

# TASKFORCE ON THE STATE OF FINANCES OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MOMBASA

**Executive Order NO.2 of 2022** 

21st SEPTEMBER 2022

ISSUED BY THE HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR, COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MOMBASA

### EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR

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The Controller of Budget Office has listed the outstanding pending bills as of 30th June 2021 amounted to KES 4.46 billion and comprised of KES 1.8 billion for recurrent expenditure and KES 2.66 billion for development expenditure. During that period reviewed by the Controller of Budget, pending bills amounting to KES 1.3 billion were settled, consisting of KES 853.28 million for recurrent expenditure and KES 448.94 million for development programs resulting in outstanding pending bills amounting to 3.16 billion as of 31st March 2022;

The Office of the Auditor General lists the eligible pending bills as of 30th June 2020 at KES 1.61 billion out of which the County has settled bills amounting to KES 202.61 million leaving a balance of KES 1.41 billion as of 31st March 2022;

THEREFORE, IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by Section 30 of the County Governments Act, the realization of Article 174 and 175 of the Constitution of Kenya and all other enabling laws, I, ABDULLSWAMAD SHERRIF NASSIR, Governor of the County of Mombasa, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT: -

- THAT, THE TASKFORCE ON THE STATE OF FINANCES OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MOMBASA is hereby established.
- II. THAT, any other executive efforts into similar lines of enquiry are hereby subsumed into the Taskforce on the State of Finances of the County Government of Mombasa and stand dissolved.
- III. THAT, THE TASKFORCE ON THE STATE OF FINANCES OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MOMBASA, shall be constituted as follows.

Chairperson

Mr. Mahmoud Noor

### Members

Representative, Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry -Mombasa Chapter

Representative, Law Society of Kenya - Mombasa Chapter

Representative, Institution of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya

Representative, Kenya Revenue Authority

Representative, Civil Society

Mr. Ali Ahmed, Business Community

County Secretary
Chief Officer, Finance
County Attorney
Secretariat, Office of the Governor

# TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE TASKFORCE

The Terms of Reference of the Taskforce on the State of Finances of the County Government of Mombasa shall be to:

- Engage stakeholders including but not limited to the general public, National public financial institutions, National regulatory authorities, the Mombasa business community among others towards:
  - Reviewing the architecture of county revenue to:
    - Optimize institutional organization and governance of revenue administration;
    - Identify and optimize various revenue streams available to the County Government including own source revenue;
    - Improve efficiency in revenue collection and reduce & prevent revenue leakage;
    - Recommend the sustainability of revenue resources; and
    - Evaluate the policies and legislation governing county taxes with a view to seeking out opportunities to reduce the tax burden on the citizens of Mombasa.
    - Explore the establishment of a framework for the Mombasa Revenue Service as a County Coop oration mandated to oversee the collection of own source revenue
  - Review the patterns of expenditure of the County Government of Mombasa to:
    - Recommend expenditure rationalization and a pathway to the financial stability of Mombasa;
    - Develop recommendations to prepare the County Government of Mombasa for shadow rating and the issuance of county borrowing by the year 2024.

- Liaise with the office of the Auditor General to audit the assets of the County Government of Mombasa to review and catalog all the movable and immovable assets of the County Government of Mombasa and recommend appropriate measures to dispose of immovable assets;
- Audit the liabilities of the County Government of Mombasa to recommend an appropriate arrangement of paying verified pending bills that is open, equitable, accountable and practical in consideration of all polycentric factors; and
- Pending the report of the Taskforce, in the interim, there shall be established a
  Rapid Results Initiative under the Department of Finance, supervised by the
  Taskforce. This Rapid Results Initiative shall don county uniform in the course of
  its duties for ease of identification by the General Public.
- Conduct any other matter ancillary to or in furtherance of any of the foregoing Terms of Reference; and
- The Taskforce may co-opt any other persons as may be required to assist it in the discharge of its functions.
- The Taskforce shall prepare and submit its report to the Governor of Mombasa County together with its recommendations within sixty (60) days from the date of its appointment.

Mombasa, on this .... 22 do day of ... 5 extended ... 2022.

H.E. ABDULLSWAMAD SHERRIF NASSIR, GOVERNOR

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MOMBASA