REPUBLIC OF KENYA
HOMA BAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT

GENOWA WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Friday 13th Nov. 2026

1. **H.E. Governor Gladys Wanga** hosted Cabinet Secretary for Defence **Hon. Soipan Tuya** for the groundbreaking ceremony and site handover for a **multi-storey Surgical Block at Homa Bay County Teaching and Referral Hospital.** Strategically located next to the nearly completed **Accident and Emergency Wing,** the new facility will strengthen the hospital's capacity to deliver specialized care - including **emergency response, trauma care and surgical services** - and reinforce its role as a regional healthcare hub.











2. **H.E. Governor Gladys Wanga** joined **President William Ruto, education stakeholders and fellow leaders** at the closing ceremony of the **KECSHA AGM in Nyali, Mombasa County.** The leaders present reaffirmed their commitment to an education system that equips learners with the knowledge and skills for the future, while ensuring teachers are motivated, well-resourced and supported in their professional development.

3. **H.E. Deputy Governor Danish Onyango** chaired an introductory meeting with stakeholders from **UNDP, the Council of Governors, the State Department for Fisheries and the Blue Economy, and the County Government** to discuss the roadmap for implementing the **UNDP-funded Reducing Post-Harvest Losses through Solar-Powered Cold Chain Services in Kenya project.** Homa Bay County will prioritise fisheries and aquaculture, with interventions aimed at reducing post-harvest losses at beaches and fish markets. Sector players are expected to benefit from **interest-free loans, capacity-building training, policy reviews, and the construction of cold rooms and mobile cold-chain facilities.**

4. **H.E. Deputy Governor Danish Onyango** witnessed the **signing of an MoU with Sightsavers,** establishing a structured partnership to **advance disability inclusion and improve access to essential services across Homa Bay County.** The partnership will accelerate comprehensive **disability inclusion, strengthen eye-health services, prevent avoidable blindness, and advance inclusive education.** It reaffirms the County's commitment to an inclusive society where persons with disabilities have equal opportunities to participate, access services, and realise their full potential.

5. We welcomed executives from **Neueon Corporation Limited** to the County Headquarters for discussions on potential **renewable energy investments in Homa Bay County.** The County is working to position itself as a prime investment destination, and renewable energy offers significant opportunities to support sustainable development and economic growth.

6. **The Department of Education, Human Capital Development and Vocational Training,** in partnership with **Sightsavers,** wrapped up a three-day Inclusive **ECDE Project Close-Out and Sustainability Workshop in Homa Bay Town.** The project introduced inclusive, play-based teaching and learning approaches across 40 wards, reaching 81 ECDE centres and schools. It also strengthened collaboration among **county departments, education stakeholders, organizations of persons with disabilities, caregivers and communities to support children with disabilities.** The workshop reviewed achievements and lessons, explored sustainability measures, and reaffirmed stakeholders' commitment to continuing inclusive learning beyond the project's closure.







7. **The Department of Public Health and Medical Services,** in collaboration with **Tiko,** conducted **Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT)** training for **healthcare providers from facilities across all sub-counties in Homa Bay.** Building on the initial **Mental Health Gap Action Programme (mhGAP)** training, the sessions equipped frontline health workers with additional skills to identify, screen and manage common mental health conditions, particularly depression and anxiety. The initiative aims to strengthen support for **adolescents, pregnant and postpartum mothers, and survivors of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV),** while advancing more accessible, responsive and integrated mental health services.