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SAMBURU COUNTY CONSULTATION FORUM REPORT



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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 171 participants attended the Samburu County Consultation Forum.

1.5 County Consultation Process

The County Consultation Team was led by Mr. Saitoti Torome, Principal Secretary State Department for 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 from County Commissioner, Mr. Henry Wafula

The County Commissioner welcomed all to the MTP IV consultative forum. He thanked the PS for attending the launch of the Boda Boda registration process, that took place nationwide. He also mentioned that the County had implemented a number of projects, some of which the

PS had the opportunity to monitor. He pointed out that the consultations provided an opportunity for the County to meet the constitutional requirement of public participation in policy formulation. He noted that the Kenya Vision 2030 will be implemented in eight years and emphasized the importance of the County working together to achieve its development goals. He identified persistent drought in the county as one of the major challenges that the national government should address.

2.2 Remarks from Mr. Saitoti Torome, CBS, Principal Secretary, State Department for Planning.

The PS thanked the County leadership for the warm welcome and appreciated the participation noting that stakeholders were well represented in the forum. He indicated that he had been to Samburu to disseminate MTP III and noted that a lot had been achieved during the implementation of the plan, key among them being the tarmacking of the Rumuruti-Maralal road. He encouraged the participants to air their views/priorities as they would inform the succeeding MTP plan. Further, he indicated that unlike old days, plans were being implemented and a clear justification provided for non-implementation.

2.3 Deputy Governor, Mr Julius Leseeto

The Deputy Governor appreciated the State Department for Planning team, led by PS, and expressed delight at receiving the PS. He stated that the county implemented MTPs through various County Integrated Development Plans (CIDPs), and that the Governors' Manifesto serves as a roadmap for program implementation. He stated that the consultative forum was an opportunity to conduct a CIDP II evaluation and take stock of what had been accomplished. He emphasized that the CIDP was implemented through a multi-stakeholder approach that included everyone, including people with disabilities and religious leaders. Furthermore, he praised the president's project execution, stating that both the private and public sectors hastened project implementation and the PS for his dedication.

2.4 CEC Finance and Planning, Mr. Jonathan Leisen

The CEC for Finance and Planning welcomed the team to the County and noted that the County was privileged to have a consultative forum where their voices will be heard and their priorities captured for inclusion in the country's development agenda. He highlighted the some of the Vision 2030 and MTP III projects implemented in county including the road to Maralal and Issuance of title deeds.

3. PROPOSED PRIORITY POLICIES, PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS FOR FOURTH MTP

EMERGING ISSUES AND CHALLENGES	PRIORITY PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS
ENABLERS/FOUNDATIONS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insecurity within the county; • Poor road networks; • Inadequate disaster management equipment/ programs; • Discrimination of non-resident herders; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish road's infrastructure- (Maralal – Baragoi road; Lerata -Wamba – Kisima; Maralal township under KURA) • Construct three major dams in Marti, lerata and Seyia; • Construct connecting bridges (Seyia bridge, Baragoi river, Lekuru, South Horr bridge and Brigde connecting Samburu and Isiolo); • Improve network coverage in the county. • Establish a ICT hub at the county; • Establish land registries in Samburu north and East; • Issue land titles in Samburu North, East and West (30,000 titles); • More consideration for the people living with disabilities and marginalized groups; • Enhance offtake livestock programmes; • Establish an effective emergency response on food rations; and • Establish and revive abandoned police posts in hot spots (Sharda, Masikita, Suyian, Lerata, Ltungai, Kirimon , losesia, paruati Pura and Amaiya).
ECONOMIC PILLAR	

EMERGING ISSUES AND CHALLENGES	PRIORITY PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invasive species of trees and grass “Obuntia” turukunyanto, raraiti and Ichurai; and • Inadequate financial Services. • Inadequate capacity to explore minerals in the county; • Overstocking and reliance of livestock by communities in the county and poor livestock markets infiltrated by middlemen; • An established but underutilized BPO structure; • Inadequately equipped dairy plant; no packaging facility; • Locusts invasion; • High cost of doing business in Maralal town; • Human wildlife conflict and poaching of wild animals; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Improve the value chain of livestock products. ✓ Improve the road network infrastructure; • Increase surveillance to boost security; • Establish financial services including banking services especially in Samburu East and North and local Saccos/cooperatives; • Research and exploration of the minerals in the county and exploring on the use of renewable energy; • Establish an irrigation scheme.; • Establish Disease Free Zones for livestock that can meet international standards for exportation; • Unique Branding of the Samburu Tourism Sector locally and internationally e.g through cultural days, tourism days; • Rural Electrification to the interior areas; • Sensitization on Saccos and registration in Cooperatives; • Drill two boreholes in every Location; • Implement livestock insurance;
SOCIAL PILLAR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drug and substance abuse among the youths; • Emergence of pandemics; • Insufficient sporting facilities and sporting academies; • Few cultural programmes and cultural historical sites; • Introduction of new education systems; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish special and integrated schools and curriculum for special needs; • Create awareness on retrogressive cultural practices and women reproductive health;

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poor sexual reproductive health in the region; • Inadequate supply of water; • Improper medical waste management incinerator; • Inadequate medicines, medical infrastructure, medical equipment including workshops for specialized treatments and health personnel; • Retrogressive cultural practices which effects education; • Improper town planning/zoning; • Encroachment of riparian land and deforestation due to charcoal burning and other human use; • Effects of climate change; • Lack of special schools in the county, nonintegrated school systems; unfriendly disability friendly housing facilities and lack of sign language interpreters in hospitals; • Lack of proper drainage system, waste management facilities, recycling technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of drug abuse rehabilitation centers; • Cohesion and integration programs; • Training personnel on disaster management and acquire disaster control equipment; • Establish comprehensive spatial plan for every urban centre; • Establish sewerage system in Wamba, Baragoi and Maralal; • Complete the TVET institution in Sirata; • Establish an office for People with Disability;
POLITICAL PILLAR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poor public participation in County project approval processes; • Limited resource devolution to Sub-County Level; • Unlawful evictions; • Devolution raised expectations among county citizens creating a higher demand for services than the county can deliver; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upscale disarmament programmes; • Increase the number of mobile courts to ward-level, set up permanent courts in Wamba and Baragoi and increase court personnel including High Court Judge and Legal officers in Maralal; • Sensitize the youth on alternative sources of income generation to reduce overreliance on livestock. • Improve the coordination between counties especially regarding animal herders during drought seasons; • Establish a Livestock

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	<p>insurance program for the herders in the county;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance Public Participation in the County • The county to receive a fair share in national government appointments (0.65% of the national population);

4.0 CONCLUSION

The County leadership emphasized the importance of improving infrastructure to improve security in the area. The LAPSSET was mentioned as one project that had so far opened up the ASAL region. Furthermore, it was stated that security was everyone's responsibility, despite efforts to adjust the County's security system. The County urged the national government to develop a resource map for the region, noting that the national government receives the lion's share of any natural resource's benefits. Because Maralal Town was expanding, the sewerage system should be prioritized.

The PS, State Department for Planning, stated in his closing remarks that some of the proposed projects will be documented in MTP IV, while the rest will be included in the third generation CIDP. During the development of the CIDP, he encouraged the county to conduct public participation at the ward level, noting that the parliament was considering a bill that will govern public participation. He also emphasized the importance of the County seeking funding from donors for urban planning. He said that national county planning offices would be set up to assist county commissioners with planning issues.