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PROGRESS UPDATE MEETING OF EDE-CPIRA FUNDED PROJECTS IN SAMBURU COUNTY

On 27th July 2023, the Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund), led by Mr. Willis Ombai, Chief Executive Officer, met with H.E. Jonathan Lelelit, Governor of Samburu County. The main purpose of the meeting was for the Samburu County leadership to provide an update on the progress of projects funded under the Ending Drought Emergencies-Climate Proofed Infrastructure (EDE-CPIRA) Programme.

During the meeting, they discussed the upcoming commissioning of the Garma-Mugur Water project in Samburu County, which is scheduled to be completed in two weeks. This project aims to improve water access and availability in the targeted areas. Governor Jonathan Lelelit expressed his satisfaction with the implementation and achievements of the EDE-CPIRA programme and highlighted the significance of the Garma-Mugur Water project for the community.

In his closing remarks, Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO of WaterFund, reaffirmed WaterFund's commitment to the success of EDE-CPIRA funded projects in Samburu County. He acknowledged the importance of overcoming challenges and maintaining transparent communication between WaterFund and the County Government of Samburu to achieve their shared goals of water security and resilience against drought emergencies in the region.



Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO WaterFund giving his opening remarks at the meeting



H.E. Jonathan Lelelit, Governor Samburu County, giving a status update of EDE-CPIRA projects



WaterFund and Samburu County officials at the deliberations

WATERFUND MEETINGS

During the week, meetings took place as highlighted below:

- WaterFund met with Hon. Joseph Gitari Member of Parliament (MP) for Kirinyaga Central, Mr. Ephantus Maina, Managing Director Kirinyaga Water and Sanitation Company (KIRIWASCO); to deliberate on potential areas of collaboration for increased access to water and sanitation in Kirinyaga Central.
- Opero Services had a meeting with WaterFund to explore potential collaboration in research, innovation, and business development support for Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) enterprises.

- WaterFund led by the CEO, Mr. Willis Ombai, met with a delegation from the Kenya Water Towers Agency, led by their Director and CEO, Prof. Julius Gordon Tanui. The meeting aimed to discuss collaboration in programming and resource mobilization for catchment protection and conservation activities.
- WaterFund and Millennium Water Alliance (MWA) met to discuss how to synergize implementation of programmes in the ASAL Counties where both institutions have ongoing programmes.



Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO WaterFund, giving his opening remarks at the meeting between WaterFund and KIRIWASCO



Hon. Joseph Gitari, Member of Parliament (MP) Kirinyaga Central, giving his remarks during the meeting



Mr. Ephantus Maina, Managing Director KIRIWASCO



Ms. Ruth Nganga, General Manager Fund Development, giving her remarks during the meeting between WaterFund and Opero Services



Mr. Enock Onsare, Incubation and Innovation Manager, Opero Services, giving his remarks at the meeting



Ms. Nicola Greene, Founder Scaling WASH Enterprise and Innovation making a presentation during the meeting



Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO WaterFund, giving his remarks during the meeting between WaterFund and Kenya Water Towers Agency



Prof. Julius Tanui, CEO Kenya Water Towers Agency (KWTA), giving his remarks during the meeting



WaterFund and Kenya Water Towers (KTWA) representatives following the deliberations of the meeting

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