



Nyeri beekeeping farmers earn Kshs 3.1 million



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Isaac Thuo, a member of Vision Group in Gakawa ward, Kieni East sub-county ready to harvest honey at some of the 10 beehives which were distributed freely by County Government of Nyeri. BELOW: Some of the members of the Kagumo Wendani Group in Karima ward, Othaya sub-county testing the honey extractor processing machine.

By Joseph Wambugu & Njambi Mugo

Beekeeping (apiculture) is one of the livestock subsectors that have a huge untapped potential to contribute to a household's income and foreign earnings.



It is a simple venture, relatively cheap to start and enhances the environment through the pollinating activities of the bees. Beekeeping is ideal for small-scale and resource-poor farmers owing to the fact that it is completely sustainable, generates lots of income and requires less input i.e. land, labour and capital. Bee products' market is guaranteed since they are used in various ways such as foods and also enjoy extensive use in several industries including medicine, food processing, industrial manufacturing and natural healing.

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It is for this reason that the County Government of Nyeri under the stewardship of H.E Governor Mutahi Kahiga is committed to seeing the success of modern beekeeping programme and has provided 10 community groups around the county with apiary kits worth Kshs. 1.8 million. The kits which were distributed to the groups two years ago included; 10 beehives, harvesters' aprons, smokers and centrifuge pumps for extracting honey. "The mission of the department is to improve agriculture productivity through promotion of innovative competitive and sustainable agriculture, livestock and fisheries production systems. We value bee keeping because it is an alternative livelihood that doesn't require much land and can run alongside other activities. Bees are important, even for horticulture,

as they enhance pollination," Nyeri Agriculture CEC, James Wachihi noted. In Nyeri County, the hive population stands at 9,600 Kenya Top Bar Hive (KTBH), 6,600 Langstroth and 5,400 Loghives. These hives have an estimated production of 5,200kgs of crude honey. In the last financial year 2019/2020, this production led to Nyeri farmers earning Kshs. 3.1 million. Ndegwa Waititu, chairman of Kagumo Wendani Group in Karima ward, Othaya sub-county noted that the group has brought them together as a community and helped set an example of how, when people come together they can go far in personal and social development. "The enterprise has been doing well and as a group, we have agreed to diversify our activities from the income gained by buying dairy goats for each of the

15 members. So far, three members have benefitted. We have also started table banking to keep the group alive, which is also doing well," added Ndegwa. He also thanked the County Government of Nyeri for considering the group and for the continuous support from agricultural officers, noting that the enterprise has significantly transformed their lives. Ndegwa appealed to the county government to help them in the packaging and selling of their honey, and dealing with water shortage which poses great challenge to them. Mary Wanjiku, the vice chairlady of Ruruguti Ebenezer Group in Iria-ini ward, Othaya thanked the governor for this project and for providing them with the necessary tools to carry out the trade. "We have reaped the benefits of this enterprise, seeing that we have harvested more than 35 litres since the enterprise started in 2018. We normally sell the honey at Kshs. 1,000 per kg to local residents," she added. Margaret Muthoni, the secretary of the group lauded the county government for this project noting that it has significantly uplifted their lives. Miriam Wambui, a youth who recently joined the group, appealed to other youths to embrace modern bee keeping as a source of income noting that it is reliable and requires little startup capital. Joyce Mwan-



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gi, a bee farmer with the Vision Women Group, Gakawa ward, Kieni East sub-county thanked the government for providing them with ten hives, apparatus and kits noting that the project has changed the lives of the group members for the better.



“We had initially tried chicken and pig rearing, but they both flopped. However, since 2018 when we started modern beekeeping, we have reaped big profits in the short while, and the enterprise has helped us expand the project. We have been selling our honey locally at Kshs.1, 000 per kg, but we are looking into expanding our market reach,” she added. CEC Wachuhi added that the latest technology in agricultural production and agribusiness disseminated and exhibited, have provided opportunities for farmers to learn new and modern farming technologies. As such, the Department of Agriculture is committed to supporting farmers in terms of trainings and extension services on value addition and skills needed to maintain such an enterprise making it possible for all gender to now practice it. He encouraged the youth to venture in modern beekeeping as it requires little capital and small land to set, yet it has a ready unexploited market. Moreover, from a single modern hive one can harvest up to 10 kg honey worth Ksh 10, 000 with proper hive management, making it is a good source of income. The honeybee needs only the availability of flowering plants and water to make honey and these plants are readily available in the county. One beehive has a capacity of producing up to 15 kgs and can be harvested about four times per year. Further, the county government has collaborated with National Drought Management Authority, which has issued 378 hives to 24 groups and Upper Tana Natural Resource Management project (UTaNRMP) which has issued 160 hives. In total, about 50 groups have benefitted from the program where they practice apiculture for commercial purposes.



Launch of FO4CAP

By Samwel Kamwana

The County Government of Nyeri through the Directorate of Co-operative Development joined the Co-operative Alliance of Kenya (CAK) led by their Program Manager, Judith Wamuyu for the launch of Farmers' Organizations for the African, Caribbean and Pacific Countries Project (FO4CAP) at Endarasha Dairy Farmers Co-operative Society.

The overall objective of the project is to increase income and to improve livelihood, food and nutrition security and safety of organized smallholder and family farmers in the target areas of the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries.

The project focuses on building the capacity and professionalism of the co-operative society to be able to deliver technical and economic services to its members. CAK will use the market driven approach for enhanced collective marketing that enables the co-operative marketing that enables the co-operative society to access stable markets, catalyze accessing credit and increased productivity. In Kenya, the primary beneficiaries are seven co-operative societies in seven counties i.e Nyeri, Nandi, Bungoma, Embu, Nyandarua, Nyamira and Kirinyaga (40% being women). In Nyeri, the project will benefit Endarasha Farmers Co-operative Society.

Endarasha FCS is a co-operative in Nyeri, formed in 1963 and has over 2,000 members. The primary aim of the co-operative is selling milk. Her members are situated in two wards; Gataragwa and Endarasha. The farmers were grateful to CAK and much more to the county government co-operative office for their consideration into the program.

The County Director of Co-operatives Development, Peter Theuri, who was accompanied by Kieni West Cooperative Officer, Peter Njoroge outlined some of the key steps the county is undertaking in support of the co-operative societies to enable them meet their objectives for the benefit of their members. He also lauded the CAK for choosing Nyeri as one the project implementation counties and specifically Endarasha farmers and attested the county's support in the success of this project.

National Construction Authority officials' courtesy call

Lands CEC Dr. Kwai Wanjaria (centre) with officials from the National Construction Authority during a courtesy call.

By Andrew Kariuki

The National Construction Authority (NCA) officials paid a courtesy call to the County Government of Nyeri to deliberate on matters planning and construction of buildings within the county borders. The team, accompanied by Patrick Bucha, Housing Secretary in the State Department of Housing and Urban Development, belabored much on the importance the body plays within the



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country especially in matters ascertaining regulation and implementation of developing construction sites. Mr Bucha reiterated that all relevant agencies within construction circles need to work in cahoots with one another to allow seamless transaction of affairs, especially during site inspections of buildings so as to avoid antagonizing developers with infrequent visitation. CECM Lands, Housing, Physical

Planning and Urbanization Dr. Kwai Wanjaria added that the county is making headway in matters digitization of county documentation within the department. He continued by saying that the online platform will help garner engagement with the public, and also allow for the approval processes to be done digitally.

Nyeri County safety net programme

By Dynah Mwangi

The Department of Gender, Youth and Social Services officers delivered building materials donations in support of the ongoing construction of a house for the family of Serah Wairuri at Kiruguru village, Othaya sub-county.

The family of four had been living in a deplorable condition until a well wisher brought the case to the department's attention through social media.

The officers also delivered donations of building materials and food items to two families in Tetu and Kieni West who had been hit by fire tragedies recently. The fire whose source remains unknown burnt down everything; however, no casualties were reported. These families were grateful for the county government's assistance and for the quick response they had from the fire brigade on the day of incidence.

CGN continues to promote hand washing

By Muthoni Kanja

The County Government of Nyeri in collaboration with Amref Health Africa in Kenya has facilitated the construction of hand washing facilities at various busy places within the county. This effort is geared towards promoting hand washing culture which is necessary in curbing the spread of Covid-19. The 1, 000 capacity water tanks will be installed in Nyeri, Mukurwe-ini and Karatina towns immediately after the basements have been erected.



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Know your sub-county

By Jackline Gikunju

NYERI CENTRAL SUB-COUNTY

An aerial view of Nyeri town
Photo | Joseph Wambugu



Nyeri Central is a sub-county situated at the heart of Nyeri County about 160 Km North of Kenya's capital Nairobi. It lies between the Eastern base of Aberdare Ranges and Western slopes of Mt Kenya. It is between 0 0 '17.36'S to 0 0 28.21'S and 36 0 50.62'E to 37 0 5.7'E at an altitude of 1,769 meters above the sea level.

It is the home to county headquarters and the major urban centre in the county. The town was the central administrative headquarters of the country's former Central Province.

The sub-county has a population of 325,357 according to the 2019 Kenya Population and Housing Census.

The town has a relatively low cost of living in comparison to Nairobi and other major urban centers in Kenya. Located in Kenya's fertile highlands, food and water are plentiful and relatively cheap.

The sub-county has five wards represented in the county assembly by the following namely; Rware (Hon. Paul Kanyari), Ruring'u (Hon. Samuel Kariuki), Kamakwa/Mukaro (Hon. John Ndumia), Gatitu/Muruguru (Simon Muturi) and Kiganjo/Mathari (Hon. Margaret Muthoni).

The sub-county administrator is Nelson Mbekanya. At the National Assembly, Nyeri Town constituency is represented by Hon. Wambugu Ngunjiri.

Nyeri town is relatively free of the hustle and bustle character-

istic of many major urban centres in Kenya. It has plenty of breathtaking sites to visit for those whose souls yearn for some adventure.

Lord Baden-Powell and his wife's Olave Powell's grave attract thousands of both local and international tourists. Baden Powell was a British commander in the Boer War and the founder of the Scouting Movement, who once wrote "the nearer to Nyeri the nearer to bliss. He had a cottage built, which he called "Paxtu" which stands in the grounds of the Outspan Hotel.

Nyeri remains a place of pilgrimage for the worldwide Scouting and Guiding Movements, with members congregating in the town from time to time for various activities and functions.

Nyeri Museum is another heritage site, less known to many people including the locals. It was constructed in 1924 as a "Native Law Court" to settle customary cases that used to be handled by village elders.

Some years after independence, the court was abandoned for some time before the National Museums of Kenya took over in 1997.

As of today, the court is a museum of the history of freedom fighters (Mau Mau), tools used during the colonial period and stories of what happened after Kenyan independence.

The Italian War Memorial Church is located at Mathari towards Nyeri High School. The church was

built in 1952 and serves as the resting place for Italian Soldiers and their African allies who died during World War II.

The church is unique as it is open for mass only once a year (First Sunday of November) to honor the soldiers. At the entrance of the church, there are writings honoring the Duke of Aosta who hailed from the Italian Royal Family and died in Kenya.

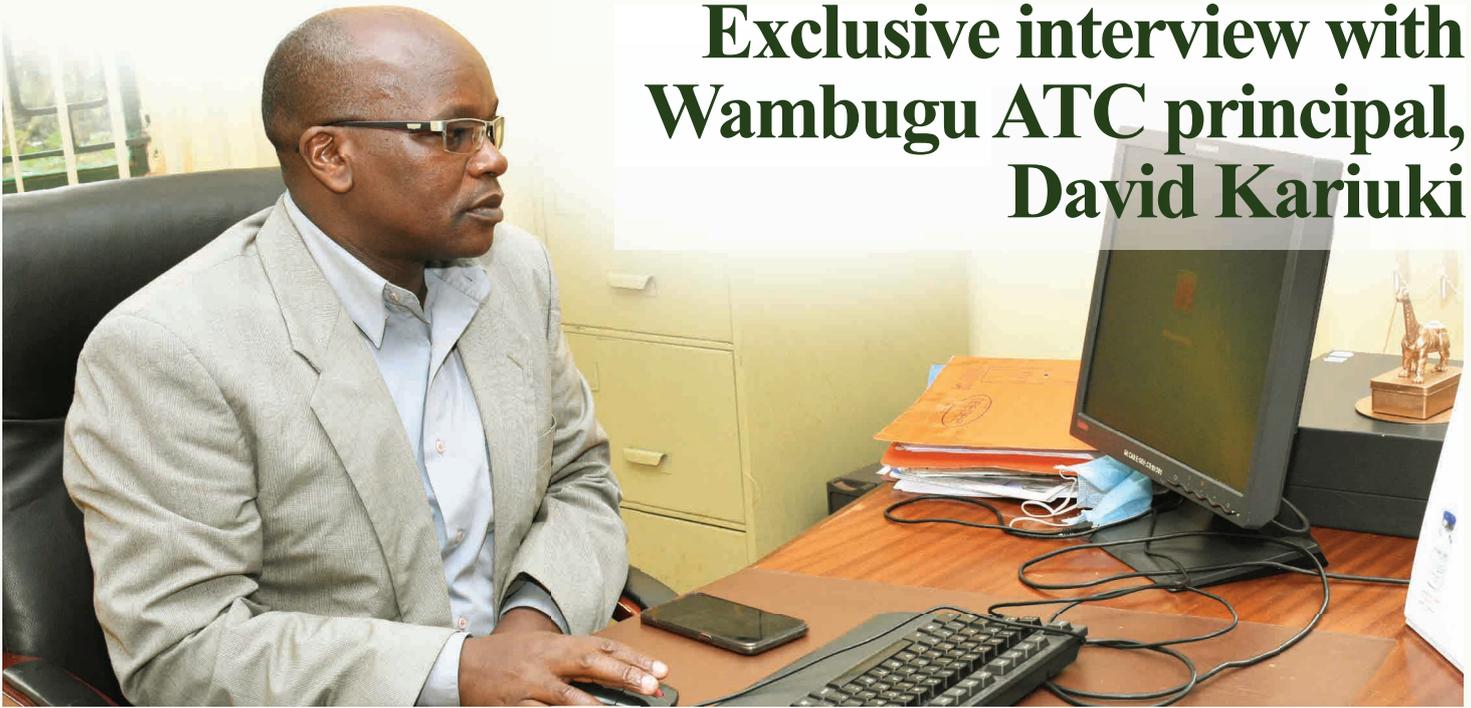
The sub-county has several upper class hotels such as the White Rhino Hotel, Outspan Hotel, Green Hills, Westwood Hotel among others.

Nyeri Central sub-county has a number of tertiary learning institutions. The sub-county prides itself in being home to Dedan Kimathi University of Technology. Nyeri hosts satellite campuses of various Kenyan public universities such as University of Nairobi and Kenyatta University.

It also has Nyeri National Polytechnic, Kenya Police Training College (Kiganjo), Kenya School of Agriculture, Kamwenja Teachers College among others.

Both the national and county governments have done a number of facelifts within the sub-county including a number of facelifts including; tarmacking and re-carpetting of roads, demarcating of parking spaces and fitting of pedestrian walks with cabros. Houses have drinking water on tap, improved sanitation system from NYEWASCO company and high power connectivity.

Exclusive interview with Wambugu ATC principal, David Kariuki



Give us a brief background of Wambugu Agricultural Training Centre

Wambugu ATC is one of the Agricultural Training Centres in Kenya and the only one in Nyeri County. It was started in 1954 after the launching of the Swynnerton Plan in the 1950's which called for intensification of African agriculture. The centre covers an area of 38 hectares (94 acres) with the catchment area being the whole of Nyeri County. The **VISION** is "to be a centre of excellence for training farmers and other stakeholders in Nyeri County and beyond." The **MISSION** is "to train farmers and other stakeholders on relevant agricultural technologies and skills in agriculture through teaching, demonstrations and provision of training facilities."

What are the major functional units of the ATC

Wambugu ATC has three interdependent sections namely the school, the

farm and the agro processing unit. **The school-**its primary objective is provision of training facilities and /or organizing for training/courses for farmers and stakeholders aimed at bringing about change in knowledge, attitudes and skills, and enhancing receptiveness to emerging skills and technologies. **The farm-** it comprises of two sections; the demonstration plots of various crops and animal enterprises mainly for training farmers and enterprises run on a commercial basis for self-sustainability. **The agro-processing unit-** it aims at ensuring that value addition of farm produce is enhanced. It also serves as an incubation centre for upcoming entrepreneurs venturing in the field of value addition of agricultural produce.

What are the centre's objectives?

The overall objective of the centre is to provide quality training services and facilities for enhancing agriculture and development. Its specific objectives are: improving access to agricultural technologies, innovations and information, providing quality training facilities for agricultural development, promotion of sustainable land use and conservation

of natural resources, promoting household food security, providing improved germplasm to users, promoting value-addition and utilization of agricultural produce and promoting commercialization of agricultural enterprises.

What are its functions?

- To offer residential and non-residential training on relevant technologies backed with practical demonstrations to stakeholders involved in Agriculture and development.
- To provide facilities for and participate in carrying out adaptive on-farm as well as national performance trials of relevant technologies.
- To serve as bulking centre of plant materials, multiplication of livestock and fingerlings for farmers and conservation of germplasm.
- To generate revenue.
- To provide incubation for viable agri-business to stakeholders and tailor made hands on skills and knowledge.



What is your role, as the principal, in the institution?

My role is: overall administration and management of the ATC, preparation and implementation of work plans and budgets, managing and controlling use of assets and financial resources, organizing and participating in farmers' trainings, maintaining a model farm for training purposes and for demonstration to stakeholders in agriculture, overseeing and analyzing the collection of the revenue emanating from the sale of farm produce, overseeing implementation of the ATC farm development plan, formulating and implementing performance contract, appraisal and assessment of staff and their training needs and compilation of periodic reports.

How many staff personnel are there and are they enough for the centre?

The station has six technical staff and nine support staff. The staff are not enough hence the institution engages casual labourers from time to time depending on labour demand of the enterprise in question.

There is an agricultural school named Kenya School of Agriculture inside the centre, is it related to the centre? Is it under national or county government?

Upon devolution, the college, formerly Embu Agricultural Staff Training Institute, was renamed as Kenya School of Agriculture and allocated 30 acres of land by Wambugu ATC for its development. The college offers certificate and diploma courses in Agriculture. While the ATC belongs to the county government, KSA belongs to the national government.

What are the training methodologies being used in the farm? Are there machineries involved?

The following are the training methodologies used by the institution: residential and non-residential trainings, demonstrations and field days, outreach programmes, open days- all



Thursdays are open days for farmers, schools and college education visits and industrial attachment opportunities for college/university students.

Do you extend the training outside the farm or farmers can attend training any time of the year?

The institution holds its trainings within except for special circumstances where outreach programmes may be organized. For example, follow-up on incubated groups on value addition and for farmers who are within five kilometer radius of the institution.

The centre usually holds an annual agricultural exhibition. What is needed in preparing of such an exhibition? How many farmers usually attend such an exhibition per year? This year, the exhibition was done virtually due to Covid-19. Did the county government undergo any loss during that time?

ATC has successfully hosted this event for the last 18 years. The two-day intensive farmers' interactive training is planned, organized and implemented by all interested Agricultural Stakeholders' in Nyeri County. Majority of farmers who attend the event come from Nyeri, Kirinyaga, Murang'a, Laikipia, Nyandarua and Embu counties. Last year, over 120 stakeholders participated and over 28,000 farmers and students attended. However, this year's event was disrupted by Covid-19 and was virtually held with 20 stakeholders participating. The county suffered some loss due to non-attendance of the field day. The spending the attendees undertake

in the two days stimulate the local economy. There is also the unseen loss, the farmer who missed a technology that could have been availed to assist him or her increase production.

Do you usually have graduations after the training or how are farmers tested and awarded?

The institution awards certificate of participation for farmers who complete a tailor made training, normally a five day or a 10-day training course.

Does the centre generate revenue for the County Government of Nyeri? If yes, about how much per year?

Yes it does. In the last financial year, the institution generated revenue amounting to 10.4 million, an increase from 6.5 million in the previous year. The good performance was as a result of enhanced facilitation and support from the County Government of Nyeri under the able leadership of H. E Governor Mutahi Kahiga.

What experience can you say you have gained for the time you have worked here?

The greatest experience that I have gained while working at the institution is that of networking with the both private and public sectors. To deliver the mandate of the institution, a lot of networking with the relevant stakeholders is required. I have also gained a lot of practical experience in various areas in agricultural field. This is because we endeavor to maintain a model farm with commercial enterprises.

Agriculture CAS courtesy call



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By Njambi Mugo

Nyeri County Secretary Ben Gachichio hosted the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Co-operative Development CAS Ann Nyaga, who paid a courtesy call to his office. CAS Nyaga was in the county carrying out a monitoring and evaluation exercise of the county projects funded by the World Bank through Kenya Climate Support Programme (KCSAP) in the county. In the last financial year, 122 groups benefitted with grants from the programme which they used to increase their agricultural production in the various value chains. KCSAP has also funded a number of water projects namely; Kamangura Earth Dam, Lusoi Earth Dam, Mutitu B Water Project, Gatarakwa Water Project, Treffros Kiburut Water Project, Kiria Dam Irrigation Project, Thiha Sagana Water Project among others. The CS emphasized on the need for value addition of the agricultural goods in order to create jobs and increase income. Agriculture CEC, James Wachihhi was grateful for the continued collaboration between the two entities adding that KCSAP has significantly transformed agricultural projects in the county. "In the current FY, through KCSAP, the department shall expand the milk processing plant in Kieni Dairy Farmers, construct consolidation facilities for the Potato Co-operative Society and expand storage facilities for Wakulima Dairy," added Wachihhi. The CAS noted that the ministry is focused on creating business opportunities for the youth adding that they will be launching Enable Youth Programme for the same.

Donation from Nyeri ECDE caregivers

By Njambi Mugo

Following the governor's call for well wishers to join in the fight against Covid-19, Nyeri ECDE caregivers donated

220 bags of 5kg maize meal flour towards the Nyeri Covid-19 Emergency Fund. Nyeri County Secretary Ben Gachichio, who received the donations on behalf of H.E Governor Mutahi Kahiga, thanked the caregivers for their noble gesture noting that it will go a long way in feeding families adversely affected by the pandemic. Education & Sports CEC Margaret Macharia also thanked the caregivers for their kind gesture, adding that to combat Covid-19 pandemic, requires combined efforts. "I wish to laud H. E Governor Mu-



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tahi Kahiga's leadership, seeing that since the onset of his tenure, he has increased the number of caregivers from 10 to 800. Further, I applaud the measures taken by his government towards the fight against Covid-19 pandemic and in curbing the rate of transmissions. We are happy to join in the fight by giving these donations which will cushion the vulnerable persons in our societies who have been adversely affected the pandemic," said Mathira West sub-county Principal Education Officer, Joe Githi.



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OF THE WEEK

An officer from the Department of Water inspects Kihuyo Masonry Tank in Kiganjo / Mathari ward, Nyeri Central sub-county recently.

Construction of a house for Mathira East family completed

By Dynah Mwangi

Three years ago, Denis Macharia together with his family left his home for a job in a neighbouring county as a casual labourer in one of the tomatoes farms. However, in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic he was terminated from his job. He returned home hoping to find refuge; however, he found that a family feud had ensued leading to loss of all their property, rendering his father homeless too.

Towards the end of last month, the Department of Gender, Youth and Social Services visited the family and oversaw implementation of an action plan where the County Government of Nyeri would work together with the community to build two dwelling units; one for Denis and his family and the other for his father. On July 30, 2020 the department delivered donations of building materials, foodstuff, face masks and clothes to the family.



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Since then, the county government has been working closely with the well wishers to see erection of the dwelling units within the shortest time possible. Currently, the two families

have already moved into their houses. The department wishes to thank all the well wishers who joined hands with the county government to provide a decent dwelling unit for these families.

Donation from Mukurwe-ini TTI

By Dynah Mwangi

The Mukurwe-ini Technical Training Institute board members have donated foodstuffs, cleaning detergents and Kshs. 30,000 to the County Government of Nyeri in an effort to combat Covid-19. This is a contribution towards the Nyeri Covid-19 Emergency Fund kitty that was initiated to help raise resources to be used in cushioning the vulnerable against the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic. Mukurweini TTI principal, Patrick Muchemi assured the county government of continued support saying that they are ready to provide more beds to help with expansion of isolation centres. While receiving the donations on behalf of H. E Governor Mutahi Kahiga, Nyeri County Secretary, Benjamin Gachichio lauded the institution for its proven ability to manufacture products that are of great necessity to the society. The CS affirmed that the county government has so far set up a firm structure to help with identification of the very needy individuals in the society to ensure that the donations under Covid-19 kitty goes to the deserving ones.

He also urged well wishers to continue contributing towards the kitty to ensure that at no time will a Nyeri citizen be a subject to utmost suffering out of the pandemic. Nyeri Education CEC, Margaret Macharia thanked the institute's fraternity for heeding to the governor's call for support through the kitty. She added that their donation gestured selflessness and willingness to offer regardless of the size of the institution's income.



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LMS for TVETs user training kicks off

This LMS has come in handy during the most critical time when students need technology the most to access learning materials.

By Dynah Mwangi



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Managers from all the TVET institutions in Nyeri County convened at Othaya Vocational Training Center for a launch of training on the use of

the Learning Management System (LMS) that was launched recently by Education CAS, Zack Kinuthia. The managers were taken through a step by step guide on how to enroll themselves to the system and carry out all operations related to their role in an institution. This LMS has come in handy during the most critical time when students need technology the most to access learning materials. Speaking during the training, the director of Vocational Education and Training Eng. Mutinda urged the TVET institutions managers to ensure that they pass the knowledge to trainers of trainers up to the students in good time to en-

sure that the system serves its purpose. He also urged the heads to use this year's budgetary allocation to equip their institutions with necessary machine and equipment. Nyeri Education CEC Margaret Macharia (*pictured*) thanked CA-PYEI for their continued partnership with the County Government of Nyeri and for coming up with a system that is of great necessity in the era of Covid-19 pandemic. She pointed out that the system will help seal the trainer's shortage gap that is currently existent in the County's VTCs as learners will not necessarily have physical contacts with them for classes.

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Keeping citizens up to date with what is happening is a form of accountability, openness and honesty as enshrined in our constitution. Through this good leadership is born your Excellency
#TeamKahiga
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Charles Muthui
Congratulations Your Excellency. Bravo!! There are some who used mock him, saying "Mwalimu, tiga gutwitia MAAI na MUHU-RI, ni atia ungi angitwira??"
Riu ni mooke mone.
You've done us proud Your Excellency.
.Keep up!!

Murage Muthui
Well done Governor and your team. Your achievements in improving the welfare of the people of Nyeri County are hereby appreciated.

Benson Ngure
Magical scenes, an evolving new style in management of public resources. True value of tax payers money.

Simon Muita
This is great our County Boss you doing great job...May our Good God protect you n your family as you serve our people

KING TOUCH BRAND
This is the way to go because there will be life after this pandemic. Thanks for always being foresighted, reke nyiri ithereme

Lawrence Kiambo
I am proud to be a Nyerian under the able leadership of Governor Mutahi Kahiga.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NYERI DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2021-2022

Pursuant to the provisions of section 125(2) and 126 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, the County Government of Nyeri is in the process of preparing the **Annual Development Plan**, for Financial Year **2021-2022**.

In accordance with article 220 (2) the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and Section 87 of the County Government Act, 2012, which calls for openness, accountability and public participation in development matters, the County, through this notice, invites the members of the public, interested parties and all other stakeholders to participate in this process.

In conforming to the COVID-19 guidelines, we will not be able to hold public forums as we have always done in the past. All proposals on projects and programmes for consideration in this framework and clearly aligned to the County Integrated Development Plan for 2018-2022, must be submitted through written submissions/ proposals/ memoranda to the Economic Planning Office at the County Headquarters and/or seek clarification through the Economic Planning Unit, County Government of Nyeri, P.O. Box 1112-10100, Nyeri. You are encouraged to email the written submission vide our email address – economicplanningnyeri@gmail.com on or before **25th August, 2020**.

A copy of the County Integrated Development Plan can be obtained from the county website: www.nyeri.go.ke for reference.

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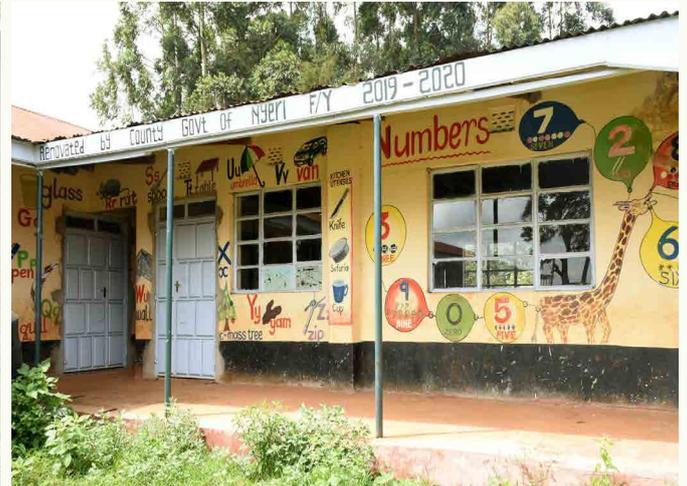
WARAZO HEALTH CENTRE



The newly refurbished Warazo Health Centre in Kabaruru ward, Kieni East sub-county. The laboratory of the facility has also been equipped and fencing of land belonging to the health centre. The County Government of Nyeri through the Department of Health Services is committed to improving infrastructure and services in all medical facilities in the county.



The ongoing construction of Kariki Social Hall in Iria-ini Mathira ward, Mathira East sub-county. The hall has a capacity of 400 people.



The recently refurbished classroom of Gatondo ECDE in Iria-ini Mathira ward, Mathira East sub-county.



The new CEB Chehe ECDE classrooms at Iria-ini Mathira ward, Mathira East sub-county. The pupils will be able to learn in a conducive environment once schools resume.



LEFT: The newly refurbished Kahuru Dispensary in Iria-ini Mathira ward, Mathira East sub-county. The new roofing is among the renovations which have been done by the Department of Health Services.



RIGHT: The recently refurbished Itundu ECDE classrooms in Iria-ini Mathira ward, Mathira East sub-county.

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KABARU WARD



The recently upgraded Mbogo-ini road in Kabaruru ward, Kieni East sub county. The road has been fitted with culverts to ensure easy flow of water.



The recently upgraded Mapema Primary - Wamaiba - Ndathi Tank road in Kabaruru ward, Kieni East sub-county.

GATARAKWA WARD



Recently upgraded Mwiki - Ngareng'iru road in Gatarakwa ward, Kieni West sub-county.



Ongoing upgrading of Kahuruko- Waru-gongo road in Gatarakwa ward, Kieni West sub-county.



Recently upgraded Gathiga -Mburu road in Gatarakwa ward, Kieni West sub-county.

IRIA-INI WARD - MATHIRA



Kinyariti bridge which is complete joining Kiamwangi and Cheru areas in Iria-ini Mathira ward, Mathira East sub-county. This will ease transport between the two villages.



The new street lighting project at Gatondo in Iria-ini Mathira ward, Mathira East sub-county. This will boost security and help extend working hours for local traders.



The newly installed street lighting project at Itundu trading centre in Iria-ini Mathira ward, Mathira East sub-county.