



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

**THE NATIONAL TREASURY AND PLANNING
State Department for Planning**

**TALKING POINTS BY THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY SAITOTI TOROME STATE
DEPARTMENT FOR PLANNING DURING THE EGYPT SIDE EVENT ON
LOCALIZATION OF THE SDGS HELD ON 7TH JULY 2021 ON THE SIDELINES OF
THE UN HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM 2021**

8TH JULY 2021

Mr. Chair, His Excellency Dr. Hala Helmy El Said, Minister of Planning and Economic Development for Egypt,

Excellencies,

Distinguished delegates,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

- It is my pleasure to join you today and a privilege to share Kenya's perspective on localization of the SDGs at the county level.
- Kenya has a devolved system of government which comprises of two levels of government, namely the National and sub national governments. The two levels of government are distinct and inter-dependent with functions and powers as defined in the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution.
- The Kenya Vision 2030 economic blueprint's key goal is the attainment of a 'nation living in a clean and secure environment. The vision is implemented through five year Medium Term Plans with the current plan the MTP III (2018-2022) providing for a framework to integrate the three dimensions of sustainable development.
- At the sub-national level, SDGs have been mainstreamed into the County Integrated Development Plans (CIDPs) 2018-2022 and in the Annual Development Plans (ADPs). The CIDPs prioritize the local development needs and form the basis for planning and budgeting at the sub national level.
- To enhance the localization of the SDGs, the sub national governments have established the SDGs Coordination Units and have appointed SDGs Champions to support SDGs process .They undergo continuous capacity building.
- The sub national governments have developed a monitoring and evaluation frameworks to support tracking of implementation of the goals. Five (5) sub

national governments (Kwale, Busia, Kisumu, Marsabit and Taita Taveta) have developed Local Voluntary Reviews (LVRs) on SDGs implementation in 2019 which highlighted the progress they are making towards the realization of the SDGs. This initiative is planned to be replicated in other sub national governments.

- SDGs agenda in sub national government is an integral component of the Performance Management Framework and SDGs mainstreaming is measured as one of the key components of performance contracting.
- The sub national governments are allocated financial resources based on population size, geographical area of counties and poverty rates for the provision of basic services. Regional disparities are addressed through targeted funds from National Government to regions being left behind.
- To address the impact of COVID 19, the Sub national governments have developed COVID-19 Re-Engineering and Recovery Strategy 2020/21-2022/23 that embeds the principles of response, recovery and thriving has been developed.
- Finally, to facilitate close working relationship between the two levels of government, SDGs Liaison office at the Council of Governors has been established.

Thank you

