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WATERFUND PARTICIPATES IN TREE-PLANTING ACTIVITIES AS PART OF THE WORLD WATER DAY 2021 CELEBRATIONS IN MERU COUNTY

Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) joined the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation, and other water sector institutions in activities celebrating World Water Day 2021 in Meru County under the theme *Valuing Water*.

Following the Presidential Circular in 2018 on inclusion of tree-planting in CSR activities of public institutions, WaterFund adopted a 2.7-acre piece of land at Kibirichia Boys' Secondary School and donated 2,000 tree seedlings towards its reclamation. Kenya Water Institute (KEWI) students joined WaterFund in planting the tree seedlings at this section.

WaterFund will be at the forefront in ensuring regular maintenance of the trees by the school community, which is an essential part of their growth and longevity. This will contribute towards attainment of the National Government's target of 10% forest cover by the year 2022.



Part of the 2,000 tree seedlings to be planted at the 2.7-acre piece of land adopted by WaterFund



WaterFund and KEWI during the tree-planting activities at Kibirichia Boys' Secondary School, Meru County



Representatives from various water sector institutions during the tree planting activity at Kibirichia Boys' Secondary School, Meru County

WATERFUND MANAGEMENT HOLDS BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHARTER WORKSHOP IN MACHAKOS COUNTY

WaterFund held a workshop in Machakos County which comprised of WaterFund Board of Trustees and representatives of the Board Committee Secretaries. The main aim of the workshop was the review of Board Committee charters. In addition, the team was part of the training on corporate governance by PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC).



(Left and Right pictures)

WaterFund Board of Trustees and the management during the workshop in Machakos County



FIELD ACTIVITIES: MONITORING EXERCISES

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

- WaterFund team conducted an evaluation exercise for Consultancy Services for Initial Assessment of Suitability and Design of Performance-Based Contracts (PBCS).
- WaterFund team conducted monitoring and inspection of Gatare Community Forest Association (CFA) in Muranga County. This project consists of fish ponds which hold a capacity of 1,500 trout fish each. This project has been funded under the International Fund for Agricultural Development's Upper Tana Catchment Natural Resources Management Project (IFAD-UTaNRMP) Programme.



WaterFund team during the evaluation exercise in Naivasha





WaterFund staff during inspection of Gatare CFA Project in Muranga County

BLAST FROM THE PAST: FEATURED IN SITREP #139 – WATERFUND HOLDS A MEETING WITH THE FINNISH DELEGATION TO KENYA



The WaterFund's Situation Report No. 139 (SITREP #139) covered the period **27th November to 8th December 2017**. Among the highlights was that Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Water and Irrigation chaired a meeting with WaterFund and the Finnish delegation to Kenya to discuss updates on the ongoing Joint 6 Programme (J6P) and future partnerships.

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