

ORPP hits 5 campus tours to hone students governance capacity

Kikao na Comrades at Pioneer International University

The ORPP in a barely a month, October and November engaged 5 universities on its effort to nurture and promote good governance and participation in political parties amongst the youth and the larger citizenry. Discussions held were with a section of faculty, student leaders and students pursuing political science and related disciplines. The programme has been dubbed "Kikao na Comrades"

On 28th October, 2024 at Pioneer International University (PIU) main campus, ORPP spearheaded a political and governance discussion session with a section of faculty of Pioneer International University and 200 students from the Development and Strategies Studies.

The Registrar, Ann Nderitu, CBS led the discussions which were also graced by the PIU's by Vice-Chancellor Gideon Maina, PhD. During the session, valuable insights on political leadership, registration, regulation, and various related processes were shared and examined with presentations and ensuing questions fielded by the Registrar, the Assistant Registrar and members of the ORPP team present.

The Registrar emphasized the importance of youth engagement, urging students to actively seek and verify information about political parties while enhancing their knowledge and skills during their formative years

"Youth, it is essential to be aware of your political rights as outlined in the Constitution and to express your opinions in an organized manner. Pursue accurate information and develop your understanding, as misinformation is prevalent.



Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu, CBS addresses Pioneer International University fraternity at the university main campus, Ngara Area, Nairobi.



Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu, CBS gifts Pioneer International University Vice-Chancellor, Gideon Maina with an ORPP branded hamper engagement in PIU boardroom after paying a courtesy call.

Establish your values and communicate your stance from an early age," she advised, recognizing the leaders who have contributed to the nation's democratic development.

Assistant Registrar of Political Parties, CPA Florence Biryra, inspired and encouraged students to take an active role in shaping the nation's future. "We have selected ORPP to educate young individuals on the principles of democracy, starting from institutions of higher learning," she stated.

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Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Biry speaking during at Pioneer University

Vice Chancellor Gideon Maina, PhD, urged the students to adopt values that align with the motto "Powered by intellect, Driven by values," reflecting on the discussions of the day and taking action, as the country's progress relies on the informed choices made by its youth.

The discussions sparked political dialogue among the students, covering topics such as party funding, financial management including reporting and auditing, the publicity of political activities, party coalitions, the autonomy of ORPP, and online services, among others. This engagement is part of a broader initiative by ORPP to cultivate leadership skills among the youth and empower them to become advocates for positive change.



Registrar (second left), Assistant Registrar (left) and team, PIU VC, faculty members and students after the engagement

Kikao na Comrades; The Coastal sitting for Pwani University

Yet again, on November 14, 2024, ORPP engaged with the Pwani University community in a town hall discussion, Kilifi town, Kilifi County. Leading the discussions, Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Biry observed "I commend the students for their impressive turnout, which demonstrates that the youth are eager to reshape the political dialogue in our nation," stated Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Biry, who led the engagement.

She urged the university community to maintain their pursuit of the positive changes they seek in politics. "I encourage the university leadership and faculty to transform the discussions of the day into concrete, actionable outcomes," she added.

The forum was facilitated by the ORPP team from Mombasa and Kilifi, with offices located at Jubilee House in Mombasa and Malindi Complex in Malindi town.

The university leadership present expressed gratitude to ORPP for the opportunity to engage. They reaffirmed their commitment to participating in political party matters and ensuring their voices are heard in the country's political decision-making processes. The initiative was supported by Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung.



Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Biry (seated center) and the ORPP team (Kilifi, Mombasa, HQ) share a photo Pwani University students

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ORPP Kilifi Regional Coordinator, Marjorie Okeyo moderates a session during the engagement

Maseno University sitting

The ORPP with support of Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, held on 14th November, 2024 an political education initiative at Maseno University, Maseno township, for faculty and political science student. The discussions aimed to foster good governance and encourage political engagement among students, who represent a significant segment of the nation's youth demographic.

Ms. Ann Nderitu, CBS, the Registrar leading the ORPP team, encouraged students to actively participate in political processes by joining political parties while steering clear of unethical practices.

"The ORPP has been conducting mentorship programmes with universities nationwide throughout this fiscal year. This initiative is part of our efforts to promote youth leadership and prepare them for future national leadership roles. I urge you, as young individuals, to express your political views by aligning with any political party that resonates with you," the Registrar stated in her keynote address.

Additionally, the Registrar emphasized the importance of structured engagement and adherence to established procedures when addressing grievances, ensuring that their concerns are recognized by the appropriate authorities.

"Always reflect on your responsibilities as youth to contribute to the prosperity of our beloved country," the Registrar advised in conclusion.

The university community expressed gratitude to the ORPP for the opportunity to engage and committed to actively participating in political party activities as a progressive means of influencing the nation's political landscape.



Registrar of Political Parties with Kisumu team lead by Ezekiel Obonyo engage with students of Maseno University at Maseno University, Main campus



Registrar, ORPP team and Konrad officials with Maseno University fraternity after the event.

Karatina University visit to ORPP for a governance engagement

Commencing the varsity visits in period, was Karatina University faculty and political science students who were hosted by ORPP on 16th October, 2024. In the well-attended session, over 60 students and some faculty members engage through the Political Science Students' Association (KUPSSA).

During the event, Ann Nderitu, CBS, the Registrar of Political Parties, emphasized the importance of preparing young individuals in a structured way to actively participate in governance both now and in the future. She commended Karatina University for selecting ORPP as a valuable learning platform.

The Registrar encouraged the youth to engage with political parties and leverage their digital skills for political advancement. Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Biry, highlighted the necessity of maintaining a passion for leadership beyond academic life. She urged students to seek reliable information regarding political processes and governance, addressing the prevalent misconceptions that need to be corrected.

Prof. John Mwaruvie, one of the lecturers, expressed gratitude to ORPP for facilitating practical engagement for students, acknowledging their role in navigating the complexities of political party processes, which contributes to improved politics in the nation.

A student remarked on the enlightening nature of the sessions, expressing readiness to participate in the transformation of governance in the country.

This session is part of ORPP's ongoing efforts to engage with students in higher education institutions, aiming to cultivate a generation committed to good governance. Various staff members presented on topics including the history and mandate of ORPP, regulations and compliance mechanisms for political parties, the management of the Political Parties Fund, the role of ICT in executing ORPP's mandate, and the resources available through the Resource Centre. The session also identified potential areas for collaboration and reflections on the current electoral cycle.



Registrar of Political Parties addresses students and faculty on 16th October, 2024 at Jacaranda Hotel, Nairobi



ORPP team, faculty and students share a group after the event.

Team Kitui leads, SEKU varsity engagement at Kwa Vonza-based campus

The ORPP, Kitui-based team further on 7th November, 2024, conducted a hybrid (virtual and physical) student talk to a section of students of Southern Eastern Kenya University (SEKU), main campus located at Kwa Vonza township, Kitui county.

The session aimed at providing the target students and faculty with understanding of the role political parties play in Kenya's democratic system and how the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) ensures that these parties operate within the legal framework.

"Further to this forum, we shall endeavour to explore other collaborative opportunities with SEKU's through research and other means to promote good governance, political accountability, and internal democracy, fostering a knowledge-sharing ecosystem," said Hope Nandwa, Kitui Regional Coordinator.



ORPP team and SEKU and a section of students involved at SEKU, Main campus

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She also outlined plans to establish a regular forum or series to facilitate continued discussions between SEKU and the ORPP, enabling students and faculty to stay engaged with initiatives and updates on political party regulations.

David Malonza, a SEKU official while appreciating ORPP gesture to engage his university, emphasized on the importance of students actively engaging with political parties, seeking and verifying information, and building their knowledge and skills at a productive age.

Registrar bags “Mtumishi” Awards

The Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu, CBS, bags Mtumishi Bora awards, a recognition Christian leader and champion for integrity and inclusivity in the 2024 Utumishi Bora Awards (UBA).

Ms. Nderitu was starred under the Leadership Category, receiving the award on Saturday 30th November, 2024 during Awards and Gala Dinner in Nairobi, organised by Kenya Christian Professionals Forum (KCPF)



Registrar of Political Parties displays her award trophy during the UBA Awards and Gala dinner at Movenpick Hotel, Nairobi.

The Registrar, while dedicating the award to Political Parties, expressed gratitude to the organizers and thanked the ORPP team members and stakeholders particularly, political parties for their contribution and support to her being recognised and awarded. "I feel honoured for my input and leadership at ORPP and a host of my other leadership role in governance, electoral space and society. This award motivates as ORPP to even do more for our stakeholders", appreciated Registrar. In the forum, Ms Nderitu also received a Certificate of Recognition for her exemplary service adding into other

accolades she has received in her leadership portfolio on governance, inclusivity, mentorship and community development.

The UBA had individual awards in the categories of; integrity, media champion, pioneer & innovation, mentorship and research and writing. Integrity & inclusivity and family first were set out for the corporates entities.



Registrar (third left) and a section of ORPP staff who accompanied her during the awards.

Registrar hosts her Malawian Counterpart and team on peer exchange visit.

The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) Kenya, led by Ann Nderitu, CBS, hosted a study visit from the Registrar of Political Parties, Malawi, Mr. Kizito Tenthani, and his team from November 25th to 30th, 2024. This marked the 10th such delegation hosted by ORPP Kenya in recent years, aimed at fostering peer learning and collaboration in political party governance across Africa.



Registrar of Political Parties (middle) and Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Biry (seated right) with her Malawian counterpart, Kizito Tenthani (seated left) and his team during the visit.

The two institutions engaged in discussions on shared and unique experiences in managing political parties. Addressing the delegation, Ann Nderitu emphasized the importance of strengthening political party governance structures across Africa, highlighting their role in improving leadership and governance. She stated, "We must build on the gains realized through such peer learning exchanges. ORPP Kenya will continue spearheading such initiatives, having hosted over 10 African countries for similar missions."

Mr. Kizito Tenthani, who was appointed Registrar of Political Parties in Malawi in June 2024, expressed his gratitude for the opportunity. "The perspectives we shall gain from ORPP Kenya's functional areas and processes are vital as we establish institutional structures in Malawi." He noted,

The Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Biry, added, "ORPP Kenya is committed to capacity-building across the continent. This reflects our dedication to amplifying governance and electoral management in Africa."



ORPP Team and Malawian delegation engages the ODM party officials in Laikipia. The team also visit the ORPP Nyahururu office

The study visit included comprehensive sessions on ORPP Kenya's milestones, legal frameworks, compliance, ICT reforms, institutional planning, financial management, corporate communications, and field services. The Malawian delegation also toured ORPP's Nyahururu office to understand its decentralized service delivery efforts. They engaged with grassroots officials of the Orange Democratic Movement (ODM) in Nyandarua County, learning about the party's structures and grassroots activities.



Malawian Registrar during his visit at PPDT

Additionally, the delegation visited the Political Parties Dispute Tribunal (PPDT), where they gained insights into appeal mechanisms available for resolving disputes arising from the Registrar's decisions.

The visit concluded with a gala day on November 29th, hosted by ORPP Kenya, celebrating the collaboration and knowledge exchange. The Malawian team departed for home on November 30th, equipped with insights to enhance their institution's foundation.

ORPP staff gets Registrar's "treat", deliberates on productivity, performance and corporate culture

The Registrar, Ann Nderitu, CBS in the afternoon of 9th October, hosted staff to evaluate the customer service experience, performance, and culture of the ORPP, aiming for enhanced service delivery.

"Today, I commend all staff for their efforts in establishing the Registrar and ORPP as a national reference institution, contributing significantly to democracy and governance. We lead in numerous areas among our continental peers. It is essential that we continue to improve our service offerings within our specialized operational domains," the Registrar stated while outlining various policy guidelines for the team.

Assistant Registrars Ali Abdullahi and CPA Florence Biry, who emphasized the importance of regularly convening similar sessions to collectively assess feedback from both internal and external stakeholders and to identify areas for improvement across different functions. "Let us celebrate our achievements daily and

embody our core values to meet the expectations of both internal and external customers," remarked CPA F. Birya.

"The ORPP is recognized for its positive culture of excellence, productivity, collaboration, and team spirit, which we must continue to uphold," Assistant Registrar Ali Abdullahi added, urging for ongoing reviews of customer experience models to align with current demands.

The staff expressed gratitude to the Registrar for hosting the event and committed to both collective and individual efforts to elevate the ORPP's global standing.

During the session, staff were informed about the ORPP's healthy corporate culture and its connection to productivity, as highlighted by facilitator Patrick Gachagua from the Kenya School of Government, who noted its role in enhancing human capital productivity and effectively fulfilling the organization's mandate.

This session was part of the ORPP's observance of Customer Service Week, held from October 7 to 11, under the theme "Above and Beyond."



Registrar of Political Parties (centre), Ann Nderitu, CBS cuts a commemorative cake with Assistant Registrars and a section of front-line officers at Pride-inn Azure hotel, Westlands, Nairobi. In the event, ORPP marked the customer service week commemorations.



Registrar, Assistant Registrars share a photo with part of the Administration department team. Other departments had similar commemorative photos.

Registrar joins women party luminaries for a Youth-centered talk

Registrar Ann Nderitu, CBS, was part of the delegates at the African Socialist Youth Committee Consultative Forum, which centered on the theme "Democracy Under Threats and Youth Activism for Secure and Free Societies." The forum was held on 11th October, 2024 in Nairobi.

In her keynote address, the Registrar highlighted the critical role of youth voices in democratic processes and the necessity of addressing their concerns that contribute to political disengagement. "I urge young individuals to engage actively in political processes and youth organizations to improve their representation in decision-making," Dr. Nderitu stated.

The forum concentrated on strategies to elevate youth perspectives in political discourse and initiatives aimed at increasing youth voter participation.

Among the speakers were representatives from various political parties and governance agencies, including Hon. Prof. Julia Ojiambo, Party Leader of the Labour Party of Kenya; Victor Mutiso, Head of Legal Affairs at the National Youth Council; and Mr. Frankline Mukwanja, Executive Director of the Centre for Multiparty Democracy.

Delegates from Zimbabwe, Swaziland, Uganda, Tunisia, and Morocco also participated in the forum alongside their Kenyan counterparts.



Registrar shares a moment with participants



Registrar exchange some pleasantries with the host before her keynote address during the African Socialist Youth Committee Consultative Forum held on 11th October, 2024 in Nairobi.

Kitui region represents at Mashujaa celebrations

Team Kitui participated in the Mashujaa Day celebrations held at Masii playground in Machakos County on 20th October, 2024. Speaking during the forum, Hope Nandwa, the Lower Eastern Coordinator, emphasized the role and influence of ORPP in fostering democracy by ensuring the proper registration of political parties and overseeing their adherence to legal standards.

"The Office is dedicated to enhancing the capabilities of political parties at all levels to encourage transparency and inclusive, particularly for women, youth, marginalized groups, and Persons with Disabilities," Nandwa stated.

The Coordinator also pointed out the Office's initiatives aimed at facilitating peaceful conflict resolution within political parties through their Internal Dispute Resolution mechanisms, as well as its commitment to conducting political education programs targeting various groups nationwide.



Kitui-based Coordinator , Hope Nandwa (clad in blue) shares a podium with other government officials during the celebration of Mashujaa Day public holiday on 20th October, 2024, Kitui.

ORPP breaths life to PWDs training manual, trains party leagues

The ORPP has initiated the implementation of its newly launched Political Education Manual for Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) with a training session for the Chairpersons of political parties' Disability Leagues, held on October 28th -29th, 2024.

Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu, CBS during the forum supported by Kenya - Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung (hHSF), urged political parties to prioritize PWD programming within their highest decision-making bodies, such as the National Governing Councils (NEC). She highlighted several obstacles to the inclusion of PWDs, including socio-cultural and political challenges, societal attitudes, lack of support, stereotypes, discrimination, educational hurdles, financial limitations, and technological disparities. The Manual and the associated training sessions aim to tackle these issues.

This training is part of ORPP's commitment to implementing capacity-building initiatives that foster inclusion through party registration processes, the allocation of the Political Parties Fund, and adherence to governance standards. The ORPP plans to extend similar training opportunities to other political party structures, including their governing bodies.



Registrar with Hanns Seidel Foundation Kenya during the training



Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu addresses political parties' PWDs Leagues representatives

Crafting of Top Leadership Mid-term Mid-period score card report underway

The Plenary, the Registrar and Assistant Registrar are on course to develop its Mid-term performance report to encapsulate their top leadership journey at ORPP mid-way.

A section of ORPP working team convened from 29th October to 2nd November, convened to work on and structure a consolidated report, out of submissions from various departments

The Mid Term Performance Report seeks to assess the Top leadership milestones of Registrar and Assistant Registrars during their tenure, starting from 2020.

Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Biryra, leading the team drafting, expressed her gratitude to the staff for their commitment to contributing to this important document. She highlighted its role as a key institutional benchmark for performance evaluation. "This report serves as a crucial reference point for the Office and a mechanism for ensuring leadership accountability regarding resources and strategic objectives," stated the Assistant Registrar.



Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Biryra during the preparation of Mid-Term Performance report undertaken by an ORPP select committee

She also mentioned that the final report will provide a comprehensive overview of the Office's processes, achievements, and outreach efforts, in addition to its core mandate.

Kilifi regional teams engages DG, Kilifi county

On November 8, 2024, the Kilifi team visited Deputy Governor Mbetsa Chibule of Kilifi County. The discussion centered on identifying opportunities for partnership between ORPP and the Kilifi County Government. The



talsk further explored ways of jointly enhancing the participation of Special Interest Groups (SIGs) as part of public engagement and community involvement efforts.



ORPP Kilifi-based Coordinator Marjorie Okeyo (right), Laura Mbaji (second left) with Kilifi Deputy Governor Hon. Mbetsa Chibule during their visit to DG's office in Kilifi town.

ORPP holds a consultative meeting with FBOs on proposed PPA, 2011 amendments

The ORPP with support of ELGIA convened a consultative meeting with representatives from Faith-Based Organizations (FBOs) on 30th October, 2024 in Nairobi. The engagement sought to gather their insights on proposed amendments to the Political Parties Act of 2011 (now cited as Political Parties Cap. 7D).

The proposals put forth by the representatives focused on the nomination processes for party members and strategies to enhance the inclusion of marginalized groups, among other issues.

Ann Nderitu, CBS, the Registrar of Political Parties, encouraged the religious leaders in attendance to provide honest feedback and to support the amendment initiatives, which are crucial for enhancing governance and electoral integrity.

"As leaders of faith, you should lead the charge against tribalism and promote unity and peace as fundamental rights for all Kenyans," stated the Registrar. Additional suggestions included strengthening the enforcement of sanctions within the Political Parties Code of Conduct to ensure discipline and to streamline the process for deregistering political parties that violate the law.



A group discussion of Faith-Based Organizations during the consultative meeting



Registrar with Faith-Based Organization representatives during the consultative meeting held on 30th October, 2024 in Nairobi.

ORPP hosts Mozambique delegation for Peer Learning on Political Party Governance and Inclusion

The ORPP hosted a high level delegation from Mozambique on 6th November, 2024, on study tour to ORPP to learn management and governance of political parties. The visit was courtesy of Mzalendo Trust under the Trusts programme- "The Power of Dialogue".

The visiting team comprised of members from the Mozambique Institute of Multi-Party Democracy, two elected Members of Parliament, and representatives from youth and women's organizations across four political parties, as well as Civil Society Organizations (CSOs).



Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Birya seated middle with Mozambique guests and ORPP team

Edward Kakumu, Program Manager at Mzalendo Trust, highlighted the importance of the visit, stating, "The ORPP is an excellent choice for our delegation aligned with Mzalendo Trust's initiative. This visit is crucial for Mozambique's leaders to learn from Kenya's laudable milestones in institutionalizing political parties and strengthening democratic processes." The delegation expressed a strong interest in understanding how Kenya has developed political party systems that enhance governance, promote inclusivity, and empower marginalized groups.

This visit served not only as a learning opportunity but also as a means to promote regional cooperation and dialogue regarding inclusive political participation. Assistant Registrar CPA Florence Birya emphasized the significance of such initiatives, remarking, "We are pleased to support Mozambique, especially in empowering youth and women. This aligns with our efforts to promote political inclusion and the actualization of political rights, particularly through engaging students in higher education institutions and encouraging political participation in parties."

The Assistant Registrar further elaborated on the primary functions of the ORPP, highlighting the critical role of Kenya's political parties in shaping governance and democracy. A notable point of discussion was Mozambique's impressive representation of women—42% in Parliament and 50% in the Cabinet—serving as a model for Kenya in enhancing gender inclusivity within political arenas.



Assistant Registrar, CPA Florence Birya shares a branded ORPP hamper to head of delegation at ORPP offices

The delegation's visit also included a tour of Kenya's Parliament, key political party offices, and other relevant institutions. The goal was to witness firsthand how political processes are shaped by institutions that drive democratic engagement and inclusivity.

This exchange between Kenya and Mozambique stands as a testament to the power of dialogue, peer learning, and the shared goal of fostering more inclusive, representative, and participatory political systems across Africa.

ORPP witness's matriculation of governance graduands under School of Democracy

The Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu CBS, attended the graduation ceremony of the Kenya School of Democracy by the Netherlands Institute of Democracy (NIMD) on 15th October 2024 in Nairobi. During the event, she praised the program for equipping young individuals with essential knowledge in governance and leadership skills, and she also served as one of the trainers.

In her speech, the Registrar highlighted the crucial role that youth play in determining the political trajectory of Kenya. She encouraged the graduates to engage with political parties and youth leagues to promote advocacy, mentorship, and active political participation. "As the majority of voters, your involvement in the decision-making process is imperative," she remarked.

This event was part of the ongoing initiatives by the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) to engage university and college students in governance, thereby promoting the inclusion of Special Interest Groups (SIGs) within Kenya's political framework. The NIMD Democracy School aims to enhance the capabilities of youth who are keen on leadership, governance, and public service.



Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu, CBS confers a certificate to one of the graduands



Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu pose a photo with the students after the ceremony

Parties sensitized on Political Parties Finance ,Account and Procurement publication

As part of supporting and entrenching prudent financial management including audit and reporting, the ORPP held a two-day sensitization of the 47-funded political parties on 20th and 21st October, 2024.

Key reference training reference material was the recently ORPP-developed Political Parties Finance, Accounts and Procurement Manual. The training aimed at providing these parties with practical strategies for effective financial management.

During the forum, Ann Nderitu, CBS, the Registrar of Political Parties, emphasized the importance of proper financial management for political parties. She highlighted that adherence to public auditing and reporting requirements set forth by the Office of the Auditor-General is a crucial accountability measure for the public funds allocated to parties through the Political Parties Fund (PPF).

"We are enhancing the capacity of political parties on the comprehensive topics detailed in the Manual to improve their financial management practices and prevent violations of Public Finance and Procurement regulations. Any party that fails to comply will face legal repercussions," the Registrar stated.

The forum will also provide education on the reporting templates established by the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB). Additional topics addressed include the framework governing the PPF, a review of past audit reports, challenges encountered, the timeline and submission process, as well as budget and expenditure management, and financial reporting and oversight.

This programme was organized by the Compliance Department-Capacity Building, co-facilitated by ORPP officers, representatives from the Office of the Auditor-General and PSASB.



ORPP team together with Political Parties Officials in the sensitization forum.

Staff Mortgage and Car Loan facility hits over 200M in disbursement of 7-year stint, staff urged to enhance uptake

The ORPP Staff Mortgage and Car Loan commenced disbursement in FY 2018/19 has to the start of the current FY 2024/25 registered key milestones.

According to the end of FY 2023/2024 Mortgage and Car Loan Scheme Advisory Committee status report, the Scheme registered notable progress. In Financial Years, 2018/19 to 2023/2024, a total of twenty five (25) staff had benefited from the Mortgage disbursement amounting to KES 207, 858,819 while four (4) staff had car loans processed under the Car Loan for KES 4,950,000.

Other gains registered over time by the facility as spearheaded by Scheme's Committee is sustained responsiveness with timely processing of applications and no default on loans issued. For instance, out of the 25, six staff have since completed their repayments amounting to KES 57,200,000.

Interestingly across the years, the female staff outshone the male counterparts on the uptake, with the female accounting for 69.3% (KES 158,903,000) uptake of the two facilities while the remaining 30.7% (70,405,819) was the portion by male gender.

"We are pleased as an Office to have such a well-managed facility that is adequately resourced to cater for the staff Mortgage and Car loan needs. I urge staff to take up the facility within their financial capabilities to improve their welfare", said Joshua Kimulu, a long serving Chairperson of the ORPP Mortgage and Car Loan Scheme Advisory Committee.

His counterpart, Jacqueline Kosgei, also the Committee's Secretary, further urging the staff to take up the Facility and gain on competitive interest rates as part of government's support to improvement of public service staff's living conditions while working. She however, advised of the need properly plan and consult the Committee and other professionals prior to taking up such financial obligations for personal financial prudence and in view of present socio-economic realities.

"This Scheme is designed to empower ORPP employees by offering them the financial flexibility to purchase homes and vehicles at very affordable bargain, way below the prevailing market rates", noted Lenard Rotich, a Committee Committee.

The Scheme's loan book as allocated by the National Treasury between financial years 2017/2018 and 2022/202 was a total of KES 212,999,938, out of which KES 180,899,938 caters for Mortgage while KES 32,100,000 is allocated to Car loan. These amounts have been utilized to date as a rolling Fund.

The Advisory Committee runs the Facility on behalf of ORPP with a tenure of three years, pursuant to the *ORPP (Staff Mortgage and Car Loan Scheme) Regulations, 2017*. The current Committee members were appointed in May 2024 after the lapse of previous Committee.

Members of the include of the Committee including Alternate members and the Secretariat are; Joshua Kimulu (Chairperson), Jacqueline Kosgei (Secretary) with members as; Douglas Wanzala (Scheme's Accountant), Anastacia Kaberere, Geraldine Mukele, Lenard Rotich, Jane Kamau, Loserian Tukei (Alternate to Senior County Coordinator), Mary Kavindu (Alternate to the Secretary) and Elizabeth Wakesho (Secretariat).

The team has continuously assessed the performance of the Scheme and made efforts to address challenges identified to optimize the purpose intended. Some of the Committee's current interventions for the efficacy of the Scheme include continuous staff sensitizations, review of performance service providers, production and dissemination of information among others.

Upcoming Activities

TWAP verification process



A section of ORPP team went for verification of The We Alliance Party (TWAP) office headquarters, located In Kayole, Nairobi. The verification by ORPP teams disbursed to various parts of the country was done from 25th to 28th November, 2024. The undertaking was coordinated by the Registration department. TWAP is presently a provisionally registered party.

Staff are invited to make their contribution for the Bulletin. Submit your contributions to Corporate Communication Unit.

ORPP observes Men health awareness month



A poster illustration to promote awareness amongst male staff. In the month through HRM department, the health sensitization webinar was held on 28th November, 2024. Staff were urged to support one another for one's physical, mental, psychological well-being- Holistic living.

A physical engagement on the subject is scheduled for 3rd December, 2024.

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