#### December 10

The Star | Ramadhan Rajab | 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015

### WE WON'T LET SGR SEVER PARK - PUBLIC

The public yesterday overwhelmingly rejected a proposal to have the standard gauge railway cut through the Nairobi National Park, Karen and Dagoretti estates. About 500 people attended the public meeting on the second phase of the project. They said it should be built as an elevated track over the Southern Bypass and follow an existing line. Otherwise the government should find an alternative route, they said. Read More.

#### December 9

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### TATU CITY FIRMS RIGHT TO DROP SUITS - LAWYER

The High Court was told yesterday two parent companies of Tatu City have the sole mandate to terminate all civil suits filed by the local minority shareholders. Tatu City and Kofinaf board of directors terminated the suits in September to pave way for the development of the Sh240 billion project, but the decision is being challenged by minority shareholders. Read More.

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## SLUGGISH ECONOMY HURTS GROWTH IN CEMENT OUTPUT

Production of key building materials declined year through October, underlining a slowdown in real estate sector growth which has witnessed a boom in the recent years. A slower growth in the output of cement, a key indicator of performance in the building and construction sector, and a further dip in production of galvanised sheets points to reduced activity. Read More.

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## FACTORS LIKELY TO SHAPE REAL ESTATE LANDSCAPE IN 2016

As 2015 draws to a close, the big question on all real estate professionals' lips is: what will 2016 hold? Migration from metropolitan areas, infrastructure improvements and increased international interest from investors are some of the expected developments for real estate market in emerging markets including Kenya. Read More

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# **ELDORET DEVELOPS A LAND-USE PLAN**

UASIN Gishu County has developed a land-use framework to guide development of property in Eldoret, its headquarters. The county expects the guidelines to help mitigate mushrooming of slums. Governor Jackson Mandago said the plan is to properly demarcate the highly urbanising town into residential and commercial set-ups. Read More.

The Business Daily | Charles Mwaniki | 9th December 2015

#### CYTONN PAYS SH220M DEBT OWED TO FINNISH PE FIRM

Cytonn Investments has paid Sh220 million owed to Finnish PE firm Taaleritehdas Private Equity Funds (TTA), giving the fund what Cytton said is a return of 54 per cent on the short-term debt. Read More.

#### **December 8**

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# **EQUITY IS BEST BANK STOCK FOR INVESTORS SAYS CYTONN**

EQUITY Bank is the best to invest in among listed lenders because of the bank's promising future growth prospects, a new report shows. According to Cytonn Investments' third quarter banking report, Equity had a return on equity of 29.2 per cent, net interest margin of 10.2 per cent and a non interest income contribution to revenue of 39.6 per cent. Read More.

The People Daily | The People Daily Reporter | 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015

# INVOKE THE TRUST CODE, ELSE DON'T DO THE PROJECT

Look at it this way; a contractor will do work for an individual, trusting that he will be paid on time for all he has done. Now, he may have a contract, that spells the amount to be paid and the consequences of not being paid, but if the client is a rogue one, they will just end up dragging each other in court for years. The same thing goes for consultants. Read More.

### **December 7**

The Standard | Reuters | 7<sup>rd</sup> December 2015

# AFRICAN NATIONS AIM TO RESTORE 100M HECTARES OF LAND BY 2030

Ten African countries, including Kenya, have committed to restore 31 million hectares of degraded and deforested land, under a new push to make 100 million hectares productive again by 2030. Read More.

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# MP WANTS ELGON LAND ALLOCATION STOPPED

Mt Elgon MP John Serut has urged Bungoma County Commissioner Mohamed Maalim to stop the ongoing registration and allocation of land at the phase two and three of the controversial Chepyuk Settlement Scheme. Read More.