

THE GOVERNOR *Weekly*

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Governor meets health facilities in-charges



Governor Dr Hillary Barchok, Tuesday, hosted the in-charges of all health facilities across the county for a consultative meeting to iron out issues affecting the health sector in the county amid the national health medical personnel strike.

Speaking during the meeting, Dr Barchok made an assurance that his administration was focused on improving the health service delivery even as the covid19 pandemic hit hard. "We are working tirelessly to ensure that we provide quality and

accessible health care to our people as well as addressing the concerns of raised by our health workers." The Governor assured that his administration will endeavor to address the issues raised by the medics which include promotions,

risk and responsibility allowances, provision of medical covers and provision of personal protective equipment." Adding, the medical staff will also undergo training on financial management, accounting and general management of the facilities.

IN BRIEF

Exchange programme for self-help groups gets underway



The Social Services and Gender Department has concluded a five - day farming exchange programme that targeted 300 groups in the county. The programme sought to build capacities and empower the groups by imparting skills and knowledge on dairy, poultry keeping, banana, avocado and tissue culture farming to representatives of the groups who are then expected to pass the knowledge to other group members during the interactive field visits.

Governor visits Longisa County Referral Hospital



Governor Dr Hillary Barchok, Monday, made an impromptu visit to the county's main referral hospital. The Governor noted the health challenges that has affected the entire country following the advent of the covid19 pandemic. He lauded the lab technicians and the staff in the new-born-unit in Longisa Hospital for their resilience even as the situation was being handled.



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Governor Barchok tours Longisa ward

Governor Dr Hillary Barchok, Thursday toured Longisa ward on a meet-the-people tour at the same time inspected various projects being rolled out by the county government. During the tour, the Governor inspected the ongoing construction of Ol'Ng'oswet dispensary, where he affirmed his administration's commitment to bring health care services

closer to the residents, Masare ECDE centre, as well as the recently renovated Itibo community cattle dip. In a baraza at Mogoiywet in Cheboin, the Governor assured the residents that the construction of an expansive water pan in the area for livestock and domestic use will commence soon.



Bomet positions its culture and nature tourism



Bomet has partnered with the national government through the Kenya Tourism Board to showcase her culture and nature tourism.

Governor Dr Hillary Barchok said the strategic location of the county as a gateway to the world famous Maasai Mara Game Reserve will give opportunity for travelers to experience both the tea and wildlife safari as one package. He said the region will anchor the destination for tea tours, that is inherent in the tea product both at economic and social levels, as showcased in countries such as India and China.

Tourism and Wildlife CAS Joseph Boinet observed that with the unveiling of tea as a

tourism experience, local and international visitor will be taken through a journey of tea husbandry popularly known as 'from the bush to the tea cup'.

"There is no better way of building a synergy between tourism and agriculture than embracing tea tourism as an entry point to agro-tourism ventures. This will not only sustain our economic livelihoods, but our tourism strategy to diversify product offering," said the CAS. Kenya is globally known for her great agricultural and horticultural offerings especially tea, coffee, and flowers.

Bomet set to increase its beans production base



Bomet, Nakuru and Makueni counties will partner with Smart Logistics Solutions programme to promote the beans production value chain.

The three counties seek to increase processing capacity of beans value added products from 720 MT per year to 1680 MT per year and stimulate market revenue with 35% with creation of over 100 businesses unit leaders. CECM Agriculture and Livestock Dr Kipchumba

Toweett urged farmers to improve agricultural skills and better agronomical practices to increase production. Bomet county projects to harvest over 330,000 bags of beans. In attendance were Nakuru Agriculture CEC, Dr Immaculate Maina, CEO of Smart Logistics- Mrs Mutuku, representatives from Kalro and farmers from Nakuru and Bomet.

Quote of the week

"Becoming a leader is synonymous with becoming yourself. It is precisely that simple and it is also that difficult." - Warren Bennis