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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTRY  
OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE ON THE  
DEVOLVED GOVERNMENT

IT IS notified for the general information of the public that the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Local Government, for the purposes of supporting and co-ordinating the functions of the Task Force on the Devolved Government, establishes a Steering Committee to be known as the National Steering Committee on the Devolved Government.

1. The National Steering Committee shall consist of the following —  
Karega Mutahi (Prof.)—(*Chairperson*)

*Members:*

Amina C. Mohammed  
Anne Olubendi  
Josephine Kanyi  
Ben Musau  
Cyrus W. Ngatia  
Samuel K. Maina  
Josephine Oguye  
Kiriithi Murimi  
Boniface Munyao  
Hosea Kili  
Elijah Agevi  
Grace Maingi Kimani

2. The terms of reference of the Steering Committee are to—
  - (a) provide policy support and co-ordination to the Task Force;
  - (b) receive monthly reports from the Task Force;
  - (c) exercise oversight on the work of the Task Force;
  - (d) facilitate the work of the Task Force including securing of adequate resources;
  - (e) ensure effective communication with key stakeholders, including development partners;
  - (f) ensure expeditious and effective discharge by the Task Force of its mandate; and
  - (g) undertake any other duties as may be necessary for the execution of its mandate.
3. The Steering Committee in carrying out its mandate shall have the powers to —

- (a) receive and analyze reports, make proposals and give feedback to the Task Force;
- (b) hold meetings at such time as it may deem necessary;
- (c) make quarterly reports or any other report in such form and at such time the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Local Government may direct;
- (d) hold meetings with development partners and recommend them to the Task Force; and
- (e) the Steering Committee shall have powers as are necessary for the carrying out its mandate, in consultation with the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Local Government.

4. The secretariat of the Steering Committee shall be the Office of Deputy Prime Minister and Ministry of Local Government, Jogoo "A", 1st Floor, P.O. Box 30004-00100, Nairobi.
5. The term of office of the Steering Committee shall be nine months with effect from 22nd October, 2010 and the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Local Government may, when necessary, extend the period.

Dated the 22nd October, 2010.

MUSALIA MUDAVADI,  
*Deputy Prime Minister and  
Minister for Local Government.*

GAZETTE NOTICE NO. 12876

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTRY  
OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TASK FORCE ON THE DEVOLVED  
GOVERNMENT

IT IS notified for the general information of the public that the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Local Government, for the purposes of proposing implementation mechanisms for the devolved system of government as envisaged in the new Constitution, establishes a Task Force to be known as the Task Force on the Devolved Government.

1. The Task Force shall comprise of the following—  
Mutakha Kangu (Dr.)—(*Chairperson*)

*Members:*

Patrick M. Karanja  
Pauline Nyamweya  
Joseph W. Irungu  
Winnie V. Mitullah (Prof.)

Onesmus M. Kipchumba  
 Patrick O. Onyango  
 Edwin Aligula (Dr.)  
 Samuel G. Karicho  
 Edward A. Oyugi (Prof.)  
 Gichira Kibara  
 Kasembeli W. Nasiuma  
 Marion W. Muriithi  
 Harriet Naitore  
 Polycarp J. O. Ochilo  
 Hamisi Mboga  
 Dr. Nehemiah Ngeno  
 Jelani Habib  
 Kenneth W. Akide  
 Joash Dache  
 S. M. Osodo  
 Fatma Ali Saman  
 John Nguri  
 Lucy Muthoni Kambuni

*Joint Secretaries:*

Pauline N. Muriithia  
 Antony Oteng'o Ombwayo  
 Angeline Hongo

2. The Terms of Reference of the Task Force are to—

- (a) prepare a detailed work plan indicating the detailed milestones and timelines and present the same to the Steering Committee;
- (b) undertake studies and make proposals for effective implementation of devolution structures consistent with the provisions of the Constitution;
- (c) commission studies or researches as are necessary for the effective execution of its mandate;
- (d) with reference to specific provisions of the Constitution, collect and collate public views on how implementation of the devolved government should be structured;
- (e) undertake stakeholder and public consultation to develop consensus on options of structures and institutions of devolved government;
- (f) recommend policy frameworks for implementation of devolved government as provided for in the Constitution;
- (g) make proposals on appropriate legislation to anchor and implement the devolved government; and
- (h) make monthly reports or as may be required by the Steering Committee.

3. The Task Force shall have the power to—

- (a) nominate an acting-chairperson from amongst the members in the absence of the Chairperson;
- (b) hold meetings, public forums or consultations as it shall deem necessary;

- (c) hold meetings in any part of the country and shall ensure views from all the counties are received and considered;
- (d) in consultation with the Steering Committee, co-opt local and international experts in particular areas of need as may be necessary;
- (e) commission studies or researches to institutions or individuals with requisite expertise, as required to undertake its tasks; and
- (f) co-ordinate and consult with relevant ministries, departments and agencies in order to access all the relevant information, documentation and studies as are relevant to enable the Task Force execute its mandate.

4. The Task Force shall submit to the Steering Committee the Interim Report by the end of March, 2011 and the Final Report by the end of June, 2011. Both the Interim and Final Report shall contain *inter alia* recommendations for—

- (a) operationalizing the functions of each County, consistent with Fourth Schedule of the Constitution;
- (b) rationalizing the existing local authorities and clearing any financial obligations that may be outstanding;
- (c) restructuring the provincial administration to accord with and respect the system of devolved government established under the Constitution;
- (d) the specifics of the financial management systems that the County governments shall perform;
- (e) the taxes and charges that each County may impose;
- (f) to prepare drafts of such new legislation including legislation on urban areas and cities under Article 184 of the Constitution and review of the Local Government Act (Cap. 265) or the Local Government Bill, 2009 as may be necessary;
- (g) assistance to County governments in building their capacity to govern effectively and provide the services for which they are responsible; and
- (h) a programme for civic education on the proposed legislation.

5. In carrying out its mandate, the Task Force shall be answerable to the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Local Government through the Steering Committee.

6. The Task Force Secretariat shall be based on 12th Floor of Bima House, Harambee Avenue, P.O. Box 30004-00100, Nairobi.

7. The term of Office of the Task Force shall be for a period of nine months with effect from the 22nd October, 2010 and the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Local Government may, when necessary, extend the period.

Dated the 22nd October, 2010.

MUSALIA MUDAVADI,  
*Deputy Prime Minister and  
 Minister for Local Government.*