



Cover your mouth when sneezing



Wash hands with water and soap/sanitizer



Avoid contact with sick people



Don't touch eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands



Thoroughly cook meat, eggs. Don't eat raw food



Keep objects and surfaces clean



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State to shift from relief food distribution to permanent solutions-PS

BY ERICK KYALO (KNA)

The Government is working on ways to change its policies and approach towards drought management in the country to create permanent solutions to recurrent droughts in the country.

The State Department for Arid and Semi-Arid Lands Principal Secretary Dr. Idris Dokota said the Government will not keep on distributing relief food and water trucking year in year out, and that proper prior planning must be done so that good policies are created to sustain people throughout dry seasons.

The PS, who was speaking at Dukanotu Primary School in Tana River County during a relief food distribution exercise said the Government will invest in water infrastructure by innovating ways of harvesting rainwater, construction of



The Principal Secretary for ASALS Dr Idris Dokota speaks at Dukanotu primary school in Tana River during a relief food distribution exercise

mega dams and drilling of boreholes.

"What we have been doing is responding to emergencies, which is a short-term plan, while drought has been with us for years. The Government

is going to find a way to plan in advance to tackle drought situations so that we will not just wake up to respond to emergencies," Dokota said.

"Our main problem has been lack of water. If we solve the water problem, we will have solved 60 per cent of the economic problems of our people," he added.

The PS said the Government will be distributing 3,600 bags of rice and 2,000 bags of beans to all affected persons across all the sub counties of Tana River, adding a school feeding programme will be introduced to make sure all children who are supposed to be in schools remain there.

Tana River County is at an alarming stage with at least 158,000 people in dire need

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Bags of beans that the state will distribute in Tana

of relief food while malnutrition rate for children is at 25 per cent.

Area Deputy Governor Mahat Loka, on his part, said the County Government is working closely with other government institutions and non-governmental organizations to help vulnerable families and reduce hunger pangs of their people.

Also Present was Bura MP Yakub Adow, County commissioner Thomas Sankei, Tana River County Coordinator for the National Drought Management Authority (NDMA) Abdi Musa among other officers.

Earlier in the week, Defence Cabinet Secretary Aden Duale said in Garissa that the Government has so far spent Sh13 billion to buy and distribute relief food to Kenyans who have been affected by the drought and are in dire need of relief food.

Counties at the alarm phase include Kilifi, Mandera Marsabit Samburu, Turkana Wajir, Isiolo, Kitui, and Kajiado, while 13 counties Garissa, Lamu, Narok, Tana River, Makueni, Tharaka Nithi, Baringo, Laikipia, Meru, Taita Taveta, West Pokot, Nyeri and Kwale are in the alert drought phase.

Envoy hails Kenya's long-running friendship with Japan

BY EMMANUEL MASHA (KNA)

Japanese Ambassador to Kenya, Ken Okaniwa, has hailed the long standing bilateral friendship between Kenya and his country hoping the same to continue especially in the promotion of the Blue-Economy activities and renewable energy.

Ambassador Okinawa said Kenya and Japan have a friendship that spans close to 60 years, which he said has enabled his country to assist in building key infrastructural projects among them the Sabaki Bridge in Kilifi County.

"We want to promote a two-way trade and people to people exchange because of this friendship," Mr. Okaniwa said at Captain Andy's ship manufacturing factory in Watamu, Malindi Sub-County.

Captain Andy's Fishing Supply Company is

one of the biggest manufacturers and exporters of deep-sea fishing and transport boats in East Africa and the local agent of Japanese Company YAMAHA Motor Corporation Limited.

For Kenya to take advantage of all the resources that she has in the sea, she needs to promote activities in the sea such as fishing and sea transportation among others, the envoy said.

He called on Kenya to support the activities being undertaken by the boat manufacturing company that he said had employed close to 170 locals.

"We are interested in Kenya because we have a 60-year-old friendship and cooperation. We have built Sabaki Bridge and three other bridges in Kilifi and Mombasa and we want to promote a two-way exchange of trade," he said.



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No.	Tender Number	Description of tender	Preference	Eligibility	Opening dates	opening time
1.	THIKAWASCO/050/SDCM/2022-2023	Supply and Delivery of Cold-Water Consumer Meters	open	fixed	Tuesday, April 4, 2023	10.00am

A complete set of Tendering Document(s) may be obtained by interested candidates upon payment of non-refundable fee of (Kshs.1,000.00) to **THIKAWATER AND SEWERAGE COMPANY LTD, EQUITY BANK ACCOUNT:0090294392028, EQUITY PLAZA, THIKA BRANCH** Tender documents code-027.

Bidders may also download the tender documents **Free of Charge** from Thika Water and Sewerage Company Ltd website www.thikawater.co.ke. Bidders who download the documents from the website **MUST** also forward their particulars before opening date via email to procurement@thikawater.co.ke.

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Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the bidders or their representatives who choose to attend at Thika Water and Sewerage Company Ltd head office.





CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR ENGINEERS - 2023 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

The Engineers Board of Kenya is a statutory body established under Section 3(1) of the Engineers Act 2011. The Board is responsible for the registration of engineers and engineering firms, regulation of engineering professional services, setting of standards, development, and general practice of engineering.

Section 7(1)(q) of the Engineers Act 2011 mandates the Board to **"plan, arrange and oversee continuing professional training and development of engineers."** The Board runs a Continuing Professional Development Programme that seeks to help engineers stay up-to-date with the latest trends and developments in the industry, enhance their knowledge and skills, and ultimately advance their careers.

The Board has developed a CPD calendar of activities for the 2023 calendar year with a wide variety of courses, workshops, seminars, and conferences designed to keep engineers up-to-date with the latest trends and developments in the built environment. The calendar features events from the Board as well as reputable and trusted organizations in the industry, including professional associations, and training providers accredited by the Board. Engineers are invited to select programs from a wide range of topics, from discipline specific training & learning areas to engineering technologies, contract, and project management as well as the emerging issues in engineering and other relevant areas.

The 2023 CPD calendar of activities is accessible at the Board's website at www.ebk.go.ke. Engineers are advised to visit the Board's website to access the calendar and the list of institutions accredited by the Board to offer CPD training.

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