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## A Dogs' Show and Nanyuki's Changing Lifestyle

By Muriithi John

Nanyuki, and to an extension Laikipia, is on a full transformation trajectory. The emerging environment is ushering novel ideas that are clear pointers of the transformation that the Laikipia community is undergoing.

Among the newest ideas in town is the pet business and its associated industry. Nanyuki is one of the towns in Kenya where pet food and pet health businesses area peaking at a very high rate giving a glimpse into the changing lifestyles.

On November 27, Nanyuki Town hosted the second edition of the Dog Show- yes, a show for an animal known to provide security and regarded as man's best friend and companion. This was a unique event for a small city like Nanyuki.

Dog events only take place in bigger cities of Nairobi, Mombasa and perhaps Kisumu.

Laikipia's conducive environment is not only ushering in new cultures but also providing the right atmosphere that is capturing the imagination of many residents and encouraging them to dream big and unique ideas.

That an increasing number of households in Nanyuki can afford and maintain a pet is yet another indicator of the changing quality of life.

The first edition of the Dog Show was held in December 2020 and now it will be an annual event. Dr. Pawfriends is the organization behind the planning of the two events in Nanyuki.

The founder of Dr. Pawfriends, Ms Esther Kairu says one of the reasons for organizing such an event is to bring cohesion among dog lovers in Laikipia and beyond and to provide training on the best ways to care for these friendly animals. Dog lovers and owners mingle. It is a place to have fun with your dog.

"The new trend of Dog Show has its climax on various competition categories like how well a dog responds to a command, the oldest dog among those competing, the most unique ones, and so on," she said.

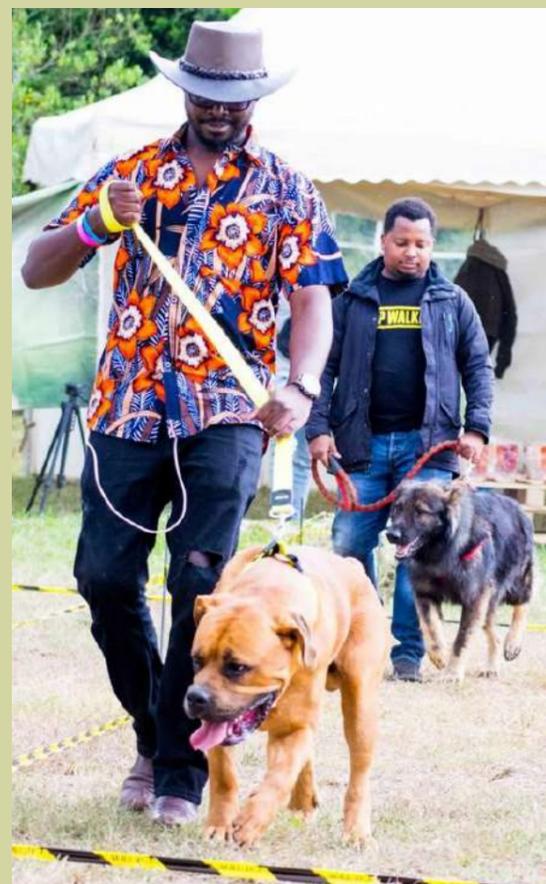
One of the requirements for participation is that every dog had to be vaccinated, especially against rabies- the commonest dog diseases which is also contagious. "Part of Dr. Pawfriends is Community-Based Organization called Rabies Buffer which is keen on eradicating rabies. We vaccinate both stray dogs and those whose owners cannot afford the vaccine. Part of the funds from the Dog Show event goes to vaccinating stray dogs," said Ms. Kairu.

Partners in the organization of the event were Nanyuki Pet shop, Tembea Kenya, Nimmo's Homestays, Sosian House, Bravo (Food), Coopers Kenya and Sir Jay Suits, Down Town, Chill n' Grill Kitchen, K9 Hood and Lena Bloom Creations.

Born and brought up in Nanyuki, Ms Kairu believes the ambiance in Nanyuki brings a whole new vibe that provides an opportunity for such an activity. The organization plans to conduct mass dog vaccination next year to achieve Zero Rabies 2030 goal- a Sustainable Development Goal action to ensure zero human dog-mediated rabies deaths by that year.

As an organization, they provide various forms of professional dog services including boarding and grooming. It also provides training sessions on obedience and security. K-9 Hood provides training sessions on how to be a dog trainer at no fee.

"Dog boarding is where a client may leave us with their animals for some time knowing that we will provide all the necessary professional treatment," said the founder, equating the boarding to dog day care. Kairu challenges everyone who call themselves dog lovers to show by action through taking good care of their dogs. Though the lifespan of a dog is 12-15 years, they can change the lives and behavior of human beings. Animal-assisted therapy can significantly reduce pain, anxiety, depression and fatigue in people with a range of health problems like; children undergoing dental procedures, people in long-term care facilities, people with cardiovascular diseases, those suffering from dementia and anxiety, and veterans with post-traumatic stress disorders. Dogs also help in tracking. There are a lot of opportunities in dog business. Ms Kairu provides dog services as a full-time job. One only requires the zeal to start an impactful activity.



# Numerous Opportunities Beckon as Oljabet Smart Town Takes Shape



**By Jackline Mariga**

Perched on the slopes of the idyllic Marmanet Hills, Oljabet has been a non-descript cluster of shops along the busy Nyahururu- Rumuruti-Maralal road until April this year when the government moved in to overhaul it.

Months down the line the line, the regeneration of Oljabet into a smart town is now capturing the imagination of both the local farming community as well as investors from afar.

The emerging smart town, its location alongside the busy highway, its proximity to Nyahururu in the south and Rumuruti in the north—both emerging industrial centres, unpolluted air from the surrounding Lariak, Rumuruti and Lariak forests have suddenly conspired to un-clothe a hitherto unknown jewel with an immense economic potential.

Oljabet is among several other small rural centres earmarked regeneration by the county Government of Laikipia as key enablers of economic growth and development through urbanization and industrialization.

Regeneration of 11 other centres will be funded through an infrastructure bond issue which was approved by the Intergovernmental Budget and Economic Council (IBEC) recently.

Before the smart town initiative, floods were one of the major problems in this town. The distance between Nyahururu to Oljabet is 18 Km by road. This is about 20-25 minutes' drive from Nyahururu to this town.

Rumuruti being the headquarters of Laikipia is 20 minutes from Oljabet town, about 32.8 km. Oljabet is in between two big and busy towns. Under the Smart Town Initiative, the Government is investing Kshs 114 million to pave the

streets, pedestrian walkways and the drainage system.

As it undergoes overhaul, economic opportunities around the town are increasingly becoming clear to the residents and investors alike. Land owners around the town are already reporting a significant growth in their property value.

Compared to Nyahururu town, Oljabet is warm and has scenic environment. This will create an opportunity for business people in Nyahururu to reside here at Oljabet.

Since it's a few minutes' drive it will be very easy for the business men to get and also other workers to get to their place of work on time. This creates an opportunity to build more residential houses around this place.

Accommodation, entertainment and food services is another opportunity here at Oljabet. Since it's along the high way, it's very easy to target customers along that way.

Right now, there is no hotels around here, but with the new development investors are already searching for room around this place to build good hotels and motels.

According to Marmanet ward representative Simon Kanyutu, Oljabet is the ward headquarters and due to these new developments, it will cost a lot to buy a plot by the end of December when the first phase of the smart town will be complete.

In sports field there are opportunities like skating and football. The stadium is under construction and roads around this place are being graveled hence skating opportunities.

Marmanet ward produces more than 1.5 million liters of milk annually but only less than 300,000 litres are sold to cooperatives. This is a

big investment opportunity in milk processing.

This ward is also a major maize producer accounting for 555 000 tonnes out of 1.2 million produced in Laikipia West. This creates a good opportunity for maize processing.

So far there is no financial institution around this place—presenting an excellent opportunity for banks and deposit-taking saccos to bank more people within the entire agricultural value chains.

People around here produce a lot of farm produce. They have been travelling to Nyahururu to bank their money. Upon completion of the smart town there will be ample space and conducive environment for banks.

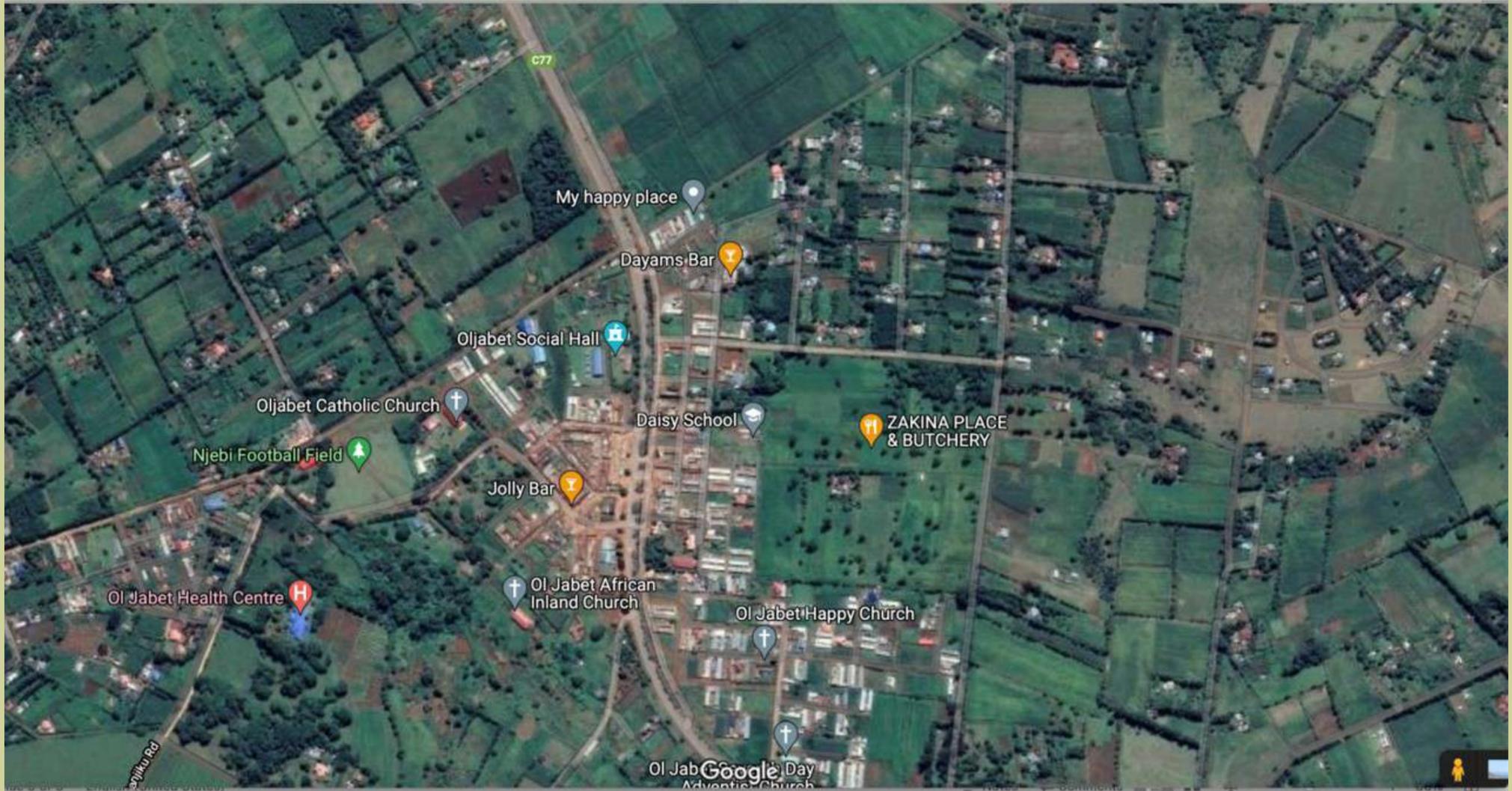
Production and sale of farm input and implements is another significant area for investment.

There is room for supermarkets, wholesale and retail shops. Supermarkets like Chieni, Spears and Road map are waiting for commercial spaces for them to invest. They have been in contact with the department of Trade to enquire when they can start. There is one existing supermarket which has expanded in readiness for the development which is taking place.

Petrol stations are good when build along the highway, Oljabet is along Nyahururu-Rumuruti highway hence good enough for these investments.

These are only a few of the opportunities beckoning at Oljabet Smart Town. A location can be good but without the right infrastructure no investments can take place.

# High Speed Internet Broadens Investment Opportunities in Oljabet



A google map of Oljabet centre

## By Nahashon Maina

Smart town project in Oljabet is bringing to live the once a sleepy town located on Nya-hururu-Rumuruti highway. With the work on changing the look of the town, the county government is putting in place strategies that will position Oljabet as an investment destination.

The ICT department seeks to offer fibre optic cable connection to business premise to ease communication and significantly lower internet cost. The department will tap into the optic cables passing through the town which according to ICT Director Linus Maina Has 24 channels and currently one is underutilization.

The speed of the internet is expected to increase due to the high connectivity of up to 100 gigabytes per second (GB/s) and business and those who work online will massively benefit. Fibre connectivity is very fast than normal internet connection making it idle for enabling Oljabet to tap opportunities that will be available.

With increase of online working, young people as set to benefit by utilizing fast internet to find lucrative opportunities through the use of online networks.

Oljabet is among emerging small towns within Laikipia with land for commercial farming and a availing a solid network able to connect farmers to consumers is a huge benefit. There are websites devoted for agricultural practices such as Laikipia Agricultural Observatory platform that can benefit with increase interaction from farmers. They can use the internet to analyze weather data, manage nutrient

application, map their crop yields and adjust planting for next season using modern precision agriculture tools.

Large businesses will also be able to connect with their vendors, employees and consumers as bid businesses brings jobs and a high-speed internet brings the businesses. The fibre optic connection is bound to increase Oljabet job growth.

A reliable broadband service will expand access for area residents as it will enable use of new technologies such as distance education,

telemedicine, remote monitoring system which will be aided by live-stream video and multi-participant interactive programming.

The outcomes is to create a bigger market for local businesses as businesses that have access to high-speed internet service can create a bigger market for their goods and services which will drive the success of the community.

The county government to invest more fund to achieve better services to the residents, create more job opportunities and facilitate investment for both investors.



Engaging Oljabet residents on the transformation of the centre into smart town



By Jackline Mariga

Phase I of Oljabet Smart Town is at 55 percent towards completion. Various county departments are playing a critical roles in ensuring success is achieved.

Smart town is not only about roads and drainage system but involves residents and all government departments

#### **Department of Roads, Public works, land and energy**

This department is constructing roads, walkways and drainage system of this town. According to Eng. Duncan Mwangi a total of three kilometres of roads will be upgraded to bitumen standards and 1.2 km walkways by the end of the project.

This department is playing a very great role in the smart town initiatives but it cannot be a success without engaging the other departments.

#### **Land, Physical Planning & Housing**

The main aim is planning street lighting to realize a 24-hour economy, status of the town plan and titling. Well-planned urban centres is at the heart of the Smart Towns Initiative and without a planned town residents of this town will never get title deeds. This is no longer a worry since this department has already worked on the draft PDP and working towards its approval.

According to Eng. Dorcas Chelang'at Korir, the Chief Officer the department has so far repaired flood lights that had failed in this town. The town is now accessible at any time, and security is guaranteed.

"People should agree to vacate from government land to pave way for quick development of this town and to avoid time wasting time in courts," said Eng Korir.

#### **Department of Water, Environment & Natural Resources**

Right now, Oljabet town has eight workers who clean and collect waste each day. The town has a small dump site where they store the waste temporary and later take to Nyahururu on weekly basis.

"Waste management is a key factor in any de-

velopment, Oljabet produces more than 24 tonnes of waste weekly," said Eng. June Kawira Opot - Chief Officer. The department is working on purchasing one acre of land which it has identified to be the new dump site. It is also purchasing two skip bins of eight cubic metres by the end of December. The one-acre dump site will serve as a long-time solution while the skip bins will be short time.

#### **Trade, Tourism, Creative Economy & Cooperatives**

This department in collaboration with the department of land has come up with a design that in tandem with the emerging smart town. A market for fresh produce has been put in place here but residents only use it on Sundays.

"I congratulate residents for taking the market positively but my request remains, the market is there to be used on all days," Ms Jemimah Mburugu, Chief Officer.

Business people in town are working together with this department to ensure they achieve what they have been waiting for.

A group of Boda-boda operators (MABOSA) have joined effort and are aiming at building upgraded commercial houses. They have already secured a plot and through the help of this department they came up with a business plan. A business plan can be used to get funds from financiers especially the banks. Small businesses benefit from the county Kshs 3.3 billion county economic stimulus fund at an discounted interest rate of 7% per annum. This is through the support of Stanbic Foundation and trade department.

## The Teams Behind Delivery Oljabet Smart Town

#### **Department of Education and Social Services**

It is through Smart Town initiative that Oljabet town will have a functional and well-equipped stadium. The playing field was being used by residents to dry their maize during the sunny season due to its ample space. This will not be the case anymore. So far, the field has been graveled and leveled. According to chief officer Education Mr James Mwangi almost 50% of the work has been done including banking on both sides. He added that his department will construct a modern stadium and latrines which will also be part of the project.

"Parents should allow and encourage their children to skate on the new tarmac," Mr Mwangi said. Today skating is a paying sport, kids should be encouraged to train. Parents fear accidents that occur during this activity but this department has considered this and they requested the constructor to avoid building steep bumps to give room for skating. The main aim is *Promotion of Sports and Recreation*.

#### **Health and Medical Services**

LHS, Oljabet will have a facelift. Not all medical services are offered here, but this department is looking forward to ensure that every service will be available. So far, a road that heads to Oljabet NHC of about 460km has been worked on and by mid-December it will have bitumen.

According to chief officer Dr Donald Mugoi, Oljabet health Centre lab will be upgraded with modern equipment and will work as a sample lab for other health facilities around this place.

# Laikipia Maize Crop Grows by 7,000 Ha. in 3 Years of Governor Muriithi's Leadership

By Wanjiku Wambaki

The area under maize crop in Laikipia has grown by close to 7,000 hectares in the last three years to 2020.

The grain, surpassed all other food crops produced in the county in terms of area of coverage as well as production.

Whereas beans, sorghum, Irish potatoes and wheat are doing relatively well in production and in the market, maize still has a forehand.

According to the Laikipia County Statistical Abstract 2021, land used for maize planting has increased from 39,678 hectares in 2017 to 46,470 hectares in 2020 demonstrating an overwhelming interest in the production of maize.

High aflatoxin levels in grain is often a constant pain to many farmers in Laikipia county. This has threatened both food security, not to mention immense losses for farmers.

Proper drying reduces insect and mould infestation which impair the quality of grains directly by their feeding and development. The new drying technologies aim at reducing cost of open-air drying which does not assure 100 percent drying of grain.

In order to market maize in Laikipia profitably and exhaustively, the government has constructed grain stores in Laikipia West at Kinamba, Sipili and Mutanga. The Laikipia Maize Storage Project is an initiative by the County Government of Laikipia in partnership with the European Union (EU).

These storage facilities will have a combined capacity of over 45,000 bags of grains.

This project will not only help to offer efficient storage facilities but also cut any post-harvest losses from middlemen which contributes to 30 percent of the losses in agriculture sub sector.

Many farmers offload their produce at very low costs to avoid them going bad and rotting in their granaries. This value addition technique will result to more job opportunities for farmers, technicians, store keepers and managers.

In 2017, the county was able to produce 2,590 kilograms per hectare. This means that every maize farmer in the county should have had the capacity to produce 29 bags of dried maize per hectare.

In 2020 moreover, there was an increase in the number since each hectare produced 2,880 kilograms translating to 32 bags of dried maize. The county envisions more crop productivity and profit for the locals and county government through the drying and storage techniques put in place.

Mr David Buuri of Mwireri Engineering, a Laikipia-based engineering firm, has invented a simple and cost-effective grain drier that is changing the fortunes of many maize and oth-



30 tonnes of maize seed distributed to Laikipia east farmers in October last year

er grain farmers.

He noticed how poorly dried grains was hurting many Laikipian farmers when it came to marketing after harvests, and the erratic weather conditions that characterizes the region were not helping the situation either.

The drier has a capacity for drying six bags of maize in two hours depending on how much moisture is in the grains. Less time is taken for those already averagely dried.

Easy Dry500, uses maize cobs as fuel to dry the crop which is makes it cheap to utilize for farmers as well as guarantee returns on their

investments.

Some of the underway projects is installing the dryers in warehouses in Kinamba, Mutanga and Sipili. The entrepreneur is among enterprises under the support of the Laikipia Innovation and Enterprise Development Programme.

The programme, which is anchored on Buy Laikipia, Build Laikipia belief, has helped him in international marketing of his products across the African continent.

The proprietor is due to visit Congo this month to exhibit and market his masterpiece.



One of the grain warehouses built recently by the government

# Farmers' Groups Report Twins, Triplets Pedigree Births in their Flocks



Deputy Governor John Mwaniki hands out Dorper Rams to one of community groups in Laikipia East recently

## By Mollin Wanjiru

Members of various community groups given pedigree Dorper sheep by the county government have reported growth of their flocks.

The results of this initiative are already being felt as farmers reported incidences of their sheep giving birth to twins and triplets.

Members of Eleri Bodaboda Youth and Segera Cattlemen CBO reported improvement of their breeds.

Each group has over 200 pedigrees dorper rams barely a month old after cross breeding their ewes with the Dorper ram breeders given in the 2019/2020 financial year by the county department of Agriculture under the Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture project.

Segera Cattlemen CBO has 30 members and the group now has around 2,600 ewes. They received 10 Dorper ram breeders under the KSCAP while Eleri Bodaboda Youth group also with 30 members also benefitted with nine dorper rams.

This has helped improve their livelihoods and also get more income as it has become an investment for them.

Eleri Bodaboda Youth group has proudly bought land for all the group members as well as other investments to help the members stop being nomads. This has helped enhance their livelihoods.

The Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture Project, KCSAP Component 2 aims at Strengthening Climate Smart Agriculture, through Research and Seed Systems. This is achieved through various ways and through the support of various agencies; e.g KALRO and research stations across the country.

## Dorper

One of the ways is by establishing and supporting community breeding groups who actively improve their Dorper sheep breeds for subsequent supply of rams to other producers within the county and the region at large. The farmers have been trained through the partners for over six months on how to improve their breeds, disease and pests control, keeping farm records among other crucial lessons in dorper rams breeding system.

Agriculture CECM Wangari Wachira graced

the occasion where Eleri Bodaboda Youth nd Segera Cattlemen CBO received pedigree dorper rams. The groups had received an extra two dorper rams each. The CECM was accompanied by the MCA,Segera Ward Hon Kaparo Chalumbo , the M&E Officer,KCSAP Mr. Kirimi among other officers.

KARLO in partnership with KSCAP walk with the farmers step by step and ensure that they will be able to get pure dorper breeds for supply to the nearby communities and across the Country.



## Boost for Maternal Health as New TBCs Graduate in Laikipia North



*Traditional birth Companions graduation*

**By David Serem**

Efforts to promote safe motherhood in Laikipia North have gone a notch higher following the graduation of Traditional Birth Attendants to Companions in Kimanjo, Laikipia North.

The graduation of the 95 birth companions last week is the culmination of trainings spearheaded the Office of the First Lady and Laikipia Health Service since 2017, and seeks to promote safe motherhood through skilled deliveries through sustained targeted engagement on health education on the benefi-

ciary communities.

The event saw each of the graduands receive a goat as promised, in line with the community's customs of awarding the same for every delivery made by birth attendants. The goat is an incentive to accelerate the adoption of the program among the Laikipia North communities, who have for long been on the

Efforts to promote complete antenatal clinic visits to eliminate maternal deaths and mother to child transmission of HIV among the communities in Laikipia North have for long been hampered by sections of communities' negative attitude to-

wards modern healthcare, especially on matters to do delivery.

The colourful ceremony marked initial success for a journey that seemed far fetched during the initial stages.

Traditional Birth Companions are an integral part of the pastoralist community, and the program is meant to ensure inclusivity in the overall effort to attain

In their new roles, TBCs will accompany mothers throughout their pregnancy to ensure full antenatal visits and ultimate delivery in a health facility. This effort has gone a long way in reducing maternal deaths, in addition to its core objective of eliminating mother to child transmission of HIV and

The PMTCT Business Plan, which was initiated in 2017, targets to eliminate syphilis and HIV infections and transmission safe delivery, zero infant mortality, and inclusions of TBCs and CHVs in healthcare.

Over the recent past, TBCs have been involved in a host of tasks including outreach and case finding, health education, patient referrals, home visits and care management.

Traditional birth companions have been credited with significant attributes such as healthcare knowledge, attitude and behavior, advise for antenatal care, and pregnancy outcomes.

In total, the birth attendants were gifted with 95 goats and corresponding certificates.

Laikipia County is estimated to have 9663 people living with HIV as of October 2021. Out of these, 9,253 have been identified and put on treatment. Safe skilled deliveries are seen to be the major interventions towards lowering new infections.

## Mwanzi Farm Constructing, Equipping Four Classes at Magomano Primary

Education sector in Laikipia West sub-county has received a major boosts in terms of infrastructure development.

This follows an intervention between the county government through the office of Laikipia West sub County together with Magomano Primary school board of management who approached Mwanzi Farm for support.

Though the mandate of the county governments in Kenya is only limited to ECDEs and TVETs, the intervention saw the Farm generously agree to construct and equip four classrooms in Magomano Primary School in Rururuti.

The two, which are neighbors demonstrated what corporate social responsibility means through action.

Construction work is still ongoing and will ensure students get education as a basic right.

"With the new classrooms being added, it means the government is ready to partner with other stakeholders to promote education and retain students in class," commented Charles Ndegwa, Laikipia West Sub-County Administrator.

Mwanzi Farm deals in employment for many people from Laikipia County.



# Laikipia Businesses Borrow Kshs 119 M from Stimulus Fund



Governor Ndiritu Muriithi signs an MoU with Stanbic Bank CEO on economic stimulus fund last July

## By Nahashon Maina

The county government of Laikipia is making efforts to ensure more businesses can access the Kshs3.3 billion Economic Stimulus Fund.

The amount of fund disbursed through the programme which cushions businesses from effects of Covid-19 pandemic hit Ksh 119 million with total number of disbursements reaching 253.

The county government has partnered with three leading financial institutions in the coun-

try; Kenya Commercial Bank (KCB), Cooperative Bank and Family Bank to extend loans to businesses in Laikipia at affordable interest of 7.5 percent.

By last week, KCB has disbursed Ksh 34.6 million as working capital, Kshs 3 million as asset financing, Kshs 2.24 million as Local Purchase Orders (LPOs) financing and Kshs 53.7 million as Invoice Discounting. The number of disbursements done by KCB stands at 173.

For Cooperative Bank, has disbursed working

capital to the tune of Kshs 12.75 million and extended cooperatives loans to three cooperatives societies at tune of Kshs 3.5M and the total number of disbursements done by the bank stand at 42. Family bank which is the newest bank to partner with the county mid- 2021 has availed working capital worth Kshs 9.38M for a total of 38 disbursements.

The county extended engagement period with KCB bank beyond June, 2022 which is a big reprieve to those with large facilities as they will have an extended repayment period.

"The county will engage with banks to design loan products favorable to our crops and live-stock farmers including seasonal payments for facilities to match the production cycles," Fund Manager Edward Njuguna said.

Training of Micro-enterprises on basic record-keeping is ongoing and marketing of ESP across the county.

From 9<sup>th</sup> Dec, there will be weekly interactive webinars between the ESP stakeholders mainly to break the barrier between applicants and banks. The supplementary budget will make it possible to implement the marketing plan for the fund. The minimum requirements by banks are KRA PIN National ID, duly filled application form, 6 months statement- (From KCB bank, other banks, sacco or M-pesa) and Trade License from County Government of Laikipia.

## Laikipia Hosts First ever Community Land Summit

### By Vivian Wachira and Wanjiku Wambaki

Laikipia County hosted the National Land Commission who partnered with IMPACT to lead the first ever community land Summit in Kenya.

Deputy Governor, John Mwaniki welcomed the guests and was followed by speeches from National officials who expressed their appreciation for the initiative by the ministry.

The aim of the three-day conference was to bring together communities from 24 counties with community lands as recognized by the Ministry of Lands and Physical Planning. Commissioners Reginald Okumu and Hon. Tiyah Galgalo represented the commission.

"We are optimistic that the ongoing sensitization on community registration process will adequately prepare the communities," CAS Mburu Muiru said.

The commission was at the fore front to sensitize on the importance of registering their community lands .

A lot of Kenyans gave testimonials of challenges they faced during and after the registration of community lands. Some also told of the

meaningful impact the registration of community lands has had on their lives.

"County and national governments are training our communities to make them understand the registration process," Samburu Deputy Governor Julius Leseeto said.

The commission promised to work on the problem of language barriers between the community, documents and officials at registry offices.

It committed to ensure use of Swahili language in order to neutralize grounds. More officers will be deployed to the grassroots to help communities navigate the process of land registration.

### Insecurity

The commissioners advised the communities to end community wrangles both within and without, to an end in order to foster peace among themselves. They were urged to quit the ethnicity and boundary issues among themselves.

The National Land Commission said that it would look into the continued insecurity and prolonged drought among the communities. The commission pointed out the need to in-

clude more female and youth voices in community land memberships and discussions to get a variety of input and to guarantee equality in the community and security for future generations.

The Deputy Director of NLC, Samuel Odari said that they will help the unresolved group ranches that were affected during the COVID-19 pandemic when they tried to transition to community lands. The communities also asked to be guided on the next steps to take after they have been registered.

"What policies are we putting in place to ensure that we safeguard the interest of the community, this will help resolving conflict in sharing and utilization of resources," Laikipia Deputy Governor John Mwaniki said.

According to him peace is paramount and all community land should be respected.

The youths also are encouraged to tap in into offering procurement services in this sector as this is an employment opportunity for them.

"The indigenous group of Laikipia will follow due process of law in reclaiming their land which they were forcefully evicted from," Laikipia North MP Sarah Lekorere assured.