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CEMASTEA trains JSS teachers on CBC implementation

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The Centre for Mathematics, Science and Technology Education in Africa (CEMASTEA) plans to train 9,639 Junior School(JS) teachers across the country to equip them with practical skills and knowledge for effective implementation of Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education under the Competency Based Curriculum(CBC).

The training whose theme, is enhancing teachers Pedagogical Content Knowledge (PCK) for effective implementation of the CBC in Junior Secondary targets teachers of pre-technical studies, agriculture and nutrition to enhance their capacity in teaching and learning through learner centred strate-

The Deputy Director, Training at CEMASTEA Mr. Patrick Kogolla said Junior Secondary teachers play a key role in laying the foundation of CBC and the training will support the tran-sition of 60 percent of learners to the STEM pathway in Senior School by addressing issues that relate to the capacity,interests and needs of the learners.

'These trainings are meant to strengthen teaching so that more students can opt for the STEM pathway in senior school,"said Kogolla. The deputy director

training disclosed that CEMASTEA is currently conducting a four day regional training for 292 county trainers in Machakos, Nakuru and Kisumu who will in turn cascade the training to teachers across all the 47 counties.

Speaking today at the Machakos University during the workshop for 92 county trainers drawn from 17 counties Kogolla said trainings are expected to help the teachers understand the curriculum designs that the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development KICD) has prepared for JS, how to interpret the designs and how to implement learner centered pedagogies which are key principles in CBC.

"Learner centred pedagogies make the child

the centre of the learning process in the classroom. This approach is very key because it makes the learner to actively participate and develop crucial skills,"added the deputy director training.

He pointed out that the training will also address integration of digital literacy which is a core competency in CBC.

"The teachers will be trained on how to integrate ICT in teaching and learning for improved learning outcomes,"said Kogolla.

He said the trainings will be conducted in the counties starting next week.

Speaking during the official opening of the Machakos regional county trainers workshop the Director General, Ministry of Education Dr.Elvas Abdi noted that CBC aligns with the government's Bottom up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) in developing interventions aimed at growing the economy and improving the welfare of citizens.

In a speech read on his behalf, by Ms Hellen Avisa the Deputy Head of JS, Dr.Elyas reiterated the Ministry of Education's commitment in supporting CEMASTEA's programmes that are geared towards establishing a strong foundation in STEM education under the CBC.

"The ministry is also keen on addressing inequalities to achieve a level playing field for learn-ers,"he added.

Dr.Elvas underscored the need to adapt learner centred strategies saying the approach ensures inclusion and actively engages the learners hence equipping them with necessary skills and knowledge required to navigate the current dynamic world.

The director also laid emphasis on integration of technology in teaching and learning to capture and sustain the attention span of learners in the

21st century.

He however noted that the capability of JS teachers to effectively integrate technology remains a major concern and hailed CEMASTEA for developing programmes that have the potential to transform teaching and learning practices in the implementation of STEM education in IS.



Water Act 2016 Section 139

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON THE REGULAR TARIFF APPLICATION FOR THIRTEEN (13) No. WATER SERVICE PROVIDERS (WSPs)

Notice is given to the general public that:

The following Water Service Providers (WSPs), which provide water services by authority of a license issued by the Water Services Regulatory Board

- (WASREB), have applied to WASREB for a regular tariff review

 1. Ol-Kalou Water and Sanitation Company Limited

 - Eldoret Water and Sanitation Company Limited Bomet Water and Sanitation Company Limited Naromoru Water and Sanitation Company Limited
 - Tetu Aberdare Water and Sanitation Company Limited Othaya Mukurweini Water Services Company

 - Mathira Water and Sanitation Company Limited
 - Embu Water and Sanitation Company Limited Runda Water Limited
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 - Kiambere-Mwingi Water and Sanitation Company Limited
 - Oloolaiser Water and Sewerage Company Limited
 Ruiru-Juja Water & Sewerage Company Limited
 - Gatundu Water & Sanitation Company Limited

Further, the WSPs propose a tariff adjustment review to enable the water utilities to operate at full cost recovery for sustainable provision of water services and meet conditions necessary for improving service delivery which include among others, minor investments.

Please note that the WSP will hold hybrid public consultation meetings; face-to-face and virtual meetings as outlined below.

County	Water Service Provider	Venue		Day Date and Time
Nyandarua	Ol-Kalou Water & Sanitation Co. Ltd. (OLWASCO)	Physical meeting	Royal Gardens - Ol Kalou; along Gilgil - Nyahururu Road.	Monday, 13 th May 2024 10 am
	olwasco03@yahoo.com	Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
Nyeri	Naromoru Water and Sanitation Co. Ltd (NAROWASCO) narowasco@gmail.com	Physical meeting	Jaqanaz Hotel, Naromoru Town	
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
	Tetu-Aberdare Water & Sanitation Co. Ltd. teawasco@gmail.com	Physical meeting	Wamagana Catholic Hall, Wamagana Shopping Centre	Wednesday, 15th May 2024 10 am
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
	Othaya Mukurweini Water Services Company. (OMAWASCO) info@omwasco.co.ke	Physical meeting	Othaya CDF Hall, Othaya Town	
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
Uasin Gishu	Eldoret Water & Sanitation Co. Ltd. (ELDOWAS) info@eldowas.or.ke	Physical meeting	County/Municipal Hall, Eldoret Town	
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
Bomet	Bomet Water & Sanitation Co. Ltd (BOMWASCO) bomwasco@gmail.com	Physical meeting	Bhakita Chapel, Bomet Town	Thursday, 16 th May 2024 10 am
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
Nyeri	Mathira Water & Sanitation Co. Ltd. (MAWASCO) info@mawasco.co.ke	Physical meeting	Jotham Gardens, Karatina Town	
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
Embu	Embu Water & Sanitation Co. Ltd. (EWASCO) info@embuwater.co.ke	Physical meeting	Mountain Breeze Hotel, Embu Town	Friday, 17 th May 2024 10 am
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
Nairobi	Runda Water Limited (RWL) gmanager@rundawater.co.ke	Physical meeting	Runda Water Offices, 92 Runda Grove (Off Runda Road), Runda Estate,Nairobi	Monday, 20 th May 2024 10 am
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
Kitui	Kiambere-Mwingi Water and Sanitation Co. Ltd.	Physical meeting	Mwingi Rescue Centre, Mwingi Town	
	(KIMWASCO) kimwasco@gmail.com	Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
Kajiado	Oloolaiser Water & Sewerage Co. Ltd. (OWSC) info@oloolaiserwatercompany.co.ke	Physical meeting	Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, Ongata Rongai	Tuesday, 21st May 2024 10 am
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
Kiambu	Ruiru-Juja Water & Sewerage Co. Ltd.	Physical meeting	Rainbow Ruiru Resort, Ruiru Town	Wednesday, 22 nd May 2024 10 am
	(RUJWASCO) rujwasco2017@gmail.com	Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	
	Gatundu Water& Sanitation Co. Ltd. (GATWASCO) gatwasco@gmail.com	Physical meeting	Martyrs of Uganda Catholic Church Hall, Gatundu Town	
		Virtual Meeting	WSP to provide links	

Participants should be seated by 10.00 am. Personal identification of participants will be required. Public members in respective areas are invited to make oral and written submissions and ask any questions that may relate to the provision of water services in their areas.

Details of the proposed tariff adjustment, minor investment, and performance target can be accessed at www.wasreb.go.ke

Written comments on the application can be emailed to the respective WSP email addresses provided or tariffs@wasreb.go.ke or info@wasreb.go.ke or send in hard copy to:

The Chief Executive Officer, Water Services Regulatory Board, 5th Floor NHIF Building, Ngong Road, P.O Box 41621 -00100,NAIROBI

The closing date for receipt of comments is Thursday, 23rd May 2024

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