# Water Sector Trust Fund

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# SITUATION REPORT (SITREP) # 548

## 22ND – 24TH DECEMBER 2025

### QUARTER TWO STAFF MEETING HIGHLIGHTS WATERFUNDS PROGRESS AND STRATEGIC DIRECTION

Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) staff convened at Bonds Hotel, Nairobi for their quarter two staff meeting. This meeting was vital to reflect on WaterFund's progress and the milestones that the Fund has achieved so far in quarter one and two for FY 2025/2026. The meeting commenced with remarks from Mr. Paul Atwa, Manager, Human Resources and Administration who acknowledged staff commitment and encouraged active participation. He urged staff to engage openly and share ideas, suggestions, and feedback to enrich discussions and enhance the meeting's outcomes.

The meeting was graced by Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO, WaterFund, Senior management and staff. In his remarks, he noted the significant progress in mobilizing resources and forging sustainable relationship in bolstering the water sector. He further urged staff to continue with their strong will in realizing the Fund's mandate. He concluded his remarks by reaffirming his commitment to working closely with the Management and Board to drive operational efficiency and advance the Fund's strategic objectives.

The session also included staff sensitization on wellness and mental health, facilitated by Jubilee and Liaison Insurance, underscoring the importance of employee well-being in enhancing productivity and overall organizational performance. Additionally, staff were sensitized on Pension Tier II and Gratuity by Britam Insurance Company, enhancing their understanding of long-term financial security and retirement planning.



*Mr. Willis Ombai, CEO, WaterFund, giving his remarks during the staff meeting*



*Mr. Paul Atwa, Manager, Human Resource and Administration giving his addressing the staff*



*Ms. Phoebe Nahanyi from Britam Insurance Company making her presentation*



*WaterFund staff actively engaging during the meeting*



## WATERFUND MEETINGS:

During the week meetings took place as highlighted below:

- On 16th December, 2025, WaterFund hosted Rwanda Water Resources Board for a knowledge exchange session on governance and gender mainstreaming at Institutional and Programming levels. Ms. Ruth Nganga, General Manager, Fund Development led the WaterFund Team while Mr. Vital Munyandinda, the Water Permits Division Manager, Rwanda Water Resources Board, led the Rwandan Delegation, accompanied by Ms. Claudine Nyambinga and Dr. Salau Rogei.
- WaterFund held the Rural Steering Committee Meeting on 17th December, 2025, which was chaired by Ms. Ruth Nganga, General Manager, WaterFund. The meeting reviewed the FY 2025/2026 Quarter 1 Rural Progress Report, financial and audit highlights. Partners present included Ms. Nancy Njenga from the Royal Danish Embassy and Ms. Stella Mwikali who represented the Water Resources Authority.



*Left: Ms. Ruth Nganga, General Manager, Fund Development chairing the Rwandan courtesy call meeting*

*Right: WaterFund staff and Rwandan delegates pose for a group picture*





*Ms. Ruth Nganga, General Manager, Fund Development chairing the Joint Rural Steering Committee meeting*



*Ms. Nancy Njenga (left) Programme Officer, Royal Danish Embassy and Ms. Stella Mwikali (right) representing Water Resources Authority*



*Right: Participants actively following in the Joint Rural Steering Committee meeting*

## BLAST FROM THE PAST: FEATURED IN SITREP #300 - OFFICIAL GROUND-BREAKING OF ILIMUKUYU WATER PROJECT IN KITUI COUNTY

The WaterFund's Situation Report No. 300 (SITREP #300) covered the period **15th to 19th February, 2021**. Among the highlights was that, H.E. Charity Ngilu, the then Governor Kitui County, together with Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) spearheaded the ground-breaking ceremony of Ilimukuyu Water Project in Kitui County. This project which was under WaterFund's Ending Drought Emergency-Climate Proofed Infrastructure (EDE-CPIRA) was implemented by Kitui Water and Sanitation Company Limited. Ilimukuyu Water Project sought to benefit 15,506 people with improved water quality and access in the rural low-income areas.

The project was funded by WaterFund through the European Union at a total cost of KSh73.5 million which included a contribution of KSh9.56 million from the County Government of Kitui. The main components of the project included: construction of an earth dam, masonry tanks, cattle troughs, water kiosks, solarization and fencing of the borehole, water kiosks and water troughs.

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