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IN BRIEF:

Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund), in collaboration with the Water, Sanitation, Hygiene, and Finance 2 (WASH-FIN2) initiative, convened an engagement meeting in Makueni County to discuss the implementation of the Financing Locally-Led Climate Action (FLLoCA) programme for the Wambuli Water Project. The project focuses on water supply using solar-powered technologies, including borehole drilling, alongside water resource management strategies such as source protection and increased storage through water pans and sand dams. Additionally, it incorporates a livelihood component by providing water for agricultural use. The primary objective of the meeting was to conduct project scoping and facilitate subsequent detailed design planning.



WaterFund and WASH-FIN2 team during the deliberations in Makueni County.



FIELD ACTIVITIES:

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

- WaterFund conducted a monitoring exercise in Isiolo County to assess the progress of projects under the Sustainable Management and Access to Water and Sanitation in the ASALs (SWASAP) Programme. Implemented by the Kenya Red Cross Society, these projects are at various stages of development. Key initiatives include the Iresaboru Water Pan, which will have a capacity of 50,000 m³, and the construction of VIP latrines at Bahari Girls Primary School and Biliqnur Mixed Day Secondary School.
- WaterFund carried out an appraisal mission for Water Service Providers (WSPs) that had expressed interest in expanding sanitation facilities. The mission covered WSPs in Nyeri, Kiambu, Malindi, Yatta, Meru, Mombasa, and Murang'a West. These projects are part of WaterFund's Upscaling Basic Sanitation for the Urban Poor (UBSUP) programme, funded by the German Development Bank (KfW) and the Gates Foundation. The programme aims to enhance the living conditions of urban poor communities by providing access to sustainable on-plot sanitation solutions and ensuring safe sludge treatment and management.



WaterFund engaging the Project task Committee at Sericho in Isiolo County



Inspection of a VIP latrine at Bahari Girls Primary School



Monitoring progress of Iresaboru Water pan under SWASAP Programme





Appraisal of a Latrine in Magundu Meru County (left) and latrine in Magarini -Malindi Kilifi County (right) funded under WaterFund UBSUP Programme

BLAST FROM THE PAST: FEATURED IN SITREP #257–FIELD ACTIVITIES: MONITORING EXERCISES AND COVID-19 PREVENTION

The WaterFund's Situation Report No. 257 (SITREP #257) covered the period **6th to 9th April, 2020**. Among the highlights was that field activities including monitoring and inspection of the WaterFund's projects continued across the week. WaterFund was pleased to note that project implementing agencies were putting in place measures to protect their staff and members of the public from COVID-19 infections

- WaterFund Resident Engineers monitored the drilling site in Garissa County implemented under WaterFund's Green Growth and Employment Programme (GGEP). During the exercise the staff on the ground were provided with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in response to COVID-19 World Health Organization (WHO) prevention guidelines.
- Monitoring of Lelmokowo Sanitation site in Nandi County by WaterFund staff. The construction workers on the ground were equipped with the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in response to COVID-19 World Health Organization (WHO) prevention guidelines.



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