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**SECOND KENYA DEVOLUTION SUPPORT PROGRAM (KDSP II)**

**FIRST QUARTER PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF KDSP II WORKPLAN FY 2024/25  
FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF MAKUENI COUNTY (017)**

Period: July 2024- September, 2024

## 1.1 Introduction

The Government of Kenya received an International Development Association (IDA) Credit in the amount of EUR140.7 million (US\$1.50 million equivalent) from the World Bank for implementing the Second Kenya Devolution Support Program (KDSP II) (Credit Number IDA-7447-KE) over a four-year period, starting December 7th, 2023. KDSP II is supporting a sub-set of reforms envisaged under the Government's Devolution Sector Plan.

The Program Development Objective (PDO) is to strengthen county performance in the financing, management, coordination, and accountability for resources.

17. To achieve the PDO, the Program is expected to significantly improve outcomes in the counties participating in the Program under each of the three key results areas (KRAs). The Program supports a series of key interventions (at the input and output levels) which contribute to intermediate outcomes, and which in turn contribute to outcomes. The Program's DLIs also directly incentivize the achievement of the intermediate outcomes and outcomes under each of the three KRAs. Table 2 shows the theory of change for the Program.

- KRA 1: Sustainable Financing and Expenditure Management. This KRA will support efforts toward enhancing financing to and expenditure management by counties. In this KRA, the IPF will support the development of frameworks and guidelines for county revenue mobilization; policy to support financing for service delivery units; and structures and tools to support counties' institutionalization of shared project management functions, that is, the county Single Project Management Unit (SPMU). The DLIs will similarly target the revenue mobilization agenda (for example, increased revenue collection, enhanced accuracy of fiscal forecasting, and expansion of revenue base), timely communication on releases of conditional grants, automation of the county exchequer requests, and implementation of pending bills action plans.

- KRA 2: Intergovernmental Coordination, Institutional Performance, and Human Resource Management. KRA 2 will support the National Government and county governments' initiatives toward strengthening intergovernmental coordination, institutional performance, and human resource management (HRM). The IPF will support the development of policy and administrative procedures for the operationalization of intergovernmental, intercity, and inter-municipality forums. The IPF will also support the development of guidelines including on county HR and skills audits, model organization structures for customization by counties, and performance management. DLIs under this KRA will target counties implementing recommendations of HR, skills, and payroll audits; aligning county staffing with departmental functions in select sectors; and improving credibility of the payroll.

- KRA 3: Oversight, Participation and Accountability. KRA 3 will support improvements in oversight, participation, and accountability. The IPF will support the development of guidelines on project stocktaking, community-led project management committees, and climate change risk screening and preparedness (including assessment of the climate resilience of existing infrastructure assets). It will also support the rollout of the county Public Investment Management (PIM) framework. The DLIs will focus on the establishment of project management

committees, county compliance with the PIM framework, and the development and operationalization of a county investment dashboard with a citizen feedback interface (which is used to improve public investments).

Output 1 (Output as per the Approved Annual work plan under review)	Activities	Indicator <sup>2</sup> (All indicators aligned to the Output)	Annual Target FY 2024/25 (specify the FY under review)	Quarter (Q-1) Target FY 2024/25 (specify the Quarter under review)	Quarter (Q1) Achievement FY 2024/25 (Report for the quarter under review)	Cumulative Achievement FY 2024/25 (Report cumulated achievements for the specific financial year under review)	Remarks on variance (Remark on any over/under achievement for the quarter under review)
KDSP II Program Agreement achieved and related Compliance Met	Signed participation agreement between Principal Secretary, State Department for Devolution and the County Governor	Agreement sealed and uploaded in county Website	1	1	1		
	Enhanced transparency and Disclosure on use of county funds through uploading ) Annual Development Plan for FY24/25 (ii) County Fiscal Strategy Paper for FY24/25; (iii) Approved Program-based budget for FY24/25; (iv) County Finance Act for FY24/25; (v) County Budget Review and Outlook Paper for FY24/25; (vi) Quarterly budget implementation reports (Q1 to Q4); (vii) County Integrated Development Plan in county Website	No of documents uploaded in county website	6	6	6		
KDSP II program		Sensitization of CO Devolution, CO Finance, CPIU Head, Accountant of Work plan Development	1	1	1		

<b>coordination and implementation structures Established and Sensitized</b>	Appointment of the CPUU, Technical, Steering and Partner Teams	4	4	4		
	Induction of CECMs in Charge of Devolution on the KDSP Program	1	1	1		
	Sensitization for County Program Coordinating Unit (CPUU)	2	1	1		
	Sensitization for County Program Technical Committee	2	1	1		
	Sensitization for County Program Steering Committee	1	1	1		
	Sensitization for County Program Partnership Teams	1	1	1		
	Sensitization for County Assembly Committees in charge of Devolution & Public Service and; Public Accounts Committee	1	1	1		
	KDSP II County Annual Institutional Development Plan, Budget and cash flow for FY 2024/25 Developed	1	1	1		
	<b>KDSP II Annual work plans and budgets</b>					

prepared and approved		KDSP II County Annual Institutional Development Plan, Budget and cash flow for FY 2024/25 reviewed as per the National Secretariat advisory	1	1	1		
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**Description of the Results<sup>3</sup>**

- a) enhanced transparency and compliance – Participation agreement signed and uploaded, along with key financial documents.
- b) Improved program coordination – Sensitization and induction of county officials, establishment of program structures.
- c) Efficient planning and budgeting – Development and review of annual institutional development plan and budget.
- d) Strengthened monitoring and evaluation – Training of M&E Coordinator, program assessments, and report development.
- e) Increased collaboration – Strong engagement between national and county governments and county assembly committees.

**Implementation challenges**

- Delay in disbursement of National Level funds, affecting implementation speed.
- Limited technical capacity among some county officials, requiring additional training.
- Inadequate stakeholder engagement leading to slow adoption of program initiatives.

**Recommendations**

- i. Fastracking of National level funds will ensure timely implementation of KDSP II deliverables
- ii. Continuous sensitization of county official on KDSP workplan and objectives
- iii. Appropriate matching funding in the county allocation

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