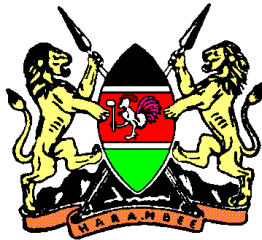


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MARSABIT COUNTY CONSULTATION FORUM REPORT



MAY, 2022

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview

Kenya Vision 2030 is the country's long-term development blue-print that aims to transform Kenya into a newly-industrializing, middle income country providing high quality of life to its citizens. The Vision is being implemented through five-year successive Medium-Term Plans.

The National Treasury and Planning through the State Department for Planning is preparing the Fourth MTP 2023-2027 of Kenya Vision 2030. The Fourth MTP will succeed the Third MTP 2018-2022 and outlines policies, programmes and projects for implementation over the Plan period. The Fourth MTP will implement the fourth and second-last phase of Kenya Vision 2030 and will set the momentum for transition to the next long-term development agenda for the country. It will be guided by Kenya Vision 2030 and lessons learnt in implementation of previous MTPs (MTPI, MTPII and MTPIII). It will also be guided by the Constitution and will incorporate the priorities outlined in the Manifesto of the Political Party forming the Government after the next general election scheduled for August, 2022.

The Fourth MTP is being prepared through wide consultations in line with several Articles of the Constitution that calls for the involvement of the public in the formulation of public policies and plans. In line with the Constitution Article 10 2 (a), 2 (c), Article 174 (c) and the Fourth Schedule, the Fourth MTP consultations and consensus building will be undertaken through National Stakeholders Forum (NSF); MTP Sector Working Groups (MTPSWGs); County Consultation Forums; and National Stakeholders Validation Forum.

1.2 Fourth MTP County Consultation Forums

The National Treasury and Planning through the State Department for Planning held MTP County Consultation Forums in all counties between 28th March and 5th April, 2022. The Consultation Forums provided opportunity for stakeholders and the public to provide views that will form basis for the design of sector policies, programmes and projects in the Fourth MTP.

1.3 Objective County Consultation Forums

The objectives of the County Consultation Forums were:

- i. To apprise stakeholders and the public on progress made in implementation of MTP 2018-2022, and preparatory process of Fourth MTP;
- ii. To provide a forum for consultation with stakeholders and the public to propose priority programmes and projects for incorporation in the Fourth MTP; and
- iii. To provide a platform for consultation between the national government and county government on development and implementation of MTP and CIDPs.

1.4 Participants/Target Group

The County Consultation Forums targeted representatives from the National Government in the counties, County Governments, Non-Government Institutions and the public. The Participants from non-government institutions included representatives from Religious organizations, Private Sector, Development Partners, Civil society, Media, Academia, Persons with Disabilities, Youth and Women. A total of 150 participants were invited in each County Forum with strict adherence to gender balance and sub-county representations. A total of 166 participants attended the Marsabit County Consultation Forum.

1.5 County Consultation Process

The Consultation Team was led by Mr. Enosh Momanyi Principa Secretary Physical Planning. The team made courtesy calls to the County Commissioner and briefed them on the Fourth MTP preparatory process and the programme of activities and logistics for the forums. The Consultation Forums programme was as follows:

- i. Welcoming remarks by County Commissioners and County Executive Committee (CEC) in charge of Finance and Planning;
- ii. Remarks by the County Governor;
- iii. Statement by Cabinet Secretary, The National Treasury and Planning read on his behalf by Principal Secretaries (Team Leader);
- iv. Presentations on:
 - a) Objective of the Consultation forums;
 - b) County Integrated Development Plans (CIDP) Guidelines;
 - c) Achievements of Third MTP and preparatory process of Fourth MTP;
 - d) Key achievements on implementation of County Integrated Development Plans 2018-2022; and
- v. Group Discussions based on the three pillars & Enablers. Participants were divided into four groups to discuss Emerging Issues & Challenges, and proposed County sector priority programmes and projects.

1.6 County Consultation Forums Output

The Consultation Team prepared county specific Consultation Forum reports. The report contains highlights of the remarks made during the opening sessions, emerging issues and challenges, and proposed priority programmes and projects for Fourth MTP.

2. HIGHLIGHTS OF REMARKS MADE DURING OPENING SESSION

2.1 Remarks form County Commissioner, Mr Paul Rotich

The CC welcomed all consultative forum participants. He provided an overview of Kenya Vision 2030, as well as key examples of Vision 2030 projects in the infrastructure, water, and education (TVETs) sectors in the county. He stated that this was an opportunity to reflect on

progress made in the implementation of MTP III and prioritize projects to be implemented in the County over the next five years. He emphasized the importance of public participation in highlighting issues of benefit to the County. He stated that it was the participants' responsibility to raise issues affecting them as a community, while also noting that they were a representation of the county.

2.2 Remarks from Principal Secretary, Mr. Enosh Momanyi

The PS thanked all participants for honoring the call to represent other members of the public. He lauded the leadership (both National led by CC and County). He stated that the goal of the MTP IV consultative forums being held across the country was to allow counties to get priority programs and projects for implementation over the next five years. It was thus an opportunity to reflect on the County's achievements, as well as identify challenges and priorities for MTP IV implementation.

2.3 Chief Officer, Finance and Planning, Mr. Teche Elema

The Chief Officer for Finance and Planning welcomed all on behalf of the County Leadership. He noted that the process was key in ensuring that the available resources are planned for and utilized efficiently. He noted that despite security challenges, the County had implemented a number of programmes and projects as will be presented.

3 PROPOSED PRIORITY POLICIES, PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS FOR FOURTH MTP

MTP SECTOR EMERGING ISSUES AND CHALLENGES	PRIORITY PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS
ENABLERS/FOUNDATIONS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-uniform allocation of resources and development in the county; • Insecurity arising from community conflicts, revenge culture and border disputes; • Poor road network; • Poor mobile network; • Unemployment among youth. • Drought resulting in famine and loss of livestock; • Locust invasions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase of water supply and adopt irrigation methods to cushion locals against food insecurity • Demarcation of border points. • Disarmament operations to rid of illegal firearms • Install CCTV cameras within the county.
ECONOMIC PILLAR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deforestation and zero seedbed sustainability; • High cost of living. • High cost of agricultural inputs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve transport infrastructure for easy access to tourism sites • Create local conservancies to avoid poaching of wild animals; • Subsidize agricultural inputs • Employ more agricultural field (extension) officers • Expand the Jua kali sector • Invest in Business process outsourcing (BPO) through public private partnership • Establish a fish processing plant at lake Turkana • Establish leather, meat and brick industry
SOCIAL PILLAR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inadequate drugs, medical equipment and specialized health personnel in health facilities. • Low uptake of medical cover/NHIF limiting access to treatments; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce special and integrated schools for special needs students. • Construction of drug abuse rehabilitation centers

MTP SECTOR EMERGING ISSUES AND CHALLENGES	PRIORITY PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inadequate clean water supply; • The cost of CBC is high. • Inadequate school infrastructure and facilities for Integrated schools and special needs; • Inadequate high level learning institutions; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve and construct sporting facilities • Installation of sewer and water management system • Develop comprehensive spatial plans for every urban center. • Conduct awareness campaigns on reproductive health • Promote gender quality and equal representation of women, tribes and PWDs. • Establish rehabilitation centers for youths
POLITICAL PILLAR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insufficient services and resources in the newly promulgated sub-county; • Inequality in resource allocation in the County including employment; • Inadequate mobile the community is pastoralist by nature; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake civic education to Kenyans. • Conduct cohesion and integration programmes in the County. • The National Government to enforce IFMIS and other systems at county level and conduct M&E to ensure that such regulatory instruments and policies are adhered to. • Promote credibility, accountability and transparency in Governance. • Abolish the fees required in obtaining P3 forms

4 CONCLUSION

Emphasis was put on the need to allocate more resources to the disaster kitty in order to avoid disrupting planned programs and projects. The participants were reminded of CBC's good intentions to promote creativity, as well as the importance of involving parents in the process. The participants were encouraged to be more self-reliant as the need for sustainable solutions to eliminate the syndrome of dependency in the County was raised. It was noted that the County had great development potential and that the future of the country lay in northern FCDC. Finally, there was an emphasis on the need for homegrown solutions to the county's security issues.