

# Ministry fast-tracks labour reforms to protect workers

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The Government has reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening labor protections, particularly for domestic workers, following the conclusion of nationwide stakeholder consultations. The consultations focused on two key agreements: International Labour Organization Conventions 189 and 190. Speaking at a press briefing at All Saints' Cathedral Hall in Nairobi, Principal Secretary for Labour and Skills Development Shadrack Mwadime announced that the stakeholder engagement phase has been completed, marking a significant milestone toward ratification.

Mwadime noted that consultations held across counties, including Nakuru, Kisumu, Kiambu, Mombasa, Kakamega, and Garissa, brought together a broad range of stakeholders. The stakeholders included employers represented by the Federation of Kenya Employers; workers' unions under the Central Organisation of Trade Unions; the Centre



**Principal Secretary for Labour and Skills Development Shadrack Mwadime (right) speaking to stakeholders during the consultation on ILO Conventions 189 and 190 at All Saints Cathedral Hall, Nairobi.**

for Domestic Training and Development (CDTD); Youth Alive! Kenya, Oxfam, AICS, and other civil society organisations advocating for labour rights.


He added that the forum provided a platform for inclusive dialogue among key actors, including government officials, CSOs, employers, trade unions, and domestic workers, with a shared focus on advancing decent work, labour rights, and gender equality in Kenya.

"These conventions are critical in shaping a fair and dignified labour market," Mwadime said, noting that the consultations were conducted following a

directive issued by William Ruto during Labour Day celebrations two years ago.

Convention C189 seeks to safeguard domestic workers, particularly the most vulnerable in the labour force, by guaranteeing fair wages, reasonable working hours, clear employment terms, social protection, and freedom from abuse, while affirming their right to dignity and equal treatment.

On the other hand, Convention C190 addresses violence and harassment across all sectors, recognizing every worker's right to a safe and respectful workplace.



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Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Limited

## TENDER NOTICE

Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Limited (KETRACO) is a State Corporation whose mandate is to plan, design, construct, operate, own, and maintain high voltage national electricity transmission grid and regional power inter-connectors.

KETRACO now invites tenders from interested/eligible firms to bid for the tenders given below:

S/NO	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TENDER NUMBER	CLOSING DATE
1)	Procurement of Tools for Overhead Lines Maintenance Works	KETRACO-PT/ 010 /2025-2026	21 <sup>st</sup> April 2026 10:30 EAT
2)	Procurement of Stringing Tools for Overhead Lines Maintenance Works.	KETRACO-PT/ 011 /2025-2026	21 <sup>st</sup> April 2026 10:30 EAT
3)	Procurement of Aerial Lift Equipment for Transmission Line Maintenance	KETRACO-PT/ 013 /2025-2026	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2026 10:30 EAT
4)	Procurement of Live Line Tools for Transmission Line Maintenance Works	KETRACO-PT/ 017/2025-2026	23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026 10:30 EAT
5)	Procurement of Services for Maintenance and Service of Fire Suppression and Detection Equipment	KETRACO-PT/ 018 /2025-2026	24 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 10:30 EAT
6)	Procurement of Fire Protection Equipment	KETRACO-PT/ 019/2025-2026	24 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 10:30 EAT
7)	Procurement of Cranes for Tower Erection Works	KETRACO-PT/ 021/2025-2026	23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026 10:30 EAT

KETRACO tenders run on SAP ARIBA e-procurement platform and therefore the tender document detailing the requirements may be viewed by clicking on the link provided in KETRACO website ([www.ketraco.co.ke](http://www.ketraco.co.ke)) beginning 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026.

All enquiries on this tender should be channeled through [kettenders@ketraco.co.ke](mailto:kettenders@ketraco.co.ke); cc [jvuligwa@ketraco.co.ke](mailto:jvuligwa@ketraco.co.ke) or through message board in SAP Ariba. Firms registered under the AGPO program are highly encouraged to participate in the bidding process.

Complete tender documents shall be electronically submitted through SAP ARIBA platform on or before the dates indicated in the table above for specific tenders.

Tenders will be opened electronically promptly thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend in KETRACO Procurement Office at Kawi Complex, Block B, Second Floor.

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## TENDER NOTICE

Kisii National Polytechnic invites eligible and qualified bidders for tenders of Various Goods, Works and Services for the financial year **2026-2027/2028** interested eligible suppliers are invited to apply for tenders/registration, indicating the category of goods, works or services they wish to apply for. Suppliers currently in the suppliers list who wish to be retained are required to apply and submit up to date information required in the registration of suppliers' document.

**N/B:** This will be framework contract for **two (2) years**.

CATEGORY	ITEM DESCRIPTION	GROUP	CATEGORY B: PREQUALIFICATION
<b>CATEGORY A: TENDERS</b>			KNP/PRE/03/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/01/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of general office stationery stationary	Open	Provision of exhaust services
KNP/T/02/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery textile materials	Women	KNP/PRE/04/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/03/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of agricultural inputs and animal feeds	Open	Provision of repair of motor vehicle services
KNP/T/05/2026-2027/2028	Provision of repair and maintenance of plant and machineries	Open	KNP/PRE/05/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/06/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of tires, tubes and batteries	Open	Provision of fumigation and pest control services
KNP/T/07/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of human drugs, dressings, Sutures and occupational therapy	Open	KNP/PRE/06/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/08/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of fresh vegetables and fruits	Women	Provision of maintenance of refrigerators and kitchen equipment services
KNP/T/09/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of fresh meat, poultry and fish	Youth	KNP/PRE/07/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/10/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of dry firewood and charcoal	Open	Supply and delivery of library books
KNP/T/11/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of electrical and electronics Items	Open	KNP/PRE/08/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/12/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery staff uniforms and house Fittings	Women	Supply and delivery of furniture and fittings
KNP/T/13/2026-2027/2028	Organizing of events	Open	KNP/PRE/09/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/14/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of hardware materials	Open	Provision of servicing and maintenance of kitchen jikos
KNP/T/15/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of hair-dressing and beauty Therapy materials	Women	KNP/PRE/10/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/16/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of mechanical production and automotive materials.	Open	Supply and delivery of general machines and equipment
KNP/T/17/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of foodstuff	Open	KNP/PRE/11/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/18/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of detergents and cleaning materials	Pwd	Provision of accommodation and day conference services
KNP/T/19/2026-2027/2028	Provision of security services	Open	KNP/PRE/13/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/21/2026-2027/2028	Provision of insurance services	Open	Supply, installation, testing, training and Commissioning of ICT systems/ software
KNP/T/22/2026-2027/2028	Provision of firefighting equipment, servicing and Drilling	Open	KNP/PRE/14/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/23/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of sport uniforms and Equipment	Open	Provision of chairs, tents, pa system and videography services
KNP/T/24/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of computers, printers accessories and ICT software	Youth	KNP/PRE/16/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/25/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of fuel and lubricants tender	Open	Supply and delivery of cutlery and utensils
KNP/T/26/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of cooking gas, oxygen and Oxy-acetylene	Pwd	KNP/PRE/17/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/27/2026-2027/2028	Delivery and installation of network equipment And structural cabling	Open	Provision of air ticket services
KNP/T/28/2026-2027/2028	Provision of artwork, signage, posters and banners Services	Youth	KNP/PRE/18/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/29/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of lab chemicals and Equipment	Open	Provision of asset valuation and tagging services
KNP/T/30/2026-2027/2028	Provision of printing and publishing services	Youth	KNP/PRE/19/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/31/2026-2027/2028	Supply, installation, testing, training and Commissioning of IP CCTV system	Open	Supply and delivery of drama and musical Instruments
KNP/T/32/2026-2027/2028	Supply, commissioning, training and installation of biometric system	Open	KNP/PRE/20/2026-2027/2028
KNP/T/33/2026-2027/2028	Provision of publicity and adverts services	Open	Supply and delivery of livestock
KNP/T/34/2026-2027/2028	Supply and delivery of machines and equipment	Open	KNP/PRE/21/2026-2027/2028
<b>CATEGORY B: PREQUALIFICATION</b>			Provision of counselling, HIV testing and cancer screening services
KNP/PRE/01/2026-2027/2028	Provision of consultancy services		KNP/PRE/22/2026-2027/2028
KNP/PRE/02/2026-2027/2028	Provision of electronic voting system		Provision of landscaping services
			KNP/PRE/23/2026-2027/2028
			Provision of SGR services
			KNP/PRE/24/2026-2027/2028
			Provision of cloud computing services
			KNP/PRE/25/2026-2027/2028
			Supply, installation and maintenance of IP telephony
			KNP/PRE/27/2026-2027/2028
			Procurement of small works

Tender documents may be downloaded from Kisii National Polytechnic's website [www.kisiipoly.ac.ke](http://www.kisiipoly.ac.ke) or from the Public Procurement Information Portal (PIIP) website [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) free of charge. Upon download bidders will be required to register their tenders with the Procurement Office at Kisii National Polytechnic. Prices indicated must be inclusive of VAT and any other charges and must remain for 180 days.

Completed tender documents (separated for each tender) bearing no indication of tenderer name should be enclosed in plain sealed envelope clearly marked with tender number and be placed in the Tender Box at Administration Block not later than **15<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 11.00am**.

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of bidders who choose to attend or their representatives. The institution reserves the right to accept or reject any tender(s) in part or whole and does not bind itself to accept the lowest bid or give reasons thereof.

**Youths, women and people with disability are encouraged to apply** attaching documents of eligibility.

Any canvassing or giving of false information will lead to automatic disqualification

**N/B: ALL TENDERS TO BE ADDRESSED TO:**

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