



# Kakamega County Water And Sanitation Company



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## KACWASCO MARKS WORLD WATER DAY



### Deputy Governor H.E Ayub Savula addressing residents during the event

KACWASCO joined other stakeholders in the water sector to mark this year's World Water Day themed 'Accelerating Change.'

target to connect more people in the rural areas to clean water during the last mile connectivity programme," he said.

She urged residents to protect water catchment areas and stop polluting water to reduce chances of people getting water borne diseases.

Deputy Governor H.E Ayub Savula who represented the Governor, H.E FCPA Fernandes Barasa to mark the Day at Malava, said the County Government is committed to ensuring that at least 60% of its citizens access clean and safe water at their doorsteps in the next five years.

He noted that the County Government is also targeting to use technology in water supply by solarizing some of the water projects.

KACWASCO Board of Directors chairman Mr Boaz Bulimu said the Company will accelerate change in provision of water services by doubling its efforts to ensure residents get water at their doorsteps.

He said they have put in place measures to increase the number of people connected to clean water.



CECM for Water Dr Marriam Barasa plants a tree during the event

"We will drill boreholes in all wards to enable our people get clean water near their homes. We will also

CECM for Water, Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change Dr Marriam Barasa said her Department is determined to reduce challenges facing the sector in the County.

"We will work closely with other stakeholders to ensure we achieve Governor's agenda of people getting water at their doorsteps commonly known as Amatsi Mumuliango," said Mr Bulimu.

She said at least 8,000 people will be connected to clean water every year.

Chief Officers; Ms Jessica Weku Wesa (Water and Sanitation) and Mr Justin Mutobera (Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change), KACWASCO CEO Eng Abdikadir Abdi among other officers were present.

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# KACWASCO STAFF HOLDS PRAYERS FOR THE COMPANY



**KACWASCO top management led by the Managing Director Eng Abdikadir hold a prayer session at the Managing Directors' office**

KACWASCO staff today held inter-denominational prayers to seek God's divine intervention as they strive to offer quality services to customers.

The service led by Pastor Opanda Wamalika, Shekh Ibrahim Sadala and Imam Abubakar Shitandi aimed at uniting staff and promoting forgiveness among staff.

Managing Director Eng Abdikadir Abdi said there is nothing worthy in life like being closer to God.

"A family that prays together, stays together. I urge all staff to embrace forgiveness, peace, love and unity in our daily lives," said Eng Abdi.

Pastor Opanda while quoting 2 Chronicles 7:14 which says, 'if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wick-

ed ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land' prayed for prosperity of the Company.

He led prayers of repentance and prosperity for the Company noting that the Company has taken the right direction of seeking God's divine intervention in the day-to-day activities.

Mr Shitandi said prayers are the cure of troubled hearts urging staff to remember God always.

"Water is life and KACWASCO staff have a duty to supply this water thus they must be united and work together to supply this water," he said.

Members of the core management, staff from various areas and schemes were present.

## Mumias Area Embraces Pro-Poor Initiatives

Mumias Area has embraced pro-poor initiatives to help the lowly in the society to get clean water and sanitation services.

Area Manager Ms. Linda Ongadi said through partnerships with other development partners they have managed to supply water to the pro poor areas within Mumias.

"Pro poor is the latest performance indicator that we have embraced very well. Through partnerships, we have managed to supply water to Mjini, Angola, Manyatta, Lumino, Shibale and Lukoye areas which are low income areas," said Ms Ongadi



**Ms. Linda Ongadi**

She noted that other areas have also been emerged to be pro poor and they have updated their map so that they find mitigating measures on how to serve them.

"We have already 75% of the pro poor areas with clean and safe water," she said.

Speaking during a familiarization tour by the Board of Directors, Ms. Ongadi said rampant drilling of boreholes in the area has cost the Company to lose at least Ksh 420,000 in revenue per month.



# New Board For KACWASCO Inaugurated

The new Board of Directors for KACWASCO was inaugurated into office with a promise of improving and enhancing service delivery.

CECM for Water, Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change Dr Mariam Barasa urged the Mr. Boaz Bulimu led Board to align its mandate and policies to Governor H.E FCPA Fernandes Barasa manifesto and six point agenda where provision of clean and safe water is a key agenda.

She asked the Board to discharge its mandate with a keen focus on the stipulated timelines set for them noting that her Department will support the Company is provision of quality services for the benefit of the Kakamega citizenry.

In her remarks made by Chief Officer for Environment, Natural Resources

and Climate Change Mr. Justin Mutobera, the CECM asked the Board to formulate policies that will promote good governance at the Company.

"Provide proper leadership that will steer the Company to greater heights in terms of provision of quality water and sanitation services," she said.

The CECM also urged the Board to spearhead resource mobilization drive to enable the Company get financial partners to fund some of key water and sanitation projects.

"We will support KACWASCO to ensure our people get water at their doorsteps as per the agenda of our Governor," she said.

Mr. Bulimu said they are ready to discharge their mandate and support the

Company's Management to deliver on quality services.

During the meeting, acting Board Chairperson Mrs. Mary Kundu hand-~~ed~~ over to Mr. Bulimu.

Other Board members present were; Ms. Jessica Weku (Chief Officer for Water and Sanitation Services), Eng. Abdikadir Abdi, Ms. Jane Mitei and Ms. Christabell Ashiono.

Chief Officer for Finance Ms. June Mwajuma was represented by her Economic Planning and Investment counterpart CPA David Kulova.

Chief Officer for Service Delivery Dr Phitalis Masakhwe and Governor's Advisor on Strategy and Governance Mr. Saidi Khasavuli were also present.



**Mr Boaz Bulimu (c) taking over from Mrs Mary Kundu as the new KACWASCO Board Chairperon**



## KACWASCO To Partners: Help Us Revive Our Water Treatment Facilities

The Board of Directors has asked development partners to help the Company to revive its old water treatment facility in Kakamega town.

They said if the facility is fully revived it will help address water shortage and rationing in Kakamega town.

"The Facility will also serve as an alternative to the other facili-

ties we have so that we can attain the mission of having residents access clean water at their doorsteps," said Mr Boaz Bulimu, the Board chairman.

Ms. Mary Kundu said the Company will embrace Public Private Partnerships to help it achieve its development objectives.

"The old water treatment plant if revived will boost our water

supply. We appeal to partners to support us in this area," she said.

Mr. Bush Orondo (Quality Assurance Manager) said the Company needs at least Ksh 100 million to revive the facility to its full operations.

He said the facility can produce at least 6,000 cubic meters water per day.

## Board Chair To Staff: We Will Support You To Deliver Your Mandate



**B.O.D led by the Chairperson Mr Boaz Bulimu at Tindinyo T-Works**

KACWASCO Board of Directors Chairperson Mr. Boaz Bulimu assured staff that the Board will support them in their duties in order to improve on services.

"One of the pillars in Governor H.E FCPA Fernandes Barasa manifesto is to ensure that residents have access to clean water at their doorsteps and it is our duty to make his dream a reality," said Mr. Bulimu while

speaking to Shitoli Area and Tindinyo Scheme staff when they were on familiarization tour of the Company's stations and facilities.

Chief Officer for Water and Sanitation Services Ms. Jessica Weku We songa said the Ministry of Water, Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change will support KACWASCO in infrastructural development.

Shitoli Area Manager Ms. Nancy Tarus and Tindinyo Scheme Manager Ms. Celestine Sholle thanked the Board for their visit adding that Areas and schemes have been working together with the support from their patrons and they will continue with the same spirit.

The team also visited Tindinyo Water Treatment Facility.



**B.O.D meeting with Shitoli Scheme Staff**



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