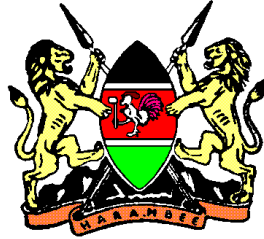


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**FOURTH MEDIUM TERM PLAN 2023- 2027**

**NAIROBI 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 28<sup>th</sup> March and 5<sup>th</sup> 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 of the 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 150 participants attended the Nairobi County Consultation Forum.

## **1.5 County Consultation Process**

The Consultation Team was led by Mr. Kevit Desai, Principal Secretary, State Department for East Africa Community (EAC). The teams made courtesy call to the County Commissioner and briefed her 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 by Director of Planning, Mr. Geoffrey Sianga**

The Director noted that the Forum had come at the right time when the county is about to start the process of developing the third generation CIDP and that priorities from the forum will inform the formulation of the policy document. He informed the participants that the

second generation CIDP was in its last stage of implementation. He further mentioned that the county is facing various development challenges, including: High population growth rate accounting for 10% of the population in Kenya, high population density, high poverty levels, and high inequality levels, inadequate and dilapidated infrastructure. He concluded that, COVID-19 pandemic had adversely affected most of the planned county activities.

### **2.3 Remarks by Nairobi County Commissioner**

The County Commissioner, Mrs. Flora Mworora reminded participants that the preparation of MTP III had followed the same process and that most of what was proposed then has been achieved. She pointed out programmes/projects like the express way and Competency Based Curriculum (CBC) are notable achievements within the period. She encouraged members to be as open as possible and contribute to make Nairobi a better place.

### **2.4 Opening Remarks by Principal Secretary, State Department for EAC**

The PS, welcomed members and noted that the purpose of the forum is to provide a platform to discuss and propose county development priorities for inclusion into the MTP IV. He mentioned that MTPIV is the second last phase for implementation of Vision 2030 and forms basis for transitioning to the next long term development plan for the Country. He further noted that a number of other consultations will be undertaken before the Plan is finalized. He concluded that the reports from the CCF's would be shared with Sector Working Groups for incorporation into the sector plans.

## **3. PLENARY DISCUSSION**

- There is need for public participation in projects identification and implementation.
- There has been inadequate civic education programmes in the county.
- More should be done to uplift the standards of living in the informal settlements.
- Social protection should be up scaled to reach slum dwellers.

## **4. GROUP DISCUSSIONS**

Break-away sessions were then held where specific challenges and emerging issues were raised. Proposals were made in these groups in regard to interventions aimed at addressed the identified challenges and emerging issues in the county. Four groups were formed according to the three pillars of the vision 2030 and the vision enablers/foundations. The feedback from these breakaway sessions was as follows:

EMERGING ISSUES AND CHALLENGES	PROPOSED PRIORITY PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS
ECONOMIC PILLAR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non gazettement of some tourism sites</li> <li>• Diminishing culture of communities</li> <li>• Inadequate tourism information</li> <li>• High cost of living</li> <li>• Inadequate support for cottage industries</li> <li>• Unawareness of Public Private Partnerships (PPP's)</li> <li>• Inadequate youth innovation centers</li> <li>• High cost of internet connectivity</li> <li>• Poor road interconnectivity</li> <li>• Low usage of renewable energy</li> <li>• Low water harvesting</li> <li>• High unemployment</li> <li>• Low adoption of soilless agriculture (Hydroponics)</li> <li>• Insufficient clean water</li> <li>• Low uptake of financial services</li> <li>• High cost of agricultural farm inputs</li> <li>• Food insecurity among the urban poor</li> <li>• High cost of electricity</li> <li>• Innovative ideas receive little backing.</li> <li>• Poor infrastructure to support trade</li> <li>• High cost of doing business</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gazettement of tourism sites</li> <li>• Hold cultural days</li> <li>• E-marketing of tourism sites</li> <li>• Support the establishment of cottage industries</li> <li>• Reduce cost of living</li> <li>• Construct market infrastructure</li> <li>• Promote PPPs</li> <li>• Establish youth innovation/resource centres</li> <li>• Promote buy Kenya build Kenya initiative</li> <li>• Reduce cost of internet connectivity</li> <li>• Establish internet hotspots</li> <li>• Encourage patenting and strengthen regulations on foreign investors</li> <li>• Enhance access to financial services</li> <li>• Promote renewable energy sources</li> <li>• Develop energy sources from the city waste</li> <li>• Amend building code to include water harvesting in all constructions</li> <li>• Expand the city's road network</li> <li>• Consider roads as water harvesting structures</li> <li>• Educate urban dwellers on water recycling</li> <li>• Clean up Nairobi Rivers</li> <li>• Establish a tourism desk at the airports</li> <li>• Implement the Nairobi County Food Systems Strategy</li> <li>• Implement a food relief programme for the urban poor</li> <li>• Create more job opportunities</li> <li>• Establish halls and studios for talent development</li> <li>• Reduce the cost of power</li> <li>• Support innovative ideas</li> <li>• Provision of inputs and subsidies to spur the agriculture sector</li> <li>• Create a conducive business environment</li> <li>• Streamline business licensing at the count level and reduce rates</li> </ul>

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SOCIAL PILLAR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strain in school infrastructure and social amenities in Nairobi County due to increased enrollment in Early Childhood Development Education (ECDE) institutions</li> <li>• ECDE school feeding program excludes primary going children, despite the fact that the two levels of education are mostly situated together, and the children come from the same disadvantaged communities</li> <li>• Poor understanding of Competency Based Curriculum (CBC) by parents, and poor training of ECDE teachers</li> <li>• Prevalence of dilapidated, poorly equipped and understaffed vocational centers</li> <li>• The advent of COVID-19 brought about an increase in teenage pregnancies</li> <li>• Accelerated mental health issues among citizens brought about by low disposable income due to high cases of unemployment</li> <li>• Unaffordable healthcare for youth and vulnerable groups who do not have a source of income</li> <li>• Understaffed and under equipped community health centers that is affecting access to quality healthcare services to underprivileged communities</li> <li>• Inadequate and irregular water supply in the County that is causing regular shortages</li> <li>• Transboundary challenges in regards to water (e.g. Nairobi and Murang'a)</li> <li>• Air pollution</li> <li>• Depletion of the water table which will pose serious challenges in access to water in the County</li> <li>• Illegal connection of water perpetrated by cartels affecting both urban and informal settlement areas</li> <li>• Inadequate affordable housing, as it cannot currently cater to the great demand in the County which has attracted a huge population seeking job opportunities</li> <li>• Purchase of low-cost housing units by business persons/cartels, at the expense of the intended</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information Communication Technology (ICT) integration in education and training</li> <li>• Undertake advocacy and awareness on drugs and substance abuse</li> <li>• Establish a culture office in every sub-county</li> <li>• Provision of an enabling environment for businesses</li> <li>• More opportunities for girls in (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) STEM</li> <li>• Development of adequate infrastructure for proper solid waste management</li> <li>• Identification, gazettement and conservation of wetlands around Nairobi</li> <li>• Promotion of rain water harvesting by reviewing the building code</li> <li>• Enhance social protection floors to include informal settlements' dwellers</li> <li>• Identify and protect Children Safe Places in all sub-counties with the county</li> <li>• Construction of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) friendly structures</li> <li>• Establish mentorship programmes for the youth</li> <li>• Establish/equip more sports facilities</li> <li>• Construct, equip and resource more health facilities in Nairobi</li> <li>• Train and capacity build health personnel</li> <li>• Facilitate Community Health Workers</li> <li>• There should be Affordable Functional Daycares in public spaces as markets, schools etc.</li> <li>• There should be good working environment, contracts, maternity leave, sexual harassment policy etc.</li> <li>• Establish a functional one stop centre which will cater fully for the needs of the survivors (safe house, medical, legal, psychosocial etc.)</li> <li>• Entrepreneurship skills and Financial Capability is paramount</li> <li>• Youth Friendly services in our health centers</li> <li>• Ensure Gender responsive Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights</li> <li>• Increased youth unemployment due to the advent of</li> </ul>

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<p>beneficiaries who are low income earners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outdated data on vulnerable persons/inconsistent updating of databases. Targeting for vulnerable children was last conducted in 2014 and 2015, yet budgetary allocations are being annually without considering emerging issues and demographic changes.</li> <li>• Inadequate and irregular allocation of resources to programs supporting special interest groups.</li> <li>• Limited number of breastfeeding stations at Government offices, public areas and work places to support breastfeeding mothers</li> <li>• Limited safe spaces for victims of gender-based violence and teenage pregnancies</li> <li>• Limited access to economic opportunities</li> <li>• Inadequate number of Affirmative Action Fund (AAF) staff to facilitate the program</li> <li>• Politicizing of the AAF causes low beneficiary repayment and curbs the progression of the fund to support new beneficiaries.</li> <li>• Limited access to economic opportunities for Youth, and youth PWDs</li> <li>• Increased alcohol and drug abuse due to joblessness</li> <li>• Limited spaces for local artists (musicians, poets, film makers, dancers, visual artists, painters) to utilize to advance their crafts.</li> <li>• Inadequate support for athletes/sports teams in terms of equipment, training spaces, uniforms and administrative costs to enable them perform well in their crafts.</li> <li>• Insufficient training opportunities for filmmakers. Since the establishment of Kenya Film School in 2015, only 25 students had graduated as at 2018, as reported in the sector plan for sports, arts and culture (2018-2022)</li> <li>• The Kenya Film Commission (KFC) order No. 147 Of 2015 states that KFC is mandated to establish a film promotion fund and provide incentives to promote film industry investment.</li> </ul>	<p>Covid 19 in Kenya.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expand school infrastructure to accommodate new enrollment numbers</li> <li>• Employ more human resource (teaching staff) to support the increased enrollment</li> <li>• Consider expanding the school feeding program to accommodate primary school going kids, and this can be achieved by leveraging Private Public Partnerships, and Development partners who are carrying out education projects/programs</li> <li>• Capacity building for relevant stakeholders on CBC, i.e., teachers and parents through regular training forums or shareable instructional videos</li> <li>• Need for rehabilitation of vocational centres</li> <li>• Need to equip the vocational centres with adequate teaching material and human resource</li> <li>• Embrace online teaching for both ECD/Vocational training</li> <li>• Need for prioritization of sexual reproductive health programs to sensitize citizens, as well as mentorship programs for teenage mothers</li> <li>• Incorporation of mental health services/programs in all Community Health Facilities in all the 17 Sub Counties</li> <li>• Exemption from the monthly National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) contribution for the unemployed youth</li> <li>• Ensure timely disbursement of resources meant for health, by observing cash flow timelines, at national and county level.</li> <li>• Build more storage facilities and upgrade water infrastructure</li> <li>• Regular monitoring air quality within the city</li> <li>• Recharging of the aquifers by planting more trees and leveraging on water catchment areas and wetlands</li> <li>• Adoption of technology for monitoring water systems to track interruptions/disconnections</li> <li>• Inter-county investment on affordable housing, to enable people to be able to live in neighboring Counties while working in Nairobi</li> </ul>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Importation of skills and personnel for jobs that can be done by Kenyans is promoting lack of job opportunities</li> <li>• Inadequate policy framework to combat music and film piracy, which robs artists from making a living through their craft due to lost revenues</li> <li>• Limited support for community radios, who are in touch with marginalized communities, and play an important role in sensitizing the public on social issues and informing the public on public participation forums in a timely manner. Also, community radios are not permitted to advertise, hence threatening their sustainability because they have limited sources of income.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consistent re-targeting of beneficiaries of cash transfer and bursary programs.</li> <li>• Amend the building code to incorporate guidelines and enforce the inclusion of walkability equipment and breastfeeding stations.</li> <li>• There's need for installation of safe spaces for GBV victims in all 17 sub-counties</li> <li>• Increase the AAF loan limits to enhance efforts for Women Economic Empowerment</li> <li>• Increase the number of staff administering the Affirmative Action Fund (AAF)</li> <li>• Unpaid Care Work (UCW) and Child Care should be recognized and redistributed this then helps Reduce the burden thus enable Women to Represent themselves in decision making, political Economic spaces etc.</li> <li>• Improve access to digital services at the existing Constituency Innovation Hubs (CIH).</li> <li>• Increase uptake of youth into the Ajira Digital project, to reduce unemployment</li> <li>• Institute mentorship programs in social halls targeting lower level and higher learning institutions to proactively sensitize the youth on the dangers of alcohol/drug abuse</li> <li>• Establishment of a culture centre at Moi international Sports Center Kasarani as envisioned in the Vision 2030 plan.</li> <li>• Continuous identification and nurturing of athletes, especially those from disadvantaged families in urban informal settlements.</li> </ul>
FOUNDATIONS/ENABLERS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inadequate transportation infrastructure and roads</li> <li>• Nairobi Estates have insufficient drainage facilities.</li> <li>• Low number TVETs in Nairobi</li> <li>• Unequipped TVETs</li> <li>• High cost of business registration and land rates</li> <li>• Bureaucracy process in land ownership</li> <li>• High rate of youth unemployment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infrastructure development – roads and transport infrastructure</li> <li>• Development of drainage facilities in Nairobi Estates</li> <li>• Establish and equip more TVETS in Nairobi</li> <li>• Reduce business registration and land rates</li> <li>• Digitize land matters</li> <li>• Do away with middlemen in Nairobi</li> <li>• Employ more qualified staff to run county matters</li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review bilateral labour regulations to ensure safety of Kenyan workers abroad</li> <li>• Enhance the Kazi Mtaani programme</li> <li>• Create more job opportunities for the youth</li> <li>• Invest in disaster management structures like fire engines at strategic places in the city</li> </ul>
POLITICAL PILLAR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unstructured coordination of public participation.</li> <li>• Unawareness of county programmes</li> <li>• Delays in resolving public grievance/ complaints</li> <li>• Unprofessional county askaris</li> <li>• Lack of consistency in funding to county governments</li> <li>• Backlog of court cases</li> <li>• Low adoption of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)</li> <li>• Increases human trafficking and child labour issues</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public participation to be cascaded to ward level</li> <li>• Create awareness among Kenyans through civic education programmes</li> <li>• Establish a public grievance handling mechanism</li> <li>• County government to devolve services from City Hall</li> <li>• Digitize complaints handling mechanisms</li> <li>• Re-train county askaris for peaceful co-existence with Nairobians</li> <li>• Ensure predictability of funding to county governments</li> <li>• Establish more courts</li> <li>• Strengthen <i>Nyumba Kumi</i> policing strategy</li> <li>• Strengthen ADR mechanisms</li> <li>• Address human trafficking and child labour issues</li> </ul>

## 5. CONCLUSION

The leadership thanked the members for participating in the forum and stated that the exercise that had taken place would benefit future generations. They noted that the key issues captured in the various sectors when implemented would enhance economic development.