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Financing the Water Sector

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WATERFUND MEETINGS:

During the week, various meetings took place as highlighted below:

- Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) led by Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO, hosted a meeting with UNICEF team led by Mr. Haile Gashaw, Chief of WASH, Climate Change Environment. The discussions focused on exploring collaboration opportunities in innovative financing models for ASALs.
- Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO WaterFund, held a consultative meeting with H.E. Tamalinye K. Koech, Deputy Governor, Narok County, to explore potential areas of partnership and collaboration. In attendance were senior officials from WaterFund and Narok Water and Sewerage Company.
- WaterFund convened a meeting with Mr. Elijah Koech, Chief Officer, Water, Sanitation and Irrigation, County Government of Uasin Gishu. The meeting aimed to explore opportunities for supporting the newly established entity, with a particular focus on enhancing its capacity. In attendance were senior officials from WaterFund and Uasin Gishu Rural Water and Sanitation Company.



Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO WaterFund, chairing the meeting between WaterFund and UNICEF



Mr. Haile Gashaw (left) Chief of WASH Climate Change Environment and Mr. Abdi Hassan (right), WASH Specialist, UNICEF during the meeting

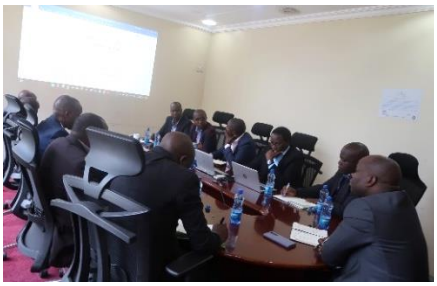


WaterFund and UNICEF representatives during the meeting



Left picture: H.E Tamalinye K. Koech (left) Deputy Governor Narok County and Mr. Willis Ombai (right), CEO WaterFund

Right picture: Representatives from WaterFund, Narok County Government and Narok Water & Sewerage Services Company during the meeting





Left picture: (from left to right) Mr. Elijah Koech, Chief Officer, Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO WaterFund and Mr. Elphas Kesio, Chief Officer, Agriculture, Uasin Gishu County

Right Picture: Representatives from WaterFund and Uasin Gishu County Government pose for a picture



WATERFUND AT THE WASH SECTOR JOINT PERFOMANCE REVIEW WORKSHOP

The Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation (MWSI) with support from UNICEF Kenya organized for the WASH Sector Joint Performance Review workshop; which aims to analyze the overall progress made by the sector during the period under review. The review aims to assess the sector's overall progress during the period under evaluation. It involved gathering accurate and reliable data from sector institutions, county governments, and other key stakeholders to guide the preparation of the Annual Joint WASH Sector Reports. This data will also be used to assess the implementation status of the constitutional right to access safe water and sanitation, Vision 2030, and SDG 6.

During the workshop, Ms. Ruth Nganga, General Manger, Fund Development participated in a high-level panel whose discussion focused on innovative and sustainable financing models. WaterFund's participation in this significant event highlights its dedicated efforts to advance access to clean water and proper sanitation in the country.



Left: Ms. Ruth Nganga (center, holding microphone), General Manger, Fund Development, WaterFund, during the high-level panel discussion alongside other panelists

Right: Participants following keenly on presentations made during the (JSR) workshop



FIELD ACTIVITIES:

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

- WaterFund undertook a monitoring mission in Tana River County to assess the progress of ongoing projects under the Sustainable Management and Access to Water and Sanitation in ASALs (SWASAP) Programme. The team met with Ms. Hadija Algi, County Executive Committee Member for Water, Energy, Mining, Wildlife, and Natural Resources; to discuss the status of the projects and any challenges faced during implementation. They team also emphasized the need to expedite project completion to avoid delays. Projects inspected included Ndera Conservancy, Golbanti-Tarasa-Odha Tana Water and Sanitation Project and Wenje Vukoni Water and Sanitation Project, which are approaching completion.



Left: Monitoring of Vukoni VIP latrine at Vukoni Primary School in Tana River County

Right: Ongoing construction of Horurau Waterpan in Tana River County

