

# KPDA Media Weekly Review Report as at 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021



# CEO DE-BRIEF

KPDA PLATINUM MEMBERS 2021



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THE OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION RESEARCH AGENDA (NaCRA) FOR 2020-2024 AND THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY OUTLOOK REPORT WAS GRACED BY BY MAJ. GEN (RTD) DR, GORDON KIHALANGWA ON 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2021



On Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021, the National Construction Authority launched the National Construction Research Agenda (2020-2024) and the Construction Industry Outlook Report. The report gives an overview of the gaps and current issues affecting the construction industry. The committee came up with eight main areas of research to help address these gaps and improve the avenues and platform for future work. To access the reports please click [here](#)



*Members of the NaCRA committee during the launch on 15th June 2021, Boma Hotel Nairobi {Courtesy}*

Vincent Mwangi, a member of the NaCRA Committee and the Finance and Administrative Officer at the Secretariat, represented KPDA

THE NEWLY INAUGURATED JOINT BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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inaugurated on 15th June 2021



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Mr Ken Luusa, the KPDA Board of Directors chair, will represent KPDA at the board.

**18<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**Business Daily | Otiato Guguyu | Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**PAY DEFAULTS IN SH13.5BN CYTONN FUND INVITES FRESH CMA ACTION**

Cytonn Investments' troubled private funds have triggered fresh regulatory action in the wake of mounting complaints from investor reports of delayed payment of returns from real estate investments. [Read More.](#)

**17<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**Business Daily | Collins Omulo | Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**18 NAIROBI BUILDINGS GET HACKERS' 'APPROVAL'**

At least 18 illegal building approvals were made early this month after Nairobi County's online development plan system was hacked into, Nairobi Metropolitan Services (NMS) has said. [Read More.](#)

**16<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**Business Daily | Otiato Guguyu | Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**NATIONAL BANK TO AUCTION MOMBASA TYCOON PROPERTY OVER DEBT**

The National Bank of Kenya (NBK) has put up Mombasa tycoon Ali Punjani's palatial Nyali home up for auction over a long-running debt which sources said is more than Sh1billion including interest and penalties. [Read More.](#)

**Business Daily | Kevin Rotich | Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**MOST KENYANS SAY LAND COURT SERVICES EXPENSIVE**

The majority of Kenyans are perturbed by the high cost of seeking justice in the Environment and Land court, a new survey shows. [Read More.](#)

**Business Daily | Sam Kiplagat | Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**GOLDENSCAPE OWNER'S PROPERTIES FROZEN IN GREENHOUSES FRAUD CASE**

The High Court has frozen properties belonging to the director of Goldenscape Greenhouse Limited Peter Wangai Muriithi, pending the determination of a case filed by a State agency. [Read More.](#)

**Business Daily | Jenny Luesby | Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**MY LEGAL SIDE OF TENANCY HEADACHE**

I have had cause, of late, to reflect on the dependency we can have on professionals, and lawyers more than almost anyone, and how we can protect ourselves when someone melts down on a personal crisis. [Read More.](#)

**15<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**Business Daily | Lynet Igadwah | Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**IFC INKS LOW COST HOUSING DEAL WITH LOCAL DEVELOPER**

The International Finance Corporation (IFC) has signed a deal with a local real estate firm to develop affordable housing units in Mombasa County. [Read More.](#)

**Daily Nation | David Mwere | Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**HOW THE GOVERNMENT SPENT SH2BN TO BUY ITS OWN LAND**

A government agency paid Sh2.01 billion to compulsorily acquire land that is owned by the public. [Read More.](#)

**Daily Nation | Siago Cece & Farhiya Hussein | Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**RISE OF AIRBNB GIVING HOTELIERS SLEEPLESS NIGHTS**

As hotels in the Coast and around the country continue to suffer from the economic effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, with some closing down, holiday homes are thriving under the Airbnb platform. [Read More.](#)

**Daily Nation | Stanley Kimuge | Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**NORTH RIFT GOVERNORS REVIVE DEBATE ON LAND SIZE CAPPING**

Governors from North Rift have pressed for enactment of legislation prescribing the minimum acreage, saying land subdivision in the region was posing a serious threat to the country's food security. [Read More.](#)

14<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Business Daily | Ibrahim Mwathane | Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**COUNTIES SHOULD USE VALUATION ROLLS TO BOOST REVENUE**

The Nairobi City County is in the process of updating its 1980 valuation roll. It has given city residents with ratable properties until June 18, 2021 to forward objections to a draft valuation roll pending publication.[Read More.](#)

**Business Daily | Joseph Wangui | Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**KRC LOSES BID TO REPOSSESS LAND FROM KISUMU TRADER**

Kenya Railways Corporation (KRC) has lost a bid to repossess a disputed parcel of land from a Kisumu businessman, Harjot Singh Dhanjal.[Read More.](#)

**Business Daily | Charles Mwaniki | Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**STATE SEEKS TO BOOST REITS UPTAKE WITH VAT REMOVAL**

The Treasury has reversed its decision to charge Value Added Tax (VAT) on asset transfers into Real Estate Investment Trusts (Reits) and asset backed securities, boosting the prospects of the two alternative financing plans that have failed to gain much traction in Kenya over the years.[Read More.](#)

**Daily Nation | Titus Ominde | Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**HELP! CRIES WIDOW KICKED OUT BY IN-LAW IN LAND TUSSLE**

A 47-year-old widow has been rendered homeless after goons invaded and demolished her home following a land tussle with her husband's brother-in-law.[Read More.](#)

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