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WATERFUND HOLDS A FORUM ON THE FOMULATION OF ITS PROJECTS FUNDING CRITERIA UNDER WATER ACT 2016

Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation led by Eng. Fidelis K. Kyengo, Director Sanitation and Irrigation; Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) Board of Trustees (BoT) representatives, Mr. Fredrick O. Josiah and Mr. Chrisologus Makokha; joined by the Acting CEO, Mr. Willis Ombai; facilitated the projects funding criteria forum. WaterFund's BoTs, under the Water Act 2016, are obligated to formulate and gazette, following public consultation, a criterion for qualification for funding of projects

Once formulated, the main objective of the funding criteria will be to provide equitable and transparent funding framework, and to assist in financing the provision of water, sanitation and water resource management projects to underserved areas in Kenya. In addition, the document will act as a legal instrument whose aim will be to inspire confidence to the public sector, development partners and WaterFund's stakeholders and also provide an environment of open, fair and transparent financing within the sector. In attendance during this high-level meeting were representatives from: Gatsby Africa, Water Resources Authority, Kenya Forest Services, Kenya Water Institute, Water Services Regulatory Board and WaterFund Staff.





From left: Eng. Fidelis K. Kyengo, Fredrick O. Josiah and Mr. Willis Ombai, giving their remarks during the forum

WATERFUND INSPECTS BAMBA MDOINA SHIRANGO WATER PROJECT IN KILIFI COUNTY

WaterFund led by the Ag. CEO, Mr. Willis Ombai, embarked on a field inspection mission to Bamba Mdoina Shirango water project in Kilifi County, in preparation of its commissioning scheduled for July 2022. The project has been funded under WaterFund's Ending Drought Emergencies: Climate Proofed Infrastructure Programme (EDE-CPIRA), with financial support from the European Union, at a total cost of approximately KSh. 100 Million, of which KSh. 13 Million was counterpart funding from the County Government of Kilifi.

The main funded project components include: 5 No. water kiosks, 50m^3 masonry tank, gravity line, elevated steel tank and other rehabilitation works. As a result of this project it is anticipated that community members will access water quality at household levels and improved public health through reduced risk of waterborne diseases.



Left: WaterFund Ag. CEO Mr. Willis Ombai, leads the team during the inspection tour on the progress of Bamba Mdoina Shirango Water

Right: The team pose for a picture at one of the water kiosks under this project



WATERFUND MEETINGS

During the week, meetings took place as highlighted below:

- WaterFund, WASH-FIN and KPMG held a kick-off meeting on the Feasibility Study for the proposed Loan Facility
- WaterFund represented by General Manager, Fund Development, participated in the launch of WASREB impact Report number 14. Several water companies received performance awards which were presented by the water secretary and WASREB Ag. CEO.



Left: WaterFund Ag. CEO, chairs the Feasibility Study kick off meeting with WASH-FIN and KPMG

Right: Various institution representatives during WASREB's launch



WATERFUND ISO RE-CERTIFICATION AUDIT TRAINING

WaterFund is ISO 9001:2015 certified by Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS). In order to ensure continuous conformity to the set ISO Standards for Quality Management Systems (QMS), WaterFund undertook a refresher training for selected staff, on the use of Q-Pulse management information system. WaterFund uses Q-Pulse system to manage the ISO process.

The main aim of the training included: reconfiguration of system, updating of QMS traceability documents and refresher training on ISO auditing with the expectation of improving internal capacity of the WaterFund for continual improvement of processes for enhanced service delivery as per the mandate.



Left: WaterFund staff keenly follow the training proceedings

Right: Mr. Elly Ochere, Ag. Manager, Research, Planning and M&E, gives his remarks during the training



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