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WATER SECTOR TRUST FUND CONDUCTS SUITABILITY ASSESSMENTS FOR STAFF

Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) is a Kenyan State Corporation under the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation. It was re-established under the Water Act, 2016, with the mandate to provide conditional and unconditional grants to Counties and to assist in financing water and sanitation services to the underserved areas. WaterFund was originally established under Water Act, 2002, as Water Services Trust Fund.

Following the expanded mandate and subsequent approval of the WaterFund's new Human Resource Policy Instruments, the institution carried out suitability assessments for officers in the institution. The new Human Resource Policy Instruments will provide for a well-defined career structure which will attract, motivate and facilitate retention of qualified and experienced staff at the WaterFund.

This process, which was conducted by the management and representatives from the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation, will ensure proper placement of staff to various departments as per their qualifications and experience.



Officers undergoing suitability assessment sessions



WATERFUND MEETINGS

WaterFund is pleased to note that meetings have in place measures to protect its staff and meeting participants from COVID-19 infections. Across the past weeks, the following online and physical meetings took place.

- WaterFund team under its Water and Livelihood programme (WLP) held a virtual meeting to discuss and review projects which are in their last stages of implementation. The WLP programme has received financial support from Government of Denmark through the Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA).
- WaterFund under its Ending Drought Emergency-Climate Proofed Infrastructure Programme (EDE-CPIRA) Programme held a meeting with representatives from Netherlands Development Organization (SNV). The main aim of the meeting was to discuss on the Public Private Community Partnerships component. The EDE-CPIRA

Programme has been funded by the European Union.



WaterFund team during the virtual WLP programme review meeting





WaterFund together with SNV representatives during the meeting

FIELD ACTIVITIES: MONITORING EXERCISES

Field activities including monitoring and inspection of the WaterFund's projects continued across the past weeks.

- WaterFund participated in the National Climate Change Learning Strategy Meeting held in Naivasha. The meeting comprised of a technical task team who assessed learning needs, priorities and institutional capacities to deliver climate change learning. This process is being implemented by the Ministry of Environment and Forestry and the Ministry of Education, in partnership with Kenya Climate Change Working Group, funded by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) through Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.
- Monitoring and inspection of the ongoing construction of Ol Arabal Water Supply Project in Baringo County. This project which is being implemented by Kirandich Water Company Limited (KIWACO) has received financial support from the European Union.



Participants from various institutions during the National Climate Change Task Team meeting in Naivasha





Laying down of the gravity main pipeline for Ol Arabal Water Supply Project in Baringo County

BLAST FROM THE PAST: FEATURED IN SITREP #124 – MEETING TO REVIEW MOU BETWEEN WATERFUND AND IFAD



The WaterFund's Situation Report No. 124 (SITREP #124) covered the period **14th to 18th August 2017**. Among the highlights was that a meeting was held between WaterFund and International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) to review their Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). IFAD is the funding partner for the Upper Tana Natural Resource Management Project (UTaNRMP) programme.

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