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LAUNCH OF NATIONAL PERFORMANCE-BASED CONDITIONAL LIQUIDITY SUPPORT GRANT PROGRAMME FOR WATER SERVICES PROVIDERS

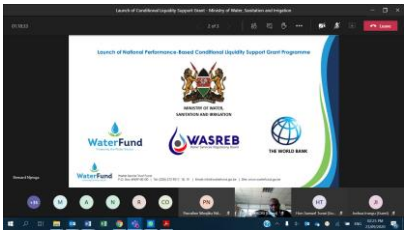
Mr. Joseph Irungu, C.B.S., Principal Secretary, Ministry of Water Sanitation and Irrigation and Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) in collaboration with Water Services Regulatory Board (WASREB) hosted a webinar to launch the National Performance-Based Conditional Liquidity Support Grant Programme. The programme seeks to support recovery of the Water Services Providers (WSPs) from effects of COVID-19 pandemic on their operations.

This programme will be implemented by WaterFund with technical support from WASREB. The project has received financial support from the Government of Kenya through WaterFund and the World Bank of €49.7 Million or approximately KSh. 6.4 Billion.

Panellists during the webinar included representatives from Ministry, WaterFund, WASREB and the World Bank. Attendees included about 100 representatives from the various WSPs across the country.



Screenshots showing the virtual launch and participants engaging the panellists



WATER AND LIVELIHOOD PROGRAMME (WLP) WORKSHOP IN TURKANA COUNTY

WaterFund under its Water and Livelihood Programme (WLP) conducted a framework workshop in Turkana West Subcounty in Turkana County. This programme aims to improve access to water and sanitation in refugee, host and other vulnerable communities in Kenya.

The main aim of the workshop was to unpack the County Water Act, 2019, and its provisions for establishment of urban and rural water management companies in line with national regulator guidelines.

In view of the above, WaterFund team conducted a monitoring and inspection exercise of projects in Turkana West Subcounty under the WLP which are at different stages of implementation. The exercise will ensure that quality in execution and delivery of works is upheld so as to deliver on the intended impact.



WaterFund representatives during the inception meeting at Lodwar, Turkana County



Inspection of ongoing construction of Kangtesuroi earth pan in Turkana County



Monitoring of VIP pit latrine toilets implemented by Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) in Kakuma Refugee camp, Turkana County

FIELD ACTIVITIES: MONITORING EXERCISES

Field activities including monitoring and inspection of WaterFund's projects continued across the past weeks. WaterFund is pleased to note that project Implementing agencies are putting in place measures to protect their staff and members of the public from COVID-19 infections.

- WaterFund conducted training of Water Resources Users Associations (WRUAs) at Kaguru Agricultural Training Centre in Meru County under the International Fund for Agricultural Development's (IFAD) Upper Tana Natural Resources Management Project (UTaNRMP). This programme is under WaterFund's Water Resources and Climate Change investments.



(Left) WaterFund representatives doing a presentation to the participants

(Right) Participants during the IFAD-UTaNRMP training



BLAST FROM THE PAST: FEATURED IN SITREP #117 – WATERFUND PARTICIPATES IN THE COMMISSIONING OF UPPER ORUBA WATER PROJECT



The WaterFund's Situation Report No. 117 (SITREP #117) covered the period **19th to 23rd June 2017**. Among the highlights was that WaterFund participated in the commissioning of Upper Oruba Water Project in Migori County.

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