album, *Mwewe*. With only Sana having found success as a solo act in music, karaoke hosting, radio presenting and acting, nothing much can be said of Pam except that she's been struggling with alcoholism. Kev completely went 'MIA', never to be traced.

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The registered owner of land parcel **No. Othaya/Kiahagu/1692** proposes to change use from **Agricultural use** to **Residential (Multi-dwelling units),** subject to approval by the County Government of Nyeri. Any individual(s), institutions and organization with objection(s) or comments to the proposal are requested to forward the same in writing within 14 days of publication of this notice to:

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Duly instructed by our principals, in exercise of their statutory powers, we shall sell by public Auction the under mentioned household goods on 6th August 2019 at 10.30am or soon thereafter at **insitu at Road House Dennis Print** and **insitu at Jamuhuri** and **Pangani Auction Center.**

1. **LANDLORD VS ADDAH LEECH**

Wooden shelves, Assorted supermarket merchandises, one door Brookside fridge, wooden counter desk, 2 office desks, commercial oven, chips deep fryer, 17.5 kg Afrigas cylinder, small metal stand plus potato cutter, 6 plastic seats, printer machine, 1 speaker, 2 display counters, 3 executive seats, 1 metal stand, plastic stand. **(insitu at Road House Dennis Print)**

2. **LANDLORD VS PAPAYA HOLDINGS LIMITED**

2 POS plus draws, 2 till counters, supermarket shelves, 3 door fridge, commercial oven, commercial jiko (six burner), bread proofer, 2 stainless steel table, one door coca cola fridge, one door daima fridge, electric grill, microwave, display cooler, stainless steel sink, metallic gas stand, assorted crates, ice cream freezer, popcorn machine, HP computer, small table, wooden bakeries, 13 kg cylinder, Assorted supermarket merchandises, assorted cutlery. **(Insitu at Jamuhuri)**

3. **LANDLORD VS CAROLINE C. TANUI**

10 seater sofa set, dining table with 5 seats, coffee table with 2 stools, T.V stand, television, 2 door fridge, 9 metallic seats, chips cutter, super DVD. **(Pangani Auction Center)**

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MOTOR VEHICLE REG. NO. KBJ 166U – ISUZU CANDER.

CONDITIONS OF SALE
Cash at the fall of the hammer.

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Dated at Nairobi; 29th July, 2019.

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Under instructions from our principals, we shall sell by Public Auction the under mentioned motor vehicle on Monday 5th August, 2019 as from 11.00 Am at Prowler Enterprises Ltd Fedha Estate along Outering Road.

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One motor vehicle: **REG. NO. KCQ 926J; TOYOTA PROBOX**

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1. Interested bidders are required to pay a refundable deposit of **Kshs. 50,000.00** for the motor vehicle in cash or bankers cheques before being allowed to bid
2. Viewing can be done during normal working hours to verify the details as these are not warranted by the auctioneers or their principals.
3. **25%** of the purchase price must be paid to the auctioneer at the fall of the hammer and the balance to be paid in **7 days** to the financiers
4. Sale is subject to a reserve price, and the auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid without giving any reasons for doing so.



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TIME OUT!

8.05pm The Secretary



::IN THEATRES NOW::

ANGA DIAMOND PLAZA:**10:00, 14:10, 18:10, 22:10: ARJUN PATIALA (2019)**

ANGA SKY CINEMA:**09:00, 17:35: ARJUN PATIALA (2019)**

NYALI CINEMAX MOMBASA: **21:15: ARJUN PATIALA (2019)**

PRESTIGE CINEMA PRESTIGE PLAZA:**18:00: ARJUN PATIALA (2019)**

ANGA DIAMOND PLAZA :**12:00, 16:00, 20:00:JUDGEMENTALL HAI KYA (2019)**

ANGA SKY CINEMA:**13:10, 19:30:JUDGEMENTALL HAI KYA (2019)**



K24

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5.30 Tizi
6.00 K24 Alfajiri
9.00 Switch Mix
10.00 Daily Brief
12.00 Inside Business
1.00 News Cut
1.30 Sports Hub Live
2.00 DW Documentary
3.00 DW Documentary
3.30 Playlist
4.00 K24 Mashinani
4.30 Jus Kids
5.00 Beatbox
6.00 Unique Love
7.00 K24 Saa Moja
8.05 The Secretary
9.00 K24 Evening Edition
11.00 Kenyan Movie
00.00 DW Feed

Kameme TV

5.00 Ime Ria Ruciini
6.00 Riikiratha
9.30 Kurekereria Kodii
11.00 Nditimurano- Rpt
12.30 Ndukariganira-Rpt
1.00 Mohoro Gitau-Live
1.30 Kameme Iharoini- Live
2.30 Animal Society-Rpt
3.00 Thiririka Mixx
3.30 Ng'ano Cia Cucu
3.45 Kameme Toonz
4.00 Ririmbuka Live
6.00 Ndukariganira
6.30 Uraguri Wa Mwiiri Live
7.00 Kameme Maturaini
7.30 Tuika Wakwa
8.30 Njungwa Ya Muthee Kihenjo
9.00 Mutamburuko Wa Mohoro
10.00 Mathaga Maitu
11.30 Mutamburuko Wa Mohoro
11.30 Ririmbuka
1.30 Deuestche Welle

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5:00 Command Your Morning
6:00 Morning Express
8:00 Tendereza
9:00 Carmela Rpt
10:00 Wild Drake Rpt
11.00 Tendereza
12.00 The Entrepreneur Rpt
12.30 Daktari RPT
1.30 Drive it
2.00 Afri Screen
4.00 Mbiu ya KTN
4:10 The Emperor's new school
4.30 Teenage Mutant; Ninja Turtles
5.00 Baseline - Music Show
6.00 Beautiful Strangers
7.00 KTN Leo
7.30 Mshamba
8.00 Steve Harvey
9.00 KTN Prime
10.00 Documentary
10.30 Movie
11.30 Movie

KBC Channel 1

5:00 BBC
5:30 Gear Up
6:00 Good Morning Kenya
9:00 Layd Back
9:30 Animation Time
10:30 Jee, huu ni ungwana?
11:00 Hypochondri ach RR
12:00 Afrusion
1:00 Lunch Time News
2:00 IAAF Recorded
4:30 Big Minds Rpt
5:00 Club 1
6:30 The Great Debators
7:00 Taarifa
7:30 Grapevine
8:00 First Lady
9:00 Channel 1 News
10:00 Maisha ya mama
11:00 CCTV
11:30 Layd Back

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5:00 Password Plus Repeat
6:00 AM Live
8:00 Better Living
9:00 Avenida Brasil
10:00 La Loba
11:15 Churchill Show
12:00 Wicked edition
12:30 Aunty Boss
1:00 NTV at 1
1:30 NTV Sasa
3:00 World Cup 2018
4:00 NTV at 4
4:15 Raggs
5:00 The Beat
6:00 Avenida Brasil
7:00 NTV Jioni
7:30 Hapa Kule News
8:00 Shark Tank
9:00 NTV Tonight
10:05 Press Pass
11:00 The Beat
12:00 NTV Tonight
01:00 CNN

HOROSCOPES



ARIES (MAR. 21- APRIL 20)
Relatives will be cordial. Your lover probably won't put up with your behavior.

TAURUS (APR. 21- MAY 21)
Unexpected visitors are likely. Be prepared to do your chores early. You can make new connections if you play your cards right.

GEMINI (MAY 22-JUNE 21)
Put your efforts into your work or money making ventures rather than your emotional life.

CANCER (JUNE 22-JULY 22)
Make changes regarding your status in society. You may be tempted to get involved in secret affairs or love triangles.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG 22)
You will back yourself into a corner if you are baited and your stubbornness will only make matters worse. Older relatives may be a burden.

VIRGO (AUG. 23 -SEPT. 23)
Invite people home to discuss your plans for group fundraising events and outings. Difficulties relating to children will be stressful.

LIBRA (SEPT. 24 -OCT. 23)
Cultural activities will prove to be quite enlightening for everyone. You can make excellent investments if you are in the right place at the right time.

SCORPIO (OCT. 24 - NOV. 22)
Use your obvious talent to work with detail and you can come up with something great. Feeling under the weather may be a result of overindulgence.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 23 -DEC. 21)
Mishaps due to preoccupation will be upsetting. If they don't want to get involved, work by yourself.

CAPRICORN (DEC 22.- JAN. 20)
Later in the week your boss will pat you on the back for a job well done. Renovations or purchases made for your home will payoff.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 21 -FEB. 19)
You could be blind to the defects of those you love. Focus on forming business partnerships.

PISCES (FEB. 20-MAR. 20)
Be sure to look into travel opportunities that will provide you with mental stimulation.

SUDOKU

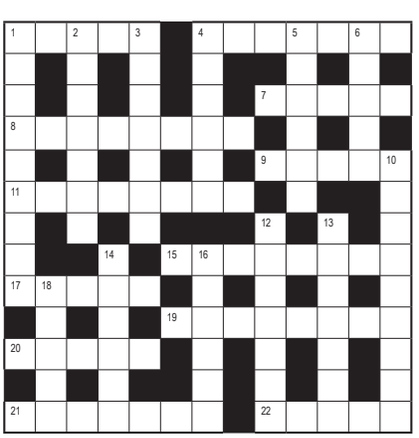
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The aim is to fill the grid so that each row, column and every 3x3 shaded box contains only one of the digits 1-9. You need to reason out where to place the missing numbers by using the numbers given in the grid and a process of elimination. It is a game of logic not mathematical ability.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT! | BY TUM





FRIDAY'S SOLUTION

ACROSS
1. Received
5. Over
9. Blast
9. Maxim
10. Interested
11. Eclair
14. Dipole
15. Flybynight
17. Cairn
20. Brawl
21. Diet
22. Selected

DOWN
1. Robs
2. Redfaced
3. Coax
4. Playtime
6. Intensifying
7. Eyries
8. Little
12. Imperishable
13. Vexation
16. Halt
18. Remedies
19. Glad

ACROSS
1. Operatic songs (5)
4. Plunder (7)
7. Young deer (pl) (5)
8. Person who goes to bed late (5,3)
9. Grim (5)
11. Breed of dairy cattle (8)
15. Person who is left-handed (8)
17. Be the same as (5)
19. Christmas season (8)
20. Be compatible (5)
21. Protective location (7)
22. Move to music (5)

DOWN
1. Property of being in good supply (9)
2. Figurative illustration (7)
3. Incomplete (7)
4. Storage compartment (6)
5. Puts in the soil (6)
6. Interior (5)
10. General erudition (9)
12. Expressed audibly (7)
13. 20th letter of the Greek alphabet (7)
14. Package (6)
16. Of the eye (6)
18. Subdue (5)

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FOOTBALL: Mixed fortunes for Stars' duo Olunga, Omollo in their forays abroad -Pg31

SPORTS BRIEFS

Musa lauds boxers in provisional squad

BOXING: Boxing Federation of Kenya (BFK) coach Benjamin Musa has praised pugilists currently in camp for the August 23-31 All African Games planned for Rabat and Casablanca in Morocco. Musa presently working with the provisional squad made up of 26 boxers 17 male and nine ladies says all look promising despite the limited slots the African Games "A final squad of 15 will be named soon, 10 men and five ladies to represent the country in Morocco. I think anyone from this team is more than capable of good results," he said. The team training from Police Depot in Mathare was over the weekend visited by new BAK president Anthony Ombok Otieno who promised a new dawn for performers in the ring. "We are working towards ensuring medallist are handsomely rewarded by BAK. That way we can be able to motivate the boxers," he said. - AMOS ABUGA

Swimming Australia denies cover-up links



BOXING: Swimming Australia insisted Sunday it followed the rules in dealing with a failed drug test by relay world-record holder Shayna Jack, rejecting claims it wasn't transparent about the "embarrassing" result. The 20-year-old, part of Australia's 4x100m freestyle team that set a world record at last year's Commonwealth Games, failed an out-of-competition test late last month and has been suspended. She returned home days before the start of the world championships in South Korea citing "personal reasons" but news of the incident only emerged in a media report on Saturday, with Jack then denying wrongdoing in an Instagram post. In a statement released after the revelation, Swimming Australia admitted the Australian Sports Anti-doping Authority (ASADA) had told it Jack tested positive on June 26. But the Australian governing body maintained it was required to keep the details confidential "until such time as either ASADA or the individual athlete release details of an adverse test result". - AFP

Schumacher's son spins dad's Ferrari



FORMULA ONE: Mick Schumacher completed an emotional three-lap demonstration run in his father Michael's championship-winning Ferrari F2004 car on Saturday before qualifying at the German Grand Prix. The 20-year-old son of the seven-time world champion said it felt like "torture" as he waited to emerge from the pit-lane in front of a big crowd at the Hockenheim circuit. Now a Formula Two driver, Schumacher wore a helmet that paid tribute to his father's career as he drove the car that carried his father to 13 victories and the drivers' title in 2004. "I just wanted to go out and I just wanted to drive," he said. "Obviously, having to wait, even in front of the pit exit, was more like torture. "I never lost a smile. It was always on my face. Even when I was locking up, I was smiling! It was really cool." "As a club the standards of our game have gone down, mainly because the boys lacked training ground. I know out club will soon roar back," said the legend. - AFP

Felix determined to chase Olympic career swansong next year

Los Angeles, Sunday
@PeopleSport11

Beaten but unbowed, Allyson Felix (*pictured*) said Saturday she is determined to bring the curtain down on her glittering track and field career on her own terms.

The 33-year-old American superstar failed to clinch a 400m berth for the World Championships after only finishing sixth at Drake Stadium, but could still travel to Doha as a member of the USA relay squad.

It means that for the first time, Felix will not enter an individual event at a major championship, an astonishing 16-year streak that encompasses four Olympic Games and eight world championships. Yet Felix, who was racing this week for the first time in more than a year after taking time out of the sport for the birth of her daughter, is determined to book a spot in Tokyo at what would be her fifth Olympics.

"I want to be back in the Olympics," Felix told reporters. "I want that more than anything. I want to go out on my terms. A little sacrifice here and there and it will be worth it."

Felix's time on Saturday of 51.94sec was well outside her personal best of 49.26sec set in Beijing in 2015, a time she never came close to challenging in three races in Des Moines this week.

However Felix, the only female track and field athlete to win six Olympic gold medals, is confident that she can get back to where she needs to be with a full off-season of training under her belt.

"I did this off very little training and that gives me a lot of hope," Felix said.

"I'm just happy that I went for it here. I could have not run, stayed at home and trained.

"But I think it was good for me to get out here and push myself a little bit, even though I knew I wasn't where I'm normally at."

Most importantly, Felix said competing in Iowa this week had stoked her competitive fire. "This gave me a taste, like I know it's there," Felix said. "The fire is there. I'll be back next year."

And despite the failure to clinch a top three finish on Saturday, Felix was anything but disappointed. - AFP



Crowning moment for Morans

Ongwae leads team to Afro-CAN finals with top-scorer performance in Bamako

by Lynette Matheka
@PeopleSport11

When Tylor Ongwae lifted the 2018-19 title with Danish side Bakken Bears in mid May, a handful of his countrymen took notice of the achievement, but that was to be short-lived.

Ongwae headed to Kenya almost immediately to join up with the men's basketball national team, Kenya Morans, after being part of a successful campaign for a third consecutive and Bakken Bears' 15th league title in the last 20 years and the club's 16th overall.

He quietly joined the team that was preparing for the FIBA Africa Zone Five championship set for Kampala, Uganda in the last week of June. The championship doubled up as a qualifier to the inaugural senior men's basketball African Nations' Championship (Afro-CAN) in Bamako, Mali. As Kenya finished second after losing 82-61 to the Democratic Republic of Congo in the Afro-CAN that concluded on Saturday night, he had won the hearts of his countrymen with his brilliance on the court and many celebrated as he walked on stage to receive his top scorer and 'All-Star Five of the Tournament' award.



AFRO-CAN ALL-STAR FIVE OF THE TOURNAMENT

Most Valuable Player -Maxi Shamba (DRC)
Top Scorer -Tylor Ongwae (Kenya)
All Star -Edson Ndoniema (Angola)
All Star -Tom Wamukota (Kenya)
All Star -Jordan Sacko (DR Congo)
Fair Play team of the tournament -Mali





1. Morans' Tylor Ogawe who won the top scorer award during the Afro-CAN Championship that ended in Bamako, Mali on Saturday.
2. Nairobi Governor Mike Mbuvi Sonko, Nairobi businessman Nganga Mundia and CAS Sports Hassan Noor Hassan follow the match on a television screen at Nyayo Stadium .
3. Desmond Owili goes for a basket during the between Kenya Morans and DR Congo. Kenya finished second after losing 82-61.
PHOTOS: FIBA/DAVID NDOLO

Averaging 21.7 points per game, he scored a combined 130 points in six matches, having played an average of 36.1 minutes per game. The forward was one of only two players who managed to hit the century mark in points scored. Chad's Michael Koibe was the other player at 115 points in six matches.

The 28-year old's basketball journey can, however, be traced back to Eldoret town where, alongside his elder brother James 'Tyson' Ongwae, he fell in love with the sport and took it seriously after joining Friends School Kamusinga.

"We had good coaches in high school who helped many of us build careers around basketball. They mentored me and developed my skills further. Having my elder brother in the same school team and playing in the national school games helped build my confidence," Ogwae told People Sport before departing for the Afro-CAN championship.

The forward landed a scholarship in the US that saw him play in the NCAA Division One basketball for four seasons, spending his last two seasons with University of Louisiana Monroe where he was a standout player.

"I did well in college, won many accolades and that gave me a chance to play for professional teams. I played for Avellino in Italy and for Soldertalje in Sweden before settling at Bakken Bears in Denmark," he added.

This was the player's first time doing duty for the Morans as the only other call-up he had received was back in 2011 but he did not make the final team. His debut for the national team saw him crowned Zone Five's Most Valuable Player (MVP) as Kenya bagged her maiden title.

"In 2011, I had just left high school and there were more experienced players who were playing pro at the time. I cherished the chance to train alongside such players as I learned a lot from them," he said.

As Kenya reached their first ever final in any FIBA Africa event, after making a return to continental events since 1993, Ongwae and Tom 'Bush' Wamukota made it to the 'All-Star five of the tournament'.

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Strathmore University's Beryl Katete (right) battles Maureen Bosibori of Zetech University in a past Kenya Basketball Federation league match at Nyayo Stadium. PHOTO: RODGERS NDEGWA

Eagle Wings soar over Western Delight in Kakamega

by Lynette Matheka
@PeopleSport11

Coach Evelyne Kedogo guided her Eagle Wings side to a 53-41 victory over Western Delight away in Kakamega as they picked their seventh win in 15 matches of this season's Kenya Basketball Federation (KBF) women's league.

The win, which came at the back of two losses to Storms and Strathmore, moves Kedogo's charges closer to qualifying for this season's playoffs.

The Shauri Moyo-based side started the match on a high, taking the lead at 15-11 and played for a similar score line to head to the breather with an eight-point lead.

The hosts mounted an unsuccessful comeback in the second half but came short by one point in both quarters as they ended 11-10 and 12-11 in favour of the winners.

"We had anticipated a tough match and it was. I had travelled with very few players and missed key players but our game plan worked. We planned to be in the lead in the first quarter as that would ease the pressure in the second half and I am happy for the win," said the coach-cum-player.

Delight, who have managed just one win this season and are facing the axe from the premier league, had a tough weekend at home as Storm had subjected them to a 53-44 loss on Saturday before their loss to Kedogo's charges.

Coach Abel Nson had travelled to Kakamega with seven players but they took charge of the match leading from the first whistle 16-8 and 14-4 for a 18 point lead into the break. Delight won the second half in quarters of 14-11 and 18-12 but it was too little too late to manage a win against Nson's side.

Meanwhile, leaders Equity Bank Hawks beat Africa Nazarene University (ANU) 70-40 for their 14th victory this season in 15 matches, taking their point tally to 29. This was ANU's 10th loss in 14 matches.

The bankers played a slow first quarter to take a one point lead at 15-14 but had a better show in the second and third periods winning 18-6 and 22-10. The final quarter saw the students up their game to score 13 points against the defending champions' 16.

Kisumu eye crown

Hosts hope for maiden title as Term Two School Games kick off in their backyard

by Lynette Matheka
@PeopleSport11

Coach Booker Odhiambo and his charges Kisumu Day have set their sights on clinching their maiden title when the Kenya Secondary School Sports Association (KSSSA) Term Two games kick off tomorrow in their backyard.

While enjoying home ground advantage and the drive of the football loving Kisumu residents who will cheer them throughout the tournament, the school faces stiff competition from debutants Mbooni Boys Western's Ebwali and Nairobi's Dagoretti in Pool B of boys' U19 football.

The lakeside school, known for producing some of the best football talents in the country is making a comeback to the national games after missing the last three editions. To make it to this stage, they successfully appealed against Barding's alleged fielding of ineligible players in the regional final where they had lost 2-0 in extra time.

In their last appearance, Kisumu Day lost in the semis to Pasenga and went on to finish third. The previous year, Odhiambo's charges had lost in the final to champions Kakamega and went on to finish seventh in the East Africa games held in Tanzania that year.

"We have not been on this stage for a while but we are ready. We are in a tough pool but we will take one match at a time. We do not have a weak team as many might think as we had played Barding for a draw in the regional group stage and advanced to the semis top of the group. We will hold our own to win the title," said coach Odhiambo.

Last year, the side lost to Ringa in the regional finals while they lost at the county level in 2017 and in the regional semis the previous year. "There was a change of guard in 2017 and as it is, there was a bit of restructuring and we started rebuilding and I am confident the current squad is ready to take on any opponent," he added.

In the absence of defending champions Kakamega School, last year's losing finalists Olbolsat, in pool A alongside St Antony Boys, Shimba Hill and North Eastern representatives will also be looking to achieve what they could not last year.

On paper, they have an easier pool and the experience gained in their maiden appearance where they went on to represent the country in the East Africa games held in Rwanda might go a long way in their fight for the title.



U19 BOYS' FOOTBALL

Pool A
Olbolsat
St Antony Boy
Shimba Hill
North Eastern
Pool B
Kisumu Day
Mbooni Boys
Ebwali
Dagoretti

Brian Osilu of Jamhuri (Right) challenges for the ball with Paul Odhiambo of Dagoretti during the U19 finals of the KSSSA Term Two Games at Lenana School. Dagoretti won 4-0. PHOTO: RODGERS NDEGWA

Bett, Chirchir star at Kericho track and field meeting

by Philip Yegon
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Edwin Bett (*below*) and Evelyn Chirchir starred in the men's and women's 10,000m during the seventh Regional Track and Field Athletics Champions held in Narok Stadium on Saturday.

Running as an individual, Bett won the race when he crossed the finishing line with a time of 30:14.7 while Chirchir representing Nakuru County ran at a time of 33:11.5.

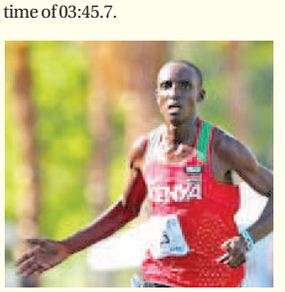
Bernard Kibet (Kericho) was second in the men's category after clocking 30:23.8 while Bernard Kipkemoi (Nakuru) clinched the third slot with a time of 30:37.6.

Track star Sandra Chebet (Kericho) was beaten by Chirchir to the second place in the women's category. Chebet crossed the finishing line with a time of 33:14.2 while Gladys Cherono (Bomet) was third with a time of 34:04.0.

In the 5,000m both women and men athletes from Kericho outsmarted others and scooped top positions. Eva Cherono and Geoffrey Koech won the race in the both categories. Cherono clocked 16:30.1 while Koech crossed the finishing line with a time of 13:47.0.

Jackline Rotich (Kericho) came second in the women's category with a time of 16:35.6 while Immaculate Anyango (Bomet) was third after a running with a time of 16:44.6.

Renowned Ferguson Rotich (Kericho) triumphed in the 1,500m men's category after crossing the finishing line with a time of 03:44.5 while Bernard Kipkorir (Bomet) came second with a time of 03:45.6. Newton Kipkirui (Nakuru) clinched the third slot with a time of 03:45.7.



Africa needs bigger voice in IAAF affairs, says candidate Tuwei



by Amos Abuga
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Athletics Kenya AK President Jackson Tuwei (*pictured*) says Africa needs a bigger say at the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) and that is the basis of contesting for one of the vice president positions.

Tuwei who is also the Confederation of Africa Athletics (CAA) vice president, hinted that he will also vie for one of the council member during the IAAF Congress on September 25, ahead of the 2019 World Athletics Championships in Doha, Qatar.

"Most of the decisions made at the IAAF have affects Kenyans and Africans at large, that is my basis of running," said the AK boss. "Most recently we have had issues like the 5,000m scrapped from the Diamond League programme, we dare to ask, what will happen of our talent athletes," he said. Kenyan and Ethiopian athletes have dominated the middle and long-distance running events, including the 5,000m, since the 1968 Mexico Olympic games. Further Tuwei says scrapping the men's and women's 10,000m and women's 5,000m races from the 2020 IAAF World U20 championships to be hosted in Nairobi is also discriminatory.

"Inclusivity is what we are championing for. That can be achieved if we have a say," he said.

Tuwei will battle for the four positions at stake in the vice president docket that has attracted nine contestants including Ibrahim Shehu-Gusau from Nigeria. IAAF has also directed that one of those positions must be occupied by a woman.

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Simbas eye Zimbabwe scalp after Zambia win

by Alex Njue
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Kenya Simbas (Kenya 15s) have turned their attention to Zimbabwe whom they face on Saturday as they look for a third straight win in the Victoria Cup after beating Zambia last weekend.

Simbas dispatched Zambia 43-23 in Lusaka on Saturday to set up the mouth-watering tie with defending champions Zimbabwe in Bulawayo.

This was the first win for Kenya in the Victoria Cup with Shujaa players led by captain Jacob Ojee and former sevens skipper Andrew Amonde scoring the first two tries while prop Curtis Lilako added another.

Simbas coach Paul Odera stuck to the same squad that won in Kampala and the decision paid off as they crossed over for six tries, two conversions and three penalties while the home side managed 23 points.

The match against Zimbabwe will not be easy for the Simbas given the Sables are the only team to have won twice, having beaten Uganda and Zambia, and with a trophy and fouvarable world rankings at stake, their work is cut out.

Zambia have now lost two matches in the four-team competition courtesy of a 39-10 reverse to Zimbabwe in Harare in the opening tie before succumbing to Kenya.

After Zimbabwe, Simbas will play host to Zambia in Nairobi on August 24 and close the campaign against Zimbabwe on September 21.

VICTORIA CUP

Saturday's results

Zambia 23-43 Kenya

Uganda 26-31 Zimbabwe

Upcoming Fixtures

Zimbabwe vs Kenya -August 3

Uganda vs Zambia -August 10

Kenya vs Zambia -August 24

Kenya vs Zimbabwe -Sept 21



Kenya Simbas captain Davis Chenge dives for a try against Tunisia in Nairobi last August. Kenya beat Zambia in the Victoria Cup on Saturday. PHOTO: ALEX NJUE

SPORTS BRIEFS

Japan launch World Cup warm-ups with Fiji win in Kamaishi



TOKYO: Kotaro Matsushima scored two tries as Japan beat Fiji 34-21 in a confidence-boosting win ahead of their home World Cup. The Brave Blossoms bagged five tries to Fiji's three in their opening match of the Pacific Nations Cup on Saturday, two months before Japan hosts the first World Cup to be held in Asia. Earlier, Samoa opened the tournament with a 25-17, come-from-behind win against Tonga in a match played in a greasy mudbath in Apia. Japan, hosting their first Test match at World Cup venue Kamaishi, which was ravaged by the 2011 tsunami disaster, took an early lead. After a Yu Tamura penalty, Kenki Fukuoka dived over for their first try before Levani Botia crossed at the other end for Fiji. However, Matsushima scored his first try shortly afterwards before Timothy Lafaele and Kazuki Himeno made it four tries to Japan in the opening half-hour. Matsushima's second effort, in the second half, rounded off the scoring for the hosts in front of 13,000 fans. "I'm so glad to win against the wonderful team. We outperformed them in contact," fly-half Tamura said. -AFP

Ledesma laments poor set-pieces for loss to Wallabies in Brisbane



BRISBANE: Argentina coach Mario Ledesma (pictured) says poor set-piece execution let his side down against the Wallabies, admitting the team was tired and needed time off before facing South Africa in a fortnight. The Pumas came into Saturday's Rugby Championship clash in Brisbane on the back of an impressive performance during a narrow loss to the All Blacks the week before. But missing injured veteran hooker Agustin Creevy, they were unable to reproduce the same form with Australia's pack winning the battle of the big men in the 16-10 victory. Ledesma, a former forwards coach with the Wallabies, bemoaned too many missed chances. "Opportunities were there... and we lost the game by six points (but) my concern was much more the set-piece, the scrum in the first half and the lineout in the second half," he said. "I thought we were clearly dominated. It's really difficult at this level for our set-piece, without quality ball, to win the game. It's almost weird," he added. "We were pretty clinical in lineouts and our scrum was good last week (against New Zealand), but it's not alarming." -AFP

Springboks say 16-16 'win' no pointer to upcoming World Cup



WELLINGTON: The Springboks celebrated their last-gasp, 16-16 draw with New Zealand as a win on Saturday but said it would have no bearing on their blockbuster clash at the World Cup. All Blacks coach Steve Hansen meanwhile said he was "quietly excited" with the way his side performed, despite Herschel Jantjies' late converted try which left the scores level. While South Africa were jubilant, the All Blacks trudge from the field in Wellington as if they had lost. The two sides will meet again in the World Cup group stage on September 21. "We won 16-all. We take a lot of belief out of this game," is how Springbok coach Rassie Erasmus described the result. The Springboks dominated the first half only to trail 7-6 at the break, and were then outplayed in the second half before producing the equalising try in the final minute. "We certainly take a lot of positives out of this because New Zealand are the world's number one team, they're the benchmark. We all strive to be where they are," Erasmus said. -AFP



Stanbic Mwamba players do a celebratory jig after winning the Kababeri Sevens title at Kinoru Stadium, Meru yesterday. PHOTO: ALEX NJUE

'Okombe chini ya' Mwamba.....

Black Shirts savour Kabeberi Sevens title after downing Oilers in Meru

by Alex Njue
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Stanbic Mwamba won their own tournament as they beat surprise finalists Menengai Oilers to lift the Kabeberi Sevens title at Kinoru Stadium, Meru yesterday.

Last season's runners-ups went one better this time by beating Oilers 27-7 to lift title in what was the second leg of the National Sevens Circuit.

Billy Odhiambo scored a brace, for a joint top try scorer award alongside the Most Valuable Player (MVP) gong, as teammate and rookie Tony Omondi clinched the most promising rookie player award.

The black shirts' first title of the season was courtesy of five tries and a conversion while Oilers managed one converted try by Austin Sikutwa who was joint top try scorer with Odhiambo after touching down seven times each.

Mwamba led 15-0 at the break courtesy of Stephen Sikuta, Tony Omondi and Odhiambo's efforts.

On resumption, Kenyan international and try machine Collins Injera ran hard at the Oilers defence to take the scores to 20-0 after another failed conversion attempt by Omondi.

The Gibson Weru-led Oilers would then score the consolation try through speedster Sikutwa with Abutali Wesonga converting to cut the scores to 20-7.

The tournament's MVP 'Billy the kid' as he is popularly known then slit his way past the Oilers defence to score a centre post try which was well converted by Injera for the 27-7 win.

Coming into the match, the hosts were focused on improving their play from the circuit opener in Kakamega last week where they finished third and lived up to it.

"Coming to Meru, we were focused on improving our game because we are good in moving the ball but our striking and execution needed some work. In the process, we also touched on our defence and that is why we only conceded four tries. We will build on the good start and focus on Dala Sevens," said Injera.

Despite the loss, Weru is convinced his side is improving and is only a matter of time before they win a trophy.

"We lost the ball in crucial times and did not utilise our chances. Otherwise, improving how we play means winning a tournament and that will happen soon," Weru told People Sport.

Meanwhile, Top Fry Nakuru clinched bronze after upsetting Kakamega Sevens winners KCB 17-12.

KABEBERI 7S

Main Cup

Oilers 7-27 Mwamba

Bronze winners

KCB 12-17 Nakuru

Fifth-place

Nondies 0-12 Homeboyz

Challenge Trophy

Impala 21-14 Strathmore

13th Place

Quins 24-17 Monks

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Jua Kali, Kingstone stun favourites to set up Koth Biro final duel

by Charles Thuku
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Debutants Alin-Jua Kali made a shock entry in the final of Koth Biro tournament after securing a hard fought 1-0 win over pre-match favourites Makongeni Sports Association (MASA) in an ill-tempered encounter at Ziwani sports ground in Nairobi yesterday.

Following the feat, Jua Kali booked a date with Shauri Moyo-based Kingstone in the final slated for August 3 after the latter beat Umeme Bees also by the same margin in Saturday's first semi-final. And for all their troubles, MASA will contest for the third place play-off with Bees on August 2.

Former AFC Leopards striker Victor Ochieng was the toast of Jua Kali when he headed home the team's winning goal in the 60th minute after a corner was floated in by Richard Donald.

MASA will blame themselves for the loss after missing numerous chances late in the match which they dominated.

Cheered by a noisy band of fans, MASA squandered chances with the closest coming on the feet of Joachim Oloo and Fredrick 'Uche' Onyango in the 79th and 81st minutes respectively.

However, it was Jua Kali who showed hunger for goals early in the match when Rafaez Ndukwe found himself unmarked in the fourth minute but blasted the ball over the cross bar. Three minutes later, the struggling MASA were second time lucky not to concede after Kelvin Abungu's shot off a pass from Victor Muchira went agonisingly wide.

MASA then came back in the game and twice, Crispin Oduor missed sitters when at the mercy of Jua Kali's goalkeeper.

Meanwhile, MASA face imminent sanctions following incidents of crowd trouble from a section of their fans after yesterday's match against Jua Kali.

Trouble started after the final whistle when the fans attacked their Jua Kali counterparts in a melee that left at least four people injured.



Githurai United play against Kingstone FC during the quarter-final of the off-season Koth Biro tournament at Ziwani grounds. PHOTO: RODGERS NDEGWA

Mixed grill for Olunga, Omollo in club ties abroad

by James Magayi
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Kenya's standout players in the 2019 Africa Cup of Nations (Afcon) Michael Olunga (*pictured*) and Johanna Omollo posted contrasting results in their respective leagues over the weekend.

Olunga, turning out for Japanese second tier side Kashiwa Reysol was on the score sheet in keeping with his pre-Afcon form as his club won 2-1 away to Tochigi to stay level on points with log leaders Kyoto Sanga.

Tochigi breached Kashiwa Reysol with a second minute goal but Olunga levelled maters 15 minutes later when he stole the ball from two defenders before squeezing it past the goalkeeper.

A long ball, looking for the Kenyan, seemed too far to reach as two Tochigi defenders guarded it. However, tenacity and grit saw the lanky Kenyan brush off one defender then jostled his way past the other to win the ball in most unlikely of circumstances to score.

He then quickly retrieved the ball from the net before leading two of his teammates into a choreographed celebration. The Kenyan was then booked three minutes later for a rough tackle as the teams went to half-time level.

Kashiwa Reysol scored their winning goal one minute into the second half and held on for three points. The 22-team Japanese second tier division is just past the halfway mark with Olunga's club well into automatic qualifying slots.

In Belgium, Omollo tasted just three minutes of action as his club Cercle Brugge KSV lost 2-0 at home to Standard Liege in the opening match of 2019/10 Jupiler League. The game was scoreless when Omollo was introduced in the 87th minute as replacement for Malian Rominigue Kouame N'Guessan.

But Standard Liege scored their first goal one minute after Omollo's introduction before adding a second in the 94th minute with Cercle Brugge reduced to 10 men.

Elsewhere, Francis Kahata fashioned his first assist as a Simba Sports Club player when he teed up Rwandan Meddie Kagere to score in the 58th minute in an international friendly match against Township Rollers of Botswana.





KNRC OVERALL STANDINGS AFTER SAFARI

1.	Baldev Chager 81 points
2.	Carl Tundo 71
3.	Manvir Baryan 48
4.	Tejveer Rai 36
5.	Onkar Rai 25
6.	Ian Duncan 23
7.	Sohanjeet Puee 19
8.	Leroy Gomes (Zam) 18
9.	Karan Patel 17
9.	Mahesh Halai 17

Chager wary of Skoda

'Flying Singh' insists R5s will be strong for Mitsubishi Evos in Kilifi rally next month

by Charles Thuku
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Kenya National Rally Championship (KNRC) leader Baldev Singh Chager has commenced preparations for next month's KCB Mombasa Rally slated for Kilifi County on the weekend of August 16-17.

The 'Flying Singh' has two wins under his belt and hopes to be well prepared and competitive as he resumes his title hunt against R4 Evolution 10s and R5 Skodas.

Nevertheless, the reigning Safari Rally champion still insists that Skoda Fabia R5 speedsters will be hard to beat throughout the season.

After chalking up double points on the WRC Candidate Safari Rally, Boldy, as his peers call him, is favourite to clinch the KNRC title this season.

"Preparations have been running at full throttle and we are hoping to defend Mombasa Rally and safeguard our championship lead," said Chager.

He added: "I am approaching Mombasa Rally with a lot of caution despite all the confidence generated from my back-to-back wins. The strategy in Mombasa is like every other KNRC."

"We go out to do the best we possibly can. For now, we are just going through the cars after Safari so they are mechanically fit. R5s will better through and through, there's no comparison with Evos. Carl Tundo and I were just lucky on Safari when Manvir's Skoda R5 sucked in dust and Onkar Rai was out of the event," Chager said. Ten points separate leader Chager and second-placed Tundo with African champion Manvir Baryan a distant third with 48 points after skipping the season opener in Nakuru.

Chager, who has two wins under his belt, will be going for a hat-trick in Kilifi with Tundo gunning for his first victory of the 2019 KNRC season.

Skoda Fabia R5 speedster Rai won the season opener in his Nakuru backyard early this year while Chager emerged the victor in Kajiado and the WRC Candidate Safari.

Preparations for the Mombasa Rally are in top gear with Mombasa Motor Club (MMC) chairman Roy McKenzie saying cars will traverse stages around Mombasa Cement Limited farm in Vipingo and Bamba which has over the years been synonymous with MMC events.

"The route promises to be a good mix of everything from technical, flat out and twisty. It will definitely be a good challenge for both drivers and navigators," added McKenzie.

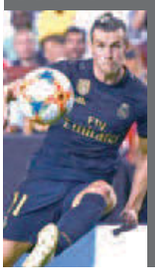
KCB Bank Kenya in January committed Sh75 million towards motorsports for the next three years, making a comeback as title sponsor of the Kenya KNRC.

Every year, Sh20 million will be spent on staging of KNRC events with Sh5 million going to Kenya National Autocross Championship.

Baldev Chager in his Mitsubishi Evolution 10 during a past race. He is targeting victory in the Kilifi Rally next month. PHOTO: PHILIP KAMAKYA

SPORT

SOURCE: REAL MADRID BLOCK BALE'S CHINA MOVE



Gareth Bale's move to Chinese side Jiangsu Suning has been cancelled by Real Madrid, a source close to the Wales forward told AFP yesterday. Bale, 30, who has been in the Spanish capital since 2013, was expected to join the Chinese Super League outfit on a three-year-deal worth £1 million (Sh128 million) a week. The 77-time international had been told by Real coach Zinedine Zidane he does not form part of his future plans at the Bernabeu. The former Tottenham Hotspur winger came off the bench to play half an hour in Real's record 7-3 defeat to rivals Atletico Madrid on Saturday. The source dismissed reports by Spanish daily Marca which said the player's family had blocked a potential move to Asia. Marca said those close to Bale had asked his representatives to look for clubs in Europe "before definitively saying yes to Jiangsu Suning's offer". The Chinese transfer window closes on Wednesday. -AFP

VERSTAPPEN WINS CHAOTIC GERMAN GP



Max Verstappen (pictured) won a helter-skelter German Grand Prix after Lewis Hamilton crashed off while leading, the world champion was dealt blow after blow all day. The rain fell steadily on the track for most of the afternoon, but nothing else was steady. It was bonkers. Aquaplaning, strategy blunders, pit-stop botches. Comedy and upset abounded. For Verstappen, when all the carnage was over, it was his second win of the season and another validation of his abilities in the wet, that true test of the best. Hamilton, who finished 11th, had looked on course for most of the first half of the race to win from pole but his own errors and those of his team cost him that early near-certainty. He suffered the ignominy of running last. -DAILYMAIL



Kenya's Enosh Ochieng (right) and Duke Abuya (left) vies for the ball with Tanzania's Iddy Ally during their Champions of African Nations (CHAN) qualifier in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania yesterday. PHOTO: DAVID NDOLO

Stalemate in Dar

Kenya hold Tanzania to scoreless draw in CHAN opener

by James Magayi
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Kenya's home-based Harambee Stars squad defended gallantly in Dar es Salaam and held Taifa Stars of Tanzania to a scoreless draw in the first leg of Champions of African Nations (CHAN) qualifier yesterday.

Captained by the vastly-experienced Dennis Odhiambo of Sofapaka, Sebastien Migne's charges now hold the home advantage over Tanzania when they host their neigbours at Kasarani Stadium next weekend.

There was tension in the air as Tanzania vowed to avenge their 3-2 loss to Kenya at the Africa Cup of Nations finals in Egypt one month ago and Taifa Stars bolstered their squad with seven Simba Sports Club stars who left their camp in South Africa for national duty.

However, the much-touted revenge fell flat in their faces as a Kenya's defence, marshaled by Gor Mahia's no nonsense centre-half Joash Onyango held tight. Kenya paraded an awkwardly positioned back line in the game with Wazito's Bernard Ochieng, a natural centre-back, deployed at right-back.

On the left played Clifton Miheso who made a name for himself as a left winger but versatile enough to play as wing back while Onyango and KCB's Mike Kibwage occupied the centre. The quartet made it difficult for the likes of John Bocco to find a way through and even in times when Tanzania did, goalkeeper John Oyemba, unused at the Afcon, was equal to task. The hosts hogged most of possession as a nervy Kenya stayed back in the opening stages of the game. Both teams built their play from the back with Tanzania seeming the most dangerous as Kenya sat back and raided their hosts on quick counter attacks.

Taifa Stars tested Oyemba with three wild efforts in the opening half while Kenya, through debutant Enosh Ochieng, failed to fashion any meaningful chance. Kenya's first threat came in the 46th minute from Joash Onyango who latched on to Samuel Onyango's corner with a menacing header only to see his effort soar.

Onyango then failed to hit the target as his goal-bound shot came off Ersato Nyoni's back as Kenya restarted strongly. Ulinzi Stars' Ochieng was then substituted for Pistone Mutamba in the 57th minute to give Kenya a better punch upfront.

However, it was the hosts who had the ball in the net just seconds later but the goal was chalked off for offside. One minute later, Oyemba had to scurry off his line to save the day when a grass-cutting through ball evaded the central defence and sent Bocco on his way to score.

Whyvonne Isuza fashioned Kenya's best chance in the 66th minute when he teed up Mutamba onto Taifa Stars goal but a heavy first touch and slow reaction saw the lanky Sofapaka man robbed and the chance gone.

Samuel Onyango could also have done better when teed up by Mutamba but was forced away from goal in the 83rd minute. The Sofapaka man was also guilty of missing the target from inside the box when his wild shot veered way off with four minutes of regular time remaining.

Kenya held on in the remaining minutes to take a point on the road and set up a big home performance in seven days.

AFRICAN NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIP

Qualifying results

Sunday
Tanzania 0-0 Kenya
Madagascar 1-0 Mozambique
Lesotho 3-2 South Africa
eSwatini 1-1 Angola
Saturday
Guinea-Bissau 0-4 Mali
Cape Verde 0-0 Mauritania
Burundi 2-0 South Sudan
Somalia 1-3 Uganda
Djibouti 0-1 Ethiopia
Comoros 0-2 Namibia
Botswana 0-0 Zambia

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Welcbeck's huge wage demands making it difficult to find new club after Arsenal exit



FOOTBALL: Danny Welbeck is reportedly struggling to find a new club due to his high wage demands. The free agent, who was released by Arsenal earlier this month, missed the majority of last season with a serious ankle injury sustained against Sporting Lisobon in the Europa League last November. The forward has been plagued by injuries since arriving at Arsenal from Manchester United back in 2015 and that has put off suitors. But according to the Sun, the lack of interest is compounded by his wage demands of £100,000 (Sh13 million) per week plus a signing-on fee in the region of £5 million (Sh642 million). Clubs are reportedly unwilling to take a financial risk on the England international, who made just 46 Premier League appearances in four years at the Emirates. Lazio join several Premier League clubs monitoring the situation, but no club has yet made Welbeck a concrete offer. -DAILYMAIL

India threatens Commonwealth Games boycott if shooting is scrapped following new proposals



SHOOTING: The Commonwealth Games Federation yesterday pledged to hold talks with India after its Olympic body threatened a boycott of the 2022 event in Birmingham over the exclusion of shooting. India topped the table for shooting at last year's Commonwealth Games in Australia, taking home 16 medals including seven gold for a total tally of 66 medals, the third-best performing nation. Shooting and archery were last month nominated by the Birmingham organising committee as events to be dropped from the 2022 Games programme, and for women's T20 cricket, beach volleyball and para-table tennis to be included. The decision has to be ratified by Commonwealth Games Federation members. The Indian Olympic Association wrote to the government noting that if shooting events were removed, the country's medal haul would take a big hit. "The impression that will go down is of bad performance because (the) overall number of total medals may come down along with the overall ranking based on medals won," the association said. -AFP

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499
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2 for 292

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2 for 20

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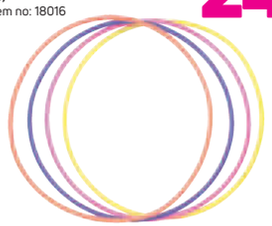




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