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WATERFUND MEETINGS

During the week, the below meeting took place as highlighted:

- On August 27, 2024, the Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund), led by Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO, hosted a meeting with World Vision Kenya (WVK). The discussion centered around identifying new opportunities for collaboration in water and sanitation programs. World Vision Kenya, led by Mr. Gilbert Kamanga, its National Director, shared insights on their ongoing efforts, particularly highlighting the Sustainable Management and Access to Water and Sanitation in the ASAL Programme (SWASAP), currently being implemented in Turkana and Isiolo counties. Both organizations expressed a strong commitment to enhancing their partnership to improve water and sanitation access in these regions.



Mr. Willis Ombai CEO WaterFund Chairing the meeting.



Mr. Gilbert Kamanga (left) National Director and Ms. Lillian Mageto (right) Resource Acquisition and Management Director of WVK



WaterFund and World Vision Kenya representatives during the meeting.

STRENGTHENING COLLABORATION AND PROGRESS IN THE KENYA WATER SANITATION AND HYGIENE (KWASH) PROGRAM

WaterFund is playing a pivotal role in implementation of the investment program financing component, of the Kenya Water Sanitation and Hygiene (KWASH) program, a World Bank-funded initiative aimed at enhancing rural water supply, improving sanitation services, and promoting water sector efficiency and policy reforms. Spanning six years from 2024 to 2030, the program covers 19 counties and involves 33 water service providers.

In light of this, the Program Management Unit (PMU) organized a three-day consultative workshop that brought together key stakeholders, including the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Education, the State Department of Devolution, the Department of Refugee Services, and the Council of Governors. The workshop provided a platform for participants to present updates on the progress of the KWASH Program. Additionally, this gathering served as a preparatory and planning meeting for the anticipated World Bank Second Implementation Support Mission (ISM) for the KWASH Program.



Group Photo workshop participants from KWASH Programme implementing institutions

FIELD ACTIVITIES: MONITORING EXERCISES IN LAMU, KAJIADO AND MANDERA COUNTIES

Field activities including monitoring and inspection of WaterFund's projects continued across the week;

- WaterFund held a monitoring exercise for projects under the Sustainable Management and Access to Water and Sanitation in the ASALs project (SWASAP) in Lamu County. The team held consultative meetings with the Chief Officer for Water to discuss strategies for ensuring that projects are completed within the agreed timeframe. Additionally, they met with the Manager of Pate Conservancy and representatives from the Kiunga Community Wildlife Association to discuss ongoing collaboration and progress.
- Monitoring activities were also carried out for projects under the Ending Drought Emergencies: Climate Proofed Infrastructure (EDE CPIRA) programme. The team visited several key projects, including the Kajiado Town Augmentation Water Project in Kajiado County and the Takaba Water Project in Mandera County, to assess their progress and ensure alignment with the programme's objectives.



Update meeting on the Pate and Kiunga Water Projects



Entry meeting with stakeholders implementing the (SWASAP) Project



Update meeting with Kiunga Community Conservancy Manager and Kiunga Residents



Right: Pipeline testing of Kajiado Town Water Project under EDE-CPIRA Programme

Left: Final touches for Takaba water project in Mandera County



BLAST FROM THE PAST: FEATURED IN SITREP #250 – WATERFUND MEETS WITH IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS OF WATER AND LIVELIHOOD PROGRAMME

The WaterFund's Situation Report No. 250 (SITREP #250) covered the period **17th to 21st February 2020**. Among the highlights was that Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) led by the Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Ismail Shaiye, held a meeting with implementing partners under its Water and Livelihood Programme (WLP), which targets 6,000 new households in Turkana County with water and sanitation. The aim of the meeting was to seek support as well as share experiences in order to accelerate the project implementation process. In attendance was World Vision Kenya, Action Africa Help International (AAHI), AMREF Health Africa and Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC).