Water Sector Trust Fund

Financing the Water Sector

1st Floor, CIC Plaza I, Mara Road, Upper Hill, Nairobi, Kenya
PO Box 49699 Nairobi-00100; Tel: +254 (20) 2720696, 2729017/8
Email: info@waterfund.go.ke; Website: www.waterfund.go.ke

SITUATION REPORT (SITREP) # 408

3RD – 6TH APRIL 2023

CABINET SECRETARY COMMISSIONS BAMBA-MIDOINA WATER PROJECT IN KILIFI COUNTY

On 3rd April, 2023, Hon. Alice Wahome, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation (MWSI), as the chief guest, joined by H.E. Gideon Mung'aro, Governor, Kilifi County, commissioned the Bamba-Midoina-Dharako Water Project in Kilifi County. Present during the commissioning were: Mr. Bill Lay, Chairperson, Board of Trustees (BoT), Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund), Mr. Fredrick Josiah, WaterFund BoT member, Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO WaterFund, and a delegation from the County Government of Kilifi.

The Bamba-Midoina Water project has been funded by the European Union under WaterFund's Ending Drought Emergencies: Climate Proof Infrastructure (EDE-CPIRA) Programme; at a total cost of KSh. 87.1 Million and a 13% contribution from the County Government of Kilifi to the tune of KSh. 13.02 Million. As a result of the laying of the 43.6 km gravity pipeline, the project has benefited approximately 11,828 individuals by improving water quality, providing access to water in households, schools, and health facilities; in addition to reducing the risk of waterborne and water-related diseases, leading to better public health. Other components of the project include construction of: 5 water kiosks, 50m^3 masonry tank at Shirango Dispensary, 48m^3 elevated steel tank, 100m^3 masonry tank at Ndharako, repair of solar panels at the Mlungu wa Mawe Bamba pump station and rehabilitation of the existing masonry tank at Kwa Mwalimu and Mdoina.

Speaking during the event, Hon. Alice Wahome, CS MWSI, noted that the National Government, County and Donor partnerships will ensure that, communities in drought-prone areas are more resilient to drought and other effects of climate change, and that the impact of drought are contained, leading to improved food security. Adding to that, Mr. Fredrick Josiah, WaterFund BoT member, noted that the BoT will ensure that projects are implemented in a transparent and accountable manner; so as to achieve their objectives and also urged all implementing partners to uphold the same level of integrity. Furthermore, Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO WaterFund, noted that WaterFund has provided financial support to Kilifi County through various donor funded programmes at an approximate cost of KSh. 183.5 Million with project impact covering 127,657 beneficiaries in the County.



Hon. Alice Wahome (right), CS, Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation, signing the visitor's book during the courtesy call visit at H.E. Gideon Mung'aro, Governor, Kilifi County, office



Mr. Willis Ombai (seated left), CEO WaterFund, giving his remarks during courtesy call visit



Mr. Bill Lay, Chairperson, BoT, WaterFund, receiving Hon. Alice Wahome, Cabinet Secretary, MWSI



Hon. Alice Wahome, officially commissioning the Bamba-Midoina Water Project at Kiosk 4



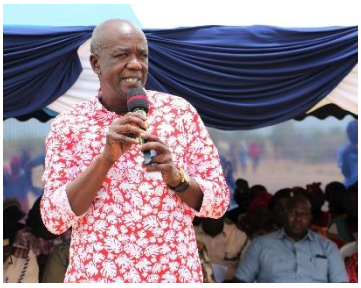
Hon. Alice Wahome (centre) and H.E. Gideon Mung'aro (right), Governor Kilifi County inspecting Kiosk 4 during the commissioning



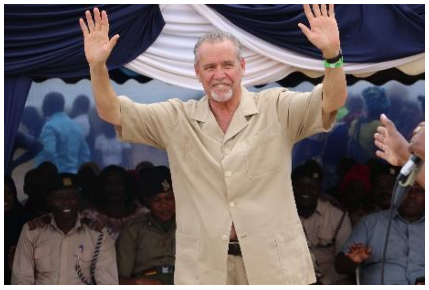
Community members fetching water at Kiosk 4 after the Commissioning event



Hon. Alice Wahome, Cabinet Secretary, MWSI, giving her key note speech during the commissioning



H.E. Gideon Mung'aro, Governor, Kilifi County, giving his remarks at the commissioning



Mr. Bill Lay, Chairperson, WaterFund addressing the guests during the commissioning





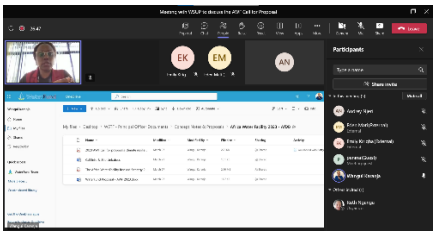
(Left picture) Mr. Fredrick Josiah, WaterFund Board of Trustees and (Centre picture) Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO, WaterFund, make their speeches during the commissioning



Participants closely following the proceedings of the commissioning

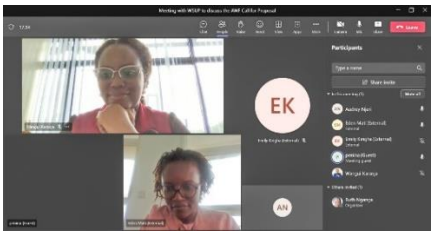
WATERFUND MEETINGS

On 5th April, 2023, WaterFund held a virtual meeting with representatives from Water & Sanitation for the Urban Poor (WSUP) and Fresh Life. The objective of the meeting was to discuss modalities of how the team shall develop the sanitation programme components for the African Water Facility, Call for Proposals, focusing on climate resilient water & sanitation projects.



Left picture: Ms. Joan Karanja (top left), Principal, Fund Development Officer, chairing the virtual meeting

Right picture: Participants follow keenly WaterFund's presentation



For this issue and all previous SITREPs, please visit: https://waterfund.go.ke/sitrep