



Project Research

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"In line with our Vision 2025, Systems Pillar, the company's SAP ERP has been enhanced to support the KRA integration to KPC line," KPC Managing Director Dr Macharia Irungu said.

KPC SUPPORTS ELDORET CITY MARATHON

Belinda Mulindi

Kenya Pipeline Company (KPC) extended her generosity once again with a donation of Kenya shillings 500,000 to go towards the Eldoret City Marathon held in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County and whose mandate is to conserve the environment.

Uasin Gishu Governor Jackson Mandago, Nandi Governor Stephen Sang, Elgeyo Marakwet Governor Alex Tolgos, Hon. Consulate of Kenya in the Hellenic Republic, Vicky Pantazopoulou, two-time Olympic gold medalist Kipchoge Keino and world marathon record holder Eliud Kipchoge among other dignitaries graced the third edition, Eldoret City Marathon.

The organisers decided to take practical steps to facilitate discussions about climate change by adopting "Climate Action" as the theme of the marathon. Speaking at the function Governor Mandago said the race's Climate Action theme will be sustained and will continue to encourage the corporate world to adopt forests in Uasin Gishu and neighbouring counties. "I have adopted parts of Kapseret forest and I have already planted bamboo to conserve water sources. We are working with world record holder Eliud Kipchoge in the forest adoption campaign," he said.

Sang on his part noted that tree planting needs to start as early as now to ensure there are sufficient forest covers years down the line. "There is a risk of desertification if reforestation is ignored until it's too late." He further added that Nandi County was honoured to be part of this event and would continue supporting the marathon whose agenda was noble by sending athletes from the North Rift Economic Block (NOREB) to participate. He concluded by inviting athletes to the Ndalat Gaa Cross Country to be held in October 2021 in Nandi county.



Eldoret City Marathon Patron Governor Jackson Mandago EGH finishes the 5km fun race



The day before the marathon organisers led a tree planting exercise at Eldoret Arboretum and Timboroa that was characterised by a show of corporate colours. The target was to plant at least ten thousand tree seedlings in partnership between the marathon sponsors and partners, the exercise was officiated by Governor Jackson Mandago. The Governor, stressed the importance of protecting our environment by planting of trees to reduce air pollution and bring down global warming. He also recognised KPC as one of the first sponsors to come onboard from the inaugural marathon in 2018 and promised a continued cordial working relationship especially with KPC Eldoret depot for better business.

Eldoret City Marathon is the highest paying marathon in Africa. Winners, both men and women, get Kshs. 3.5 million. It is also the only marathon in Africa that awards the top twenty finishers in the male and female 42.197KM races with cash prizes. This prize structure is meant to motivate the richly talented pool of participants that compete in this marathon, which is held at the long-distance running capital of the world. Mercy Kipchumba won the ladies category and Victor Kipchirchir won the men's category with a new course record.



KPC Staff member Belinda Mulindi plants a tree with Governor Jackson Mandago

KPC FREE MEDICAL CAMP DRIVE GIVES HOPE TO NYERI COUNTY RESIDENTS

Bernard Kimani

In a move to transform lives, KPC recently sponsored free medical camp in Nyeri which also served as a free Cancer awareness and advocacy campaign. During the free medical camp, a sizeable number of the Kenyans from all walks of life turned up and took advantage of the opportunity. The medical camp aimed at enabling the less privileged members in the society to access free medical services. The free medical camp saw over 1000 people treated.



KPC Foundation Manager, Bernice Lemedeket undergoes a medical test during the Nyeri County Free Medical Camp



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While access to quality healthcare is a constitutional right, it is apparent that many Kenyans cannot afford to pay for health services in public or private hospitals, hence their decision to take advantage of the free medical services offered during the camps.

Statistics show that only about 20% of the Kenyan population are covered under the National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) which therefore means that as many as 80% of the Country's population (about 35 million) do not access quality healthcare coverage. The ripple effect of this is that other household's needs are affected thus stunting economic wellbeing and lifestyle of most of our people.

In his statement, KPC MD Dr Macharia Irungu said, "KPC has and continues to make a positive impact on society through the improvement of the lives of individuals, groups and communities across the country. As Africa's Premier Oil & Gas Company, we have set up the KPC Foundation and charged it with the responsibility of driving our Corporate Social investments (CSI) agenda as a responsible corporate citizen. We have set aside resources to give back to society as our way of appreciating the communities' residing in all the locations where we conduct our business." Dr Macharia also appreciated the opportunity accorded to KPC to partner with Nyeri County government.

On her part, Nyeri County Deputy Governor, Hon. Caroline Karugu appreciated KPC continued support to the Nyeri County. She also noted that "the government is encouraging the adoption of innovative ways of complementing health care provision through supplementing the financing of the healthcare system in the country. A classic example is what we are witnessing here today. KPC saw it prudent to support this cancer awareness and advocacy program in efforts to improve the health of our people." We wish to encourage more corporates to join in this endeavor, Hon Karugu added.

Universal Health Coverage is one of the focus areas under the National Government's Big 4 agenda. KPC has aligned its Programmes to ensure that health as a thematic area in the Company's Corporate Social Investments (CSI) agenda conforms to the Big 4 agenda. Through this agenda the company aims at promoting health as its contribution towards complimenting what both the National and County Governments are doing in an effort to reducing maternal and infant mortality in the country.

