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The Ministry of Lands and the National Land Commission (NLC) have agreed to roll out electronic transactions in Nairobi even as a number of contentious issues between them remain unresolved. Read More.

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The government has started purchasing parcels of land owned by the Mazrui family in Takaungu, Kilifi North Constituency, in Kilifi County. Read More.

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Property developers will resume paying construction levies to the environment State agency if a petition by Environment Cabinet Secretary Keriako Tobiko is accepted by the Treasury. Read More.

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A couple of days back, I had a conversation with a friend who runs a technology startup and had decided to scale back on the floor space the company needed by nearly 60 percent. Read More.

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Timothy Owuor, a Nairobi-based auctioneer, looks at the assortment of items on his yard and nostalgically remembers years past, when such a trove would fetch him millions in just a few hours. Read More.

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Businessman Jimi Wanjigi says a woman claiming ownership of his Sh400 million property in Westlands is a victim of fraudsters. Read More.

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Coffee farmers in parts of upper eastern region have raised concern over what they say is rampant disposal of their societies' properties, and want the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) to investigate the matter. Read More.

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Landscape architects have protested over being left out of the initial planning of the Nairobi Expressway. Read More.

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MALL OWNERS GIVE RETAILERS LIFELINE WITH SALES-BASED RENT OFFER

Mall tenants could soon get some much-needed relief, with landlords said to be warming up to the idea of rent payments based on a business' turnover as opposed to space occupied, as is the case currently. Read More.

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Donholm posted the biggest quarterly drop in rent at 4.8 per cent for houses in Nairobi, a new report shows. Read More.

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House and land prices dropped in Nairobi and the surrounding counties of Kiambu, Kajiado and Machakos in the three months to June due to low demand in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic. Read More.

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Kenyans are downgrading their expenditure on houses with demand for apartments doubling in the second quarter of the year as buyers move away from costlier standalone units, a review of bank-processed house purchases shows. Read More.

### 10th August 2020

### Business Daily | Victor Juma | Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2020 AUCTIONEERS RAID MOI ASSOCIATES OVER BANK LOANS

Two more confidants of former President Daniel arap Moi are fighting seizure and auction of their assets over loan defaults, joining the growing list of individuals who rose to prominence during his administration to have fallen on hard times. Read More.

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Growth in the residential property sector in Kenya remained stable in the first-half of the year, a new survey shows, buoyed by strong demand in the upper-mid end market for detached units. Read More.