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WATERFUND MONITORS PROGRESS OF KEY PROJECTS UNDER SWASAP

Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund), in collaboration with Marsabit County's Department of Water and Concern Worldwide, recently undertook a monitoring and inspection visit across various project sites in El Molo, Laisamis, and North Horr sub-counties. These initiatives, funded by Danida through WaterFund, under the Sustainable Management and Access to Water and Sanitation in the ASALs Programme (SWASAP), aims to improve access to safe and sustainable water services in arid and semi-arid lands.

The main objective of the visit was to assess implementation progress, verify completion of earlier recommended corrective actions, particularly at the El Molo Bay and Laisamis project site, and evaluate the overall quality of infrastructure works. It was noted that the projects are at approximately 90% completion, with implementing partners expected to finalize the remaining activities in the coming weeks. The team also visited previously commissioned water supply systems in North Horr and Dabel to assess their operational sustainability and impact on the surrounding communities.



Cattle troughs for Ngororoi water supply, Laisamis Sub-County





Completed two-door VIP latrine in Layeni, El molo bay



Konongos water pan 30,000m3 at North Horr





Community members fetch water at one of the water kiosks under Tiniku water supply in North Horr

BLAST FROM THE PAST: FEATURED IN SITREP #283 - DATA COLLECTION AND INSPECTION OF WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS FOR 74 WATER COMPANIES IN KENYA



The WaterFund's Situation Report No. 283 (SITREP #283) covered the period **5th to 9th October, 2020**. Among the highlights was that, on 16th September Sicily Kariuki (Mrs.) E.G.H., the then Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation flagged off water treatment chemicals for 74 water companies in Kenya. To ensure provision of quality water by Water Service Providers (WSPs), the 74 companies were provided with: Powder Chlorine (HTH), Alum, Soda Ash and Poly Aluminium Chloride (PAC). This enabled the WSPs to supply treated, free water to vulnerable groups within their areas of jurisdiction, including those living in formal settlements.

In view of the above, the Fund led by the representatives of the Board of Trustees and the then CEO, Mr. Ismail Shaiye, monitored and inspected water chemicals delivered to various WSPs across the Country. The activity aimed to ensure all the procured quantities were delivered to various Water Companies as per specifications indicated in the tender documents.

The activity which was managed by WaterFund at a total cost of KSh. 200 million, was funded by the National Treasury through the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation. The water treatment chemicals went a long way in supporting sustainable water service provision during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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